

PLACE NAME: CULLODEN CASTLE (Former Hotel)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA CITY OF GEELONG WEST

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY (References)

STYLE OR PERIOD: Colonial Georgian

ARCHITECT(S)/DESIGN ORIGIN: Unknown
Reference:BUILDER:
Reference:PRINCIPAL ARTISANS/ARTISTS/TRADES
Reference:TENDER NOTICE:
Reference:DATE(S) OF CONSTRUCTION c 1853
Reference:Seaton, Gladys, The Ashby Story - A History of Geelong
West P.51

ESTIMATE/CONTRACT VALUE

SUBSEQUENT WORKS/ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS

1884, Joseph Watts called tenders for alterations and additions to the Hotel.

In 1978 the interior was remodelled and converted into a restaurant. Additions have been made to the rear and the paint finish removed from the LaTrobe Ice. & Spring St. facades.

ORIGINAL OWNER(S)/OCCUPANT(S)

Alexander Forbes, Licensee

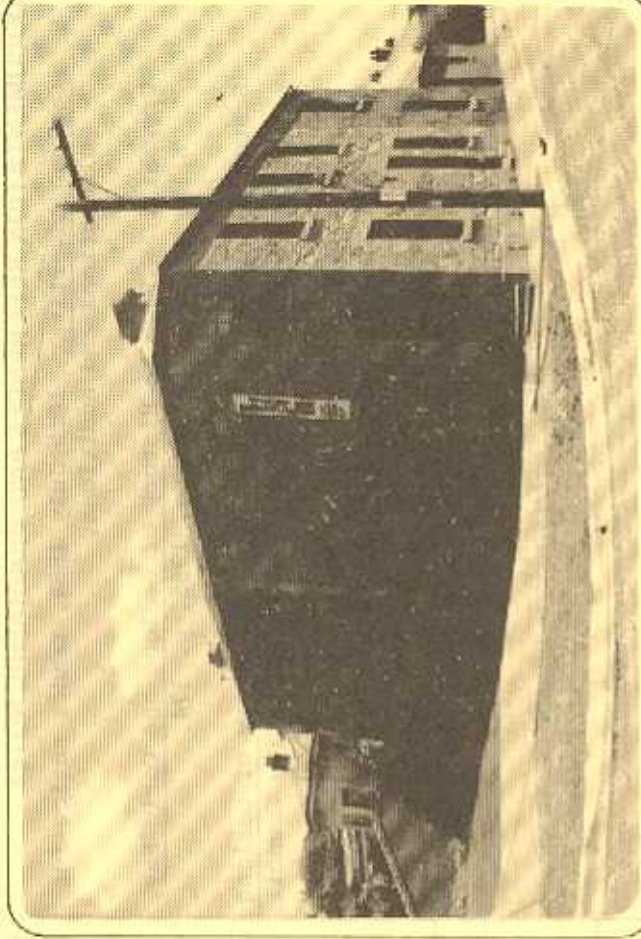
SUBSEQUENT SIGNIFICANT OWNERS/OCCUPANTS

c 1854, Angus Campbell

c 1882, John More Licensee

c 1890, Samuel Young.

OTHER NOTES



NEGATIVE FILE:

Australian Heritage Commission
Register of National EstateHistoric Buildings Preservation Council
Register No.
File No.National Trust of Aust. (Vic)
Recorded
File No. ...181Geelong Regional Commission
Register No.128

IDENTIFICATION DATA

PLACE NAME Culloden Castle Hotel

ADDRESS 226 Cnr LaTrobe Terrace & Spring Street,
Geelong West, 3218.LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA City of Geelong West
TITLE INFORMATION

MAP REFERENCE

PRESENT USE Restaurant.

PRESENT OWNER/LESSEE D.L. Stray - and also (See Over)
ADDRESS 2 Brassey Avenue,
Highton, 3216.TELEPHONE
(052)

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DOCUMENTATION REFERENCES AND BIOGRAPHIC NOTES

Geelong Advertiser, 18th July 1884, tender notice for alterations and additions.

Brownhill, W.R., The History of Geelong and Corio Bay, Wilke and Co., Melbourne, 1955, p. 374.

Seaton, Gladys, The Ashby Story - A History of Geelong West, Adams Printers for Geelong West City Council, 1978, pp. 51, 55.

National Trust of Australia (Victoria), File No. 1181.

