Lord Lodge, 30 Booran Road



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Location

30 Booran Road CAULFIELD EAST, GLEN EIRA CITY

Municipality

GLEN EIRA CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0071

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO94

Heritage Listing

Glen Eira City

Statement of Significance

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"Andover", later "Moidart" and now known as "Lord Lodge", is situated at no. 30 Booran Road, Caulfield North, abutting the Caulfield racecourse. It was built for the trainer, John Leek in 1890. Today, "Andover" includes the main house, timber stables and spacious grounds with mature Moreton Bay fig. It is of historic and aesthetic

significance.

It is historically significant (Criterion A) as a substantial house and stables functionally linked with the Caulfield racecourse during the period just prior to the bank crash of the early 1890s. It offers a rare and valuable insight into a way of life associated with horse racing at the time, comparing closely with other less grandiose properties such as "Grace Darling" at no. 1 Bond Street and helping to build up a picture of the horse racing industry in the locale prior to the turn of the nineteenth century. It is aesthetically significant (Criterion E) as a highly representative and substantial Boom period villa distinguished by its intact state and interior plaster ornamentation. The tower, affording a fine view of the racecourse, compares with nearby "Nithsdale" at 133 Kambrook Road (1858,1886) and imparts distinction to an otherwise straight forward design. The large stables are rare survivors of their era, the jerkin head roof form, fretted barges and lantern imparting a picturesque character to an otherwise utilitarian structure demonstrating construction systems characteristic of the building type and period. The mature Moreton Bay fig and spacious grounds contribute to the aesthetic values of the place.

Heritage Glen Eira - Caulfield Conservation Study, Andrew Ward, Architectural Historian,

Study/Consultant 1994;

Other Names "Andover" (1899), "Moidart" (1910), now "Lord Lodge",

Hermes Number 35528

Property Number

Physical Description 1

An imposing single storeyed Italianate villa with asymmetrical facade and central tower, bullnosed verandah, facetted wing, sun room with stained glass work and extensive cast cement ornamentation. Inside, the rooms are substantially intact and the plaster work is especially fine.

Description: (Stables)

A substantial late Victorian timber stables accommodating 12 racehorses with loft and brick pavement. A varnished pine lined ceiling has a roof lantern and is carried on a chamfered timber frame. Original doors are sliding but later doors have two swing leaves. Outside, the gambrel roof has fretted barges but the building is otherwise of utilitarian character. A small late Victorian brick stable, now partitioned into two boxes, adjoins.

Physical Description 2

Integrity: Good, alterations to some stable doors.

Physical Description 3

Condition: good

Historical Australian Themes

Horse racing and the Victoria Amateur Turf Club Caulfield as a location for Melbourne's gentry

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