

Heritage Citation



142 Barton Road, Hawthorne

Key details

Addresses	At 142 Barton Road, Hawthorne, Queensland 4171
Type of place	House
Period	Federation 1890-1914
Style	Arts and Crafts, Free Gothic
Lot plan	L4_RP58390
Key dates	Local Heritage Place Since — 1 January 2004 Date of Citation — January 2010
Construction	Roof: Corrugated iron; Walls: Timber

This timber residence was built circa 1890 for accountant and government auctioneer James Comrie and his wife Rosa. After the Comrie's moved out of the house in the mid 1890s, it may have been rented out until the Bracewell family purchased the house in 1928. The house was still owned by the Bracewell family at the turn of the twenty-first century.

History

The house appears to have been constructed in or just after 1890 for James and Rosa Comrie. Comrie was an accountant by profession and for a time worked for the Government Auctioneer, G.T Bell. At the time Barton Road was sometimes known as Veitch's lane and it appears listed under both these names in early Post Office Directories. Thomas Arthur Veitch was an early land-holder in the area and 142 Barton Road was originally part of a 58 acre holding that he acquired in 1881.

The Comries left their property sometime in the mid 1890s. It was then a little over two roods in size. For nearly thirty years it appears to have been held by a joint ownership arrangement and the house was possibly let during this period.

Post Office directories show Aubrey Newbold Bracewell had moved into the street around 1925 or 26 and title deeds show that he and his wife Jean eventually purchased the property on 11 April 1928. He may have rented the property before buying it. In the 1940s some sections of the land were sold off and by the time a new certificate of title was issued in 1955, the size of the block had contracted to its present 33 and 4/10 perches in size.

The property has remained in the hands of the Bracewell family since 1928.

Statement of significance

Relevant assessment criteria

This is a place of local heritage significance and meets one or more of the local heritage criteria under the Heritage planning scheme policy of the *Brisbane City Plan 2014*. It is significant because:

Historical

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The place is important in demonstrating the evolution or pattern of the city's or local area's history

for the evidence it provides of the pattern of growth and residential development in Hawthorne late nineteenth century.

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