INGLESIDE (FORMER)



Ingleside



Historic image, 46 Scannels Rd



Entrance to north cottage



Looking to the north along verandah of north cottage



Formerly detached rear kitchen (now bathroom)



South side elevation of north cottage



South cottage

Location

46 SCANNELS ROAD, TOORA NORTH, SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

Municipality

SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

Heritage Listing

South Gippsland Shire

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The former 'Ingleside', comprising the two cottages, constructed c.1895, at 46 Scannels Road, Toora North, is significant. The cottages are laid end to end with a space between. The northern cottage is the most intact. Originally, it appears to have been two rooms deep with three rooms contained under the main gable and further rooms within the rear skillion. There is one centrally placed brick chimney. The symmetrical facade has characteristic central door flanked by pairs of six-over-six pane windows, and there are further six-over-six windows in the north and south end walls. A straight verandah extends across the front and returns along the north side. The verandah is devoid of decoration apart from scalloped weatherboards at the south end. The rear skillion section has been extended and now connects to a smaller, formerly detached, gable structure at the rear, possibly an early kitchen and now used as bathroom. The southern cottage is more altered, but still retains its overall gabled form and some detailing such as multi-paned windows and contributes to the setting of the two cottages.

Alterations and additions made to the buildings after World War II are not significant.

How is it significant?

The former 'Ingleside' at 46 Scannels Road, Toora North is of local historic and architectural significance to South Gippsland Shire.

Why is it significant?

Historically, the cottages are associated with the first phase of land selection and settlement in the hills north of Toora. The significance of the cottages is enhanced by their rarity value as some of the few buildings that predate the disastrous bushfires of 1898. (Criteria A, B & D)

Architecturally, the northern cottage is significant as a relatively intact and rare example of an early Victorian timber cottage with characteristic symmetrical single-gable form and original detailing including the six-over-six pane sash windows. (Criteria B, D & E)

Heritage South Gippsland - Amendment C92 Heritage Review, David Helms Heritage Planning,

Study/Consultant 2014; South Gippsland - South Gippsland Heritage Study, David Helms with Trevor

Westmore, 2004;

Construction dates 1895.

Other Names Gully Humprey, House, homestead, cottage,

Hermes Number 31009

Property Number

The homestead complex at 46 Scannels Road, Toora comprises a pair of gable roof weatherboard cottages laid end to end with a space between. These are two of three original cottages shown in early photographs held by the current owner, with the centre element, which formed the 'arms of a cross' in plan, removed.

Of the two remaining cottages, the northern cottage is the most intact. Originally, it appears to have been two rooms deep with three rooms contained under the main gable (a central living room with two bedrooms originally opening directly off either side)and further rooms within the rear skillion. There is one centrally placedbrick chimney. The symmetrical facade has characteristic central door flanked by pairs of six-over-six pane windows, and there are further six-over-six windows in the north and south end walls. A straight verandah extends across the front and returns along the north side. The verandah is devoid of decoration apart from scalloped weatherboards at the south end. The rear skillion section has been extended and now connects to a smaller, formerly detached, gable structure at the rear, possibly an early kitchen and now used as bathroom. Other alterations include the replacement of weatherboards to the northern gable end with fibro-cement.

The southern cottage is more altered, when compared to the early photograph held by the current owner. A verandah has been added along the front and south elevations and part of the front wall extended out to the edge of the verandah. Windows appear to have been replaced or moved. It appears to retain some early six-over-six pane windows, but they are of different sizes to the more consistent sized windows in the northern cottage. Different types of weatherboards separated by timber stops in the external walls indicate different stages of construction and again raise the possibility that the building was moved to this site. Despite these changes, the building retains its overall gabled form and some detailing such as windows as seen in the early photograph and can clearly be understood in relation to the other cottage.

The cottages are set within a garden, which contains some mature fruit trees as well as a mature Holly (*Ilex. sp.*) amongst more recent plantings. The early photographs show that there was a very limited garden around the house at that time.

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