
Bacchus Marsh Railway Station



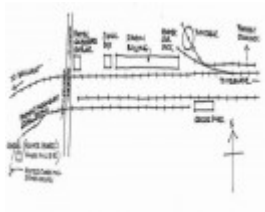
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Location

Station Street MADDINGLEY, MOORABOOL SHIRE

Municipality

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Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO168

Heritage Listing

Moorabool Shire

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - June 1, 1995

A brick railway station complex, built in 1889. including various ancillary buildings and other elements.

The station complex has local historical significance to Bacchus Marsh for its influence on development of various kinds: agriculture, industry, extraction, tourists, business, housing and hospitality.

It is of local social significance as a landmark used by the community for orientation.

It appears in many photographic views of the town.

The station also has local historical significance as a transport link to Melbourne and stimulated developments in community life including cultural, educational, sport and entertainment.

It demonstrates the effect of government action as a stimulus in these areas.

It has local architectural significance as a characteristic and well developed example of a building type with all its appearances.

Finally, the station has local social significance as a traditional meeting place for arrivals and departures from the town.

The station complex is of local scientific significance for its potential cultural research site, in archaeological excavation of the two chaff mill sites.

Heritage
Study/Consultant

Moorabool - Bacchus Marsh Heritage Study 1995, Richard Peterson and Daniel Catrice, 1995;

Hermes Number

117038

Property Number

Physical Conditions

Good. Services may be reduced. Passenger services threaten to be reduced due to the standard gauge line to Adelaide and consequently interstate services not stopping here.

Intactness

The brickwork is painted on the platform side, the finial has been truncated, there is an unsympathetic red brick flat-roofed addition on the west side and it has been altered recently to install new doors. The entrance gabled canopy is not original (refer photograph) and the signal box's gabled ends have been simplified by removal of finial and timbers.

SIGNIFICANT INTACT ELEMENTS:

FORM. FACADE. VERANDAH. ROOF FORM. PLAN/LAYOUT. USE. VERANDAH DEC. CHIMNEYS.
WINDOWS. UNPAINTED FINISH. OUTBUILDINGS. EQUIPMENT. ENGINEERING STRUCTURE.
ARCHAEOLOGICAL POTENTIAL. ROUTE

Physical Description 1

The complex includes: 1. Station Building, 2. Signal Box, 3. Guard's shed, 4. Turntable, 5. Manually operated signals, 6. Gatekeeper's Cottage, 7 & 8 Sites of two chaff mills (no evidence found). 9. Maddingley coal sidings.

1. *Station building*. A red brick pavilion, with render bands at cill and string-course level. It has 11 bays with a hip-root; the entrance marked by a central gable. There is a rendered chimney with dividers. The external front has a steep timber skillion canopy, supported on timber brackets, with its own central gable and timber scalloped valance ends. The platform canopy has cast iron Doric columns. It is convex with ends of cast iron latticed open-work. There are French doors from each compartment, with a timber label-mould over the entry, terminating in foliage. There are four seats and a barrow.

2. *Signal box*. Operating, with hand signals on the line. A two-storey timber utilitarian building with a gable-roof and four and six paned windows.

3. *Goods shed* Gable-roofed and corrugated iron clad utilitarian building .

4. *TurnTable*. Operating , and used monthly for tourist steam trains.

5. *Signals*, manually operated. Operating and in use (refer: photograph).

6. *Gatekeeper's Cottage*. Hip roofed timber (1920s?) cottage with a canted bay projecting and a skillion porch in the angle. Painted in standard buff and light Indian Red colours. This replaced an earlier gable-roofed cottage, booth and gates.

7 & 8 *Sites 0/2 Chaff Mills*. No traces were identified. Archaeological investigation is needed. (Refer location plan and detail Victorian Railways plans).

9. Maddingley Open Cut No 1. Coal Mine. Siding lines.

Historical Australian Themes

Transport/township

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