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# HOPE PARK (HOUSE)

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## Location

Chatsworth Road TARRINGTON, Southern Grampians Shire

## Municipality

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

## Level of significance

Stage 2 study complete

## Heritage Listing

Southern Grampians Shire

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - March 10, 2004

### What is significant?

Hope Park is a single storey symmetrical timber house with a terracotta tile roof and terracotta tile verandah located on Chatsworth Road in the township of Tarrington. The house is located in the remains of a suburban garden, and to the east of the house are the remains of a substantial vegetable garden and orchard. Hope Park was established by Johann Mibus and his family in the mid 1850s, and continues to remain in the same family. No architect or builder has been associated with the design of the building. The building is in very good condition and retains a high degree of integrity.

### How is it significant?

Hope Park is of historical significance to the township of Tarrington and the Southern Grampians Shire.

### Why is it significant?

Hope Park is of historical significance as an excellent representative example of a self sufficient house and small parcel of land which was typical of the German Lutherans who arrived in the area in the 1850s. The complex also indicates a social history significance as it demonstrates the relationship between generations and the notion of extended family, evident in the small timber structure which became the parent's home when children took over the main home. Of further historical significance is the long continuous association which Hope Park has had with the Mibus family, and the German Lutheran community for over 130 years continuously.

Construction dates	1850,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	23778
Property Number	

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## Physical Conditions

Very good.

## Physical Description 1

Hope Park is a single storey timber house with a later terracotta tile roof and a terracotta tile verandah which extends over a concrete floor. The house is symmetrical, with a central door and two double hung sash windows on either side of the front door. The floorplan of this section is arranged in the conventional form, with rooms opening from a central passageway. The oldest section of the house, is of pug construction, and forms the nucleus of the house. The pug has been covered with timber and is not visible. At the rear of the house is a timber laundry with a gabled roof clad in corrugated iron. The laundry has a simple shallow verandah.

The remains of a large vegetable garden and orchard remain to the east of the house, and contain the remnants of several early fruit trees, including a walnut tree planted said to have been planted in 1855. Surrounding the house, vegetable garden and orchard are typical nineteenth century plantings such as Italian cypress (*Cupressus seprevirens*).

## Historical Australian Themes

Theme 2 Peopling Australia

2.4 Migrating

2.4.1 Migrating to save or preserve a way of life

2.4.2 Migrating to seek opportunity

2.4.3 Migrating to escape oppression

2.4.4 Migrating through organised colonisation

2.4.5 Changing the face of rural and urban Australia through migration

2.5 Promoting settlement

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

Fair degree of integrity

## Physical Description 2

Mibus family

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