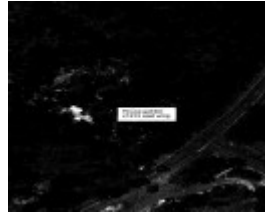


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## HO222 - Hazeldell, Albert Smith house, later Lenkunya, 925 Kangaroo Ground St Andrews Rd, Smiths Gully



HO222 - House (gable) viewed from east, with added carport at front



HO222 - Plan prepared from recent aerial image (Nillumbik Shire, NTS) contributory elements as shown.

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### Location

925 Andrews Rd SMITHS GULLY, NILLUMBIK SHIRE

### Municipality

NILLUMBIK SHIRE

### Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

### Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO222

### Heritage Listing

Nillumbik Shire

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### Statement of Significance

Last updated on - August 28, 2009

HERITAGE VALUE 2005: Local

## SIGNIFICANCE ASSESSMENT

What is significant?

Fabric associated with:

- the period 1910-1920s,
- Albert Smith tenure.

How is it significant?

Hazeldell, Albert Smith house, later Lenkunya (as of 1923) is historically significant to the locality:

Why is it significant?

Hazeldell, Albert Smith house, later Lenkunya (as of 1923) is significant:

- for its distinctive wattle & daub construction (part) (Criterion 82)
- as an example of the simple structures erected on early freeholds in the area, after the first major mining era, as expressed by the timber-lined main or first wing, and the once detached gabled bedroom wing behind (Criterion A4).

Heritage Study/Consultant	Nillumbik - C13 Heritage Stage 2 Final Report Revised Citation, Graeme Butler and Assoc., 2001;
Other Names	Albert Smith house, Hazeldell,
Hermes Number	118717
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## Physical Description 1

### DESCRIPTION

This house includes two identifiable early phases, one with walls of wattle & daub (kitchen- living area) and the other with adobe (rear bed rooms). Each wing is set under individual gabled form roofs, clad with corrugated iron, the first room roof having a steeper pitch to the wing behind, both gabled roof forms being visible externally. Between these wings is a hipped roof wing, added on the west end of the first section. A. defunct fireplace at the end of one of the bedrooms in the rear gabled wing shows that this wing was once free-standing.

Other more recent additions (including main living spaces) have been made on the north side. These sections are typically pole-framed, with masonry and adobe infill, and have re-used inter-war timber window groups set into their north walls.

Changes have been made to openings and internal linings (added timber ceiling linings in rear rooms under what was exposed corrugated iron), with use of second-hand materials further diffusing the period expression of the place. Previous owners have said that the rear main bedroom (adobe with pole framed roof) is part of an early miner's cottage. This room has a small fireplace built into its east end. .

However, the most identifiable is the chamfered ceiling profile of the kitchen living room that has bead-edge board lining and casement multi-pane windows. The precast concrete chimney at the east end and the bullnose weatherboard gable-end infill are typically Edwardian-era or inter-war,' as the history for this place suggests. The main entry to this wing (and the house) has an inter-war Old English style door. A pole-framed carport has been added across the front of this wing.

Nearby at the gate is the former owner's rustic gabled studio, clad with split horizontal timbers.

## **Physical Description 2**

Integrity

(Refer to description)

Many additions have been made along the north side of the two main early sections of the house, an addition made to the west end, and a carport added to the entry at the east end. New openings have been made and second hand joinery introduced. Walls have been rebuilt. Although the house has a distinct overall character it is not of the two early construction periods.

## **Physical Description 3**

Context

The house is set in a gully of partly cleared native forest, opposite the termination of Smiths Gully Rd at the Kangaroo Ground St Andrews Rd. It is also near opposite the Smiths Gully Post Office & General Store

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