

Victorian War Heritage Database Place Details - 28/4/2025

Glen Park Homestead and Cypress Avenue



Location:

23 Blackhill Road, Selby VIC 3159 - Property No 74532

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number:

Listing Authority: HI

Description:

Glen Park Homestead is situated east of the small commercial centre of Selby, and is set back from the Black Hill Road in a semi-rural setting. The homestead is reached via a long driveway lined with mature cypresses which form a canopy overhead. At the termination of the driveway a terraced area allows access to the house and associated outbuildings, as well as offering views of the surrounding, cleared landscape. Glen Park nestles into the southern, steep slope of Black Hill and has an uninterrupted and panoramic view overlooking cleared farming land to the south towards Puffing Billy Railway line and Cardinia Reservoir.

The Homestead, which dates from the late nineteenth century, is a single storey timber building with a U-shaped plan and gabled roof. The two projecting wings extend to the north and each has a single, corbelled brick chimney to the centre. A narrow verandah connects all three sections of the building to the north, as well as providing access to the main, centrally located entrance.

There is minimal roof overhang to all sides and the verandah is simply detailed with minimal ornamentation and square section verandah posts. The gable ends are undecorated with simple timber bargeboards edging the roof. The western wing has a single, centrally located double hung window to the north face, while the eastern wing has no openings to the north.

The Homestead is currently in a poor state and has suffered significant deterioration to the exterior. The interior has been damaged by rainwater penetrating the roof, and by vandalism.

A small timber, gable roofed outbuilding to the north of the Homestead has collapsed.

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