
Residence

Location

3 Lt Ryrie Street, GEELONG VIC 3220 - Property No 215084

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO2014

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - December 6, 2018

Significant

Previously C Listed - Local Significance

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

What is Significant?

The single storey timber residence at 3 Little Ryrie Street with faceted bays, recessed verandah and channelled boards to the facade.

How is it Significant?

3 Little Ryrie Street, Geelong is of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Greater Geelong.

Why is it Significant?

3 Little Ryrie Street, Geelong is historically significant as a mostly intact Victorian residence. Constructed in 1873 for local businessman James Wood, the house is one of the earliest residences erected on the Wesleyan Methodist Church reserve after it was subdivided and sold. Together with the adjacent house at no. 1, it is a

remnant of the modest 19th century residential development which was once common in this part of Geelong. (Criterion A)

The single storey timber residence at 3 Little Ryrie Street, Geelong is of aesthetic significance as a mostly intact Victorian house that is distinguished by its unusual format including a recessed entry porch flanked by faceted bays. In Geelong, this format appears to have been used by prominent architects of the time for substantial houses that were more richly decorated. The refined design of the house is enhanced by the use of subtle details such as the recessed porch that delineates the entry and the channelled boards to the facade. (Criterion E)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Geelong - Geelong Region Historic Buildings and Objects Study Volume 2, Allan Willingham, 1986; Greater Geelong - Geelong City Urban Conservation Study, Volumes 2-5, Graeme Butler, 1991; Greater Geelong - Geelong City Urban Conservation Study Volume 1, Graeme Butler, 1993; Greater Geelong - Geelong City Urban Conservation Study, Volume 4(a), Helen Lardner, 1995; Geelong City Fringe Heritage Area Review, RBA Architects + Conservation Consultants, 2018;
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Physical Description 1

A double-fronted, hipped-roof timber house with a slate roof, twin window bays and simulated stone wall cladding (ashlar). A typical for its period, the entry is in a recessed porch, (rather than from under a verandah). Typical quarry tile floor paving and chaste cast-iron brackets ornament the porch.

Physical Description 2

The single storey timber house is set back about 8 metres from Little Ryrie Street, and is partly obscured by a tall, late 20th century basalt fence. The house has a symmetrical facade clad in rebated boards and is distinguished from most other Victorian period houses by its central recessed porch (rather than a verandah). Other elevations are clad in weatherboards.

Either side of the porch are faceted bays with timber double hung sash windows. There are cast iron brackets to the porch opening (possibly introduced) and a wide timber architrave, matching those to the windows. The porch now has a modern concrete deck. There is a four panelled door with highlight and sidelights (possibly renewed). Modern glass has been introduced to the highlight (frosted with KFC [Kentucky Fried Chicken] branding).

The house has a hipped roof, which extends over the bays, and is now clad in corrugated metal sheeting (replacing slate in 2015). There are two rendered chimneys with moulded caps. Gutters are a modern type.

To the rear of the house is a two storey addition with a cuboid form and garage undercroft. The rear of the site, accessed from Wesley Place, is paved for parking.

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