

YARRA LODGE

Hemsworth House (former), Kohinoor

Place No. 125

ADDRESS 18 Yarra Street
Warrandyte

Last Update

DESCRIPTION This Edwardian, hip-roofed, triple fronted timber house is located on a hill top, near the edge of the Warrandyte township. The roof is Marseilles terracotta tiles, with terracotta cresting and finials, and exposed rafters at the eaves. The chimneys have corbelled Mansard tops. The verandah returns around the angle, under the main roof. It has a fine cast-iron valance and brackets, between turned timber posts. Windows are casement pairs. There is a timber attached outbuilding. The fence is recent. Colours are also recent, but generally appropriate.

The Holy Trinity Vicarage, Church Road; Trinity Lutheran Church Manse, Victoria; 71 Yarra Street, are some comparisons.

Condition Excellent

Integrity Intact

Threats

Key elements Building

Designer William Gribble - builder

HISTORY This house was built in 1906 by William Gribble for Joseph and Florence Blair. Joseph had made his fortune in gold mining in Western Australia and retired here. The house was then known as "Kohinoor" [1].

The house was sold to Charles Hemsworth in 1923.

SOURCES

[1] Correspondence from Rita Langham, daughter of F. & J. Blair, to the owners in 1991.

Creation Date 1906

Change Dates

Associations

Local Themes

Joseph and Florence Blair

7.04 - Edwardian houses

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE Yarra Lodge is of local significance for its historical associations with Blair, and architecturally as an intact example of a finely detailed Edwardian house.

LEVEL

RECOMMENDATIONS

Heritage Register Listings

Register	Reference	Zoning	Status
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None Specified

Extent

Heritage Schedule

External Paint Controls:

On VHR:

VHR Ref No:

Internal Alteration Controls:

Prohibited Uses:

Tree Controls:

Aboriginal Heritage Place:

Outbuildings or Fences:

Incorporated Plan:

Incorporated Plan Details

Description:

Conservation Management

Extra Research

BIBLIOGRAPHY [54] Correspondence from Rita Langham, daughter of F. & J. Blair, to the present owners.