# **Henry Joseph Moran Park**

#### Location

Pound Road, HAMPTON PARK, Casey City

## Municipality

CASEY CITY

#### Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## **Heritage Overlay Numbers**

HO178

#### **Heritage Listing**

Casey City

#### Statement of Significance

Last updated on - June 28, 2004

What is significant?

The Henry Joseph Moran reserve, originally established c.1880, in Pound Road, Hampton Park.

How is it significant?

The Henry Joseph Moran Reserve is of local historic significance to the City of Casey.

#### Why is it significant?

Historically, it is significant for its associations with Henry J Moran who for a brief but formative period in the early 1880s was owner of this garden and a foreman at the Melbourne Botanic Gardens under William Guilfoyle's direction. The selection of plantings which survive here are indicative of Guilfoyle's own planting choices ('Araucaria sp.') as well as including some mature exotic specimens which are within the city for their combination, their age and species. Moran is thought to have also laid out the Dandenong public gardens and planted many of the old trees in the Hampton Park area. The Moran family appear to have maintained a long association with the site. The site of the reserve also has significance as originally part of the large Dandenong Pound Reserve, the origin of the name Pound Road. (AHC criteria A4, D2 and H1)

Heritage Casey - Casey Heritage Study, Context Pty Ltd, 2004; Casey - City of Casey Heritage

Study/Consultant Study: Cranbourne, Knox, Graeme Butler & Study; Associate, 1998;

Other Names Moran Reserve, Dandenong Pound Reserve,

Hermes Number 63207

**Property Number** 

## **Physical Description 1**

This reserve contains the following mature trees, which are likely to have a connection with the Moran ownership:

- A Monterey cypress row
- Two large bunyas
- A Moreton Bay fig and stump
- Two Bhutan cypress possibly indicating the former house entry? -and other 'Cupressus sp.',
- A row of three oaks (small lea, 'Quercus robur'?)

Other trees include a cotoneaster, 'Corynocarpus sp.', citrus, 'Agathis robusta', elms and suckers and outside fence, silky oak and fig species, with silver poplars and 'Prunus sp.'.

Silver poplar suckers are in the median near the reserve and located at the suburban fringe of Hampton Park.

#### **Historical Australian Themes**

Settling & Working the land.

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