

Bills Horse Trough and Standpipe



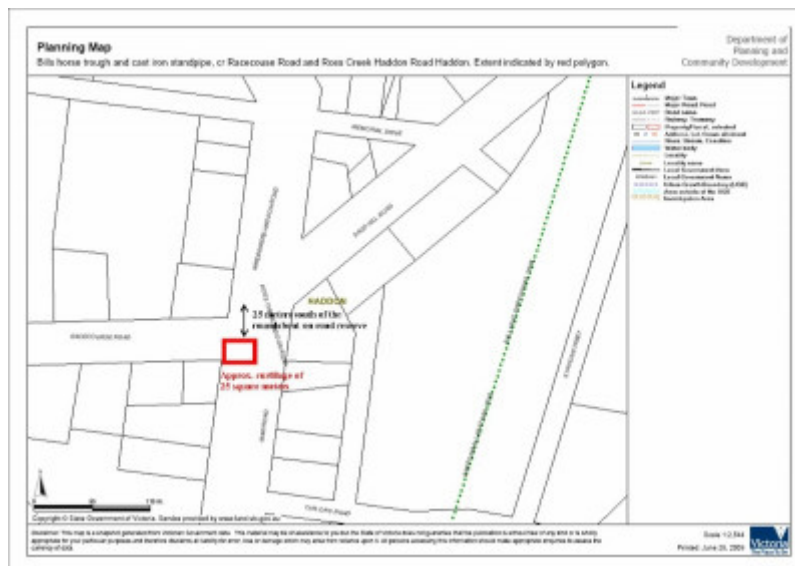
Stand pipe and horse trough,
junction of Ross Creek -
Haddon Road and School
Road, Haddon



Detail of Standpipe Haddon



Detail of Horse trough
Haddon



Extent of registration

Location

Ross Creek - Haddon Road HADDON, Golden Plains Shire

Municipality

GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO113

Heritage Listing

Golden Plains Shire

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The Bills Horse Trough is located opposite the site of the former post office on a road reserve adjacent to the junction of the Ross Creek - Haddon Road and School Road. The trough was donated to the Haddon township, following an application made by the Grenville Shire to the George and Annis Bills trust. The Bills, a philanthropic couple who were concerned with the welfare of horses during the 20th century, donated this standard design of cast cement horse trough throughout Australia during the Interwar years. The standard design has become a very common feature rural towns across in Victoria. It is in good condition and retains a high degree of integrity.

The Standpipe was installed during the 19th century to provide residents and commercial operators within the township access to a consistent fresh water supply. The ornate cast iron Standpipe was manufactured by Parker Clinton Ballarat in 1879 and features a horizontal outlet pipe, vertical galvanized pipe and cast iron octagonal column. The Standpipe is in good condition, retaining a high degree of integrity.

How is it significant?

The Bills Horse Trough and Standpipe are of historical significance to the Golden Plains Shire and to the township of Haddon.

Why is it significant?

The Bills Horse Trough is historically important for demonstrating the nature of pre-automobile transportation and the twentieth century concern for the welfare of animals. The Standpipe is of historical significance as a surviving example of an ornate cast iron Standpipe installed during the 19th century to provide consistent fresh water to the township of Haddon.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Golden Plains - Golden Plains Shire Heritage Study Phase 2, Heritage Matters P/L, 2009;
Hermes Number	31658
Property Number	

Historical Australian Themes

The Australian Heritage Commission devised the Australian Historic Themes in 2001. The following themes have influenced the historical development of the Bills Horse Trough and Standpipe.

3 Developing Local, Regional And National Economies

3.8 Moving goods and people

3.8.5 Moving goods and people on land

3.11.5 Establishing water supplies

Physical Description 1

The Bills Horse Trough is situated opposite the former post office on a road reserve 25 metres south of the junction of Ross Creek Haddon Road and School Road. The cast cement horse trough was manufactured by Rocla to a design by Jack Phillips. The standard design trough features a second smaller trough, located at the base for dogs. The trough features a tri-partite panel at the back with a plaque stating that it was 'donated by Annis and George Bills'.

The Standpipe is located adjacent to the George and Annis Bills Horse Trough. The ornate cast iron Standpipe was manufactured by Parker Clinton Ballarat in 1879 and features a single horizontal outlet pipe with tap aligned to the west. A recently introduced vertical galvanized pipe protrudes beyond the junction of the original cast iron pipe and cast iron octagonal column.

Physical Description 2

Extent of Registration: To the extent of the Bills Horse Trough and cast iron Standpipe, (allowing a 25 square meter curtilage) being the road reserve 25 metres south of the junction of Ross Creek Haddon Road and School Road.

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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