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## HO52 - House, 932-1036 Holden Road, Diggers Rest



House

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### Location

932-1036 Holden Road DIGGERS REST, Melton Shire

### Municipality

MELTON CITY

### Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

### Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO52

### Heritage Listing

Melton City

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### Statement of Significance

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The house at 932-1036 Holden Road, Diggers Rest, is significant as a predominantly intact example of an interwar homestead Bungalow style, the composition reflecting Federation design. Built in 1931 for the Tyquin family one of the allotments sold in the break-up of the Clarke pastoral estate, the house appears to be in good condition when viewed from the road. This house appears to be the most intact and substantial example of an interwar homestead Bungalow style in the Melton Shire. It has recently undergone extensive heritage renovations.

The house at 932-1036 Holden Road is architecturally significant at a LOCAL level (AHC D.2). It demonstrates original design qualities of an interwar homestead Bungalow style. These qualities include the central hipped roof form, together with the projecting minor gables linked by the return verandah formed as an extension of the main hipped roof. Other intact or appropriate qualities include the single storey height, horizontal timber weatherboard wall cladding, galvanised corrugated steel roof cladding, two red brick chimneys, broad eaves with exposed timber rafters, round, tapered concrete verandah columns supported by rendered brick piers with concrete cappings, flat roofed faceted bay window, timber framed double hung windows and the timber framed doorways. The timber post and woven wire fence and scrolled metal gate also contributes to the significance of the place and has been recently replaced by a replica fence type.

The house at 932-1036 Holden Road is historically significant at a LOCAL level (AHC A4). It is an example of one of the many small to medium sized farms and homesteads established as a consequence of the historic break-up of the large pastoral estates in Melton Shire in the early twentieth century, in particular the Clarkes' vast Rockbank estate.

Overall, the house at 932 Holden Road is of LOCAL significance.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Melton - Shire of Melton Heritage Study phase 2, David Maloney, David Rowe, Pamela Jellie, Sera Jane Peters, 2007;
Construction dates	1931,
Other Names	932-1036 Holden Road, Diggers Rest (Lot 1 PS 448042),
Hermes Number	30046
Property Number	

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## Historical Australian Themes

*Shire of Melton Historical Themes: 'Farming'*

## Integrity

Integrity - Substantially intact

## Physical Conditions

Physical Condition - Good

## Physical Description 1

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The house at 932-1036 Holden Road, Diggers Rest, has a rural setting, with the immediate garden surrounded by a replica timber post and woven wire fence (to a height of approximately 1200 mm) and original scrolled metal gate. The house garden has concreted areas and some perimeter plantings. A greatly altered shearing shed and mature peppercorn tree are also situated on the property.

The single storey, horizontal timber weatherboard, interwar homestead Bungalow styled house is characterised by a central hipped roof form, together with projecting minor gables linked by a return verandah formed as an extension of the main hipped roof. These roof forms are clad in galvanised corrugated steel, the composition reflecting Federation design. Two early red brick chimneys adorn the roofline. Broad overhangs with exposed timber rafters are features of the eaves.

An early feature of the design is the return verandah. It is supported by round, tapered concrete columns which in turn are supported by rendered brick piers with concrete cappings.

Other early features of the design include the flat roofed faceted bay window, timber framed double hung windows and the timber framed doorways.

The skillion wing at the rear appears to have been introduced.

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