

STANMORE HOMESTEAD



23264 Stanmore Balmoral facade 2194



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23264 Stanmore Balmoral rear 2200



23264 Stanmore Balmoral side 2199

Location

Harrow-Balmoral Road, BALMORAL VIC 3407 - Property No 0519

Municipality

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Stage 2 study complete

Heritage Listing

Southern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

Stanmore is a large single storey rendered brick house, with an attached verandah on three sides. The house was built in about 1865, using a simple version of the Italianate style. The house has suffered from periods of neglect, and has lost some of its original fabric. However, some important remnants of the original interior decoration survive. It has been extended and altered internally during the 20th century. The house has been sited on a rise overlooking Mathers Creek, with a view to the nearby town of Balmoral. The garden is a modern design.

How is it significant?

Stanmore is of historical and architectural significance to the township of Balmoral and the Southern Grampians Shire.

Why is it significant?

Stanmore is of historical significance for its association with important pioneering families of the area, in particular the Robertsons, McConochies, and Lyons, and for its long period of ownership by the Balmoral Presbyterian Church. Stanmore is of architectural significance as an example of a large mid-Victorian house, likely to have been designed by an architect, with reference to the Italianate style.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Southern Grampians - Southern Grampians Shire Heritage Study, Timothy Hubbard P/L, Annabel Neylon, 2002;
Construction dates	1860,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	23264
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Physical Conditions

The house is in good condition.

Physical Description 1

Stanmore is a large, single storey, symmetrical, rendered brick house, built in a simple version of the Italianate style. It has a verandah, much altered, on three sides. The roof is low pitched, with shallow, undecorated eaves, and is covered in corrugated iron. The house has been extended at the rear and altered internally. There are important vestiges of the interior decoration including original graining and wallpapers. The garden appears to date from the 1960s.

Historical Australian Themes

Theme 4: Building settlements, towns and cities

4.5 Making settlements to serve rural Australia

Theme 8: Developing Australia's cultural life

8.12 Living in and around Australian homes

8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements

Usage/Former Usage

residential

Integrity

High degree of integrity externally. Interiors have lost some of their original decoration although some graining may survive and wallpapers have been painted over. Plan has been altered by the demolition of some internal walls.

Physical Description 2

Mary Robertson, nee McConochie, first owner

John George Robertson, squatter and botanist, husband of the first owner

Basil McConochie Lyon, merchant, first post master in Balmoral, later owner

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