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Location

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Municipality

QUEENSCLIFFE BOROUGH

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO85

Heritage Listing

Queenscliffe Borough

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - November 1, 2009

Statement of Significance as recorded under the Queenscliff Heritage Study 2009

Seacroft was the summer residence of a prominent Melbourne family and, in its scale and the relative extent of its decoration, reflects this. It is the largest remaining private residence to be erected, prior to 1900, at Point Lonsdale and has more in common with the style and size of buildings erected at Queenscliff. It is the home of descendants of Elizabeth Moran.

N.A. Dunn, in her history of Point Lonsdale, has described Seacroft as being 'unusually imposing'. She mentions an upper storey and a windmill which was used as a navigation point.(B)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Queenscliffe - Queenscliffe Urban Conservation Study, Allom Lovell & Associates P/L, Architects, 1982; Queenscliffe - Queenscliffe Heritage Study, Lovell Chen, 2009;
Hermes Number	120767
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

Seacroft is a verandahed timber house on a rectangular plan which has been extended, perhaps at a later date,(7) with gabled bays, on the east and south faces. The cladding is of ashlar pattern boarding, the eaves are bracketted and the agee-roof verandah has cast iron friezework, brackets and posts. A queen head picket fence surrounds the building and the tennis court remains to the east. The building is basically as it was built, with the exception of the colour scheme.

Physical Description 2

Extract from the 2009 study

Seacroft is a substantial verandahed weatherboard house plan with dual wings, which has been extended,[i] and with gabled bays on the east and south faces, giving it a diagonal presentation. The roof, which is clad in

corrugated steel sheeting, has a comparatively steep pitch, punctuated by rendered chimneys with exaggerated cornices. The eaves are bracketed with a panelled frieze. The wall cladding is of ashlar pattern boarding, and the ogee-roof return verandah has cast iron frieze, brackets and posts. A queen head picket fence surrounds the building and the tennis court remains to the east.

Seacroft has been heavily restored and the timber finials appear to be recent; the verandah has also probably been rebuilt. The diagonal composition enables the wings and the return verandah to read clearly.

[i] BQRB 1910 rate No. 586 NAV 45 pounds. Two bays may have been added in 1909-10.

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