

# PIGEON BANK RESIDENCE AND GARDEN



172 - Pigeon Bank Residence  
Kangaroo Ground - Shire of  
Eltham Heritage Study 1992



172 - Pigeon Bank Residence  
Kangaroo Ground 02 - The  
Hon. Ewen Hugh Cameron  
(1832-27/9/1915) (ELHPC  
NO.435) - Shire of Eltham  
Heritage Study 1992



172 - Pigeon Bank Residence  
Kangaroo Ground 03 - Shire  
of Eltham Councillors in 1913  
- Ewan Cameron bottom left  
(ELHPC NO.755) - Shire of  
Eltham Heritage Study 1992



172 - Pigeon Bank Residence  
Kangaroo Ground 04 - Agnes  
Cameron, daughter of  
pioneer settler John Bell  
Senior, photographed in 1907  
(ELHPC NO.434) - Shire of  
Eltham Heritage Study 1992



172 - Pigeon Bank Residence  
Kangaroo Ground 05 - Old  
photograph of Hay Barn at  
Pigeon Bank (ELHPC  
NO.438) - Shire of Eltham  
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172 - Pigeon Bank Residence  
Kangaroo Ground 06 - Shire  
of Eltham Heritage Study  
1992



172 - Pigeon Bank Residence  
Kangaroo Ground 07 - Shire  
of Eltham Heritage Study  
1992



172 - Pigeon Bank Residence  
Kangaroo Ground 08 - Shire  
of Eltham Heritage Study  
1992



Pigeon Bank Residence  
Kangaroo Ground Hon.  
Cameron - Shire of Eltham  
Heritage Study 1992



Pigeon Bank Residence  
Kangaroo Ground Black  
& White 1 - Shire of  
Eltham Heritage Study 1992



Pigeon Bank Residence  
Kangaroo Ground Colour 1 -  
Shire of Eltham Heritage  
Study 1992



Pigeon Bank Residence  
Kangaroo Ground Colour 2 -  
Shire of Eltham Heritage  
Study 1992



Pigeon Bank Residence  
Kangaroo Ground Colour 3 -  
Shire of Eltham Heritage  
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Pigeon Bank Residence  
Kangaroo Ground Colour 4 -  
Shire of Eltham Heritage  
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## Location

450 KANGAROO GROUND-WARRANDYTE ROAD KANGAROO GROUND, NILLUMBIK SHIRE

## Municipality

NILLUMBIK SHIRE

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO102

## Heritage Listing

Nillumbik Shire

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - January 7, 2010

REVISED STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE, CONTEXT, 2010

***What is significant?***

The house, commenced in the 1860s, and the mature exotic site planting (in particular the two English Oaks and a Hawthorn hedge) and the surrounding site to a radius of 50 metres.

***Why is it significant?***

The house and mature plantings are historically and aesthetically significant to the Shire of Nillumbik.

***How is it significant?***

The house is historically significant because it is associated with Francis Rogerson, an early pioneer in the district, and with Ewan Cameron (Member of the Legislative Assembly for Evelyn, former minister, and member of the Eltham Roads Board and Shire Council for over 50 years) who lived at the property from 1874 until 1915. During Cameron's residency, the house was frequented by a number of well-known people, including Thomas Bent, Premier of Victoria, the artist Longstaff and Governor Lord Hopetoun (Criterion H). The house is also significant as one of the oldest farm buildings in the Shire and a comparatively large one for the area (Criteria A & B).

The garden is historically and aesthetically significant because it is one of a handful of ornamental gardens on rural properties in the Shire and because, unusually, several early elements have been retained, including two large English Oak trees and a well maintained Hawthorn hedge (Criteria B & E).

Heritage Study/Consultant    Nillumbik - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study, David Bick, 1992;

Construction dates            1860,

Hermes Number                63468

Property Number

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**Historical Australian Themes**

FARMING

PROMINENT RESIDENTS

4.5 Making settlements to serve rural Australia.

8,12 Living in and around Australian homes

8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements

**Physical Description 1**

Pigeon Bank

Style Victorian with 1930s alterations.

Design standard.

Plan rectangular.

Single storeyed.

Walls timber stud construction, weatherboard clad.

Roof gabled with shallow eaves, corrugated iron clad. Features are the built and altered in stages nature of the building, which reflects its history.

#### Garden

The site described here is located on the top of a large hill commanding views overmuch of Kangaroo Ground. The garden is partly bounded by Radiata Pine trees (*Pinus radiata*), some of which have apparently died and been removed, others are in a state of decline. Other features of the garden are two large English Oak trees (*Quercus robur*) and a well maintained Hawthorn hedge (*Crataegus monogypa*) to the street frontage.

#### Usage/Former Usage

Original and Later Use: Farming property

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