

Hazel Glen Homestead (complex)



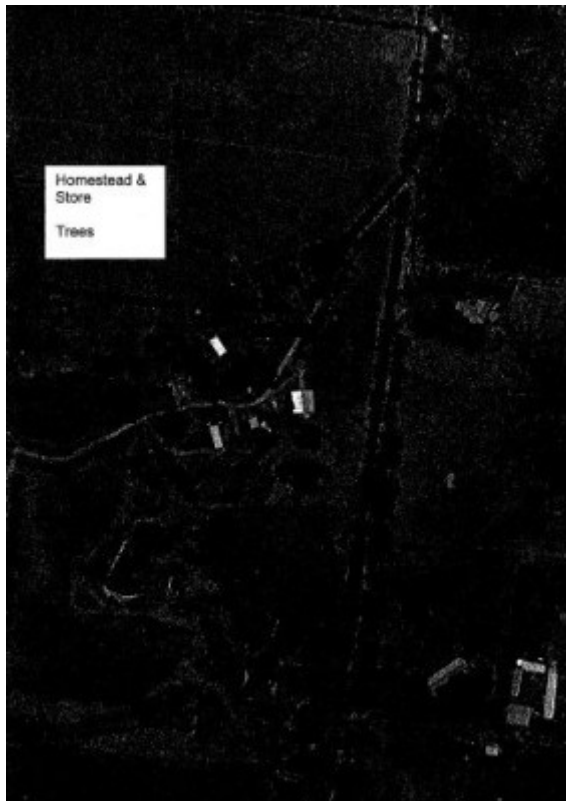
18.07 - Hazel Glen Residence & Outbuildings - Shire of Whittlesea Heritage Study 1991



Detached store or early house from the south-east, showing shingle roof under added gabled roof



homestead from the west



Hazel Glen Homestead 325 Middle Hut Road, Arthurs Creek

Location

325 Middle Hut Rd Doreen, NILLUMBIK SHIRE

Municipality

NILLUMBIK SHIRE

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO234

Heritage Listing

Nillumbik Shire

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - August 30, 1990

HERITAGE VALUE 2005 - *local*

SIGNIFICANCE ASSESSMENT

What is significant?

Fabric & trees associated with:

- the Victorian & Edwardian-eras
- Patrick Reid, William Reid, Reid family tenure

How is it significant?

The Hazel Glen farm complex (house, trees, store) is historically significant to the Nillumbik Shire:

Why is it significant?

The Hazel Glen farm complex (house, trees, store) is significant:

- for its evidence of very early settlement in the Whittlesea district and Arthurs Creek (Criterion A4)
- for its long association with the pioneering Reid Family, as enhanced by the surviving documentation in family papers and records (Criterion H1, D)
- for sections of the complex believed to be the oldest surviving buildings in the Shire and among the oldest in the State, with significant fabric such as flagged floor, joinery and shingled roofing (Criterion 82)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Nillumbik - Whittlesea Heritage Study, M Gould, 1991; Nillumbik - Shire of Nillumbik Heritage Assessments, Graeme Butler, 2006;
Construction dates	1843, 1912,
Hermes Number	54786
Property Number	

Historical Australian Themes

early settlement

Integrity

Fair (both residences)

Integrity

See above.

Physical Conditions

Good

Physical Description 1

First stone house, second stone house now clad with weatherboards and extended in weatherboard, outbuildings

Physical Description 2

Meredith Gould wrote in 1991:

'The early house is remarkably intact. It is a single room constructed of random rubble walls with a shingled roof on a sapling frame. The shingles have been protected by a new gable roof standing free of the original building. It has no fireplace. The later house includes a stone section about one metre from the first building. This comprises kitchen with a corner fireplace and at least one other room, indicated on the exterior by the 6 pane sash double hung window. This portion is probably contemporary or possibly even earlier than the single stone room widely believed to be the earliest surviving in the City of Whittlesea. This house has been substantially extended and the stone building clad with Weatherboards in the early 20th century. Pressed metal has been used to some ceilings as was the current fashion. ' The complex is still much as she describes it but it is notable that Peck describes the homestead extant in c1942 as the original one, well after the lightning damage of c1908, and implying that it was more than one or two rooms. He talks of bricks between poles (brick nogged) walls where the existing assumed early section of the house has rubble freestone walls and an exposed (no ceiling) shingle roof. It is also fitted out as a service room rather than a house, with the flagged floor and early pine hoppers along one wall. It is probable that part of the c1844-1851 homestead is part of the present house, presumably the south-east corner as marked by the simple hipped roof there (now absorbed on other sides into the main roof). The whole house has been developed by the Reid family over time.

The remaining structures on the site are much later, with what is thought to be a Scots pine (*C. sylvestris*' 2 x50mm needles) at the creek along with a very large red gum that may be shown on early survey plans.

Gould, 1990/1991:

'Hazel Glen is historically significant at the regional level for its evidence of very early settlement in the City of Whittlesea. This significance is enhanced by the continuity of ownership in the Reid Family. The 1843 sections of the building are believed to be the oldest surviving buildings in Whittlesea and are amongst the oldest in the State. They are of State wide architectural significance (sic).'

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