Victorian Heritage Database Report

Cranbrook Lodge





Location:
9 Westmount Road, HEALESVILLE VIC 3777 - Property No 43571

Heritage Status / Level of Significance:
Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number:

Listing Authority: HI

Heritage Overlay Number: HO82

Statement of Significance:
What is significant?

Cranbrook Lodge, comprising the guest house constructed c.1905 and the associated mature trees and gardens, at 7-13 Westmount Road, Healesville.

How is it significant?
Cranbrook Lodge at 7-13 Westmount Road, Healesville, is of local historical and aesthetic significance.

Why is it significant?
Of historical significance as one of the best preserved early twentieth century guesthouses in the Shire of Yarra Ranges. It illustrates the boom in guest house accommodation following the opening of the railway to Healesville. RNE criterion A.4

Of aesthetic significance because it is a fairly intact representative example of a substantial Edwardian weatherboard villa. It is set in extensive grounds featuring lawns, hedges and mature trees that provide an appropriate setting. RNE criterion E.1

Description

Cranbrook Lodge (formerly Aberfoyle) is a substantial single-storey Edwardian weatherboard guesthouse with a corrugated iron roof and skillion verandah on two sides set between projecting gabled bays. The main roof is a hipped gable with louvred vents and corbelled red-brick chimneys. The verandahs are supported by turned-timber posts with timber fretwork valances and brackets. The gable ends have half-timbered and roughcast infill and contain timber-framed double hung sash windows with distinctive ripple-iron awnings.

There are a number of skillion roofed additions located to the rear and to either end of the verandah on the north elevation. A small number of original windows have been replaced.

Adjacent to the original guesthouse is a recently completed chapel building which incorporates an earlier hipped gable roofed building.

The building is set in substantial grounds of lawn and mature trees including cypresses. There is a well-maintained privet hedge along the side of one verandah, and some of the pathways are edged in brick

Heritage Study / Consultant	Yarra Ranges - Shire of Yarra Ranges Heritage Study, Context Pty Ltd, 2000
Construction Date Range	1902 - 1902
Architect / Designer	
Municipality	YARRA RANGES SHIRE
Other names	
Hermes number	115253

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