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# BLUESTONE COTTAGE ST PATRICKS

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## Location

3483 PENSHURST WARRNAMBOOL ROAD MINHAMITE, MOYNE SHIRE

## Municipality

MOYNE SHIRE

## Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7322-0009

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

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Interpretation of Site	Phases in the development of the site: Place is likely represents a single phase of occupation dating to the mid- to late- 19th century. The place likely represents original settler domestic dwelling and / or workers dwelling of Gibbs St Patrick Days run in the mid- to late 19th century. Activities represented: domestic day-to-day living and work.
Archaeological Significance	The place has been assessed having moderate scientific (archaeological) significance. Although the place is a common example of a bluestone cottage of the early pastoral industry in Western Victoria, it is in good condition and has moderate potential to contribute additional information. There is potential for additional archaeological remains and portable relics to be present within and surrounding the structure. Archaeological remains may be associated with subfloor deposits, while portable relics may be found under the current heavy grass cover surrounding the building. These may relate to the period of occupation and the activities conducted at the place. The period of occupation and activities of the was unable to be demonstrated with certainty from the historical research, therefore any archaeological remains may contribute to a better understanding of the place.
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## History

The land on which the bluestone cottage is located was originally part of Matthew Gibb's St Patricks Day run and subsequently purchased by him as part of pre-emptive right. After his death in 1874 the land was leased then purchased in 1881 by Robert & Joseph Whitehead. In 1908 the property passed to John Anderson, then in 1911 subdivided and the southern part sold to Frances Staughton. In 1920 it was owned by William Andrews and has passed through numerous hands. In 1976 the land was subdivided into two lots with most of the pre-emptive right part of 1/PS118071. Currently the land is used for dairying.

The bluestone cottage most likely dates from the 1850s to the 1870s because the probate records of Gibb show that various structures were located on his run, although no specific mention is made of the bluestone cottage. No specific historical information has been found that mentions the bluestone cottage (Blake 2011).

Additional details of the place history is found in Blake (2011).

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