

# INVERGOWRIE



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1 invergowrie hawthorn front view



invergowrie hawthorn east elevation



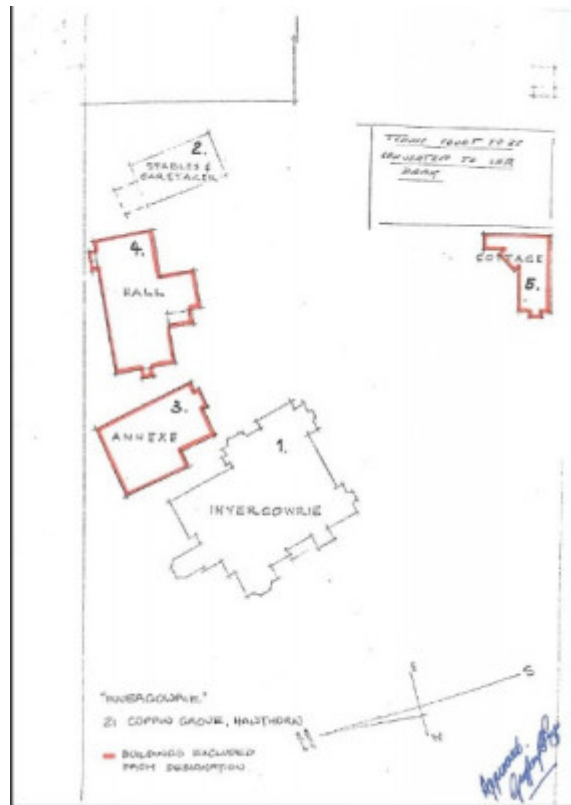
invergowrie hawthorn north west corner



invergowrie hawthorn south west corner



invergowrie hawthorn stables



H0195 H0195 plan

## Location

21 COPPIN GROVE HAWTHORN, Boroondara City

## Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0195

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO36

## VHR Registration

October 9, 1974

## Amendment to Registration

August 26, 1981

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

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### Statement of Significance

Last updated on - May 31, 1999

What is significant?

The first section of Invergowrie, then known as Burwood, was commenced in about 1846 for James Palmer (later Sir), the first Speaker of the Victorian Legislative Council. Extensions were undertaken in 1855 and 1869. The property was acquired by the theatrical entrepreneur George Coppin in 1869, after which the first subdivision of the estate occurred. The house was leased and occupied by Dr Charles Strong, founder of the Australian Church, and by the distinguished architect Joseph Reed. By 1907 William McPherson owned and occupied the property. The property was granted to the Headmistress's Association in the early 1930s. Invergowrie is a bluestone house constructed in the picturesque Gothic style which retains some internal features, the original bluestone stables and the garden laid out in the 1870s.

How is it significant?

Invergowrie is of historic and architectural significance to the State of Victoria

Why is it significant?

Invergowrie is of historical importance through its association with notable owners and occupiers, including Palmer, Coppin, Strong, Reed and McPherson. The property is important because of its ability to illustrate the social and cultural values aspired to by Melbourne's elite. Invergowrie is a rare example of a rural retreat, demonstrating the suburban ideal expounded by Scottish-born John Claudius Loudon in the early nineteenth century which advocated a retreat from the commercialism of the city to a rural residence in garden surrounds. Invergowrie is architecturally important as an unusual example an early Victorian residence in the picturesque Gothic style set in garden surrounds.

Construction dates	1846,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	574
Property Number	

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### History

<span class="c1">Associated People: Tenant SIR WILIAM MCPHERSON;<br /> Tenant SIR WILIAM MCPHERSON;</span>

### Extent of Registration

Historic Building No. 195 Invergowrie, 21 Coppin Grove, Hawthorn, (excluding buildings 3, 4 and 5 as marked on the plan held on the files of the Department of Planning).

[*Victoria Government Gazette* No.88 26 August 1981 p.2837]

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