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# Woolshed (on Marathon Estate)

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## Location

1385 Ballan Road, MOORABOOL VIC 3221 - Property No 276342

## Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO25

## Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

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## Statement of Significance

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### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The rectangular plan bluestone woolshed on the former pastoral property 'Marathon' estate was constructed in the 1860's for pastoralist John Gray. The woolshed, characteristically functional and designed in the agricultural building tradition of the era 1850-1860 is all that remains of the 'Marathon' run, the homestead and appurtenant outbuildings being demolished in 1938-39. Several notable Victorian pastoralists, including Robert Officer and Sir Samuel Wilson owned the property. The bluestone woolshed is typical of pastoral property buildings, without significant architectural importance and eclipsed by many other woolshed structures in the region.

### References

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Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Geelong - Geelong Region Historic Buildings and Objects Study, Allan Willingham, 1986;
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	21701
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