

PLACE NAME: BATESFORD SCHOOL

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA: SHIRE OF CORIO

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY (References)

STYLE OR PERIOD: Institutional

ARCHITECT(S)/DESIGN ORIGIN: Public Works Department
Reference:

BUILDER:
Reference: Wynd, Ian, So Fine a Country A History of Corio Shire

PRINCIPAL ARTISANS/ARTISTS/TRADES
Reference:

TENDER NOTICE: Geelong Advertiser, 16 September, 1876.
Reference:

DATE(S) OF CONSTRUCTION: 1876/77. The school opened
Reference: on 1 March 1877. Wynd.

ESTIMATE/CONTRACT VALUE: £464/18/3

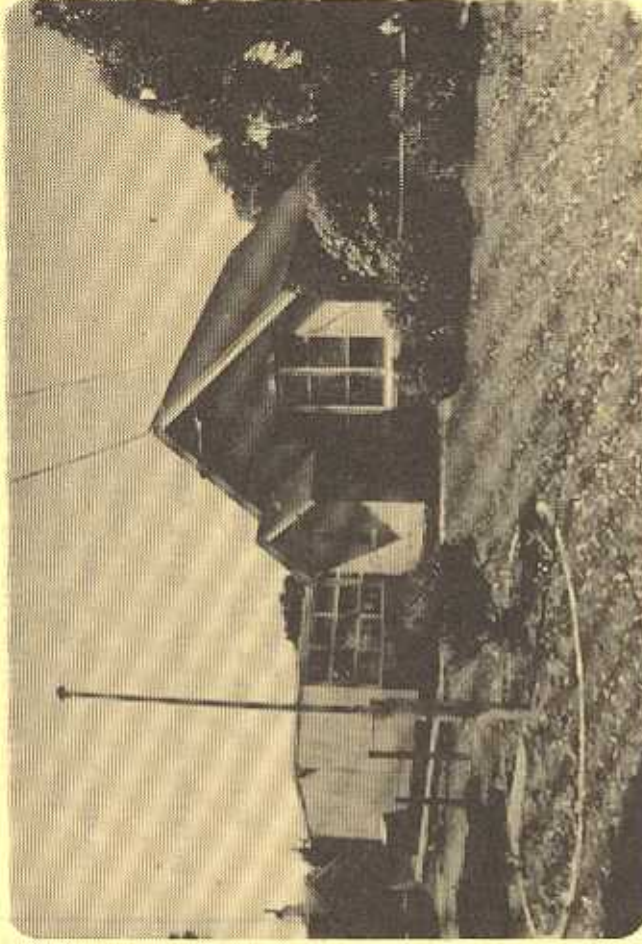
SUBSEQUENT WORKS/ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS

The original windows have been enlarged at an unknown date.

ORIGINAL OWNER(S)/OCCUPANT(S): Victorian Government

SUBSEQUENT SIGNIFICANT OWNERS/OCCUPANTS

OTHER NOTES: The land for the school was donated by Dr. Hope of "Lynnburn".



NEGATIVE FILE:

☐ Australian Heritage Commission Register of National Estate	☐ Historic Buildings Preservation Council Register No. File No.
☐ National Trust of Aust. (Vic) Classified/Recorded File No.	☒ Geelong Regional Commission Register No. 46.....

IDENTIFICATION DATA

PLACE NAME: Batesford School ²⁵
ADDRESS: Midland Highway ^{old Balaarat Rd}
Batesford ^{Batesford}

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA: Shire of Corio
TITLE INFORMATION

MAP REFERENCE

PRESENT USE: School
PRESENT OWNER/LESSEE: Education Department
ADDRESS: 2 Treasury Place,
Melbourne 3000
TELEPHONE

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DOCUMENTATION REFERENCES AND BIOGRAPHIC NOTES

Geelong Advertiser

16 September 1876, Government Notices - tender for brick school at Batesford.

4 January 1877 - nearly completed.

22 September 1877 - tender for wooden Teacher's House.

Wynd, Ian

So Fine a Country, a History of Corio Shire

Public Records Office Laverton, Education Department Records and Public Works Department records may contain further details of establishment, architectural plans and construction records for this schoolhouse.

CITATION The Batesford School, a single storey brick building with gable roof and asymmetrically located entry porch was erected in 1876-77 to plans prepared by the Public Works Department. The design is an extremely austere and utilitarian design, without ornamentation and typical of small country schoolrooms erected by the Victorian Government in the 1870s. a time of rapid development in education in the State and of prolific school building activity. The Batesford School is of interest as an early school in the district, but certainly eclipsed for architectural and historical importance by other similar rural schools in the Geelong Region.

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 -

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