# **FAIRFIELD**



23649 Copy of 4442 Fairfield Lake Linlithgow Rd Warrayure

# Location

Lake Linlithgow Road, WARRAYURE VIC 3301 - 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 - March 3, 2004

What is significant?

Fairfield is a large single storey asymmetrical timber house which was built in 1912, and extended in 1930. The house is located in a typical Edwardian garden with several fine specimens of Canary Island Palm (Phoenix canariensis). The land was purchased by Johann Mibus as one of several parcels of land he purchased from the Warrayure Estate in the 1880s. Each of the allotments was given to one of his seven sons to farm independently. Otto Mibus, the sixth son of Johann Mibus took up the land and built a six room timber home in 1912. His growing family demanded the extension of the house by four rooms in 1930. The house is in good condition and retains a good degree of integrity to the 1930s period.

How is it significant?

Fairfield is of historical significance to the Southern Grampians Shire.

#### Why is it significant?

Fairfield is of historical significance for its associations with the Mibus family, who have had continuous ownership of the property for almost 100 years. It is of further historical significance when viewed with other properties which were developed by the sons of Johann Mibus on the land which he purchased from Warrayure Estate to assist his children in establishing independent livelihoods.

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Study/Consultant P/L, Annabel Neylon, 2002;

Construction dates 1912,

Heritage Act Categories

Registered place,

Hermes Number 23649

**Property Number** 

# **Physical Conditions**

Good condition

# **Physical Description 1**

Fairfield is a single storey asymmetrical timber house with a corrugated iron verandah supported by carved timber posts. The house was originally a timber house of six rooms with gable roofs and a small verandah enclosing a porch. Four rooms have been added to the original house in the 1930s.

The house is set in a substantial Edwardian garden, with typical plantings and features. A circular lawn is located at the front of the house with a Canary Island Palm (Phoenix caneriensis) planted at the centre, gravel driveways and various other plantings of Canary Island Palm dominate the front garden and dwarf the house. The house and garden are surrounded by a hedge of Lawson's Cypress Cupressus lawsoniana which has been trained into an arch over the driveway with a smaller convex arch above it.

## **Historical Australian Themes**

Theme 3: Developing local, regional and national economies 3.5 Developing primary production 3.5.1 Grazing stock 3.5.2 Breeding animals 3.5.3 Developing agricultural industries

Theme 5: Working 5.8 Working on the land

## Integrity

Good degree of integrity to the 1930s

# **Physical Description 2**

Mibus family

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