
HAYDEN'S MILL

Location

BLACKWOOD, MOORABOOL SHIRE

Municipality

MOORABOOL SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7723-1141

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

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STATE SIGNIFICANCE - RELATIVELY INTACT EXAMPLE OF A "FULL" 19-C SAWMILL, USING SEPARATE CIRCULAR SAW FOR BREAKING DOWN LOGS; SURVIVING TIMBERS FROM 19-C SAWMILL IS A RARE OCCURENCE; MILL WAS OPERATED BY A REGIONALLY SIGNIFICANT SAWMILLER.

Interpretation of Site	THE MILL WAS ON THREE LEVELS AND EQUIPPED WITH BOTH BREAKING-DOWN AND RIP BENCHES. THE SITE WAS ONE OF THE EARLIEST TO USE CIRCULAR BREAKING-DOWN SAW (RATHER THAN A VERTICAL SAW) IN THE WOMBAT FOREST. SOME EVIDENCE OF THE MILL SETTLEMENT ALSO SURVIVES IN THE FORM OF SEVERAL STONE CHIMNEY MOUNDS.
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History

LAURENCE HAYDEN BUILT THE SAWMILL IN THE HEADWATERS OF WOMBAT CREEK IN 1887. SAWN TIMBER WAS DELIVERED TO TRENTAM VIA TRAMWAY. IN 1877 THE HAYDEN BROTHERS CLOSED THE MILL AND SHIFTED THEIR OPERATIONS TO THE OTWAY RANGES.

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