

# HISTORIC PLACES DOCUMENTATION SHEET

Geelong Regional Commission

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PLACE NAME: 'KAINGA'  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA CITY OF NEWTOWN

## ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY (References)

STYLE OR PERIOD: Edwardian Villa

ARCHITECT(S)/DESIGN ORIGIN: Laird & Barlow  
Reference: R. Aitken "Edwardian Geelong: An Architectural Introduction" Unpublished Thesis 1979 p.17

BUILDER: Coulson and Co.  
Reference:

PRINCIPAL ARTISANS/ARTISTS/TRADES  
Reference:

TENDER NOTICE: Not recorded  
Reference:

DATE(S) OF CONSTRUCTION 1904  
Reference: R. Aitken "List of Important Buildings" ( ) p.3

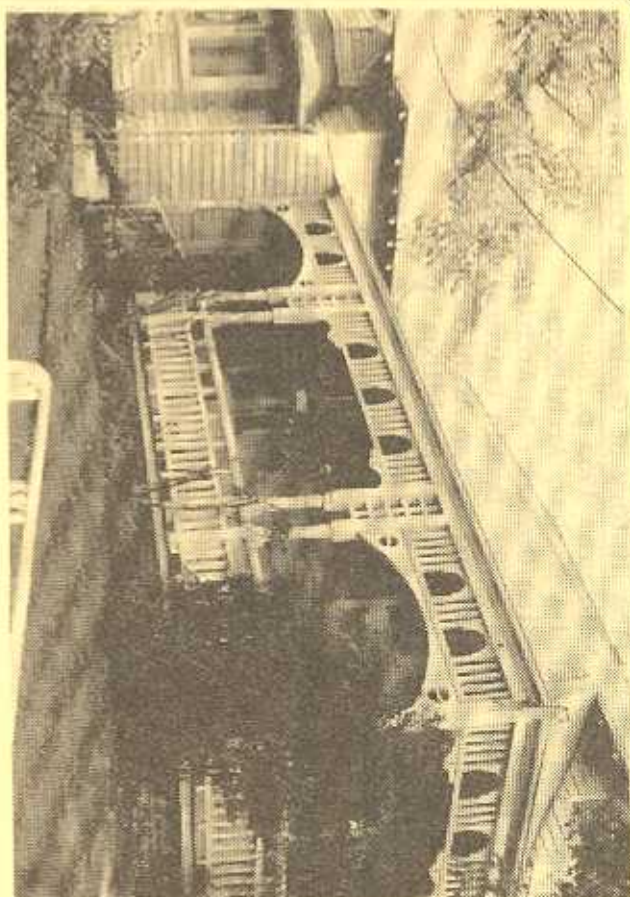
ESTIMATE/CONTRACT VALUE \$1,316.14.6.

## SUBSEQUENT WORKS/ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS

Minor alterations have been made to the exterior fabric including works to the front fence

ORIGINAL OWNER(S)/OCCUPANT(S) John Toyne, Auctioneer and Agent  
SUBSEQUENT SIGNIFICANT OWNERS/OCCUPANTS Robert Thear, former Mayor of Geelong.

## OTHER NOTES



## 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. 1,73

IDENTIFICATION DATA  
PLACE NAME 'Kainga'  
ADDRESS 67 Aberdeen Street,  
Newtown, 3220.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA City of Newtown  
TITLE INFORMATION

## MAP REFERENCE

PRESENT USE  
PRESENT OWNER/LESSEE Geelong Country Womens Assoc.  
ADDRESS 67 Aberdeen Street, Newtown TELEPHONE



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DOCUMENTATION REFERENCES AND BIOGRAPHIC NOTES

W. R. Brownhill, The History of Geelong and Corio Bay  
Wilke & Co Ltd, Melbourne 1955 p.260  
Formation of Laird & Barlow, Architects.  
R. Aitken, "Edwardian Geelong: An Architectural History"  
Unpublished Thesis 1979. Deakin University p17-18.  
Description of Laird and Buchan Architect of Geelong  
R. Aitken "List of Important Buildings" p.3  
Outline description of "Kainga" Residence in private  
communication with Alan Willingham.

Geelong Historical Society Investigation, Vol. 18 September  
1983, p. 100 reference to Toyne Brothers  
and Walsh, Stock and Station Agents.

CITATION

'Kainga', a single storey weatherboard villa was erected in  
1904 for John Toyne Auctioneer and Agent from designs by the  
innovative early twentieth century firm of Laird and Barlow.  
This practice shaped residential building style in Geelong  
for many years and 'Kainga' is characteristic of their work  
in timber in the first decade of the twentieth century.

It is one of a distinct group in Newtown and Geelong West  
of interest for architectural qualities.

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.

SIGNIFICANCE

☐ LOCAL ☒ REGIONAL ☐ STATE ☐ NATIONAL ☐ WORLD

CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT ☒ GOOD ☐ FAIR ☐ DETERIORATED ☐ RUINS

INTEGRITY

☒ HIGH ☐ LOW ☐ ALTERED ☐ DAMAGED

RECOMMENDATIONS: PROTECTIVE MEASURES

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