

HERITAGE PLACE

NAME OF PLACE: 'CHARNWOOD'

ADDRESS/LOCATION OF PLACE: 10-12 Venus Street INVERLOCH

STUDY NUMBER: 172

HERITAGE OVERLAY NUMBER: HO98

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA: Bass Coast Shire

PARISH: PARISH OF KIRRAK

SIGNIFICANCE RATING: Local



'Charnwood', 10-12 Venus Street, Inverloch.

Image Date: March 2002

EXTENT OF LISTING:

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Location **10-12 Venus Street INVERLOCH**

PARISH OF KIRRAK

COUNTY OF BULN BULN

INVERLOCH (T)

Planning Authority

Ward **Townsend**

Access Description

Map Number

0

Map Scale **1:100000**

Latitude

Longitude

UMG Zone

Easting

Northing

Location Validity

Spatial Accuracy

Extent of Listing

Nominal 20 metre curtilage around the house.

Published Extent of Listing

Significance **Local**

Statement of Significance

'Charnwood', at 10-12 Venus Street, Inverloch, is of local historic and aesthetic significance as a substantial house built on part of a much larger allotment originally held by local landowner, Samuel Laycock. The house is of aesthetic significance as a picturesque and largely intact example of an unusually corrugated iron clad early twentieth century farmhouse, with later additions.

Gazettal Details

Permit Exemptions

Exemptions Policy

Assessment Against Criteria

AHC A.4 Importance for association with events, developments or cultural phases which have had a significant role in the human occupation and evolution of the nation, State, region or community.

AHC E.1 Importance for a community for aesthetic characteristics held in high esteem or otherwise valued by the community.

Assessed **10/08/2004** 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 paint colours when due for a repaint.

Heritage Act Categories

Heritage Item Groups

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Heritage place

Residential buildings (private)

House

Title Details

Physical Description

'Charnwood' is a single-storey house with ripple-iron wall cladding and a gambrel corrugated galvanised steel roof with a dormer window, which may not be original. The house is encircled by a skillion roofed verandah supported by timber posts. Timber lattice screens have been fixed over the verandah ends. The house is sited on a large allotment which is planted with a variety of native trees and shrubs.

Physical Condition and/or Archaeological Potential

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Good

Usage Residence

Associated People

Samuel Laycock

Historical Notes

The first leasehold in South West Gippsland was obtained by George Raff in 1842, but this was later absorbed into George Black's Tarwin Meadows Run in 1851. Black later cleared the land for grazing and farming. When cattle runs were opened for farming by the Land Act of 1869, selections made in South West Gippsland included Inverloch.

The seaside town of Inverloch was first named Anderson's Inlet after the first permanent European settler in Western Port, Samuel Anderson. A lowland Scot, Anderson had worked for the Van Diemen's Land Company until he sailed across Bass Strait in 1835 and settled on the Bass River. Here he successfully grew wheat and encouraged his brothers from Scotland to join him. The township of Anderson Inlet was proclaimed in 1886, and renamed Inverloch in 1889, presumably in honour of the retirement of Sir Henry Brougham Loch, Governor of Victoria from 1884-89. The nearby township of Loch, was also named after the Governor. The name also derives from the Gaelic 'inver' meaning 'at the entrance to' and 'loch', meaning 'lake'.

Inverloch developed as a fishing village and as a small-ship port to service the farms being established around the Inlet. By the late nineteenth century it was established as both a seaside resort and a port for transporting local produce to Melbourne. In the 1890s, when coalmines were opened in Korumburra, Outtrim and Jumbunna, Inverloch was the nearest seaside holiday resort. When the State Coal Mine opened at Wonthaggi in 1909, the coal was initially shipped to Melbourne from Inverloch until the Nyora-Wonthaggi line was opened in 1910. Many of the mine-workers lived in Inverloch, and cycled to Wonthaggi every day. When the mine closed in 1968, some of the miners' cottages were transported to Inverloch as holiday homes.

This building is located on land originally part of Allotment 4, comprising 19 acres at Kirrak, first sold to Samuel Isaac Laycock on 7 July 1886. According to local historian, Ken Howsam, Laycock was a significant member of the community. He was Postmaster from 1883 to 1903, served on most committees and provided accommodation for the State School before a permanent building was provided by the Education Department. Part of the original allotment was subsequently purchased by Scottish immigrant, William Harris Scott. It is unclear if an earlier building preceded the current house, which dates from the c.1920s.

Historic Themes

Thematic Environmental History

13.2 Coastal Towns Coastal Towns and 13.3 Tourist Resorts: The coastal town of Inverloch, established on Anderson's Inlet in 1886, became a popular resort in the late nineteenth century with locals from mining districts, and from 1909, with miners from Wonthaggi. When roads and motor transport became more accessible in the 1930s and 1940s, it became popular with holidaymakers from Melbourne. Families enjoyed holidays of four weeks or more in the same rented house, and many families stayed in the area until Easter. Many holiday residents have retired to Inverloch permanently.

Listings

References

Author	Title	Year	ShelfLocation
Department of Lands and Survey	Parish plan of Kirrak, Counties of Mornington and Buln Buln	1931	
Dorothy Warren	pers. Comm.	2004	
Norm Deacon, Inverloch Historical Society, pers comm.			

Conservation Plans

Owner Type

Section 32 Recommendation

Owners/Occupants/Managers

Other Notes

Application Detail

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Adviser Comments

Planning Scheme Amendments

Overlay Controls

Planning Scheme Schedule

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