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## SAMMY'S HUT (rear of LYNBROOK)



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Woodhouse 1755



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Woodhouse 1758

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### Location

Hamilton-Chatsworth Road, WOODHOUSE VIC 3294 - Property No 0008

### Municipality

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

### Level of significance

Stage 2 study complete

### Heritage Listing

Southern Grampians Shire

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### Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

Sammy's hut is a single storey symmetrical bluestone building of two rooms. It faces north towards the Grampians and a branch of Gray's Creek. The walls are built in roughly coursed bluestone. The front windows are small casements although there is a larger 12-paned double hung sash window in the western end wall. The cottage was originally a shepherd's hut associated perhaps with Nareeb Nareeb or Woodhouse runs. The small front windows and the relatively crude stonework suggest an early date. On the other hand, from its materials and detailing, it appears to date from after 1860. The hut may even date from the time the Woodhouse run was subdivided under the Land Selection Acts, being a selector's cottage. It is most likely to date from before 1875. It may have been occupied by the new role of rabbitier when rabbits became a pest from the later 1860s. It is known locally as "Sammy's Hut". The identity of Sammy is not known but he is thought by locals to have been a rabbitier. The cottage is sited some distance from the main house (Lynbrook) amongst working buildings. The cottage is in excellent condition and retains a good degree of integrity externally.

How is it significant?

Sammy's hut is of historical and architectural significance to the Southern Grampians Shire.

Why is it significant?

Sammy's hut is of historical significance for its potential association with the important early runs of Nareeb Nareeb and Woodhouse, and as a surviving example shepherds accommodation on large pastoral holdings.

Sammy's hut is of architectural significance as a representative example of primitive construction technique, form and materials applied in domestic architecture.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Southern Grampians - Southern Grampians Shire Heritage Study, Timothy Hubbard P/L, Annabel Neylon, 2002;
Construction dates	1860,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	23427
Property Number	

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## Physical Conditions

The cottage is in relatively intact condition and is in excellent condition.

## Physical Description 1

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## Historical Australian Themes

Theme 3: Developing local, regional and national economies

3.5 Developing primary production

3.5.1 Grazing stock

3.5.2 Breeding animals

3.5.3 Developing agricultural industries

Theme 5: Working  
5.8 working on the land

## **Usage/Former Usage**

holiday accommodation

## **Integrity**

Good degree of integrity

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