

Heritage Citation



5 Dublin Street, Yeronga

Key details

Addresses	At 5 Dublin Street, Yeronga, Queensland 4104
Type of place	House
Period	Victorian 1860-1890
Style	Queenslander
Lot plan	L6_RP75334
Key dates	Local Heritage Place Since — 1 January 2004 Date of Citation — August 2015
Construction	Roof: Corrugated iron; Walls: Timber

This circa 1889 colonial residence was probably built for property speculator and businessman Patrick Walsh Crowe. Crowe had several properties in Yeronga, including a similar residence at 10 Killarney Street, at the rear of this property. It passed to Father Peter Capra in 1889, who leased it to tenants. The first owner-occupiers, Michael and Hanah Bonfield, purchased the house in 1919 and owned it until 1951. The residence, which features a faceted bay window and quatrefoil panels between triple verandah posts, is representative of the gracious homes of prosperous families of the late nineteenth century.

History

Representative of gracious homes of prosperous families of the era. The early owner of this property and house at rear was Patrick Walsh Crowe, who possibly built these houses on sizeable blocks of several allotments. Crow called a tender for the erection of a house at Yeronga on 15 June 1889. Fr Peter Capra bought both properties in October 1889. It was his association with the area that possibly gave rise to rumours that either this house or Knowle opposite was used as a monastery. No evidence for this claim. Ava and Richard Cole were tenants from 1904 to 1919 when the Bonfields bought the property. The Bonfields lived in the house for many decades. Michael Bonfield was a public servant while his wife Hannah took care of their five children. During this time the property included a tennis court and an elegant rose gardens. Stables were also part of the property, at rear near railway station. The land was broken up in the Interwar period. The old rose garden is now 9 Dublin St and the tennis court became 1 Dublin St.¹

Description

Stylish late Colonial house with a faceted bay window and built by the 1890s. The house displays french doors and sash windows and has a curved valance beneath the verandah roof and quatrefoil panels between the triple verandah posts. The bay projection and verandah balustrades of double rail and dowel are typical of the era.

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

as a late nineteenth-century residence built during the first wave of suburban settlement in Yeronga after the opening of the railway.

References

1. Yeronga Heritage Survey; BC 15/06/1889
2. Applied History Centre, *'A very superior property' Character Study of Killarney Estate, Yeronga, St Lucia*: University of Queensland, 1994

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