

PLACE NAME: WAR VETERAN'S HOME DRYSDALE  
 LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA SHIRE OF BELLARINE

**ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY (References)**

STYLE OR PERIOD: Victorian Eclectic

ARCHITECT(S)/DESIGN ORIGIN: Major Albert Purchas  
 Reference: (honorary architect)

Smith, J., Cyclopedia of Victoria, p. 56

BUILDER:  
 Reference:

PRINCIPAL ARTISANS/ARTISTS/TRADES  
 Reference:

TENDER NOTICE:  
 Reference:

DATE(S) OF CONSTRUCTION 1891  
 Reference: Foundation stone laid 25th March, 1891  
 Smith, J., Cyclopedia of Victoria, P.55  
 ESTIMATE/CONTRACT VALUE \$2,000

SUBSEQUENT WORKS/ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS  
 The flag pole has been removed from the turret and held in storage.

ORIGINAL OWNER(S)/OCCUPANT(S)  
 United Services Home Committee  
 SUBSEQUENT SIGNIFICANT OWNERS/OCCUPANTS

OTHER NOTES  
 Foundation stone laid by Lord Hopetoun, Governor of Victoria. Site donated by the Bellarine Shire Council.



NEGATIVE FILE:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Australian Heritage Commission Register of National Estates	<input type="checkbox"/>	Historic Buildings Preservation Council Register No. ....
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**IDENTIFICATION DATA**

PLACE NAME War Veteran's Home  
 ADDRESS 19 Crimea Street, Drysdale.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA Shire of Bellarine  
 TITLE INFORMATION

MAP REFERENCE

PRESENT USE Residence  
 PRESENT OWNER/LESSEE R.W. and M. Green  
 ADDRESS Crimea Street, Drysdale. 3222  
 TELEPHONE (052) \_\_\_\_\_



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DOCUMENTATION REFERENCES AND BIOGRAPHIC NOTES

"Eighteenth Report of the United Services Home," Drysdale 1909.

Brownhill, W.R., The History of Geelong and Corio Bay, Wilke & Co. Ltd., Melbourne. 1955. pp. 643-4

Henry, J.A. and Collie, N.J. (Compilers), Early Geelong, Do You Remember, Henry Thacker Pty. Ltd., Geelong. Reprinted 1971. Vol 1 and 2. Vol. 2 p.5

Hutchinson, M.L., "Tourists Guide to Geelong & Southern Watering Places". Melbourne 1892. pp. 55-56

Smith, J., (Ed), Cyclopedia of Victoria, Niven and Co, Melbourne, 1905. Vol. III. p. 55.

National Trust of Australia (Victoria), File No. 2498.

CITATION

The War Veterans' Home was erected in 1891 to designs by Major Albert Purchas, Honorary architect to the United Services Homes Institution, as a welfare establishment for impoverished war veterans of the British army and navy. The chaste brick structure is an unusual, eclectic design by prolific Melbourne architect Albert Purchas and most notable for the pointed window heads and entrance doorways and squat decorated tower. The institution was modelled on the Chelsea and Greenwich Hospitals in London similarly serving Crimea War veterans.

SIGNIFICANCE OF PLACE

- Its creative and/or technical accomplishment.
- Its demonstration of a way of life, custom, process or function no longer practised, in danger of being lost or of exceptional interest.
- Its strong association with an important figure or figures, development, or cultural phase.
- Its townscape and/or landscape value.
- Its scarcity value.

SIGNIFICANCE

- LOCAL  REGIONAL  STATE  NATIONAL  WORLD

CONDITION

- EXCELLENT  GOOD  FAIR  DETERIORATED  RUINS

INTEGRITY

- HIGH  LOW  ALTERED  DAMAGED

RECOMMENDATIONS: PROTECTIVE MEASURES

Geelong Regional Commission Register.

DOCUMENTATION — Allan Willingham, Architect, 151 McKean St., North Fitzroy. 3068. Tel: 03 489 8492.

SIGNATURE.....DATE.....

