# **MYRNIONG HOMESTEAD AND BARN**



23480 Myrniong Wootong Vale 1996



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23480 Myrniong Wootong Vale front door 2000



23480 Myrniong Wootong Vale basement window 2003



23480 Myrniong Wootong Vale pressed metal wing 2004



23480 Myrniong Wootong

Vale cast iron 1999

23480 Myrniong Wootong Vale rear elevation 2005



23480 Myrniong Wootong Vale roof detail 2007



23480 Myrniong Wootong Vale side door 2001



23480 Myrniong Wootong Vale side verandah 2002





23480 Myrniong Wootong Vale verandah 1997

23480 Myrniong Wootong Vale woolshed 2006

#### Location

Coleraine-Balmoral Road, KONONG WOOTONG VIC 3315 - Property No 1590

# **Municipality**

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

# Level of significance

Stage 2 study complete

# **Heritage Listing**

Southern Grampians Shire

# **Statement of Significance**

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#### What is significant?

Myrniong is a deliberately asymmetrical brick house constructed on a steep slope over two levels. The house is located on the west side of the Coleraine - Balmoral Road overlooking the valley. The house is a very late example of the ubiquitous Victorian Italianate. An L-shaped verandah is located at the front of the house, which uses fine cast iron lace for decoration. The roofs are gabled with corrugated iron. Some of the rear sections are enclosed with pressed metal. A large curved roof barn, clad in corrugated iron is located about 100 metres to the rear of the main house. Both house and barn are in fair condition, and retain a high degree of integrity. There has been no architect or builder associated with the design of the house, but it is possible that C. D Figgis, the architect who designed Wando Dale at nearby Nareen in 1891 was responsible.

How is it significant?

Myrniong is of historical and architectural significance to the community of Coleraine and the Southern Grampians Shire.

#### Why is it significant?

Myrniong Homestead and Barn are of historical significance for the associations with Basil McConochie Lyon. Myrniong is the only intact structure which provides a link to the powerful and influential McConochie family of Konongwootong Creek. Myrniong is of architectural significance for the sophisticated and unusual design of a house essentially Italianate Victorian over two levels, encompassing a very steep slope. Of further architectural interest is the potential link with architect C. D Figgis.

| Heritage<br>Study/Consultant | Southern Grampians - Southern Grampians Shire Heritage Study, Timothy Hubbard P/L, Annabel Neylon, 2002; |
|------------------------------|--|
| Construction dates           | 1900,  |
| Heritage Act<br>Categories   | Registered place,  |
| Hermes Number                | 23480  |
| Property Number              |  |

# **Physical Conditions**

Fair condition

# **Physical Description 1**

Myrniong is a deliberately asymmetrical large brick house, constructed in the very late nineteenth century. Unusually, the house is constructed on a very steep slope, and effectively is on two levels. The house is a very late example of the Victorian Italianate. An L-shaped verandah is located at the front of the house, which uses fine cast iron lace for decoration. The roofs are gabled with corrugated iron. Some of the rear sections are enclosed with pressed metal.

The rear of the house is a large curved roof barn, clad in corrugated iron. The origins of this structure are not known, although there are some outbuildings and one residence and shop with a curved roof in nearby Coleraine.

# **Historical Australian Themes**

Theme 3: Developing local, regional and national economies 3.5 Developing primary production 3.5.1 Grazing stock 3.5.2 Breeding animals 3.5.3 Developing agricultural industries

# **Usage/Former Usage**

vacant

# Integrity

High degree of integrity (interiors not inspected)

# **Physical Description 2**

Basil McConochie Lyon

# **Physical Description 3**

Part of the Konong Creek Estate

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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