

Violet Hawkes Cottage
Cnr. Tills Drive and Yarra St., Warrandyte.

This stone cottage, built for her sister, Violet, by Daisy Hawkes of the Selby Store, also dates from the early 1940s. It was built after the 1939 bushfires destroyed Daisy's Selby Boarding House. In that year, a house and shop were rated to Daisy for the first time³⁷⁸ However, a greater increase in valuation, and the rating of the shop and brick house in 1948 may have been when the cottage was completed.³⁷⁹

When Tills Drive was created in a 1971 subdivision, Daisy Hawkes stone shop (on the north side) and Violet's stone house (on the south side) were indicated on the Lodged Plan.³⁸⁰

Of local historical significance for its associations with Daisy Hawkes and her sister, Violet.

Kembla
Tills Drive, Templestowe.

Kembla, built as the country cottage of Edward Powell Lewis, successful Victorian engineer and businessman, was rated first in 1911-12 in the Warrandyte Riding of the Shire of Templestowe.³⁸¹ The original ten acre site was obtained the previous year from the district landholder, Captain Alfred Selby.³⁸² By the mid-1920s, Lewis house stood on 12 acres of land. The property's valuation increased at this time.³⁸³

E.P.Lewis (1862-1930) was born in Heidelberg, and was the third son of a Welsh publican, William Richard Lewis. After his father's death in 1867, Lewis mother ran the Old England Hotel at Heidelberg singlehanded until her remarriage in 1872. At seventeen, Lewis became an apprentice with an engineering firm later known as the Atlas Iron Works. By 1887, he was its chief draftsman. Later, after his marriage, Lewis was appointed manager at Wright and Edwards new works at Braybrook. This firm handled large rolling-stock contracts for the Victorian Railways.

When the firm collapsed during the 1890s depression, Lewis became works manager at Thompson's Engineering Works at Castlemaine.

³⁷⁸ Shire of Doncaster and Templestowe RB 1939-40 Warrandyte Riding No.215.

³⁷⁹ Shire of Doncaster and Templestowe RB 1948 Warrandyte Riding No.2887.

³⁸⁰ Lodge Plan 91615.

³⁸¹ Shire of Templestowe RB 1911-12 Warrandyte Riding No.145 (NAV 37 pounds).

³⁸² Shire of Templestowe RB 1910-11 Warrandyte Riding No.162(E.Lewis 10 acres, A.Selby 123 acres).

³⁸³ Shire of Doncaster and Templestowe RB 1926-27 Warrandyte Riding No.292 (NAV 55 pounds)

Finally, in 1899, Lewis went into partnership with George Kelly. The successful firm of Lewis and Kelly produced steam-driven winders, condensing plants and pumps for Western Australian deep-lead mines and plant for the de Bavay process of zinc recovery by flotation. In 1910, the firm began producing internal combustion engines. During the First World War the firm manufactured three aircraft engines for the Australian Flying Corps.

After Kelly's death in 1919, Lewis became the sole managing director of the firm. In 1921, the firm constructed a large foundry at Springvale and secured contracts for extensions to the Yallourn power house and sluice gates for the Hume Weir.

Lewis was president of the Victorian Chamber of Manufacturers from 1925 to 1927. His recreations were motoring and gardening. Although he had an Armadale residence, he spent time at his "cottage at Warrantyte." This was the property known as Kembla in Tills Drive. Lewis died at his Armadale home in January 1930 and is buried in the Springvale Cemetery.³⁸⁴

Next owned by the Vizard family, parents of Steve who grew up there.

Of *Regional historical significance*. as the country cottage of E.P.Lewis, a prominent Victorian engineer and businessman.

House

245 Tindals Rd., Warrantyte.

Walter Adolph Aumann (1910-1974), orchardist,³⁸⁵ was rated in the 1938-39 district records as the owner of a new house under construction, costing 595 pounds, located on 12 acres on Tindals Road in Warrantyte.³⁸⁶ Walter secured the site in 1935 from his father, Gustav Adolph, a well known district orchardist.³⁸⁷

³⁸⁴ *Australian Dictionary of Biography*, vol. 10 pp. 86-87; Kelly and Lewis Pty Ltd papers, University of Melbourne Archives; *Argus*, 13 Jan. 1930 (Obit.)

³⁸⁵ Eric Uebgang, *Aumann Family History*, p. 347.

³⁸⁶ Shire of Doncaster and Templestowe RB 1938-39 Warrantyte Riding No. 27 (NAV 10 pounds).

³⁸⁷ Shire of Doncaster and Templestowe RB 1931-32 No. 20 (12 acres owned by Gustav A. Aumann); 1935-36 No. 26 (12 acres owned by Walter A. Aumann).