

Victorian Heritage Database Report

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RAILWAY HOTEL (FORMER)



Railway Hotel Former Bunyip



Railway Hotel Former Bunyip 2



Railway Hotel Now Top Pub

Location

23 Main Street and Lot 1 TP380483 BUNYIP, Cardinia Shire

Municipality

CARDINIA SHIRE

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO46

Heritage Listing

Cardinia Shire

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - October 24, 2006

What is significant? The Top Pub (former Railway Hotel), constructed 1924-25 and altered in 1971, at 23 Main Street, Bunyip.

How is it significant? The Top Pub at 23 Main Street, Bunyip is of contributory historic significance to the Bunyip Town Centre precinct. (*Context Pty Ltd 2007*)

Why is it significant? Although altered, the former Railway Hotel, built in 1924-25 for Margaret Eldridge, is locally significant as a gathering place, over a long period in Bunyip. The hotel is significant, also, as a major (if altered) element in the locally and regionally significant Bunyip commercial streetscape which emanates mainly from the 1920s and 1930s. (RNE criteria A.4 & E.1) (*Graeme Butler & Associates 1996*)

Significance : Contributory (Local)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Cardinia - Cardinia Local Heritage Study Review, Context P/L, 2007; Cardinia - Cardinia Shire Heritage Study 1996, Graeme Butler & Associates, 1996;
Construction dates	1924, 1971, 1925,
Other Names	23 Main Street, Bunyip, Top Pub,
Hermes Number	29909
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

This two story verandahed hotel is built with red brick and roofed in a Dutch-hipped manner with corrugated-iron. The wide timber verandah across the front is two-storey and is supported on paired posts. The picket balustrade is new.

The building is a contributory element within the Bunyip town centre precinct and is one of two landmark hotel buildings facing Main Street.

Physical Conditions

Good (*Context Pty Ltd 2007*)

The front elevation at ground-floor level has been changed and the picket verandah balustrade is new. (*Graeme Butler & Associates 1996*)

Integrity

Major Alterations

Physical Description 2

Key element - Building

Historical Australian Themes

National themes

4.5 Making towns to serve rural Australia

8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements

(Context Pty Ltd 2007)

Historical Themes

8.4 Railway townships, e.g. Tynong, Pakenham

9.15 Hotels, motels

(Graeme Butler & Associates 1996)

Physical Description 3

Associations - Eldridge, Margaret

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