
JOHN BULL CO

Location

21 SLAUGHTERHOUSE ROAD DURHAM LEAD, BALLARAT CITY

Municipality

BALLARAT CITY

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7622-0237

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Hermes Number 11891

Property Number

History

Contextual History:History of Place:

Heritage Inventory History of Site:

Durham Lead, No. 5 or Buninyong Division, Ballarat

JOHN BULL GOLD MINING Co./JOHN BULL Co.

08.1857: company formed

09.11.1857: on the Durham Lead the John Bull claim amalgamated with other parties last week and work will begin in earnest now that the timid parties have been weeded out.

03.1860: now in the gutter and have commenced puddling.

04.1860: busy and obtaining a fair yield.

06.1860: doing very well.

02.1861: yielding good wages at present.

04.1861: at work driving out the gutter with the usual returns.
06.1861: persevering but with indifferent results.
07.1861: last fortnights result were good at £16 per share.
08.1861: last 2 months have yielded £3 to £8 per man per week.
09.1861: dividend of £14 per man for the fortnight.
11.1861: earning about £5 per man per week.
12.1861: southern portion giving good yields; earnings £39 per man last month.
12.1862: produced 4,500 ounces by this time.
02.1863: shaft down 300 feet; using a 13 inch by 18 inch steam engine for puddling, winding and pumping; the boiler is 18 feet by 4 feet 6 inches; using 7 inch pumps, plunger and drawlift; trucks and cages
1863: yields had fallen and some of the 31 shareholders preferred to forfeit the mine.
12.1870: together with the Hopeful and other workings yielded 700 ounces.
03.1871: together with the Hopeful, Speculator, Monte Christo etc., yielded 700 ounces.
09.1871: yield of 80 ounces.
12.1871 : yield of 300 ounces.
07.1860 to 12.1871: recorded production of 4878 ozs 11 dwt 3 gr (or 151.774 kg).
03.1872: having problems with the water, some miners were thrown out of work while the company was procuring more powerful machinery.

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