
House, 41 Seaby Street, STAWELL



SL 316 - House, 41 Seaby Street (corner D'Arcy Street), STAWELL

Location

41 Seaby Street STAWELL, NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Municipality

NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

Heritage Listing

Northern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

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The house at 41 Seaby Street, Stawell, makes a significant contribution to the predominantly single storey, Victorian styled streetscape of Seaby Street and has visual connections to the Grampians ranges. This house was built in c.1903 for William Henry and Edith Carter. William Carter was a local bootmaker and a popular and well-known identity in Stawell.

The house at 41 Seaby Street is **architecturally** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It demonstrates original design qualities of a transitional Late Victorian and Federation style. These qualities include the central dominant hipped roof form, together with the minor gambrel roof forms and a return skillion verandah that project towards the front and side. Other intact qualities include the timber wall construction simulating ashlar block masonry, asymmetrical composition, single storey height, lapped galvanised corrugated iron roof cladding, rendered brick

chimneys with projecting cornice or multi-corbelled tops, narrow overhangs with worked timber brackets, rectangular panels and paterae, timber framed double hung windows and the cast iron ridge ornamentation and finials. The mature palm trees also contribute to the significance of the place.

The house at 41 Seaby Street is **historically** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It is associated with residential developments in Stawell during the Federation (c.1895-1915) period. In particular, this house has associations with William Henry Carter and his wife Edith (nee Akins), who instigated construction in c.1903. William Carter was a prominent citizen of Stawell, operating the family's long-standing boot shop in Main Street for 56 years. He was heavily involved with the Stawell Athletic Club, Progress Association, Traders' Association, Eureka Morning Star and MUIOOF Masonic Lodges and the Holy Trinity Church.

Overall, the house at 41 Seaby Street is of **LOCAL** significance.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Northern Grampians - Shire of Northern Grampians - Stage 2 Heritage Study, Wendy Jacobs, Vicki Johnson, David Rowe, Phil Taylor, 2004;
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Physical Description 1

The site at 41 Seaby Street is visually connected to other significant, single storey, predominantly Victorian styled houses in the streetscape of Seaby Street. It is also visually connected to the Grampians ranges to the south-west.

This house is situated on a corner allotment and has a large front setback identified by a substantial palm tree. There are other mature palm trees along the side, as well as later plantings and grassed areas. The front is bound by a recent timber and lattice fence, approximately 1500 mm high.

The asymmetrical, single storey, transitional Late Victorian and Federation styled house is characterised by a central dominant hipped roof form, together with the minor gambrel roof forms and a return skillion verandah that project towards the front and side. These roof forms are clad in lapped galvanised corrugated iron and are composed in a typical Federation stylistic manner. Several rendered brick chimneys with projecting cornice or multi-corbelled tops adorn the roofline. Victorian styled narrow overhangs with worked timber brackets, rectangular panels and paterae are features of the eaves.

A feature of the design is the timber wall construction simulating ashlar block masonry. Another feature is the return verandah, which is supported by introduced steel truss columns and has a decorative timber fretwork valance.

The timber framed double hung windows are early, with a tripartite window under the verandah having wide central window and narrow sidelights.

Another early decorative feature of the design is the cast iron ridge ornamentation and finials.

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