
Alexandria Tea Rooms



Alexandria Tea Rooms - Film
1 / Frame 20 - Ballarat
Conservation Study, 1978

Location

26 LYDIARD STREET NORTH, BALLARAT CENTRAL - PROPERTY NUMBER 2043673, BALLARAT CITY

Municipality

BALLARAT CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0115

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO72

Heritage Listing

Ballarat City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - September 22, 2024

What is significant?

How is it significant?

Why is it significant?

Part of Recommended Area A1.1.

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Heritage Study/Consultant	Ballarat - Ballarat Heritage Precincts Study, Dr David Rowe and Wendy Jacobs, 2006;
Construction dates	1883,
Architect/Designer	Matthews, Peter,
Other Names	Ballarat Commercial Clubhouse,
Hermes Number	177418
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

The Alexandria Tea Rooms were apparently constructed as premises for the Commercial Club in 1872.

This building is an essentially mid-Victorian design, to which the elaborate street balcony verandah has been added. At ground floor level, the shopfronts are separated, into bays by Roman doric pilasters with fluted columns in antis flanking the entrance. These are repeated on the first floor level with triple windows. The facade is completed with a balustraded parapet containing a central triangular pediment. The balcony at both levels comprises paired slender Corinthian columns at the corners and flanking the entrance and gablet, with a connecting band to match the brackets. The broad balustrade panels of a radiating pattern are unusual. The central gablet is also of interest.

The building is externally intact other than the ground floor openings, and is in a sound condition. It is of importance because of the unusual design of the balcony street verandah and the facade of the building generally. The building forms an extremely important streetscape element, particularly because of its close relationship to 'two other balcony verandahs, and because of the combination of verandah and facade design, is of importance on a state-wide basis.

Intactness

SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT OTHER THAN SHOP FRONTS

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