

BUILDING TITLE GOLDEN CITY HOTEL  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA CITY OF BALLAARAT

NATIONAL ESTATE PROJECT No.  
DOCUMENTATION OF LISTED HISTORIC BUILDINGS IN VICTORIA

DESIGNATION H.B.P.C. REGISTER No. NATIONAL TRUST  (R) FILE No.

BUILDING TYPE HOTEL  
BUILDING NAME GOLDEN CITY HOTEL  
STATE VICTORIA  
LOCAL GOVT AREA CITY OF BALLAARAT  
STREET STURT No. 429  
SUBURB/TOWN BALLARAT  
CITY BALLAARAT POSTCODE 3350  
RURAL  
NEAREST CENTRE Km.

TITLE REFERENCE Vol Fol  
DIRECTORY  
NEGATIVE FILE FILM 6 / FRAME 3

PHOTOGRAPHIC ILLUSTRATION  
DATE OF SURVEY/INSPECTION JULY 1978

OWNERSHIP ORIGINAL JAMES COGHLAN  
PRESENT KNDA PTY. LTD.  
ADDRESS 53 HESSE STREET, COLAC 3250

ARCHITECT/PRACTICE E & B. SMITH  
BUILDER  
ARTISANS/TRADES

TENDERS  
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION 1900  
ESTIMATE/CONTRACT VALUE  
ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS

REFERENCE

#### BUILDING CITATION

The hotel, that earlier occupied this site was the Adelphi which first advertised in the Ballarat Star on 3 September 1856. In 1900 the hotel underwent alterations designed by E. and B. Smith, architects, when James Coghlan operated the hotel. In December that year the name was changed to the Golden City. The brick alterations would appear to refer to the existing facade, the face brickwork of which is now painted. The hotel is essentially a simple two storey brick building with simple rectangular windows and a plain parapet with a corner motif of piers with a circular recess which breaks through the parapet as a semi-circle. The date, "1812", is a complete mystery.

The two storied verandah is the main decorative element of the building and would appear to be contemporary with the brick alterations. The cast iron posts support semi-circular patterned brackets with a narrow band of frieze work above. The upper storey has the same columns, brackets and frieze work with a balcony of broad cast iron panels alternating with slender cast iron balusters. The panels are of a decorative and pleasing design. The bull-nosed verandah roof is broken at the corner by a gablet with a king truss gable end which rises to a finial. This substantial and intact verandah is an important element of this environment area.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that this building be added to the Register of the National Trust and be specified under Clause 8 of the Town and Country Planning Act (Third Schedule)

DOCUMENTATION SOURCES

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- 01 GOVERNMENT RECORDS
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  - 08 PRIVATE RECORDS
- 02 BALLARAT CITY COUNCIL, BUILDING PERMITS BOOK 1899.

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- 2. HARGREAVES, BALLARAT HOTELS, P.17 & P 47 TYPESCRIPT HELD BALLARAT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

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ASSESSMENT OF LISTING

CONDITION/INTEGRITY OF BUILDING SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT

SIGNIFICANCE OF BUILDING

LANDSCAPE/STREETScape/ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE PART OF RECOMMENDED AREA A1.3.

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DOCUMENTATION JACOBS LEWIS VINES DATE SEPTEMBER 1978.