

# SILVERWELLS



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silverwells gembrook front  
entrance to third house  
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1 silverwells gembrook  
second house & dairy  
extension oct1980



silverwells gembrook former  
post office & store



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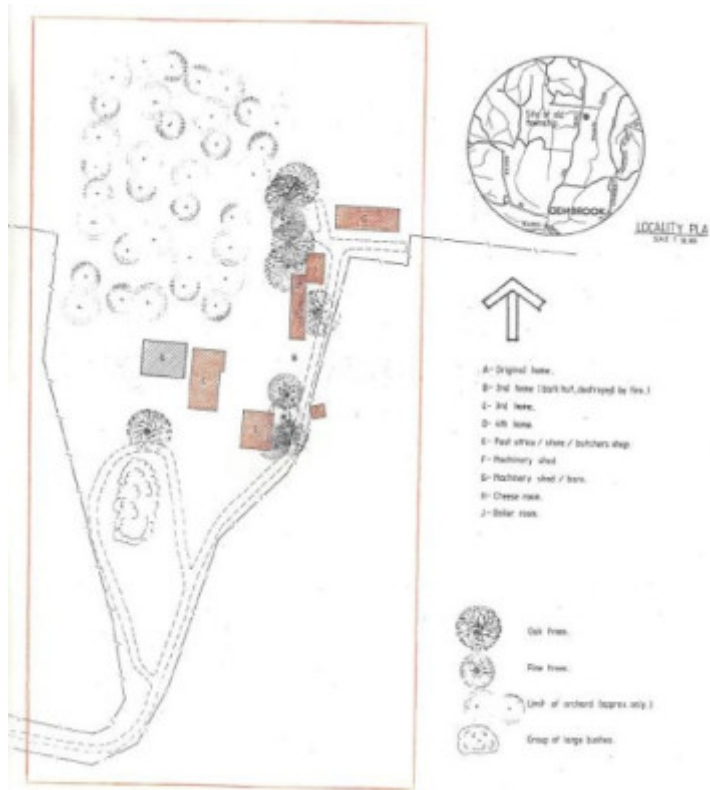
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H0611 Silverwells plan

## Location

330 URE ROAD GEMBROOK, CARDINIA SHIRE

## Municipality

CARDINIA SHIRE

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0611

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO125

## VHR Registration

December 11, 1985

## Heritage Listing

## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - June 24, 1999

The complex of six buildings is located in Ure Road, Gembrook on Crown Allotment 70, Parish of Gembrook, about five kilometres north of the present township. They were built by Alexander Beau Cannon and James Brant for John Ure. The 1880 building provided Gembrook's first post office, general store and butcher's shop. An early bark hut, built about 1875 was destroyed by fire. Another dwelling was built in 1879. It has a dairy attached. Several out houses date from about this time. The third dwelling was built before 1900. A fourth was built after the First World War.

The particular interest of the complex is the range of vernacular construction in the earlier buildings. The stables are drop slab. The original dwelling and the former post office building are notched logs. The dairy extension is built with split weatherboards. The third dwelling is of conventional stud frame construction with a timber verandah. The roofs are all corrugated iron. The original bark roof survives underneath the iron on the original dwelling. Shingles survive on the former post office. Notched log construction was used relatively rarely in nineteenth century Victoria. The most common use of such buildings was as lock-ups. These have ceilings of logs as well. The logs were often squared to fit more closely. The Silverwells building is therefore a rare domestic example and has rather different details. The complex of buildings is located in a most picturesque setting, under mature conifers and with the remnants of a very early garden and orchard surrounding them.

## 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 [notify](#) 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](#).

Construction dates      1879,

Heritage Act Categories Registered place,  
Other Names SILVER WELLS,  
Hermes Number 548  
Property Number

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## History

Associated People:

## Extent of Registration

### AMENDMENT OF REGISTER OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Historic Building No. 611 Silverwells, Ure Road, Gembrook (to the extent of the original home, the third home, the post office and store with butcher's shop, the two machinery sheds and barn, the cheese room and the boiler room shaded red and all the land within the red perimeter on the plan held by the Ministry for Planning and Environment, but excluding the fourth home).

[*Victoria Government Gazette* No. 122 11 December 1985 p. 4591]

*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/>*