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# STORE (FORMER) AND RESIDENCE



23246 Store former residence  
7 Glendinning St Balmoral  
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## Location

7 Glendinning Street, BALMORAL VIC 3407 - Property No 045

## Municipality

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

## Level of significance

Stage 2 study complete

## Heritage Listing

Southern Grampians Shire

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - December 6, 2002

What is significant?

The store and residence located at 7 Glendinning Street, in the centre of the township of Balmoral is said to be the oldest commercial premises in Glendinning Street. The building is no longer a store, but is used as a single storey timber cottage. The cottage is symmetrical, with a central door, windows either side and a verandah across the front. There is a skillion across the whole of the rear and may be original. This has been extended at a later but possibly early date. The original plan was probably of four rooms with a central hall. It is believed that the store and residence may date from the 1850s, and that the first Post Office in Balmoral may have operated from the store prior to the current Post Office being constructed. The building is in fair condition, but has a very low degree of integrity.

How is it significant?

The former store and residence located at 7 Glendinning Street, Balmoral is of historical significance to the township of Balmoral and the Southern Grampians Shire.

Why is it significant?

The former store and residence is of historical significance as the site of a commercial store since the 1850s, and the earliest period of Balmoral's history. It is a reminder of a previous way of life and commercial activity, which saw townspeople and those on surrounding pastoral properties purchasing goods from the convenient central location of the township of Balmoral. The store and residence are of further historical importance for the structure which is essentially that of a cottage, which had a part sectioned off for commercial activity. The store's history as the first Post Office in Balmoral, with Basil Lyon as the first post master adds to the historical significance of the site.

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | Southern Grampians - Southern Grampians Shire Heritage Study, Timothy Hubbard P/L, Annabel Neylon, 2002; |
| Construction dates        | 1850,  |
| Hermes Number             | 23246  |
| Property Number           |  |

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## Physical Conditions

The building is in fair condition.

## Physical Description 1

A simple single storey timber cottage with a verandah across the front. There is a central front door with windows on either side. There is a skillion across the whole of the rear and may be original. This has been extended at a later but possibly early date. The original plan was probably of four rooms with a central hall. The main roof is gabled and covered with corrugated iron. The skillion is also roofed in corrugated iron. The walls are now covered with pressed cement sheeting but presumably were weatherboard or some alternative timber cladding. The verandah is now supported on wrought iron posts. All the windows have been replaced and with different proportions. There is a brick chimney, the shaft of which is detached from the wall, at the north-western end. The building is built up to the street or south-western boundary.

## Historical Australian Themes

Theme 3: Developing local, regional and national economies

3.5.3 Developing agricultural industries

3.19 Marketing and retailing

Theme 8: Developing Australia's cultural life

8.12 Living in and around Australian homes

8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements

## Usage/Former Usage

residential

## Integrity

very low degree of integrity

## Physical Description 2

Thomas Heap, first owner of cottage

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