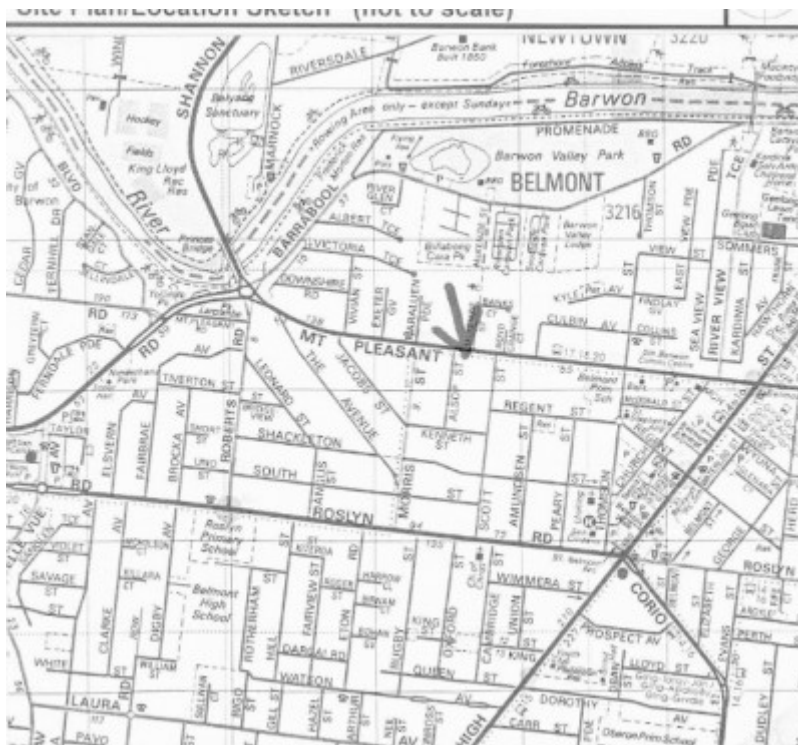


Unit



27058 Mt Pleasant Road No 79 Photo



27058 Mt Pleasant Road No 79 Map

Location

79 (Unit 2) Mt Pleasant Road, BELMONT Vic 3216 - Property No 233690

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area contributory

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1837

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

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B Listed - Regional Significance

The house at 79 Mount Pleasant Road is aesthetically significant at a REGIONAL level. It demonstrates original qualities of both the Victorian and later Federation period, a consequence of the extensions that took place at that time. These qualities include the dominant hipped roof form, together with a minor gable and broken back verandah that project towards the street frontage. Other intact qualities include the rendered stone and brick construction, slate tiled roof cladding, rendered brick and corbelled chimneys, wide eaves, timber framed casement windows arranged as a bank of four under the projecting gable, and as a pair under the verandah (all of which have leadlighted highlights), timber framed circular window flanked by three-paned fixed windows, front timber and glazed double doors, and the gable infill (timber battening and roughcast panelling). The exotic tree at the front contribute to the significance of the place. The house also makes a significant contribution to the predominantly single storey residential streetscape.

The house at 79 Mount Pleasant Road is historically significant at a LOCAL level. It has associations with Edwin Collins, gentleman, and is one of few substantial stone and brick Victorian homes remaining in Mount Pleasant Road associated with the early development of Belmont. The house also has associations with George Wheatland, a later and long time owner and occupier who was a member of the Geelong Amateur Ethiopian and/or Mopoke Troupe that entertained the Geelong public in aid of charity.

The underground tank at 79 Mount Pleasant is scientifically significant at a LOCAL level. It possibly illustrates 19th century brick and cement tank construction.

Overall, the house at 79 Mount Pleasant Road is of REGIONAL significance.

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Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
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Physical Description 1

DESCRIPTION

The site at 79 Mount Pleasant Road is set in a streetscape formed by predominantly single storey homes of varying periods and styles. The house has a large setback to the front and narrower side setbacks, with a driveway along the side. These setbacks are shown on the 1964-65 GWST Plan of Drainage.⁴ The site is bound at the front by a fence approximately 1200mm high.

The asymmetrical, single storey rendered stone and brick, Victorian and Federation styled house is characterised by a dominant hipped roof form, together with a minor gable and broken back verandah that project towards the street frontage. These roof forms are clad in slate tiles. Two early rendered brick and corbelled chimneys adorn the roofline. Wide overhangs are a feature of the eaves. The early (c.1902) timber framed casement windows are arranged as a bank of four under the projecting gable, and as a pair under the verandah, and have leadlight highlights. The other early (c.1902) timber framed circular window on the north-east corner is flanked by three-paned fixed windows. The double timber and glazed front doors may also be early.

Early (c.1902) decorative features of the design include the gable infill (timber battening and roughcast panelling).

There are also an early c.1880 underground tank situated at the rear of the house, and an early substantial exotic tree at the front, towards the north-east.

Unpainted brick units at the front of the site on the north-west corner, are a later addition and do not contribute to the significance of the place.

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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