POINT HENRY WEST HARD AND RUBBISH TIP

Location

PONT HENRY ROAD MOOLAP, GREATER GEELONG CITY

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7721-0405

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Heritage Study/Consultant	Heritage Victoria - Maritime Infrastructure Assessment Project, Heritage Victoria, 2005;
Interpretation of Site	The concentration of artefacts in the area initially suggested a rubbish disposal site, but the sheer volume and concentration of bluestone in this area indicates otherwise. The graveled carpark behind the site might have accounted for the bluestone gravel in the water due to storm erosion, but this is unlikely as there is not enough fetch across this short section of bay to generate sizable seas to accomplish this. As bluestone is not common in this area, it is unlikely to be natural transported material. It is therefore probable that the area is a vernacular hard created for launching small boats, probably pleasure dinghies or small fishing craft, which could have been stored or launched via the graveled are to the east. The concentration of late nineteenth century artefacts suggests utilization during that period, which would marry well with the popularity of Point Henry Tea Gardens and the area in general as a recreational landscape. Plans from 1885 show a building behind this feature, which would account for the accumulation of glass etc here, and could possibly be a boathouse.

History

Unknown. Possibly linked to the general recreational landscape of Point Henry and the tea gardens in this region. The site is situated directly in front of a structure located east on the foreshore, which is possibly a boat shed? (P59)

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