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Captain Bowers Cottage, St. Andrews Street



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Location

50 Gellibrand Street QUEENSCLIFF, QUEENSCLIFFE BOROUGH

Municipality

QUEENSCLIFFE BOROUGH

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

Heritage Listing

Queenscliffe Borough

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - November 1, 2009

Statement of Significance as recorded under the Queenscliff Heritage Study 2009

Warraine is of local historical and architectural significance. It is of architectural significance as a good example of the Domestic Gothic/Tudor Revival styles in the township. It is historically significant as a largely intact example of a mid-nineteenth century dwelling built in the early years of Queenscliffe's development. *Warraine* is also significant for its association with Captain George Bower of the Pilot's Service, who built the house, and its association with James Balfour who owned and resided at the house for many years.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Queenscliffe - Queenscliffe Urban Conservation Study, Allom Lovell & Associates P/L, Architects, 1982; Queenscliffe - Queenscliffe Heritage Study, Lovell Chen, 2009;
Hermes Number	120382
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

Extract from the 1982 study

During 1876, Bower constructed two new timber houses. One was *Warraine*, facing Gellibrand Street, and the other, a smaller cottage which faces St Andrews Street.(S) Both buildings have asymmetrical plans with concave roof verandahs which extend from the gabled bays, across the front of each house. *Warraine* is distinguished from the cottage by panelled cast-iron friezes and brackets, in a repeating floral design, which are seated on timber capitals and posts. A bay window, with hipped sheet-zinc roofing and panelled side lights and colonettes to the *doorway*, provide further decorative elements. The cottage appears to contain elements from the demolished pilot cottage. Like *Clutha* (qv) *Warraine* follows a 'domestic gothic' or 'tudor' based style but lacks the fretted valences of the fanner and takes instead the simple manner of the Pilots' row which once extended from *Warraine* to King Street. *Warraine* is externally intact with the exception of part of the verandah balustrade and one addition placed at its south-east corner.

Physical Description 2

Extract from the 2009 study

Warraine is a single-storey weatherboard Victorian house set back from Gellibrand Street behind a mature garden. At centre is a bay with a street-facing gable, which has a canted bay window. A timber finial at the top of the gable has been partially removed. Extending across the facade, to the north of this bay is a timber-framed

verandah with cast iron brackets and a frieze of cast iron lace. The verandah has a convex profile roof. Facing this verandah are two double-hung sash windows and the front door of the house. A transverse gable roof extends over this part of the house. There is a timber finial at the top of this gable. Two rendered brick chimneys with Classically-inspired mouldings at their tops are visible to the rear of the ridge of the north part of the house.

To the south of the central bay is an addition with a hipped roof clad in corrugated galvanised steel. Part of this roof extends down over the wall to form a hood above two double-hung sash windows. A corrugated galvanised steel fence, with timber lattice along its top, extends along the front boundary. It has a timber picket gate. Signage at the front of the house reads 'The Pilot's House'.

Intactness

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