Emu Cottage



19 McKillop Street

Location

19 McKillop Street, GEELONG EAST VIC 3219 - Property No 215801

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1641

HO134

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - December 6, 2018

Significant

Previously B listed - Regional Significance

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

'Emu Cottage' in McKillop Street, Geelong is one of the early residences in the city limits surviving in a relatively intact condition. The original 7 room villa was erected prior to 1862 presumably for John Burke an early Geelong representative of the Italianate school of architectural design with the Tuscan porch a most distinctive feature. G. F. Link a noted educationist, scientist and for many years headmaster at the Matthew Flinder School, lived in the cottage at least until 1878. The cottage may date from the mid 1850s.

RECOMMENDATIONS: PROTECTIVE MEASURES

Geelong Regional Commission Register.

REFERENCES

Geelong Adbertiser - 29 July 1862 Birth notice on 27 instant at Emu Cottage, McKillop Street West, the wife of John Burke, of a daughter.

Geelong Advertiser - 28 September 1876, p. 1 column 6. "To Let Notice' Emu Cottage McKillop Street, 7 rooms and store room, pantry, wash house and copper, gas and water laid on, stable and coach house.

Geelong Historical Society - Investigator, vol. 1, 1965-66, p.p. 3-27 for reference to Emu Cottage.

Vol 17, No 2, 1982, p.p. 56-60,

'Link the Educationalist' - detail f career of GF Link.

Brownwhill, W. R. - The History of Geelong and Corio Bay, Wilke and Co, Melbourne, 1955, pp 184, 641.

Geelong Advertiser - 20 June 1869 daughter to GF Link at Emu Cottage.

Geelong Advertiser - 2 July 1870 tenders for double Villa in McKillop Street for GF Link, 'Honddu Villas' Davidson and Henderson Architects - apparently spec villa development by GF Link.

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 Heritage Volume 1, Graeme Butler, 1993; Greater Geelong - Geelong City Urban Conservation Study/Consultant

Study, Volume 4(a), Helen Lardner, 1995; Geelong City Fringe Heritage Area Review,

RBA Architects + Conservation Consultants, 2018;

Heritage Act

Registered place, Categories

Other Names Previously part of the City Fringe Heritage Area,

Hermes Number 19649

Property Number

Physical Description 1

Largely intact rendered villa, possibly built in stages, with restrained classicising detailing. Wide, panelled parapet conceals hipped roof clad in slate, rendered chimneys. Canted bay to facade, recessed entry with arched opening flanked by pilasters. 4 panelled door with leadlight highlight (possibly replaced) & sidelights, timber sash windows.

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.

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