



HERITAGE
COUNCIL
HERITAGE
COUNCIL
HERITAGE
COUNCIL

Inherit January 2010

Issue No. 32

Welcome to *Inherit*. You can subscribe to this free e-newsletter by sending your details to inherit.magazine@dpcd.vic.gov.au

Best wishes for 2010 from all at Heritage Victoria and the Heritage Council of Victoria.

Conserving the old and constructing the new, the 2010 Heritage Council calendar, features an aerial view of Melbourne's CBD by John Gollings. This bird's-eye view highlights the intermingling of heritage buildings and their modern counterparts.

There are 39 Heritage Registered sites in the key CBD block bounded by Flinders, Russell, La Trobe and Elizabeth Streets, importantly protected by height limits which provide the setting in which we 'value and retain for posterity the buildings we need to celebrate.'

Heritage Council chair Daryl Jackson AO provides further background in his piece on the calendar at

http://www.heritage.vic.gov.au/admin/file/content9/c14/HC2010_calendar_essay.pdf

The calendar has been mailed to many supporters but because of past returns, the list has been heavily culled this year. If you have not received a calendar and would like to obtain a copy, they are available from:

- Information Victoria, 505 Little Collins Street, Melbourne,
- Heritage Victoria, Level 4, 55 Collins Street, Melbourne
- email heritage.victoria@dpcd.vic.gov.au

Planning Minister Justin Madden launched the calendar at the Manchester Unity Building in December.

Chair Daryl Jackson also presented a blue plaque to MU body corporate chair Kia Pajouhesh to acknowledge the [building's inclusion](#) on the Victorian Heritage Register.



Grants

More than \$2 million worth of heritage grants have been announced, shared by more than 70 community projects across the state.

Planning Minister Justin Madden announced the first grants at Monsalvat artists' colony and the former Broadford Courier Newspaper Office on 7 December.

Monsalvat artists' colony will receive \$250,000 for repairs and restoration works on several buildings.

The former Broadford Courier Newspaper Office, run as a print museum by Broadford and District Historical Museum since the 1990s, will receive \$25,000 for repair works.

Eric McDonald and his father ran the Broadford Courier from 1891 to 1978. The building has not been significantly altered and retains most of its newspaper printing equipment.

The family of Mr MacDonald, including his 98 year old wife Frances MacDonald, attended the announcement.



Registrations

Five rural cinemas were added to the Victorian Heritage Register in December while other recent registrations include several residences, a quarry, cable tramway depot and Warrnambool breakwater.

Rural cinemas or ‘picture houses’ reached their peak in popularity between the 1930s to the 1950s were of great social value to the communities they served.

“From the Depression to the advent of TV, cinemas were places where people gathered to dream collectively,” said Heritage Council of Victoria Chair, Daryl Jackson.

The five cinemas added to the Victorian Heritage Register are:

- [Warracknabeal Town Hall](#), Warracknabeal (H2223)
- [Midland Theatre](#), Ararat (H2228)
- [Globe Theatre](#), Winchelsea (H2226)
- [Horsham Theatre](#), Horsham (H2225)
- [Memorial Hall](#), Koroit (H2222)

Other recent registrations were

Mount Macedon’s [Duneira](#) (H2204) one of the Mount Macedon hill station properties, developed by some of the most prominent and wealthy citizens of Victoria in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.. Included on the site purchased in the early 1870s by the pastoralist Suetonius Henry Officer are an 1874 stables, 1875-6 residence and a c1885-87 gate lodge. A grass tennis court and ornamental gardens, including the Secret Garden, were developed in the early 1900s.

A town house at [104 Gipps Street](#) (H2131) was designed by one of Australia’s most important 19th century architects as his own home and built in 1869 by George Dobbs. John James Clark (1838-1915) designed major public buildings throughout Australia.

[Briery](#) (H2126), Portland, was built by Robert Herbertson, a prominent citizen of Portland from the early 1840s, who built a number of Portland’s earliest substantial buildings, including the Steam Packet Inn (VHR H239). It is a fine and rare example in Victoria of a Colonial Georgian style house.

Cornish quarryman Joseph Blight who arrived in the colony in 1855 was one of many gold prospectors who returned to their original trades after the 'rush'. He began to work the [Blight's Quarry](#) (H2127) site at Harcourt North in 1862, quarrying Harcourt granite, a high quality stone used in the local area from the late 1850s and on major buildings and monuments in Melbourne extensively from the 1880s. It also found export markets in Europe and New Zealand.

A key component of extensive Melbourne's cable tramway system was the [Northcote Cable Tramways Site](#) (H2129) on the corner of High and Martin Streets, Thornbury. The system has been a major influence on the development of metropolitan Melbourne.

The [Warrnambool Breakwater](#) (H2124) designed by the eminent British harbour engineer Sir John Coode in 1879 and constructed between 1884 and 1890 was one of the state's most important late 19th century maritime engineering projects.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Heritage Victoria staff who received awards at the DPCD end of year celebration.

The Hermes team of Martin Jones, Chris Benham, Sarah Mason and Janet Sullivan was recognised for Hermes externalisation and digitisation of heritage permit process

And David Bannear, Jeremy Smith, Brandi Bugh and Angie Phelan were recognised for their work on the Glenrowan archaeological dig which included the production of including a one-hour documentary for ABC television. The Ann Jones Inn was the focal point of the Glenrowan siege in 1880, which ended with the deaths of two hostages, three Kelly Gang members and the capture of Ned Kelly.

Also congratulations to recent fellowship and scholarship winners at Heritage Victoria.

Architect Amy Chan was one of 23 recipients of overseas fellowships awarded by the International Specialised Skills Institute on 17 November 2009. Amy was awarded the Pratt Foundation/ISS Institute Overseas Fellowships to study timber heritage conservation practices in Europe. The ISS Institute Fellowships support overseas research to fill identified skills deficiencies within Australian industries.

Outreach Officer Pam Enting was awarded a Handbury Fellowship for a Regional Development Resource Community project Heritage Collections. Working with RMIT University and western Victorian historical societies, she will provide recommendations for custodians of community heritage collections on forming new collaborations and partnerships. The fellowship is funded by Western District philanthropists Geoff Handbury and the late Helen Handbury and the Federal Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Department.

Hearings Support Officer Amanda Mulligan and Intern Historian Giselle Harris are recipients of Australia ICOMOS Victorian Scholarship which has enabled them to attend the seven day University of Canberra course, *Cultural Heritage Management* run by Professor David Young.

PRIVACY POLICY: Any personal information about you or a third party in your correspondence will be collected, held, managed, used, disclosed or transferred in accordance with the provisions of the Information Privacy Act 2000 (Vic) and applicable laws. Enquiries about access to information about you held by the Department should be directed to the Privacy Officer, Department of Planning and Community Development, PO Box 2392, Melbourne, VIC 3001.

Inherit welcomes suggestions of stories and events to be included in future issues.