

# Victorian Heritage Database Report

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## BALMORAL COURT HOUSE



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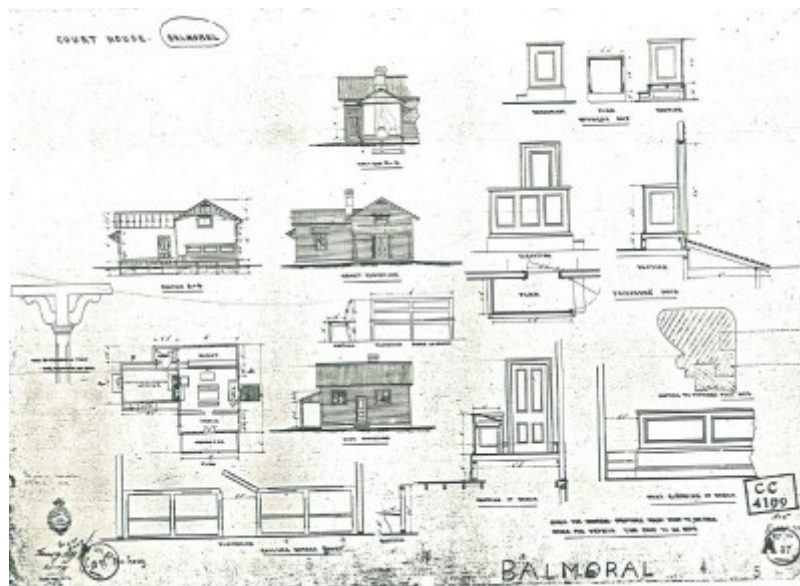
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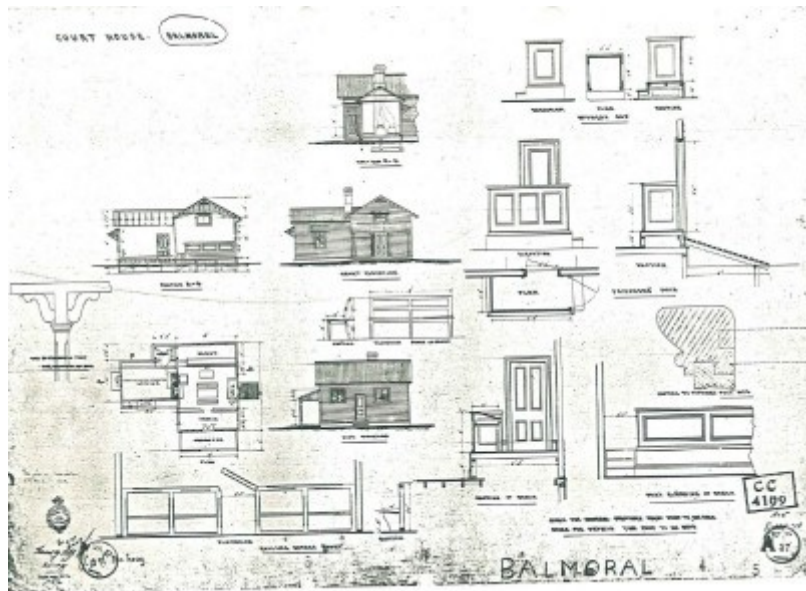
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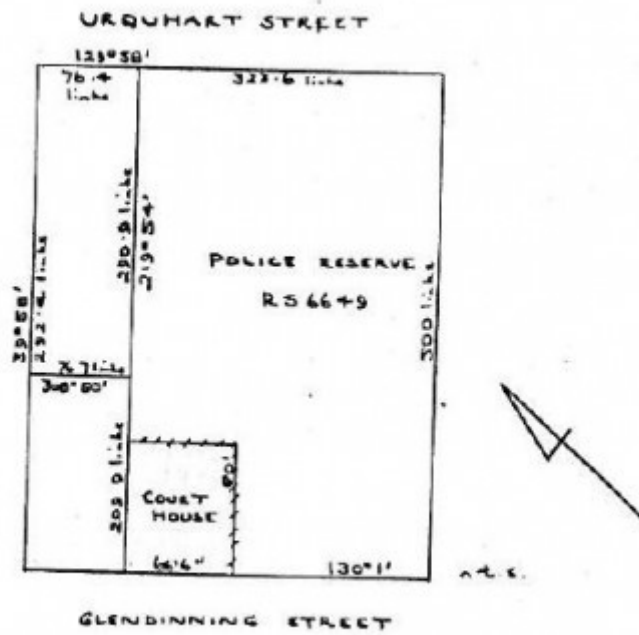
Balmoral Court House



Balmoral Court House plan



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Location

35 GLENDINNING STREET BALMORAL, Southern Grampians Shire

## **Municipality**

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

## **Level of significance**

Registered

## **Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number**

H1651

## **Heritage Overlay Numbers**

HO19

## **VHR Registration**

February 10, 1988

## **Amendment to Registration**

May 23, 1998

## **Heritage Listing**

Victorian Heritage Register

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## **Statement of Significance**

Last updated on - January 25, 2000

The Balmoral Court house was designed by Alfred T Snow and built by the Public Works Department in 1876. It is a weatherboard building with a gabled roof of corrugated galvanized iron and consists of a courtroom and an adjacent office to the west. A wooden verandah is attached to the front. The interior, which is lined with beaded timber boards, still contains the bench, clock, bar table, witness box, rail and seat. In the office the bookcase, table and washstand remain. Earlier examples of this style were built at Bright (1861), Jamieson (1863), Smythesdale (1866), Lilydale (1874) and Steiglitz (1874) but the Balmoral courthouse is one of two known courthouses in this group built in timber. The other is at Harrow but has been altered since its sale. Balmoral was a small postal and telegraph town on the Glenelg River, in the rich western district pastoral region. In the 19th century it showed little population growth; a population of 200 in 1880 had reached only 300 in the early 20th century. Together with the Mechanics Institute, a State School and three churches, the Courthouse played an important role in this small rural community.

Construction dates	1876,
Architect/Designer	Snow, Alfred T,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,

Hermes Number 86

Property Number

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## Plaque Citation

Balmoral Court House is registered by Heritage Council Victoria

Built in 1876-77, this rare example of an intact timber court house is a quaint expression of the Victorian Classical Free Style. It played an important role in the early history of this rural community.

## Extent of Registration

Amendment of Register of Government Buildings

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Court House, Glendinning Street, Balmoral the whole of the buildings and part of the Police Reserve Rs. 6649. [Victoria Government Gazette No. G39 12 October 1988 p.3094]

Transferred to the Victorian Heritage Register 23 May 1998 (2 years after the proclamation of the Heritage Act 1995 pursuant to the transitional provisions of the Act)

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