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# SHELTER



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## Location

73 & 75 MITCHELL STREET, AXEDALE - PROPERTY NUMBERS 196839, 209033, GREATER BENDIGO CITY

## Municipality

GREATER BENDIGO CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO740

## Heritage Listing

Greater Bendigo City

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## Statement of Significance

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### **What is significant?**

The Shelter at 75 Mitchell Street, Axedale, including all the fabric of weatherboard building is significant.

### **How is it significant?**

The Shelter at 75 Mitchell Street, Axedale is of local historical, social and aesthetic significance for the City of Greater Bendigo.

### **Why is it significant?**

The Shelter at 75 Mitchell Street, Axedale is historically significant for its associations with the history of horse racing in the former Shire of Mclvor. The shelter is a surviving example of an early twentieth century racetrack structure. It is of social significance as it reflects the role that racing played in the sporting and social history of Axedale, and the need to provide comfortable facilities at the racecourse. *Criterion A*

Although it has been adapted with the addition of a storage area, it is aesthetically significant as an elegant pavilion with architectural refinements of gable end strapping and finials and a steeply pitched roof. *Criterion D*

75 Mitchell Street has rarity value as the only building of its type identified in the study area. *Criterion B*

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Bendigo - Former Shires of Mclvor and Strathfieldsaye Heritage Study, Context P/L, 2008;
Construction dates	1915,
Architect/Designer	Beebe, William,
Hermes Number	32591
Property Number	

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## **Physical Description 1**

75 Mitchell Street is a shelter shed with high pitched gable roof with the gable ends clad in weatherboard. Edwardian style vertical timber strapping is used on one gable end but is missing from the other. A small cross gable is on one side. All gable ends are decorated with finials. Beneath the roof the shelter is partially built in with a corrugated iron clad structure containing toilets and a storage shed. The timber structural posts have triangular brackets. It is probable that the toilets were added later, and the original building was completely open in the form of a picnic shelter.

## **Physical Conditions**

Fair

## **Integrity**

Altered

## **Historical Australian Themes**

9. Shaping cultural and creative life

## 9.1 Participating in sport and recreation

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