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## Schwerkolt's Cottage



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### Location

Deep Creek Road, MITCHAM VIC 3132 - Property No B1644

### Municipality

WHITEHORSE CITY

### Level of significance

Local

### Heritage Listing

National Trust

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### Statement of Significance

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Schwerkolt's Cottage, Deep Creek Road, Mitcham, is a modest cottage erected by German-born settler August Schwerkolt, in the early 1860s. Constructed of random laid, locally quarried stone, the simple cottage has a gabled iron roof and verandah on timber posts. There are three rooms in the cottage. Window and door openings have simple pointed arched heads and the stone is randomly laid. A wine cellar exists on the property.

Schwerkolt's Cottage, is an unusual example of a very modest and basic homestead erected using local materials by a European-born settler. The dwelling represents an era of pioneering settlement and way of life, now lost, which has a fundamental role in the early settlement of these districts. Architecturally the cottage is in a simple Colonial vernacular style, fairly typical of its type and is given distinction by the use of indigenous materials. Schwerkolt's Cottage, was restored in recent times, a 1910 wooden kitchen being demolished at that time. The house was a residence until 1963.

Of local significance.

Classified: 13/02/1964

Revised classified: 04/06/1964

Hermes Number 66726

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