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# Cherry Hill



Wonga Rd 19



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## Location

19 Wonga Road RINGWOOD NORTH, MAROONDAH CITY

## Municipality

MAROONDAH CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO82

## Heritage Listing

Maroondah City

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## Statement of Significance

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(Former) Cherry Hill appears as an unusual late timber Californian Bungalow with an attic, built in the late 1920s, set in a mature garden with substantial trees. However, if the site was settled by Michael Murphy as early as 1874 in an adobe cottage, of two rooms, it has historical significance to Maroondah as an embodiment of comfortable rural town life in Ringwood, before the Great Depression. But more importantly, it may provide evidence of settlement as early as 1874 and demonstrate an association with pioneer settler Michael Murphy. It is architecturally significant locally, as an unusual variant of the Californian Bungalow domestic style. It may have scientific significance for potential research into early construction techniques in Ringwood.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Maroondah - Maroondah Heritage Identification Study, Richard Peterson with Peter Barrett, 1998;
Hermes Number	146986
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## Physical Description 1

An unusual timber bungalow with a gabled roof across. Another gable projects at centre front containing an attic. This opens on to a generous balcony. The balustrade is clad with shingles and swells at its base at front and sides. At centre front of this is a broad catenary curve, inscribing a palisaded section of wide boards as balusters. Windows are generally casements. Below are two rectangular bay-windows in a verandah generally across the front at ground floor level, with a timber palisade of broad boards between posts and post-pairs, with fretwork brackets. At right the verandah extends under an extension of the roof. Eaves are supported on simple brackets. There is a mature garden with mature trees, including at rear; and an Eucalypt in the nature-strip, which the footpath curves around.

## Intactness

It is difficult to tell whether this building has been altered. If the early adobe construction survives it would be very significant. Further investigation is needed.

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