EATON PARK

23643 Eaton Park Glenthompson facade 1221

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23643 Eaton Park Glenthompson garage 1218

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23643 Eaton Park Glenthompson rear elevation 1219

Location

Glenelg Highway, GLENTHOMPSON VIC 3293 - Property No 0019

Municipality

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Stage 2 study complete

Heritage Listing

Southern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - September 16, 2004

What is significant?
Eaton Park is a single storey symmetrical cream brick bungalow in the Moderne style located on the Glenelg Highway a short distance from Glenthompson. The land was farmed in the nineteenth century by Josiah Turner, although it is not believed that any dwelling was built at that time. The present house dates from 1949-50 and was built for the son and daughter in law of Donald Forbes, one of the owners of the nearby Brickworks. The other owner of the brickworks, Reg Williams built the house. The house is in fair condition and retains a very high degree of integrity.

How is it significant?
Eaton Park is of architectural significance to the Southern Grampians Shire.

Why is it significant?
Eaton Park is of architectural significance as a relatively rare example of the Moderene style applied in a rural setting. It is of further significance for its associations with the Glenthompson Brickworks and the owners, Donald Forbes and Reg Williams

Heritage Study/Consultant	Southern Grampians - Southern Grampians Shire Heritage Study, Timothy Hubbard P/L, Annabel Neylon, 2002;
Construction dates	1949,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	23643
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Physical Conditions

The building and the garden are in fair condition.

Physical Description 1

Eaton Park is a single storey, asymmetrical cream brick bungalow in the Moderne style. As well as the distinctive use of cream bricks, it employs other motifs to create its sense of style such as large picture windows, small porthole windows, parapet walls to hide the almost flat roof, and a strong horizontal emphasis. The timber sash windows are subdivided by horizontal glazing bars. Dark bricks are used to finish details such as window sills and the capping of the parapet walls. A flat-roofed porch with low brick planter boxes and a quarry tile floor shelters the front door. The house may have been extended soon after its construction. There is a side entrance which links across the side drive to the small cream brick garage. The house is set within a mature garden from the same period, which includes an older timber gazebo, and behind a massive Cypress hedge. The straight drive terminates with a turning circle.

The house can be compared directly with those designed by Seabrooke and Fildes and built by Reg Williams at 13 Carmichael Street and 355 Gray Street, Hamilton. It can be contrasted with its neighbour Wintoc, Glenelg Highway, Glenthompson.

Historical Australian Themes

Theme 3 Developing local, regional and national economies
3.5 Developing primary production
3.5.1 Grazing stock

Theme 5
5.8 Working on the land

Theme 8 Developing Australia's cultural life
8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements

Usage/Former Usage

presently unoccupied.

Integrity

Very high degree of integrity for both house and garden.

Physical Description 2

Donald Forbes, grazier and part owner of the Glenthompson Brickworks
Reg Williams, master builder and part owner of the Glenthompson Brickworks
'Binj' and Ina Forbes, owners
Burger family, present owners

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