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Location

GIBBS ACCESS ROAD TRENTHAM EAST, MACEDON RANGES SHIRE

Municipality

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Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7723-1136

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

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Occupied by a succession of sawmillers for almost sixty years; Christian was one of the earliest sawmillers in Victoria. The site provides almost complete record of the layout of the sawmill and has a high degree of archaeological potential.

Interpretation of Site The mill shed is located in the south-east corner of the site and would originally have measured approx 18mx9m. The remains indicate the mill was powered by a separate boiler and a stationary engine. A dam above the mill provided water for the boiler. The remains also indicate the mill was elevated. Remains of the settlement include stone chimney foundations and the remains of two stables with extensive drainage lines.

Hermes Number 12603

Property Number

History

THE FIRST SAWMILL ON THIS SITE WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1860S BY MCPHERSON BROTHERS OF TRENTHAM. THEREAFTER, A SUCCESSION OF OWNERS/MANAGERS WERE INVOLVED.

1870-72: JAMES MUIR AND COMPANY

1872-78: GEORGE LAVER

1880-1899: WILLIAM CHRISTIAN

1899-1918: WILLIAM HENRY AND WILLIAM DAVID CHRISTIAN;

1918-1923: FRITHJOF MORTON

THE MILL WAS BURNT OUT IN 1923

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