

Royal Oak Hotel, 442 Nicholson Street, Fitzroy North

Heritage overlay: HO327

City of Yarra Property Number: 231750

What is significant?

The Royal Oak Hotel at 442 Nicholson Street, Fitzroy North was created in 1926 for Annie Kane and has other historical associations with persons such as Caroline Purcell. The place has a good integrity to its creation date (some brickwork painted).

Fabric from the creation date at the Royal Oak Hotel is locally significant within the City of Yarra, compared to other similar places from a similar era.

How is it significant?

The Royal Oak Hotel at 442 Nicholson Street, Fitzroy North is historically and architecturally significant to the locality of Fitzroy North and the City of Yarra.

Why is it significant?

The Royal Oak Hotel is significant as a major neo-Grec style two-storey hotel building with significant dado tiles and upper level colonnaded verandahs and detailing. The design is enhanced by its corner site.

References:

Municipal rate books:

VPRS 4301/P/0001

City of Fitzroy / Central Ward

Rate year/Rate no./Occupier/Owner/Description /NAV

1944/45; 3139; Purcell Caroline, Licensed Victualler; Purcell C. ; 442-444 Nicholson St, Royal Oak Hotel, Brick Hotel 18 rms, pop 8 ; 390

1940-41; 3139; Purcell Caroline, Licensed Victualler; Purcell P and C; 442-444 Nicholson St, Royal Oak Hotel, Brick Hotel 18 rms, pop 8 ; 400

1935-36; 3138; Leahy Robert William, Licensed Victualler; Kane Annie; 442-444 Nicholson St, Royal Oak Hotel, Brick Hotel 18 rms, pop 4; 400

1930-31; 3138; Trickey Charles Edward, Licensed Victualler; Kane Annie, Royal Oak Hotel; 442-444 Nicholson St, Royal oak Hotel, Brick Hotel, 18 rms, pop 7; 500

1929/30; 3138; Trickey Charles Edward, Licensed Victualler; Kane Annie, Royal Oak Hotel; 442-444 Nicholson St, , Brick Hotel, 18 rms, pop 7; 500

1928/29; 3138; Heslin Peter to Trickey Charles, Licensed Victualler; Kane Annie, Royal Oak Hotel; 442-444 Nicholson St, , Brick Hotel, 18 rms, pop 4; 500

1927/28; 3138; Hughes Leslie to Heslin Peter, Licensed Victualler; Kane Annie, Royal Oak Hotel; 442-444 Nicholson St, , Brick Hotel, 18 rms, pop 11; 500

1926/27; 3138; McLennan Alexander to Donohue John, Licensed Victualler; Kane Annie, Royal Oak Hotel; 442-444 Nicholson St, , Brick Hotel, 18 rms, pop 11; 500

1925/26; 3140; Jennings H J to McLennan Alexander; Kane Annie, Royal Oak Hotel; 444 Nicholson St, Brick hotel, 9 rms, pop 4; 240

; 3141; Richards W Thos to McLennan Alexander, publican; Kane Annie, Royal Oak Hotel; 442 Nicholson St, Brick Store, 5 rms, pop 1; 50

Melbourne or Victorian directories:

East Side 1915-25

1944/45; 442-4 Royal Oak hotel – Purcell Mrs C.T.

442-4 Purcell Philip

1940; 442-4 Royal Oak Hotel – Bourke J H.

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1935; 442-4 Royal Oak Hotel – Conian D. J.
1930; 442-4 Royal Oak Hotel – Trickey C. E.
1925; 444 Royal Oak Hotel – Jennings, Harry J.
1920; 444 Royal Oak Hotel – Malone, Daniel T.
1915; 444 Royal Oak Hotel – Malone, Daniel T.
1910; 444 Royal Oak Hotel – West Geo. H.
1906; 444 Royal Oak Hotel – Kane, Mary C
1905; 426 Railway Hotel – Taylor Mrs Elizabeth

Other references:

MMBW Detail Plan shows earlier building- part remaining?