

# HERITAGE PLACE

**NAME OF PLACE:** 'GLEN ISLA'

**ADDRESS/LOCATION OF PLACE:** 230 Church Street COWES

**STUDY NUMBER:** 55

**HERITAGE OVERLAY NUMBER:** HO41

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**LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA:** Bass Coast Shire

**PARISH:** PARISH OF PHILLIP ISLAND

**SIGNIFICANCE RATING:** Local



Glen Isla, Church Street, Cowes

**Image Date:** December 2003

**EXTENT OF LISTING:**

From the front boundary and nominally 20 metres all around house.

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Extra Files

Location 230 Church Street COWES

PARISH OF PHILLIP ISLAND

COUNTY OF MORNINGTON

COWES (T)

Planning Authority

Ward Thompson

Access Description

Map Number

0

Map Scale 1:100000

Latitude

Longitude

UMG Zone

Easting

Northing

Location Validity

Spatial Accuracy

Extent of Listing

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Published Extent of Listing

Significance Local

Statement of Significance

'Glen Isla', is of local historic and architectural significance. The house is of historic significance as one of the oldest houses built on one of the oldest allotments on Phillip Island, erected in 1870. It is of architectural significance, and is unique within the municipality, as an American prefabricated weatherboard house with picturesque Gothic detailing.

Gazettal Details

Permit Exemptions

Exemptions Policy

Assessment Against Criteria

AHC B2: Importance in demonstrating a distinctive way of life, custom, process, function or design no longer practised, in danger of being lost, or of exceptional interest.

Date Assessed 03/08/2004 Assessed By F Woodhouse

Comparisons

Rare Assessment

Intact Assessment

Good -

Include in VHR  Include in RNE  Include in Local Planning Scheme  No Recommendations for Inclusions

Recommended Management

Investigate original external paint colours when due for a repaint.

Retain mature trees

Heritage Act Categories

Heritage Item Groups

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Title Details

Architectural Style

Pre-separation Primitive Settlement 1788-1835

Architect/Designers

Unknown

Builders/Makers

Unknown

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Construction Started

1870

Circa No

Completed

Circa No

## Physical Description

A picturesque homestead comprising a double-storey weatherboard building with a gabled corrugated steel roof. The roof has narrow eaves, elaborate bargeboards, turned timber finials and quatrefoil motif gable vents. Windows are timber-framed, double-hung sashes with timber shutters. The homestead is set in expansive landscaped grounds featuring Norfolk Island pines and three oak trees, believed to be over 100 years old. Other structures on the site include a recent single and double-storey building and a recent high fence.

## Physical Condition and/or Archaeological Potential

Good

Usage Residence

## Associated People

Robert Anderson

## Historical Notes

Originally known as Mussel Rock, Cowes was renamed in 1865 by Henry Fox, the Government Surveyor when surveying Western Port, who named the township after the holiday resort, Cowes, on the Isle of Wight.'

Glen Isla' is located on land originally part of two Allotments 65 and 66 at Cowes, a 200 acre property and in all likelihood was named after the place in Scotland. Allotment 65 was first sold to Robert Anderson, and Allotment 66 to G Rolfe, on 12 February 1869. This section of Cowes was amongst the first parcel of land to be sold in Cowes in 1869. Further sales occurred in 1871, 1874 and 1876. The Robert Anderson family (apparently unrelated to the Hugh and Samuel Anderson's of Western Port) erected the existing house in 1870. It was later extended in 1887-8 when two cottages were also built. The house is an imported American timber kit home. Restoration work has been undertaken in recent times, and a garage and other buildings added to the site.

## Historic Themes

Thematic Environmental History

13.5 From Bark Huts to Bungalows: The diversity of home styles on Cowes is indicative of the length of settlement on the island. This house is unusual in that it is an imported American timber kit home, constructed in 1870, with later additions during the 1880s period.

## Listings

## References

Author	Title	Year	Shelf	Location
Department of Land and Survey	Parish plan of Phillip Island			
Glen Isla House	'Glen Isla House'	2004		
Jean Edgecombe	Phillip Island and Western Port	1989		
Thomas Horton & Kenneth Morris	The Andersons of Western Port	1983		

## Conservation Plans

## Owner Type

## Section 32 Recommendation

## Owners/Occupants/Managers

## Other Notes

## Application Detail

## Adviser Comments

## Planning Scheme Amendments

## Overlay Controls

## Planning Scheme Schedule

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External Paint Controls?	No	Included in Vic Heritage Register? No
Internal Alteration Controls?	No	Prohibited uses may be permitted? Yes
Tree Controls?	No	Name of incorporated plan No
Outbuildings/fences not exempt?	No	Aboriginal Heritage Place? No