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# St John of God Hospital



St John of God Hospital -  
Ballarat Heritage Review,  
1998



St,John of God Hospital  
(Baileys House) - Film 3 /  
Frame 8 - Ballarat  
Conservation Study, 1978



St,John of God Hospital  
(Baileys House) - illustration  
from Victoria and its  
Metropolis, 1888 Ballarat  
Conservation Study, 1978

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## Location

101 DRUMMOND STREET NORTH, LAKE WENDOUREE - PROPERTY NUMBER 2043580, BALLARAT CITY

## Municipality

BALLARAT CITY

## Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO36

## Heritage Listing

Ballarat City

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## Statement of Significance

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**What is significant?**

**How is it significant?**

**Why is it significant?**

*Ballarat Conservation Study, 1978*

Part of Recommended Area A3.4

No SoS provided. Please refer to the Attachments section in this place record for further information.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Ballarat - Ballarat Heritage Precincts Study, Dr David Rowe and Wendy Jacobs, 2006; Ballarat - Ballarat Heritage Review, Andrew Ward, 1998; Ballarat - Ballarat Conservation Study, Jacobs Lewis Vines Architects, 1978;
Construction dates	1883,
Architect/Designer	Caselli & Figgis,
Other Names	Bailey's House,
Hermes Number	161597
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

This imposing mansion, the southern wing and tower constructed in 1883 for William Bailey, is an example 'of a large' Victorian boom style residence. The north wing was added later to complete the design, and the original cast iron balcony replaced by the present balcony. The building is an important local landmark and streetscape component with 'its elaborate tower and intact fence.

## Intactness

INTACTNESS: tower and facade intact. Fence original

## Physical Description 2

The southern wing, tower and fence were completed in 1883 for Mr William Bailey as a private residence. Bailey arrived in Port Phillip in 1848 and worked as an overseer on a sheep station before joining in the gold rushes in 1851, after which he "has engaged in mining pursuits. He then became a land owner and bred merino sheep at his Terrinallum (sic.) station. The residence, including fencing, cost over! 14,000 and the building was constructed entirely by Ballarat skill and labour the architects being Casslli and Figgis.

At a later date the northern wing was constructed to balance the southern wing and possibly at the same time the original two storied cast iron verandah and balcony was replaced by the existing heavier verandah of giant order doric columns rising through two storeys at the verandah bays with single storey doric and ionic columns supporting the rest of the verandah.

More recently the slate roof has been replaced by an unsympathetic tile roof, the front door has been replaced, there has been some alterations to doorways, and various additions have detracted from the building.

The most imposing surviving element of the original house is the central tower. This is intact except for the intrusive aluminium and glass front entrance. The tower comprises giant Corinthian engaged column rising through two storeys supporting a plain frieze surmounted by a dentillated cornice. Above this the same elements are repeated to be capped by a oalustraded parapet front entrance

Between the columns are: on the ground floor a flat arched entranceway, flanked by Corinthian pilasters, originally containing a pair of bolection moulded doors; at first floor level a triple window motif with arched heads.

The tower sections contain casement windows on each face above a balcony and surmounted by a tympanum decorated with a shell motif.

The house itself is of simple design with the facade relieved by a two storey, three sided bay projection in each wing. The window openings are all simple, plain rectangles. The ornate chimneys remain intact.

The tile roof and the modern attached buildings detract from the building, but it is still an important local landmark and an important streetscape component enhanced by the intact fence along Drummond Street.

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