

Victorian Heritage Database Report
'Ariston' child care centre



Location:

245 Pakington Street, NEWTOWN VIC 3220 - Property No 203911

Heritage Status / Level of Significance:

Individually Significant

Heritage Overlay Numbers: HO1623, HO97

Listing Authority: Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance:

B Listed & Regional Significance

The two storey brick residence "Ariston" in Pakington Street, Newtown was built in 1891 for mining company entrepreneur and investor, James Randell, to eclectic style design by young Melbourne Architect, Phillip A

Kennedy. The ten room Villa is dominated by an elaborate cast iron balcony, verandah and iron fence in a style derived from the English late Victorian Aesthetic Movement. Randell. A noted Central Victorian goldfields speculator and wealthy company director moved to Geelong from Creswick in c1890, and built this notable Geelong house on [art of the site of James "Ariston" historic early Geelong house on part on the site of James "Ariston" historic early Geelong Villa "The Priory"

RECOMMENDATIONS: PROTECTIVE MEASURES

Geelong Regional Commission Register.

Australian Heritage Commission Register of the National Estate.

National trust of Australia (Victoria) Register.

REFERENCES

Geelong Advertiser - 19 August 1890 tender notice.

Geelong Advertiser - 9 September 1890 separate tender, notice Phillip A Kennedy Architect, Melbourne.

Geelong Advertiser - 27 July 1923, Obituary: James Randell died on 26 July 1923 at his residence "Gobaith" Pakington Street, aged 84 years.

Geelong Advertiser - 1 September, 1923 James Randell, late of Pakington Street leaves an estate of _37,353 realty, _5,300 personalty.

For details of the career of Phillip A Kennedy, architect see Smith, James, (ed) Cyclopedia of Victoria, Nivers & Co Melbourne, Vol 111, 1905, p.127.

For brief biographical details of James Randell, see Sutherland, Alexander, (ed) Victorian and Its Metropolis McCarron, Bird, Melbourne, 1888, p.253.

City of Newtown, Rate Book 1891-1892, first reference to brick house, 10 rooms, bath, pantry, scullery, etc James Randell. owner/occupier.

Geelong Historic Records Centre - 'Historic Geelong Houses' 1958.

Heritage Study / Consultant	Greater Geelong - Geelong Region Historic Buildings and Objects Study, Allan Willingham, 1986; Greater Geelong - City of Newtown Urban Conservation Study, Context Pty Ltd, 1991; Greater Geelong - City of Newtown Urban Conservation Study, Richard Peterson, 1997
Construction Date Range	
Architect / Designer	
Municipality	GREATER GEELONG CITY
Other names	

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