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# Yacht Club Hotel



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## Location

207 Nelson Place WILLIAMSTOWN, Hobsons Bay City

## Municipality

HOBSONS BAY CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO225

## Heritage Listing

Hobsons Bay City

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## Statement of Significance

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What is Significant?

The Yacht Club Hotel, constructed in 1892 possibly to a design by Powell, Whitaker & Canning, at 207 Nelson Place, Williamstown.

How is it Significant?

The Yacht Club Hotel at 207 Nelson Place, Williamstown is of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Hobsons Bay.

Why is it Significant?

Historically, it was associated with the initiation of the Hobson's Bay Yacht Club and a prominent quasi-public building in the town. (AHC criteria A4 and D2)

Aesthetically, it is a near original competently designed hotel building in a common late nineteenth century commercial form which contributes to an important streetscape and possesses interesting details associated with its maritime setting. (AHC criteria E1 and F1)

Heritage Study/Consultant Hobsons Bay - Hobsons Bay Heritage Study, Hobsons Bay City Council, 2006;

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Property Number

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## Physical Description 1

The Yacht Club is a two storeyed, parapeted stuccoed Victorian hotel with segment-arched upper fenestration and arched, at the lower level. Cornice, impost and string intermittent moulds divide the facade laterally whilst balustrading to the parapet and smooth rustication to the lower facade complete the typical commercial ornament of the period.

Notable ornamentation includes the stylised shell motif in the arched raised entablature and the 1881 New Zealand built yacht 'Taniwha' beneath, both in stucco bas-relief (4).

Externally, the building is generally original except for the removal of parapet orbs from the end piers, the added dado tiles, minor alterations to ground level openings, and addition of signs. The sill of one ground level window opening has been lowered.

## Integrity

External Integrity and condition

*Integrity - High. Condition - Good.*

## Physical Description 2

Context

The Yacht Club Hotel is a contributory element within the historic Nelson Place commercial streetscape.

## Historical Australian Themes

Developing local, regional and national economies, Lodging people

## Physical Description 3

*Associations*

Carlton & West End Brewery, Thomas L Parker, WJ Suiter, Henry Press and Williamstown Yacht Club

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