

Burnett Bridge, Quay St East, Bundaberg, QLD, Australia

Photographs:



List:	Register of the National Estate
Class:	Historic
Legal Status:	Registered (26/04/1988)
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Statement of Significance:

This bridge was opened on 24 August 1900 and has eight 51.9m through metal truss spans totalling 412m. When opened, it was the fifth longest metal truss bridge in Australia, after Moorabool (1862, 396m, no longer existing), the first Hawkesbury Rail Bridge (1889, 875m, no longer existing), Algebuckina (1891, 586m) and Macrossan (1899, 457m, in place but out of service). Designed by Alfred Barton Brady, it is similar to the nearby Kennedy bridge and the 1897 Victoria Bridge in Brisbane (since been replaced). Both Victoria Bridge, Brisbane, and the Burnett Bridge had 51.9m spans there being six at Victoria and eight at Burnett. The trusses were virtually identical. However, the Victoria Bridge has a wider roadway divided into two portions running between three trusses, whereas Burnett has only two trusses. Further, the Victoria Bridge was built as a capital city bridge and given much more expensive decoration than Burnett.

Official Values: Not Available

Description:

The bridge carries a 7.3m road and a 1.9m footpath. The road is on transverse metal troughing spanning between the lower chords of through type hog back trusses. It has eight 51.9m spans, with cylinder piers and concrete abutments.

History: Not Available

Condition and Integrity:

The bridge is in use and appears to be in good condition and in its original state. There are plans to replace it by a bridge further downstream.

Location:

Joins Quay Street, Bundaberg and Perry Street, across the Burnett River, North Bundaberg.

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