

PLACE NAME: ELIZABETH AUSTIN COTTAGES
 LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA CITY OF GEELONG

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY (References)

STYLE OR PERIOD: Victorian Italianate.

ARCHITECT(S)/DESIGN ORIGIN: Joseph Watts, architect.
 Reference: Geelong
Geelong Advertiser, 17th August 1887

BUILDER: McKeown and Ebbeles
 Reference:

Brownhill, W.R., History of Geelong and Corio Bay, p.280

PRINCIPAL ARTISANS/ARTISTS/TRADES
 Reference:

TENDER NOTICE:
 Reference:

DATE(S) OF CONSTRUCTION 1886/87

Reference: Geelong Advertiser, 16th August, 1887

ESTIMATE/CONTRACT VALUE \$2400

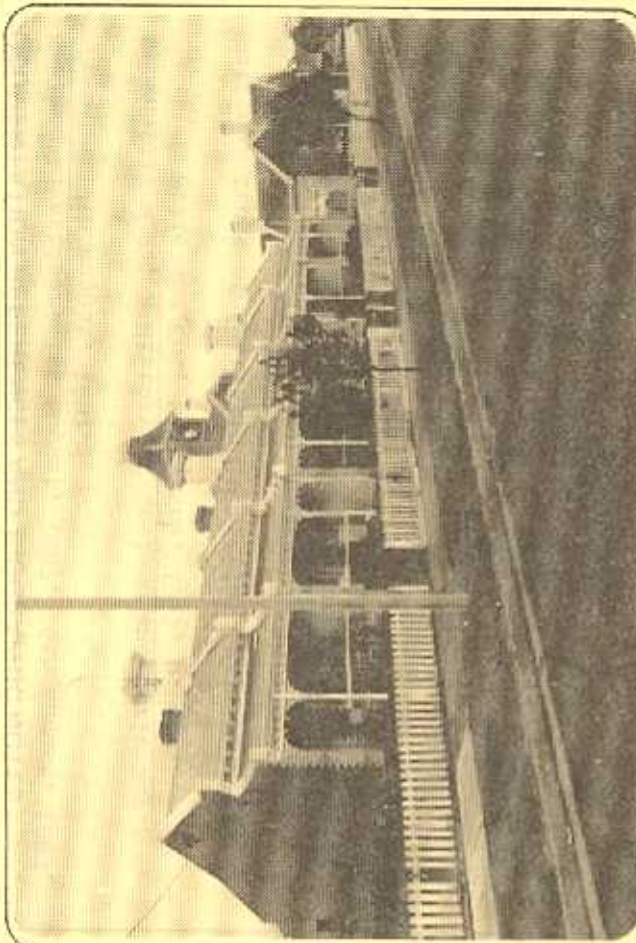
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SUBSEQUENT WORKS/ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS Brick
 additions have been made to the rear of each of the
 cottages and the chimneys have been altered.

ORIGINAL OWNER(S)/OCCUPANT(S)

Committee for poor and aged females of Geelong and
 SUBSEQUENT SIGNIFICANT OWNERS/OCCUPANTS Winchelsea.

OTHER NOTES Mrs. Thomas Austin of Barwon Park, Winchelsea
 was the benefactor of the cottages and also the adjoining
 terraces and hall in Varra Street c 1888



NEGATIVE FILE:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Australian Heritage Commission Register of National Estate	<input type="checkbox"/> Historic Buildings Preservation Council Register No.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Trust of Aust. (Vic) Classified/Recorded— File No.3624	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geelong Regional Commission Register No.133

IDENTIFICATION DATA

PLACE NAME Elizabeth Austin Cottages,
 ADDRESS 8-12A Munday Street & 13-23 Carr Street,
 South Geelong, 3220.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA City of Geelong
 TITLE INFORMATION

MAP REFERENCE _____

PRESENT USE Residences
 PRESENT OWNER/LESSEE Trustees of Geelong & Western District
 ADDRESS Ladies Association
 McKillop Street, Geelong
 TELEPHONE (052) 213100

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DOCUMENTATION REFERENCES AND BIOGRAPHIC NOTES

Geelong Advertiser, 1st August, 1887, 16th August, 1887, 17th August, 1887.
 Brownhill, W.R., A History of Geelong and Corio Bay, Wilke and Co., Melbourne, 1955, p. 280.
 National Trust of Australia (Victoria), File No. 3624
 Henry, J.A. and Collie, N.J., Early Geelong, Do You Remember, Henry Thacker Pty. Ltd. Printers, Geelong, Volumes 1 and 2, Reprinted 1917.
 Photo p. 20 Volume 2.

CITATION

The 12 single storey 2 room brick cottages known as the 'Elizabeth Austin Cottages' were erected in 1886/87 by McKewen and Ebbels. Mrs. Elizabeth Austin, widow of Thomas Austin of Barwon Park, Winchelsea, was the sole endower. The cottages were erected for the Committee of the Ladies Benevolent Association, a charitable institution founded by pioneer settler Caroline Chisholm in 1855 and devoted to the care of the poor and elderly women of Geelong and district. The institution has performed this role continuously since 1886 on the South Geelong site. These cottages, which are closely related in design and site layout to the central 'Jubilee Hall' and Austin Terraces (elsewhere treated), are notable works of architect Joseph Watts.

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
 Historic Buildings Council Register

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SIGNATURE DATE