
CAVENDISH GENERAL STORE & RESIDENCE



23627 Cavendish General Store 0125

Location

Scott Street and Barker Street CAVENDISH, Southern Grampians Shire

Municipality

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Stage 2 study complete

Heritage Listing

Southern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - March 1, 2004

What is significant?

The Cavendish General Store and Residence are both single storey timber buildings constructed in the mid to late nineteenth century. The structures are located adjacent to each other on Scott Street in the centre of the township of Cavendish. The Cavendish General Store has been on the same site since 1860, and incorporates the original general store building within the current structure. The store has performed the important role of providing local townspeople and those on the surrounding properties with foodstuffs, goods and equipment for over one hundred years.

How is it significant?

The Cavendish General Store is of historical significance to the township of Cavendish and the Southern Grampians Shire

Why is it significant?

The Cavendish General Store is of historical significance as the site of a general store since 1860. 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 most convenient location.

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| 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, |
| Other Names | WANNON STORE, |
| Hermes Number | 23627 |
| Property Number | |

Physical Conditions

The store is in good condition

The residence is in fair condition

Physical Description 1

The Cavendish general store and residence are located on the south west corner of Scott and Barker Streets in the centre of the township. The store and residence are located adjacent to each other, the main facade of both along Scott Street. The store is a long low timber structure constructed in two sections. The earlier section is adjacent to the residence, and retains an earlier French door as the entrance, flanked by later display windows on either side. The later section extends towards Barker Street, and has a modern doorway and modern display windows. Modern floor to ceiling windows are also located on the Barker Street elevation of the newer section of the store. The interiors of the store have been substantially altered. The store has a hipped corrugated iron roof with continuous verandah supported by timber poles. The residence, located immediately west of the store is a single storey timber building which has an asymmetrical arrangement of windows and doors. The residence has a side entrance located where the store and residence are joined, and two groupings of two sash windows arranged along the facade. A shallow curved verandah is supported by simple timber posts, and a cast iron frieze extends along the verandah. The roof is hipped and is constructed from corrugated iron. A wooden picket fence extends along the Scott Street boundary in front of the residence. The interiors of the residence have not been inspected.

Historical Australian Themes

Theme 3: Developing local, regional and national economies

3.12 Feeding people

3.12.5 Retailing foods and beverages

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

Continues as a general store and residence.

Integrity

Fair degree of integrity but altered internally.

Physical Description 2

J. Elliott (first owner of the land)

E. Walker

Robert Young

J. Woodburn

C. Sandison

Norman Lewis

Mr. & Mrs. W. Marshall

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