BACCHUS MARSH HERITAGE STUDY.

Ref: 79

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NAME: Errindale.

PREVIOUS NAME: Glencraig.

ADDRESS: Werribee Vale Road. (West end).

TITLE DETAILS:

USE: Farmhouse

SIGNIFICANT DATE: CONSTRUCTION DATE: e1863 (outbuildings)

C1920s (house) SOURCE: 1,3.

CRITERIA: H1; Ar1.

HISTORIC THEME: Agriculture

<u>DESCRIPTION:</u> (Outbuildings) STYLE: Early STORIES: 1 DETACHED.

<u>MATERIALS:</u> (Outbuildings) WALLS Stone ROOF Iron STRUCTURE Lb

<u>CONDITION:</u> Reasonable. INTACTNESS: Reasonable THREATS: Neglect

SIGNIFICANT INTACT ELEMENTS:

MATERIALS.

OUTBUILDINGS (3 no)

GARDEN. TREES.

SIGNIFICANCE:

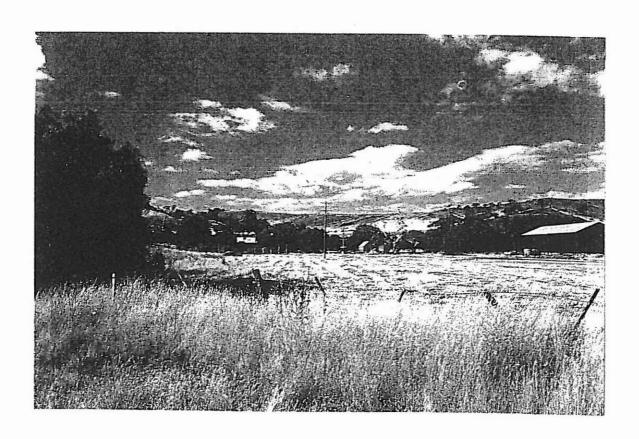
TYPE: HISTORICAL. ARCHITECTURAL.

LEVEL: LOCAL.

DESIGNATION EXISTING: Nil

RECOMMENDED CONTROL: PLANNING SCHEME.

MAP NO: R2.05 SURVEY: RP & DC DATE: 4.1.94 NEGS: 6.25, 27



HISTORY: The earliest buildings on this property were erected by Robert Morton following his purchase of the land in November 1863. Morton farmed the land until his death in 1876, when the property, "Glencraig", was leased to Alexander Kyle. The present farmhouse was erected in the 1920s for Tim Shea and his wife, Jenny (née Vallence). Mr Shea (1900-1993) operated a dairy farm here until his adopted son Bill Deveny succeeded him in c1915. He was three times Shire President and a Councillor for 38 years. It is now occupied by Bill and Lyn Shea.

VISUAL DESCRIPTION: A 1920s brick L-shaped house with a gabled roof. It is surrounded by a high hedge and garden and trees and sited near to the river at the end of Werribee-Vale Road. There are three old random rubble, sandstone outbuildings with single rectangular plans and gabled roofs.

COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS: Three farms have surviving stone outbuildings in the Shire: the others are 67 Lees Road, Balliang (ref. 3) and Muirs Lane (ref. 277). This is the only property with several.

SIGNIFICANCE: Three early stone farm outbuildings built around 1863 near a house built in the 1920s by Tim and Jenny Shea, well known local identities.

These are of local historical significance as a representative embodiment of a nearly way of life and early agricultural practice. Also they have local architectural significance in representing an early use of stone construction for farm buildings.

INTACTNESS: Outbuildings: reasonable.

CONDITIONS & THREATS: Outbuildings: reasonable.

Department of Lands and Survey, Parish of Gorrockburghap G111 (5), (CPO).

² Bacchus Marsh Express, (date needed) January 1877.

³ Personal communication with Gwyn Moore, BMDHS.

⁴ Herald Sun, 1 November, 1993. Obituary.

