
S & E MACKAY BLOUSE FACTORY (FORMER)



Wilson St 34.JPG

Location

34 WILSON STREET, MOONEE PONDS, MOONEE VALLEY CITY

Municipality

MOONEE VALLEY CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO438

Heritage Listing

Moonee Valley City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - November 28, 2013

What is significant?

The building, constructed as blouse factory for Sarah and Annie Mackay in 1916-17, at 34 Wilson Street, Moonee Ponds is significant. It is a small brick factory with a hip roof concealed behind a triangular parapet with dog-tooth brick course and cornice. At the centre of the parapet is a segmental-arch louvred vent below a string course, and there is implied quoining at the corners of the walls. The building is set back from the frontage and is built hard on the north boundary, which has a blank wall.

Non-original alterations and additions to the building are not significant.

How is it significant?

The former factory at 34 Wilson Street, Moonee Ponds is of local historic significance to the City of Moonee Valley.

Why is it significant?

Historically, it is the oldest surviving factory in the municipality and is a representative example of the 'residential scale' factories that were established within residential areas during the late nineteenth century and early twentieth century when it was desirable for employees to be within walking distance of their place of work. The factory is illustrative of the small-scale clothing factories that were encouraged by tariff protection during the first half of the twentieth century. It is also of interest as a factory established by two women, which employed an exclusive female workforce. (Criteria A & D)

Theme

5. Building Victoria's industries and workforce

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moonee Valley - Moonee Valley Heritage Study, Context Pty Ltd, 2015, 2015; Moonee Valley - City of Moonee Valley Stage 1 Heritage Gap Study, Context PL, 2013;
Construction dates	1916,
Hermes Number	196333
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

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The building is in good condition. Windows in the front and south side elevations have been replaced and a small enclosed gabled porch (with stairs to one side and a ramp to the other) has been built over the entrance door.

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.

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