
Boat House (former)

Location

20 Ozone Road, BARWON HEADS VIC 3227 - Property No 234979

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1694

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The house at 20 Ozone Road comprising a former boat shed is *aesthetically* significant at a LOCAL level. While the building has undergone substantial alterations and additions during its conservsion into a house, it continues to demonstrate original design qualities of a Late Federation style. These qualities include the projecting gable roof form, horizontal weatherboard wall cladding, wide eaves, timber porch structure and decorative window elements, andthe decorative gable infill (shingling and ventilators).

The house at 20 Ozone Road comprising a former boat shed is *historically* significant at a STATE level. It is associated with the decision by the Government to outlaw the practice of private occupation of the foreshore, which later became a uniform policy throughout the State. It is also *historically* significant at a LOCAL level for its association with the half a mile of boatsheds once located on the Barwon Heads foreshore. In particular, this former boat shed has associations with Ewen Laird, Geelong architect, and Miss Jessie McKechnie, long serving and respected teacher of Barwon Heads.

The house at 20 Ozone Road comprising a former boat shed is *socially* significant at a LOCAL level. It is recognised by the community for its associations with the development of Barwon Heads as a holiday resort at

the turn of the century and demonstrates, in architectural terms, a custom of beach recreation that is no longer in use.

Overall, the house at 20 Ozone Road comprising a former boat shed is of LOCAL significance.

References

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Information from Bill & Barbara Howard, current owners, sourcing Certificates of Title and personal history.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Geelong - Greater Geelong Outer Areas Heritage Study Volumes 1, 2 & 4, Authentic Heritage Services Pty Ltd, 2000;
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	21340
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Physical Conditions

Description

The house at 20 Ozone Road comprising a former boat shed has typical front and side setbacks, with a driveway along the side. These setbacks are shown on the BHSA Plan of Drainage.

The single storey, asymmetrical, horizontal weatherboard, Late Federation house is characterised by a gable roof form, together with two introduced skillion extensions that project to the side (east). These roof forms appear to be clad in unpainted corrugated zincalume. Wide overhangs are a feature of the eaves. The front skillion extension also appears to be constructed of cement sheet.

A feature of the design in the front verandah porch. It is supported by early square timber posts between introduced double front screen doors, with early decorative timber elements adorning the openings flanking the

doors.

Other early decorative features of the design include the gable shingling and ventilators. The timber elements of the flying gable appear to be recent.

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