

Merrett Rifle Range Pavilion (Former)



Merrett Rifle Range Pavilion
(former), Hobsons Bay
Heritage Study 2006

Location

81 Kororoit Creek Road WILLIAMSTOWN NORTH, Hobsons Bay City

Municipality

HOBSONS BAY CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO165

Heritage Listing

Hobsons Bay City

Statement of Significance

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What is Significant?

The former Merrett Rifle Range pavilion, constructed c.1880 with later additions and alterations, at 81-89 Kororoit Creek Road, Williamstown.

How is it Significant?

The former Merrett Rifle Range pavilion at Kororoit Creek Road, Williamstown is of local historic and technical significance to the City of Hobsons Bay.

Why is it Significant?

Historically, it is significant for its associations with the early development of the Rifle Ranges on this site. Most of the buildings and infrastructure associated with the Rifle Range have been demolished and the pavilion is now rare surviving evidence, which illustrates the early development of these facilities in Victoria. (AHC criteria A4, B2 and D2)

Aesthetically, it is significant as a fine example of a substantial Victorian pavilion, which demonstrates the importance of the Rifle Ranges in Williamstown. (AHC criteria B2)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Hobsons Bay - Hobsons Bay Heritage Study, Hobsons Bay City Council, 2006;
Architect/Designer	Public Works Department,
Hermes Number	15097
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

The former Merrett Rifle Ranges pavilion is a single storey Victorian rendered brick building with a complex hip and gable roof. The symmetrically arranged facade features projecting bays at either end with half hip roofs with a verandah across the front elevation. It is setback from the road behind a reproduction picket fence.

The building was extensively restored and/or reconstructed in the early 1990s, when it was converted for use as a funeral parlour.

Integrity

External Integrity and Condition

Integrity - Moderate. Condition - Good

Physical Description 2

Context

The pavilion is now an isolated early building within a late twentieth century housing estate that has been constructed on the former rifle range land.

Historical Australian Themes

Recreation

Physical Description 3

Associations

Victorian Rifle Association, Victorian Colonial Government, Sir Charles Merrett

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