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1 emu bottom racecourse  
road sunbury side view with  
fencing



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### **Location**

410 RACECOURSE ROAD SUNBURY, HUME CITY

### **Municipality**

HUME CITY

### **Level of significance**

Registered

### **Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number**

H0274

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO53

## VHR Registration

October 9, 1974

## Amendment to Registration

July 29, 1981

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - June 4, 1999

Emu Bottom Homestead is located on a property settled by George Evans in 1836. Evans was in the party which first settled at Batmans Hill (later to become Melbourne) and was, later, a prominent figure in early Melbourne and the first settler at Sunbury. The run was established in the earliest days of settlement in Victoria and is one of if not the oldest surviving homesteads in Victoria.

The first homestead of 1836 may have been incorporated into the present structure, the dates of which are unknown. The building is L-shaped in plan and is constructed of local stone with hipped shingle roofs and a timber verandah on one side with doors opening on to it. The windows have twelve-paned sashes.

The building was restored in 1970 and further altered in 1976 and repaired after fire damage in 1980. The 24 hectare area as defined in the amended designation protects the homestead, its house garden and immediate environment. It preserves the important relationship between the house and Jacksons Creek. The wider views to the nearby hills to the north, west and south of Emu Bottom cover an area of land so large and undefined by buildings or specific sites of historical importance to the homestead that it could not be said to relate directly to the building, other than to indicate the logic of its siting. These views will be protected by the existing planting which the owner has undertaken to reinforce.

## Permit Exemptions

### General Exemptions:

General exemptions apply to all places and objects included in the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR). General exemptions have been designed to allow everyday activities, maintenance and changes to your property, which don't harm its cultural heritage significance, to proceed without the need to obtain approvals under the Heritage Act 2017.

Places of worship: In some circumstances, you can alter a place of worship to accommodate religious practices without a permit, but you must **notify** the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria before you start the works or activities at least 20 business days before the works or activities are to commence.

Subdivision/consolidation: Permit exemptions exist for some subdivisions and consolidations. If the subdivision or

consolidation is in accordance with a planning permit granted under Part 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the application for the planning permit was referred to the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria as a determining referral authority, a permit is not required.

Specific exemptions may also apply to your registered place or object. If applicable, these are listed below. Specific exemptions are tailored to the conservation and management needs of an individual registered place or object and set out works and activities that are exempt from the requirements of a permit. Specific exemptions prevail if they conflict with general exemptions.

Find out more about heritage permit exemptions [here](#).

Construction dates	1836,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Other Names	FORMER HOLLY GREEN,
Hermes Number	1136
Property Number	

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## Extent of Registration

Historic Building No. 274 - Emu Bottom, Racecourse Road, Sunbury (Including surrounding land as marked on the plan held on the file of the Department of Planning).  
[*Victoria Government Gazette* No. 76 29 July 1981 p.2484]

*This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.*

*For further details about Heritage Overlay places, contact the relevant local council or go to Planning Schemes Online <http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/>*