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# FALCONER BUILDING (FORMER)



Falconer Building (former, 2020)



Falconer's Building (former, 2000)



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## Location

13 RADOVICK STREET, KORUMBURRA, SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

## Municipality

SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

## Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Listing

South Gippsland Shire

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## Statement of Significance

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### What is significant?

The Falconer's Building at 13 Radovick Street, Korumburra, built in 1893, is significant. This single storey brick shop with gable roof with a straight profile street verandah. Above the verandah is a rendered brick parapet with a central pediment and side piers. The central pediment is surmounted by a segmental cornice, scrolls and a spherical urn. The building has moulded capping. Non-original alterations and additions, other than those specified above, are not significant.

### How is it significant?

The Falconer 's Building is of local historic and aesthetic significance to the South Gippsland Shire. The building is also strongly associated with its namesake, Mr Neil Falconer.

### Why is it significant?

Historically, the Falconer's Building is assumed to be built by the owner Mr Neil Falconer, as he was a renown builder in the region. This building is one of the oldest commercial buildings in Korumburra and demonstrates the

initial phase of development in Korumburra in the period after the opening of the South Eastern Railway in 1891. (Criterion A)

Aesthetically, the building is a superior, intact example of a late Victorian commercial shop with a notable parapet. The parapet design is unique to the region and still remains largely intact, including bearing the Falconer name and establishment year. This building contributes significantly to the aesthetic and historic character of Korumburra and Radovick Street. (Criterion E)

The building is named for Mr Neil Falconer, who lived in Korumburra and surrounding areas as a notable building contractor. His final major commission prior to leaving the district was the Korumburra Primary School Infant Room in 1913 (see KOR-MI-PS). Through his work, and the building that bears his name, Mr Falconer has left a legacy of buildings throughout South Gippsland that significantly contribute to its history and aesthetics. (Criterion H)

Heritage Study/Consultant	South Gippsland - South Gippsland Heritage Study, David Helms with Trevor Westmore, 2004;
Construction dates	1893, 1893, 1893,
Architect/Designer	Falconer, Neil,
Other Names	-, thematic,
Hermes Number	30734
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

Falconer's Building at 13 Radovick Street, Korumburra is a single storey brick shop with a corrugated iron gable roof, a straight profile street verandah and a rendered brick parapet with a central pediment surmounted by a segmental cornice, scrolls and a spherical urn. The pediment is carried on piers from the verandah level and the straight sides of the parapet have side piers and a moulded capping.

The shopfront may date from the interwar period, but the brick side piers and stall and the verandah are recent.

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