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# AH Cunningham Memorial Hall/Library

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## Location

70-72 Portarlinton Rd, NEWCOMB VIC 3219 - Property No 258320

## Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1582

## Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

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## Statement of Significance

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### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The A H Cunningham Memorial Hall and Library was built as part of the Cheetham Saltworks in the 1920s and was originally designed as a recreation hall for company employees with a library added later. It was dedicated to the memory of two members of the Cunningham family who together with the Cheetham family owned, managed and developed the company. It is a double hipped tiled roof red brick building with terracotta decorative elements.

The A H Cunningham Memorial Hall and Library has historic and social value to the Newcomb and Moolap communities of the surrounding region.

The A H Cunningham Memorial Hall and Library is part of the Cheetham Saltworks complex and an integral part of the social and industrial history of Moolap. It is relatively intact with original materials, roof form and finish and doors and windows. It makes a significant contribution to interpretation of the Cheeetham Saltworks as a place of work. The Saltworks was one of the largest employers on the Bellarine Peninsula.

It is of LOCAL cultural significance.

## References

Heritage Victoria file no. 605992

Ibid and *Salt: its origins production history and use*. Cheetham Salt Ltd, Geelong p 9

HV file No. 605992

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Geelong - Bellarine Heritage Study, Huddle, Howe, Lewis and Francis, 1996;
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	21516
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## Physical Description 1

### DESCRIPTION

An unusual double hipped tiled roof, red brick building with ridge tiles and decoration and a decorative terracotta 'finial'. The north elevation has on one side, two large multiple small pane windows with three lights, three top lights, leadlight and stained glass. On the other side of the north elevation there are six narrow double hung windows with concrete sills. There are ventilators, a central doorway and a west elevation, external, large red brick chimney with terracotta pots. There are weatherboards under the eaves and a small red brick building with timber board decoration. The significant architectural features are the original roof form and finish, the original doors, windows and chimneys and the roof decoration.

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