

## **First Carlton Troop, Boy Scouts Association Hall, 12-18 Shakespeare Street, Carlton North**

Heritage overlay: HO326

City of Yarra Property Number: 220500

### **What is significant?**

The First Carlton Troop, Boy Scouts Association, Hall at 12-18 Shakespeare Street, Carlton North was created in 1931 for the Carlton Boy Scouts Trustees and has close historical associations the Carlton troop of boy scouts. The place has a high integrity to its creation date.

Fabric from the creation date at the First Carlton Troop, Boy Scouts Association Hall is locally significant within the City of Yarra, compared to other similar places from a similar era.

### **How is it significant?**

The First Carlton Troop, Boy Scouts Association Hall at 12-18 Shakespeare Street, Carlton North is historically and architecturally significant to the locality of Carlton North and the City of Yarra.

### **Why is it significant?**

The First Carlton Troop, Boy Scouts Association Hall is significant as a red brick and render (unpainted) scout hall, in an uncommon design for the type; being architect designed by Harry James; and a well-preserved but late example of Neo-baroque styling, with steel-framed windows and segmental arches to openings. It is socially and historically significant for its public role. 'Halls were important places for social gatherings during the Victorian and Edwardian era, terrace housing being unsuited for large functions. This red brick 'Edwardian' style Scout Hall built on the street boundary in narrow Shakespeare St (1930, H James, architect) exemplifies the early 20 ' century social life of the suburb. Other examples including the Canton Hall in Princess St, and Amess St hall (current RSL premises) are ornate 19th century community halls, while the San Remo ballroom in Nicholson St, (former 1920s Adelphi cinema) was once a large brick Bicycle School and Roller Skating Rink in 1900-4.' (Wight 2001)

### **References:**

#### **Municipal rate books:**

VPRS 5708/P4

City of Melbourne / Victoria Ward

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

1931/32; 550; Trustees of Carlton Boy Scouts; Hall; 20

1930/31; 550; Trustees of Carlton Boy Scouts; Hall unfinished; 8

1929/30; 550; Land; Trustees of Carlton Boy Scouts; Shakespeare St. Land; 8

VPRS 8915/P/0001

City of Melbourne Valuer's Books/ Victoria Ward

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

1930/1; 550; Vacant; Trustees of Carlton Boy Scouts; 60 x 60' 6; 8 to 20

1928/29; 550; Land; Trustees of Carlton Boy Scouts ; Land, 60 x 60' 6, new building £1,500;

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**Melbourne or Victorian directories:**

North Side

1944/45; Scouts Hall

1940; Scouts Hall

1935; Scouts Hall

1931; Scouts Hall

1930; Scouts' Hall being built

**Other references:**

Wight 2001: 1930, H.James, architect

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Lewis 1984: BIF Construction date (Foundation Stone);

Proclaim: Part 12-18 Shakespeare St