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# The Western Grandstand, West Oval

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## Location

Weddell Road GEELONG WEST, Greater Geelong City

## Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

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## Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

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## Statement of Significance

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The Western Grandstand was built in 1925 to the design of Geelong architects, Laird and Buchan. It is an unusual combination of mid-nineteenth century and 1920's architectural style. Historically it has close association with Geelong West sporting bodies, particularly the football club. It is of LOCAL significance.

References

Laird and Buchan, architects, *Proposed Grandstand, Drawings of plan and elevations* - Geelong West City Council No 1004/1

G Seaton, *The Ashby Story - A History of Geelong West*, Geelong West City Council 1978, pp 216-217, 231.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Geelong - City of Geelong West Urban Conservation Study, Huddle, Aitken and Honman, 1986;
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	15225
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

### Description

Built of bluestone and timber it is a most unusual use of materials for the date of construction. The rear elevation and the ground floor elevation at the front not only uses bluestone but also quoinwork at the wall angles and door and window enframements. These elements were very popular in Geelong in the 1850's and used only a little for the rest of the nineteenth century. The upper floor of the front elevation reflects the contemporary and popular domestic Bungalow style of architecture with the restrained use of decorative elements and a token gable with vertical strapwork.

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