

HERITAGE PLACE

NAME OF PLACE: CARRIGEEN HOMESTEAD COMPLEX

ADDRESS/LOCATION OF PLACE: Green's Lane HARROW

STUDY NUMBER: 140

HERITAGE OVERLAY NUMBER:

PRECINCT: outside

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA: Southern Grampians Shire

PARISH: PARISH OF WYTWALLAN

ACCESS DESCRIPTION:

CFA 347 F18: VicRoads

SIGNIFICANCE RATING: Local



Carrigeen Homestead Complex, Green's Lane, Harrow. Carrigeen Homestead

Image Date: 03/12/01

EXTENT OF LISTING:

To the extent of: 1. All the homestead and all of the garden, including all of the land within twenty metres of any edge of the main house.

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PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

Carrigeen Homestead is a single storey brick house with corrugated iron roof and decorative ironwork verandah, built in the early 20th century. Situated at the end of a long drive with terminal turning circle, off Greens Road, south of Harrow, the house is symmetrical in design, with twin gabled pavilions and a central entrance approached from an attached skillion verandah. A similar verandah has been added along the west side, as has a large extension built in the 1940s. Early photographs in the possession of the Harrow Historical Society reveal that the verandah was originally unadorned. A storage shed and meat house are located in the house garden.

HISTORY:

Originally part of the Clunie run, Carrigeen and the nearby Clifton were subdivided in the 1860s under the Selection Acts. Carrigeen was taken up by 1866, and was owned by the Fitzgerald family for many years. The Fitzgeralds were selectors who arrived in the Harrow area in the 1860s. The present house is believed to be the third homestead on the property, with virtually no remaining evidence of the earlier houses surviving. Photographs from c. 1917 reveal that the decorative iron lace visible on the verandahs today was not part of the original structure. A verandah on the east side of the house, visible in early photographs, has been removed, and a small porch has been added subsequently to shelter the door leading to the garden on this side.

THEMATIC CONTEXT:

Theme 3: Developing local, regional and national economies

3.5 Developing primary production

3.5.1 Grazing stock

3.5.2 Breeding animals

3.5.3 Developing agricultural industries

Theme 5: Working

5.8 Working the land

CONDITION:

Carrigeen homestead is in excellent physical condition. Very little remains of the original garden layout seen in early photographs.

INTEGRITY:

High

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

What is Significant?

Carrigeen Homestead Complex is located at the end of a long drive with terminal turning circle, off Greens Road, some three kilometers south east of Harrow. The complex is made up of a large style brick and timber house and a number of outbuildings. Carrigeen was subdivided from the larger nearby Clunie Estate in 1866 taken up by the Fitzgerald family, local selectors who became large landholders in the Harrow area in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. The homestead is believed to have been built around the turn of the century, and no architect has been identified with the design. The house and outbuildings are in good condition, although the interiors have lost some of their integrity.

How is it Significant?

Tuloona Homestead Complex is of historical significance to the Southern Grampians Shire.

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Carigeen Homestead Complex is of historical significance for its association with the much larger and historically significant Clunie run, and for its associations with the Fitzgerald family, who arrived in the Harrow area in the 1860s and became important landholders in the district.

COMPARISON:

334 Sleatbank, Murndal Rd, Tahara
034 Wilderness, Wilderness Rd, Gritjurk
332 Mount Koroite Homestead Complex, Glenelg Hwy, Coleraine
037 Tulse Hill, Carapook Rd, Carapook
140 Carrigeen, Greens Rd, Harrow

ASSESSED BY: AEN

ASSESSMENT DATE: 29/11/2003

EXISTING LISTINGS:

HERITAGE STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS:

Include in VHR Include in RNE Include in Local Planning Scheme

No Recommendations for Inclusions

REFERENCES: