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# PARSONS BOATSHED, SLIPWAY AND JETTY



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And Jetty Williamstown  
March 2003 001



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## Location

DOVER LANE AND THE STRAND WILLIAMSTOWN, HOBSONS BAY CITY

## Municipality

HOBSONS BAY CITY

## Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7822-0538

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

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Interpretation  
of Site

The original boatshed is now occupied by the Anchorage Restaurant, and has been re-clad in timber. Extensive land filling has occurred in the area of the former access jetty, which is now probably buried under the car park in front of the structure. Part of the boathouse/ restaurant section is elevated on modern piles, and evidence of a possibly original bluestone rock base/groynes with an overlay of brick rubble is evident under the current southern section of the structure. The current modern jetty structure contains a number of yacht pens, an overhead launch gantry and other berthing facilities, and probably has been built either above or incorporating parts of the original jetty structure.

The boat shed and associated activities forms part of the recreational cultural landscape of the Williamstown area.

Hermes  
Number 13661

Property  
Number

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## History

The structure was built in 1890 and a licence was issued in 1902 for a "dinghy storage and rental service for sailing and fishing enthusiasts". The site had mixed fortunes and changed hands a number of times (1920: Snuffy Smith; 1959: Geoff Marks). By 1939 the number of rowboats for hire had reduced from 20 to 3. The structure is first shown in plans in 1890 as Parson's Boatshed with a rectangular structure connected to a rocky shore by a jetty. The facility was almost doubled in size with the addition of an outer jetty by at least 1921. The original boatshed was formerly clad in corrugated iron .

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