St. Albans Community Hall Youth Club / Tin Shed



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Location

Main Road East, ST ALBANS VIC 3021 - Property No 98

Municipality

BRIMBANK CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO103

Heritage Listing

Brimbank City

Statement of Significance

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The St.Albans Youth Club is of local social and historical significance as a demonstration of the community-inspired and directed services which were created in St.Albans, following the great population boom of the post World War Two period. At a time when many young families, particularly from European migrant backgrounds, were establishing themselves in the area, the youth club provided an outlet for young people where other

services (sports clubs, libraries, etc.) were greatly lacking. The building form of portable recycled Quonset hut and vernacular basalt block facade also demonstrates the make-do, self-sufficient character of the club's instigators. The Club is also significant for its association with the local community activist, Jack Cameron, and, following his death, the work carried on by his wife, Mrs. Lorna Cameron.

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Study/Consultant 2000;

Construction dates 1950,

Hermes Number 106207

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Physical Description 1

Description

A bluestone front of roughly-mortared road pitchers has been built across the north end of a former Army Nissen (or Quonset) hut at the west end of Errington Reserve. The main structure is of curved corrugated iron on angle iron and timber framework, with inserted timber door and window frames. Other additions have been made to provide toilet facilities and extra space and parts of the interior have been lined with panel board. Some landscaping with Australian species has been carried out around the building.

Physical Conditions

In fair condition, reflecting the adaptive nature of its home-made construction.

Historical Australian Themes

8 Developing Australia's cultural life

8.1 Organising recreation

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