## **LAKE VIEW**



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locality plan

## Location

18-22 VICTORIA STREET CHILTERN, INDIGO SHIRE

## Municipality

#### INDIGO SHIRE

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0280

## **Heritage Overlay Numbers**

HO219

## **VHR Registration**

October 9, 1974

## **Heritage Listing**

Victorian Heritage Register

## **Statement of Significance**

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#### What is significant?

Lake View, Chiltern is a single-storey, red brick Victorian residence built in c.1870 with a separate brick kitchen. The bricks were probably made locally. The six-roomed residence is a standard Victorian style with a central passageway. The house has French doors at either end of the passageway and also opening onto an encircling verandah. Four equidistant chimneys are set into a hipped, corrugated iron. The house is situated on the south bank of Lake Chiltern. There are remnant plantings from the original garden layout.

The house was briefly the residence of medical practitioner Dr Walter Lindesay Richardson and his family, including his daughter Ethel Florence Richardson, who later became the novelist Henry Handel Richardson. The Richardsons moved to Lake View upon their arrival at Chiltern in 1876 and departed the following year when Dr Richardson's medical practice failed. Henry Handel Richardson's three-volume novel, *The Fortunes of Richard Mahony*, has been acclaimed as one of Australia's greatest novels. The house featured as 'Barambogie' in the final of the three-volumed novel, *Ultima Thule*, published in 1929, and was also mentioned in her autobiographical account, *Myself When Young* (1948).

Lake View continued to be used as a doctor's residence and practice in the twentieth century. It was restored in the 1960s and has since operated as a house museum.

## How is it significant?

Lake View, Chiltern, is of architectural and historical significance to the State of Victoria.

#### Why is it significant

Lake View, Chiltern, is of historical significance for its association with Henry Handel Richardson, the pen name of Australian novelist Ethel Florence Robertson (nee Richardson) (1870-1946). Items of Richardson family memorabilia, which are on display in the house, contribute to the building's significance.

Lake View, Chiltern, is of architectural and historical significance as an example of a country villa residence built during a period of prosperity in the mining town of Chiltern.

[Online Data Upgrade Project 2004]

#### **Permit Exemptions**

#### **General Exemptions:**

General exemptions apply to all places and objects included in the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR). General exemptions have been designed to allow everyday activities, maintenance and changes to your property, which don't harm its cultural heritage significance, to proceed without the need to obtain approvals under the Heritage Act 2017.

Places of worship: In some circumstances, you can alter a place of worship to accommodate religious practices without a permit, but you must <u>notify</u> the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria before you start the works or activities at least 20 business days before the works or activities are to commence.

Subdivision/consolidation: Permit exemptions exist for some subdivisions and consolidations. If the subdivision or consolidation is in accordance with a planning permit granted under Part 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the application for the planning permit was referred to the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria as a determining referral authority, a permit is not required.

Specific exemptions may also apply to your registered place or object. If applicable, these are listed below. Specific exemptions are tailored to the conservation and management needs of an individual registered place or object and set out works and activities that are exempt from the requirements of a permit. Specific exemptions prevail if they conflict with general exemptions.

Find out more about heritage permit exemptions here.

#### **Specific Exemptions:**

General Conditions: 1. All exempted alterations are to be planned and carried out in a manner which prevents damage to the fabric of the registered place or object. General Conditions: 2. Should it become apparent during further inspection or the carrying out of works that original or previously hidden or inaccessible details of the place or object are revealed which relate to the significance of the place or object, then the exemption covering such works shall cease and Heritage Victoria shall be notified as soon as possible. Note: All archaeological places have the potential to contain significant sub-surface artefacts and other remains. In most cases it will be necessary to obtain approval from the Executive Director, Heritage Victoria before the undertaking any works that have a significant sub-surface component.

General Conditions: 3. If there is a conservation policy and planall works shall be in accordance with it. Note:A Conservation Management Plan or a Heritage Action Plan provides guidance for the management of the heritage values associated with the site. It may not be necessary to obtain a heritage permit for certain works specified in the management plan.

General Conditions: 4. Nothing in this determination prevents the Executive Director from amending or rescinding all or any of the permit exemptions. General Conditions: 5. Nothing in this determination exempts owners or their agents from the responsibility to seek relevant planning or building permits from the responsible authorities where applicable. Minor Works: Note: Any Minor Works that in the opinion of the Executive Director will not adversely affect the heritage significance of the place may be exempt from the permit requirements of the Heritage Act. A person proposing to undertake minor works must submit a proposal to the Executive Director. If the Executive Director is satisfied that the proposed works will not adversely affect the heritage values of the site, the applicant may be exempted from the requirement to obtain a heritage permit. If an applicant is uncertain whether a heritage permit is required, it is recommended that the permits co-ordinator be contacted.

Construction dates 1870,

Heritage Act Categories Registered place,

Other Names LAKEVIEW,

Hermes Number

**Property Number** 

## **History**

Associated People: Tenant HENRY HANDEL RICHARDSON;

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# The draft statement of significance and the above history were produced as part of an Online Date Upgrade Project 2004. Sources were as follows:

National Trust citation Register of the National Estate citation SLV Pictoria http://www.walkabout.com.au/locations/VICChiltern.shtml

http://www.sl.nsw.gov.au/microform/feminist/richardson.cfm

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## **Extent of Registration**

Shire of Chiltern. No.280. Lakeview, Victoria Street, Chiltern. [Victoria Government Gazette No 100 Wednesday, October 9 1974 p.3649]

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.

For further details about Heritage Overlay places, contact the relevant local council or go to Planning Schemes Online http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/