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# BOONAR



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## Location

7915 Hamilton Highway, TARRINGTON VIC 3301 - Property No 0740

## 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?

Boonar is an early twentieth century house of conventional form, plan and style but built with pressed cement blocks. It is located on the north side of the Hamilton Highway in the township of Tarrington. The house was constructed after 1910, and served as the Tarrington Post Office for some time. There has been no architect or builder associated with the building. The building is in excellent condition and retains a high degree of integrity.

How is it significant?

Boonar is of historical and architectural significance to the community of Tarrington and to the southern Grampians Shire.

Why is it significant?

Boonar is of historical significance for its previous use as the centre for communications in Tarrington, operating as a post office for some years. Boonar is of architectural significance because, on the one hand, its form, plan and style are conventional for the period but, on the other, it is an early use of pressed cement blocks as the main construction material and it is the best surviving example of several in the district.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Southern Grampians - Southern Grampians Shire Heritage Study, Timothy Hubbard P/L, Annabel Neylon, 2002;
Construction dates	1910,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	23510
Property Number	

## Physical Conditions

The house is substantially intact and is in excellent condition. (The interiors have not been inspected.)

## Physical Description 1

Boonar is a single storey symmetrical house designed loosely in the Italianate style, which was conservative for the time. It is constructed of pressed cement blocks, an innovative material for the time. Otherwise the house is conventional in its form, planning, details and other materials. There is a timber verandah across the facade and on the western side. The central front door is four-panelled with a fanlight above. The two front windows are double hung sashes. There is a projecting wing on the west side which terminates the verandah.

## Historical Australian Themes

Theme 3 Developing Local, Regional and National Economies

3.13 Developing an Australian manufacturing capacity

3.14 Developing an Australian engineering and construction industry

3.14.2 Using Australian materials in construction

3.17 Inventing devices

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**

High degree of integrity

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