WILSON FARM



Wilson Farm

Location

off Wilson Road NAR NAR GOON NORTH, Cardinia Shire

Municipality

CARDINIA SHIRE

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO131

Heritage Listing

Cardinia Shire

Statement of Significance

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The Wilson farm complex, built up from the land selection era of the 1880s, is significant to Victoria because it provides an excellent almost untouched example from early selection farming endeavours in the area and in the State and lends to the variety of farm housing and outbuildings in the district.

This place is also significant for its association with the Wilson family from 1884. It also dates from one of the Shire's major development eras (selection era); has great potential to interpret the site historically (high physical integrity, oral and documentary evidence); and is an expression of the lives or lifestyles of locally important

people (Wilsons). It is rare as a type (intact selector's house and farm complex) and, with no modern services (such as electricity) supplied to the complex, reflects a past now discontinued lifestyle.

State Significance

Heritage Study/Consultant	Cardinia - Cardinia Shire Heritage Study 1996, Graeme Butler & Associates, 1996;
Construction dates	1884,
Other Names	off Wilson Road, Nar Nar Goon North,
Hermes Number	30160
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

The complex consists of a hipped sawn paling-clad house (extended in rear and side skillions), detached gabled and paling kitchen, gabled paling-clad blacksmith's hut, and a barn with split paling cladding (part) all set in mature exotic trees and well off the road. The timber work is oil-stained and generally of sawn hardwood but with some split timber in the east wall of the barn. The house has a hipped verandah supported on simple posts, ogee-form spouting and attached brick chimneys to either end, with dog-toothed cornices.

Nearby are remnants of what is thought to be one of the earliest orchards in the district, including pears, cherries4. An extensive machinery collection has been stored at the complex.

Physical Conditions

Most buildings in the complex are from the 19th century and well-preserved, with the house interior reflecting aspects of early this century.

Historical Australian Themes

Historical Themes

- 3.2 Selectors and small-scale farming
- 10.4 Selectors' houses, gardens
- 10.7 Farmhouses/farm complexes & outbuildings, gardens
- 11.0 Evidence of: Life style, housing and landscape choice of notable figures residing in the district

Physical Description 2

Associations - Wilson, Thomas

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