Victorian Heritage Database Report

Bonnie Doon



Location:
92 Sennitts Road, The Patch VIC 3792 - Property No 66005

Heritage Status / Level of Significance:
Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number:
Listing Authority: HI

Heritage Overlay Number: HO237

Statement of Significance:
Bonnie Doon has high local significance as one of the earliest guest houses remaining in the Dandenongs, and for its associations with the McKellars, prominent Monbulk residents. Bonnie Doon has architectural significance as a fairly intact example of a timber house with hallmarks of the transitionary period between Victorian and Edwardian style residential architecture.

Description

Bonnie Doon is a modest cottage in a semi-rural location. The substantial, landscaped property is bounded on two sides by Sennitts and Fairy Dell Roads, and includes a number of indigenous and imported mature trees.

The timber Victorian style cottage is a square plan building with a hipped roof and verandah to three sides. It has been elevated to all but the north-west elevation to accommodate the slope of the site. The house also includes elements which are typically associated with Edwardian style architecture and appears to be an example of the transitionary period between these two eras, as shown by the gable end roof which extends from the north-west corner and timbered gable infill.

The house has minimal ornamentation with square section timber verandah posts and a simple timber balustrade of regularly spaced panels of cross-bracing. Windows are generally double hung with moulded timber window surrounds fixed to the outside face of the wall. There are a number of altered openings to the north-east facade to incorporate additional doorways.

Excellent

Minor Modifications

Heritage Study / Consultant	Yarra Ranges - Shire of Yarra Ranges Heritage Study, Context Pty Ltd, 2000
Construction Date Range	1900 - 1900
Architect / Designer	
Municipality	YARRA RANGES SHIRE
Other names	
Hermes number	115154
Property number	66005

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