

Heritage Citation



Bootmaker's (former)

Key details

Addresses	At 1 Chermerside Street, Teneriffe, Queensland 4005
Type of place	Shop/s
Period	Interwar 1919-1939
Style	Queenslander
Lot plan	L2_RP9254; L1_RP9254
Key dates	Local Heritage Place Since — 30 October 2000 Date of Citation — June 2011
Construction	Roof: Corrugated iron; Walls: Timber
Criterion for listing	(A) Historical; (B) Rarity

This exceptionally small store, constructed around 1935, was originally a boot and shoe repairer's workshop and has since served a variety of roles.

History

Three important events prompted industrial development of this area in the 1890s - the construction of the Colonial Sugar Refinery and its wharf at the New Farm end of the Bulimba Reach in 1893, the completion of the Bulimba rail branch in 1897 and the growth of Queensland's primary industries which took place in this decade.

Despite the effects of the depression a number of other buildings were erected in the area during the mid to late 1930s, indicating the Commercial Road area was still developing. These buildings include The Queensland Primary Producers Co-operative Association building (c1935), The Woughby and Co Importers and Investors (later Queensland Primary Producers) Building (c1940), and Whatmore McIntosh Motors Building (c1934).

The property on which these stores stand was purchased by Andrew Montgomery in May 1903. After his death in 1919 the land passed onto his wife, Jane Ellen Montgomery, who subsequently subdivided the land (it had comprised of 4 allotments, just over 1 rood and 25 perches in size) in 1938. She retained ownership, however, of the subject properties until 1946.

This small store was likely built in 1935. Post office Directories show that the first tenant was William Ross, bootmaker, but it appears that his business was quickly taken over by Jno Mortimer, who is listed as a boot repairer. Operation of the store appears to have changed hands a number of times in the 1940s, though the usage remained boot and shoe repairs. It is reasonable to assume that the store was purpose built as a shoe repair business, its small size possibly precluding use as a general store or snack bar. In 2005 the store was in use as a barber shop.

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

CRITERION A

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

as these shops are existing examples of small, suburban business premises dating from the interwar period.

Rarity

CRITERION B

The place demonstrates rare, uncommon or endangered aspects of the city's or local area's cultural heritage

as these shops are surviving small commercial buildings located in the Teneriffe-Newstead area dating from the interwar period.

References

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 3. Heritage Unit, Brisbane City Council. *Newstead Heritage Study*. 1994
 4. Post Office Directories.
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