CITATION

The former Culloden Castle Hotel, a two storey Colonial Georgian style structure built of Barrabool sandstone, was erected in 1853 for Alexander Forbes, licensee. The architect for the original premises is unknown. Joseph Watts, architect, called tenders for extensive brick additions in 1884. The Culloden Castle Hotel, now delicensed, was built at the height of the gold rushes to accommodate immigrants and new settlers. It is a fine surviving example of Colonial Georgian architecture in Victoria and freely derived from N.S.W. and Tasmanian architecture of the early 19th century.

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

Historic Buildings Council Register

Geelong Regional Commission Register.

PRESENT OWNER/LESSEE:

ADDRESS

Yatara Nominees Pty, Ltd
226 Latrobe Terrace,
GEELONG WEST 3218

DOCUMENTATION -

Allan Willingham, Architect, 151 McKean St.,
North Fitzroy, 3068. Tel: 03 489 8492.

SIGNATURE.....

DATE.....

CITY OF GEELONG WEST

URBAN CONSERVATION STUDY: BUILDING IDENTIFICATION FORM

BUILDING ADDRESS *226 Latrobe Terrace*

Type *Restaurant* Original Use *Hotel*

PRESENT BUILDING TITLE *Culloden Castle Restaurant formerly Culloden Castle Hotel*

EXISTING DESIGNATION

HBR

GBR

NBR

GRDS

NATIONAL TRUST

Reg. No.

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Classified

Recorded

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1181

CONSERVATION AREA No.

Name

Ashby

Survey Date

7.2.86

Neg. File

CC1 - CC3

PERIOD

pre 1860

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1860 - 1879

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1880 - 1899

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1900 - 1919

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1920 - 1939

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post 1940

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MATERIALS

walls

Barrabool sandstone
brick

roof

slate

CONSTRUCTION DATE

c. 1853

source

Billingham

SIGNIFICANT FEATURES

original materials

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early paint colour scheme or original unpainted finish

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ornamental wall detailing

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original doors, windows, hoods

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intact verandah / porch structure

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original parapet

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original roof form and finish

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original chimneys

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eaves, roof or gable decoration

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intact verandah decoration

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early fence

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early garden

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other prominent contributing elevations

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INTEGRITY RATING

excellent

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good

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fair

☐

poor

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CITY OF GEELONG WEST

URBAN CONSERVATION STUDY BUILDING IDENTIFICATION FORM

BUILDING ADDRESS

226 LATROBE TERRACE.

HISTORY

A licence was obtained for the Culloden Castle by Alexander Forbes in 1853 and its construction date is presumed to be at the height of the gold rushes. It is clearly marked on the 1854 map by Taylor, (see the portion of the map attached). Subsequent licencees were Hugh Cambell by 1858, John More, c.1882 and Samuel Young c.1890. Alterations and additions took place in 1884 when Joseph Watts called tenders. Subsequent additions were by Buchan Laird and Buchan, but in 1964 the hotel closed after being in business for 111 years. In 1978 it was remodelled into a restaurant. The Culloden Castle's Scottish origins are reinforced by its prominent location at the entrance to Spring Street, Little Scotland's busiest street in the nineteenth century.

DESCRIPTION

The Culloden Castle is a two storey hotel built of Barrabool sandstone. The original design origin is unknown but is freely derived from colonial Georgian examples in New South Wales and Tasmania. The Latrobe Terrace elevation is of ashlar blocks with quoining to window and door openings. The projecting quoinwork is also carried across the face of the building to give alternate raised bands of stonework an usual decorative feature, which can also be seen on 10 and 12 Coronation Street. The side elevation is of random coursed rubble. The brick extension was designed by the architect Joseph Watts in 1884 and was rendered. Windows are multipaned double hung, and the roof is slate. Rear extensions were added when the building changed use to a restaurant. Its external integrity is good apart from the sandblasted bricks, however internally it is totally renovated.

SIGNIFICANCE

The Culloden Castle is one of Victoria's finest surviving Colonial Georgian Hotels. It is of great importance as a reminder of the building boom at the height of the gold rushes and the role of hotels in accommodating immigrants and new settlers. It is only one of two hotel buildings left in the area formerly known as Little Scotland. *It is of State significance.*

POLICY/RECOMMENDATIONS

Historic Buildings Register, National Estate Register, *G.R.P.S.*

REFERENCES

Taylor's 1854 map of Ashby, Little Scotland and portion of Kildare.
Investigator, Vol. 12, No. 1, March 1977, p. 25. and Vol. 9, No. 1, p.97.
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