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Location

132-140 NELSON PLACE WILLIAMSTOWN, HOBSONS BAY CITY

Municipality

HOBSONS BAY CITY

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7822-0549

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Interpretation of Site Mark Ski, a local commercial diver, has reported finding timber piles near the current slipway structure, although the origin of these is unknown and required further investigation.

Hermes Number 26756

Property
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History

This site, like Blunt's Boatyard and White's Slipway sites was built on land reclaimed sometime before 1907 (BLC#9). Photograph from the mid 1920's shows a lengthy jetty, and a vessel on a slipway (BLC#24). JJ Savage, boat builders, were originally established in South Yarra in 1901 (Vines, 1989: np) but moved to Williamstown in 1935, and still operate at this location (Butler, 2000: 35). They engaged in repairing vessels up to 65ft, including fishing boats and pleasure craft, ferries, tugs, lighters and passenger vessels. During WWII, the company was an important supplier of small boats during war such as Navy lifeboats, cutters, assault landing craft and Army workboats and lifeboats. Their market has since changed to produce and repair fishing boats (Vines, 1989:np).

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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