# Fountain and Pediment, 32-46 Huntley Road



32-46 Huntley Rd Bentleigh, August 2000

#### Location

32-46 Huntley Road BENTLEIGH, Glen Eira City

## Municipality

**GLEN EIRA CITY** 

#### Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## **Heritage Overlay Numbers**

HO117

## **Heritage Listing**

Glen Eira City

## **Statement of Significance**

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The fountain and facade pediment of "Killearnan" recall the occupancy of the civil servant, Robert Grey Ford and demonstrate that the area now known as Bentleigh was seen to be an attractive residential location by Melbourne's nineteenth century gentry. The fountain, which is presumed to date from Ford's occupancy is a unique survivor in the area and is enhanced by its intact state.

Heritage Glen Eira - City of Glen Eira Heritage Management Plan, Andrew Ward,

Study/Consultant Architectural Historian, 1996;

Other Names "Whitmuir Hall" (house, c.1860), "Killearnan" (1877), "Bentleigh Club"(sporting

complex 1949),

Hermes Number 35532

**Property Number** 

# **Physical Description 1**

A presumed late Victorian two storeyed Italianate villa now almost totally defaced and obscured by works associated with the Club's activities. Surviving visible elements include the hipped roof with central raised stuccoed pediment flanked by urns and having an acroterion to the apex. The fountain in the front lawn has a large basin with the lowest stage surmounted by fish supporting an urn with garlands and acanthus leaves as the stem to the centre tier which is surmounted by a mermaid carrying the upper most tier.

# **Physical Description 2**

Integrity: Low (building), High (fountain)

### **Physical Description 3**

Condition: sound

#### **Historical Australian Themes**

Glen Eira as a location for Melbourne's gentry.

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