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# Former Yea & Mansfield Dairy Co Ltd



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## Location

1 - 15 Rattray Street,, YEA VIC 3717 - Property No B6389

## Municipality

MURRINDINDI SHIRE

## Level of significance

State

## Heritage Listing

National Trust

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## Statement of Significance

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The Yea and Mansfield Dairy Company Limited building, erected in 1891, is historically significant as the oldest continuously operating dairy industry business in Victoria, possibly in Australia sited in its original building . The building gains significance from its continuous usage which has occurred without the need to make extensive alterations to the original building.

Architecturally the red brick building is a well maintained, carefully detailed prominent industrial building with unusual styling reminiscent of a European castle. The use of parapets, rare in an industrial building, and its siting on a small rise on the outskirts of Yea, add to this impression. One of only two such elaborate buildings built during this period, both the Yea building and the Euroa Butter factory are architecturally significant for the level of design and the workmanship of the building, unusual in an industrial building erected at such an early phase of the industry while the financial outcome of such a high level of investment was still in doubt.

The building is one of the few industrial buildings in Yea and occupies a prominent role in the social history of the town and the area. Although not at the forefront of any of the technological changes in the dairy industry, the Yea

Dairy Company has maintained its independent place in the industry throughout a century of takeovers, amalgamations, sales and bankruptcies.

Classified: 17/03/1993

Hermes Number 69456

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