

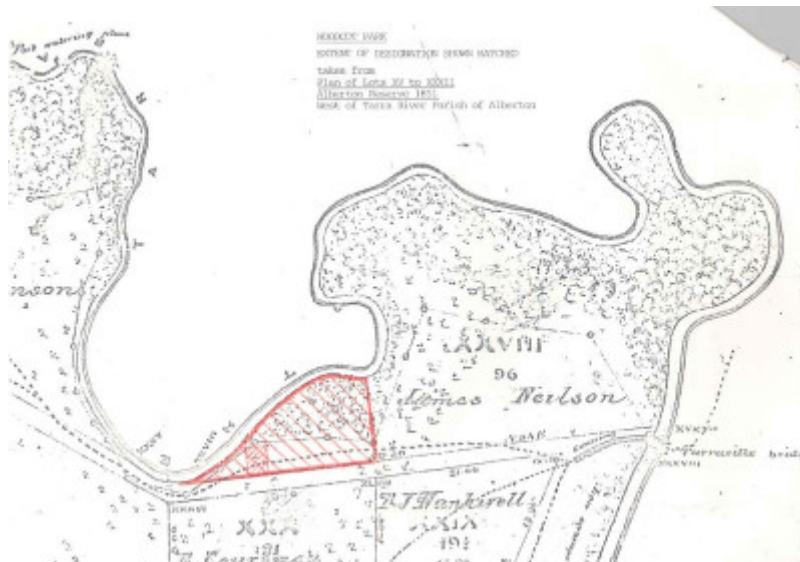
# WOODCOT PARK



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1 woodcot park tannery road  
tarraville front view oct1984



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## Location

345 TANNERY ROAD TARRAVILLE, WELLINGTON SHIRE

## Municipality

WELLINGTON SHIRE

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0649

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO18

## VHR Registration

March 11, 1987

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - June 24, 1999

James Neilson built Woodcot Park before 1855. He had arrived in the district in 1841 to set up a model dairy. He is said to have built several other buildings in the district. He died in 1859 probably by suicide. Woodcot Park was sold by James Neilson's trustees in 1865. It has been owned by the Macphail family since 1890.

The house is Georgian in its style and proportions. Its quality reflects the earlier architecture of NSW and Tasmania. A trading link was maintained with Tasmania from Port Albert. Various special details (some now missing) and unusual materials suggest a direct connection.

The most unusual feature of the house is the external wall construction. The original cladding was stretched oil cloth used to simulate stucco. The weatherboards which formed the base for the oil cloth are irregular in length and shape and are butt-jointed. The weatherboards on the rear elevation are more typical for the time.

The formerly detached kitchen is prefabricated, using a timber and iron frame with broad-gauge corrugated iron. It may have been imported in 1841. It is a very rare surviving example.

The house remains in its garden and orchard setting beside the Tarra River. It is of state importance for its connections with the earliest period of Gippsland's settlement and for its unusual building details.

## Permit Exemptions

### General Exemptions:

General exemptions apply to all places and objects included in the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR). General exemptions have been designed to allow everyday activities, maintenance and changes to your property, which don't harm its cultural heritage significance, to proceed without the need to obtain approvals under the Heritage Act 2017.

**Places of worship:** In some circumstances, you can alter a place of worship to accommodate religious practices without a permit, but you must **notify** the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria before you start the works or activities at least 20 business days before the works or activities are to commence.

**Subdivision/consolidation:** Permit exemptions exist for some subdivisions and consolidations. If the subdivision or consolidation is in accordance with a planning permit granted under Part 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the application for the planning permit was referred to the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria as a determining referral authority, a permit is not required.

Specific exemptions may also apply to your registered place or object. If applicable, these are listed below. Specific exemptions are tailored to the conservation and management needs of an individual registered place or object and set out works and activities that are exempt from the requirements of a permit. Specific exemptions prevail if they conflict with general exemptions.

Find out more about heritage permit exemptions [here](#).

Construction dates        1855,  
Heritage Act Categories   Registered place,  
Hermes Number            1147  
Property Number

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## Extent of Registration

### AMENDMENT OF REGISTER OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Historic Building No. 649, "Woodcot Park", Tannery Road, Tarraville (to the extent of the whole of the residence and that part of the land, (Certificate of Title, Volume 2220 Folio 869) shown hatched in red on the plan held by the Ministry for Planning and Environment).

[*Victoria Government Gazette* No. G10 11 March 1987 p. 559]

*This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.*

*For further details about Heritage Overlay places, contact the relevant local council or go to Planning Schemes Online <http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/>*