# BELLARINE HERITAGE STUDY RECORD SHEET

<b>Site No.</b>	1-19	<b>Street/Site Name</b>	Crimea St	<b>Town / Suburb</b>	Drysdale 3222	<b>Record No.</b>	49	
<b>Address</b>							<b>Page No.</b>	1
<b>Site Name</b>	fmr War Veterans Home *							

**Key Dates:** Original  Major Changes

**Existing Use/Type**  
Residential

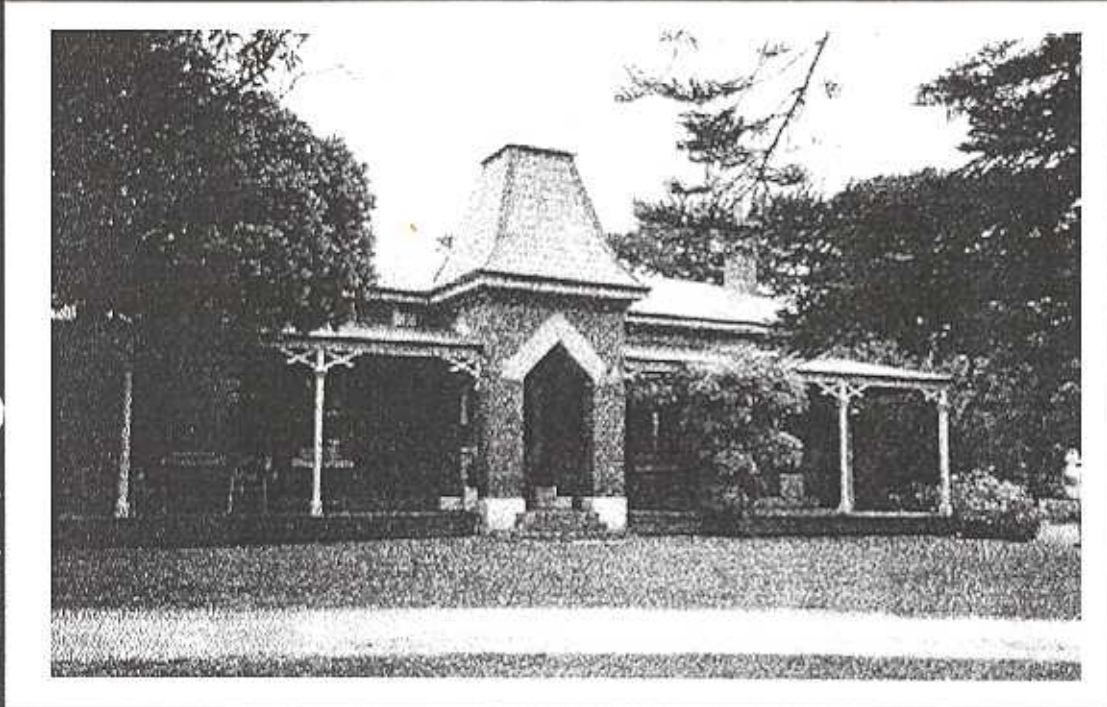
**Precinct Name**

**Survey Date**

**Neg. No.**

**Video Track No.**

**Recorded By**



**Heritage Status:**

CATEGORY: National Estate

REGISTRATION NUMBER: DB003637

Nominated

Registered

**Historic Buildings Register**

Nominated

Registered

**National Trust Register:**

C 2498

**Planning Scheme:**

CGG 82

**Historical Archaeological Register:**

**Other:**

A Willingham vol. 1, 90

**BHS Degree of Significance**

A  B  C  D

**Condition of the fabric:**

Excellent  Good

Fair  Poor

Ruinous  Unexposed

**Integrity of the site:**

Excellent  Good

Fair  Poor

Partially excavated

Fully excavated

**Present Threats:**

Human; mining

Human; visitor erosion

Human; vandalism

Human; development

Human; conservation/maintenance

Human; stock

Natural Forces; erosion

Natural Forces; vegetation

Not threatened

**Significant Architectural Features:**

Original Materials

Original Chimneys

Wall Decoration

Verandah Structure

Verandah Decoration

Original Parapet

other prominent elevations

Original Roof

Original Openings

Original Decoration

Original Finish

Early Garden

Early Fence