

# YARROWEE HALL



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darling street ballarat facade  
of house she project 2003



h01168 yarrowee hall darling  
street ballarat front garden  
she project 2003



h01168 yarrowee hall darling  
street ballarat grand hall  
atrium above she project  
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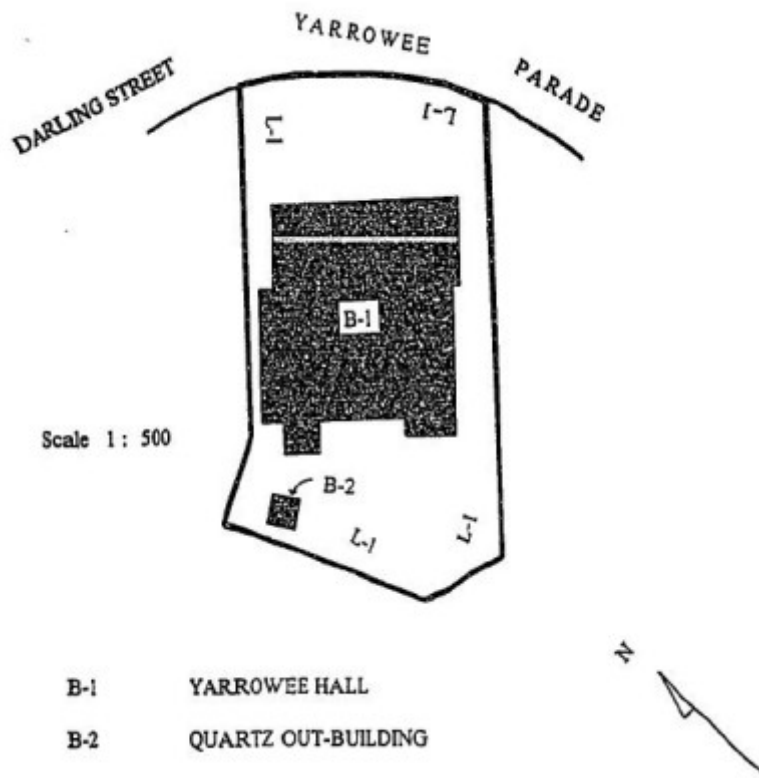
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street ballarat wallpaper detail  
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street ballarat front elevation



## Location

1 DARLING STREET REDAN, BALLARAT CITY

## Municipality

BALLARAT CITY

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1168

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO30

## VHR Registration

April 18, 1996

## Heritage Listing

## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - May 7, 1999

Yarrowee Hall is an eleven roomed Victorian residence built c. 1870. for Robert Malachy Serjeant, the manager of the Band and Albion gold mine in Ballarat. The Drawing Room of the building contains rare panoramic wall-papers, thought to be of French origins, and the hall-way walls display hand-marbled papers. Located at the rear of the building is a small chapel which is constructed of hand-cut white quartz blocks.

Yarrowee Hall is significant for aesthetic and historical reasons.

Yarrowee Hall is aesthetically important for its exceptional panoramic and marbled wall-papers. The papers adorn the walls of the Drawing Room and Entrance Hall and are a very rare example of French scenic papers produced by Desfosse et Karth of Paris c.1861; the Drawing Room is thought to have been used for the visit of Royal Prince Albert and his younger brother George (later King George V) in June 1881.

Yarrowee Hall is of historical importance for its association with Robert Malachy Serjeant, the first member of the Legislative Assembly of Victoria for Ballarat West and also manager of Ballarat's largest mining complex, the Albion and Band mine. Much of the wealth of Ballarat was founded upon gold mining activities and the house at 1 Darling Street demonstrates the prominence and importance of the manager of Ballarat's largest mine. Serjeant was the foundation member of the Administrative Council of the School of Mines and became involved with the formation of the Australian Institute of Mining Engineers.

## Permit Exemptions

### General Exemptions:

General exemptions apply to all places and objects included in the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR). General exemptions have been designed to allow everyday activities, maintenance and changes to your property, which don't harm its cultural heritage significance, to proceed without the need to obtain approvals under the Heritage Act 2017.

**Places of worship:** In some circumstances, you can alter a place of worship to accommodate religious practices without a permit, but you must [notify](#) the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria before you start the works or activities at least 20 business days before the works or activities are to commence.

**Subdivision/consolidation:** Permit exemptions exist for some subdivisions and consolidations. If the subdivision or consolidation is in accordance with a planning permit granted under Part 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the application for the planning permit was referred to the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria as a determining referral authority, a permit is not required.

Specific exemptions may also apply to your registered place or object. If applicable, these are listed below. Specific exemptions are tailored to the conservation and management needs of an individual registered place or object and set out works and activities that are exempt from the requirements of a permit. Specific exemptions prevail if they conflict with general exemptions.

Find out more about heritage permit exemptions [here](#).

### Specific Exemptions:

General Conditions:

1. All exempted alterations are to be planned and carried out in a manner which prevents damage to the fabric of the registered place or object.
  2. Should it become apparent during further inspection or the carrying out of alterations that original or previously hidden or inaccessible details of the place or object are revealed which relate to the significance of the place or object, then the exemption covering such alteration shall cease and the Executive Director shall be notified as soon as possible.
  3. If there is a conservation policy and plan approved by the Executive Director, all works shall be in accordance with it.
  4. Nothing in this declaration prevents the Executive Director from amending or rescinding all or any of the permit exemptions.
- Nothing in this declaration exempts owners or their agents from the responsibility to seek relevant planning or building permits from the responsible authority where applicable.

\*Removal of existing non-original carpets/flexible floor coverings eg. vinyl

\*Refurbishment of bathroom/toilet/ensuite including removal of existing non-original sanitary fixtures and associated piping, mirrors and floor coverings

\*Removal of existing kitchen benches and fixtures, including associated plumbing and wiring

\*Removal of non-original window dressings/treatments

Construction dates            1870,  
Heritage Act Categories    Registered place,  
Hermes Number                1479  
Property Number

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## Extent of Registration

### AMENDMENT OF REGISTER OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Historic Building No. 1168:

Yarrowee Hall, 1 Darling Street, Ballarat, City of Ballarat.

Extent:

To the extent of:

1. The buildings known as Yarrowee Hall marked B-1 and B-2 on Plan 600320 endorsed by the Chair, Historic Buildings Council and held by the Director, Historic Buildings Council.
  2. All of the land described in Certificate of Title Volume 8206 Folio 124 as marked L-1 on Plan 600320 endorsed by the Chair, Historic Buildings Council and held by the Director, Historic Buildings Council.
- [Victoria Government Gazette No. G15 18 April 1996 p.957]

*This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.*

*For further details about Heritage Overlay places, contact the relevant local council or go to Planning Schemes Online <http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/>*