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# LYSTERFIELD BOYS FARM SITE



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## Location

OFF POWELLS ROAD LYSTERFIELD, KNOX CITY

## Municipality

KNOX CITY

## Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

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Interpretation of Site      Heritage Inventory Interpretation: House site may date to mid-late 19th century, as do orchard remnants. House was also used as residence during the site's use as a boys farm. Other remains (dormitory, dairy) were part of a boys farm.

Hermes Number      11485

Property Number

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## History

Heritage Inventory History of Site:

First owner was Abraham Strettle - 1868. Original house may date to circa 1870. Orchard established on site together with canning factory (c. 1880). In 1908 property was purchased by Gus Powell and used as a horse stud. Purchased in 1935 by the Church of England Boys Society to establish a Boy's Farm. Original house became manager's house and a dormitory, to house 22 boys, and a new dairy were constructed. In 1944 the State Rivers and Water Commission purchased the land and the structures were subsequently removed. Site is now managed by Parks Victoria.

*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.*

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