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# Horatio Jones House

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## Location

14-16 Blackwood Street,, TECOMA VIC 3160 - Property No B5622

## Municipality

YARRA RANGES SHIRE

## Level of significance

State

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0957

## Heritage Listing

National Trust

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## Statement of Significance

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A palace amongst humpies: that is an unusually large, complete and well-documented example of an improvised structure of sort once fairly common, especially in the depression years, but which has rarely survived. It is clad and was once roofed in flattened-out kerosene tins, some still bearing their original brands. There are no windows, but the upper floor has awning hatches clad in the same way as the walls. Its interest is enhanced by the inventive and adaptive character of the owner, still evidenced by the tools which he created for cutting the tins, and by his inventions, such as the patent rabbit exterminator. The surviving antique and other furniture is in striking contrast to the building and illustrates the lifestyle maintained by Jones and his sisters under adverse conditions . The survival of the site in a semi-natural state enhances the buildings.

Classified: 27/06/1985

Hermes Number 66933

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