

# KANGAROO GROUND GENERAL STORE, POST OFFICE, TWO NORFOLK ISLAND PINES AND BUNYA BUNYA TREES



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Kangaroo Ground General Store Post Office Pines Black & White 1 - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study 1992



Kangaroo Ground General Store Post Office Pines Colour 1 - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study 1992



Kangaroo Ground General Store Post Office Pines Colour 2 - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study 1992



Kangaroo Ground General Store Post Office Pines Colour 3 - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study 1992



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Kangaroo Ground General Store Post Office Pines Colour 7 - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study 1992



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Store Post Office Pines Black  
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## Location

280 ELTHAM-YARRA GLEN ROAD KANGAROO GROUND, NILLUMBIK SHIRE

## Municipality

NILLUMBIK SHIRE

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO48

## Heritage Listing

Nillumbik Shire

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - January 5, 2010

REVISED STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE, CONTEXT, 2010

### ***What is significant?***

The c1900s general store and post office, the surrounding site and adjacent sites to a radius of 50 metres.

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

The general store is historically, socially and aesthetically significant to the Shire of Nillumbik.

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

The general store is historically significant because it has a long association with Kangaroo Ground and has been an important centre of community life for more than 80 years - Council meetings used to be conducted in the front room of the store at a time when Kangaroo Ground rivalled Eltham as the major centre of the Shire (Criteria A, H & G). The general store is historically and aesthetically significant as one of a group of three well preserved public buildings in the Kangaroo Ground hamlet (see also HO46 and HO47) and as a major heritage component of Kangaroo Ground which was one of the earliest settled areas of the Shire and which has the character of an

English village rather than an Australian settlement (Criteria A & E). The general store is socially and historically significant because it has served the community since c1900 (Criterion G).

Heritage Study/Consultant	Nillumbik - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study, David Bick, 1992;
Construction dates	1900,
Other Names	Araucaria bidwillii, Araucaria heterophylla, ELTHAM-YARRA GLEN RD, KANGAROO GROUND,
Hermes Number	55579
Property Number	

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## Historical Australian Themes

### TOWNSHIP DEVELOPMENT

3.12.5 Retailing food and beverages

3.19 Marketing and retailing

8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements

## Physical Description 1

### Building

Style late Victorian.

Design fairly standard.

Plan rectangular.

Single storeyed.

Walls timber stud construction, weatherboard clad.

Roof hipped with shallow eaves, corrugated iron clad. Features are the basic design and size of the building, with the hallway which extended right through the building and has recently been incorporated into the store section. Other features are the verandahs, the three mature trees at the rear and the originally detached rear room that was probably the kitchen when the building was built.

### Trees

The Araucaria bidwillii and one Araucaria heterophylla are in quite good condition despite the exposed location. However the other A. heterophylla is in a declining state with topical dieback and deadwood and thinning out of the lower canopy. This tree requires attention for the maintenance of its cultural and amenity value.

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