

‘Pan Pacific’, 4 Kirriemuir Street, Hamlyn Heights Statement of Significance

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Heritage Place: ‘Pan Pacific’, 4 Kirriemuir Street, Hamlyn Heights	PS ref no: HO2066
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What is significant?

Pan Pacific at 4 Kirriemuir Street, Hamlyn Heights, is locally significant to the City of Greater Geelong. Significant elements include:

- The 1963 mid-century modern residence.
- Unpainted exterior brick surface.

Non-significant elements include:

- The later juvenile plantings.
- The letterbox.

How is it significant?

Pan Pacific is of historical, representative and associative significance to the City of Greater Geelong.

Why is it significant?

Pan Pacific, at 4 Kirriemuir Street Hamlyn Heights is historically significant to the City of Greater Geelong and the suburb of Hamlyn Heights as an intact dwelling constructed in 1963 following the subdivision of the Glenpanyall estate in the post-war period. The 1950s and 1960s in the City of Greater Geelong were a period of extensive suburbanisation, with post-war industrial success and the baby-boom demanding new housing for an expanding population. Pan Pacific is historically representative of that post-war residential expansion not only as one of the first modernist examples to be constructed in Hamlyn Heights in the early 1960s, but also as a key prefabricated residential design prepared by Nino Sydney for Lend Lease Homes in 1962. Pan Pacific is directly attributable to the Carlingford Homes Fair of 1962 which sought to advertise new, cheap, small prefab homes to Australia’s booming population. (Criterion A)

Pan Pacific is of representative significance to the City of Greater Geelong as a highly intact example of a mid-century modern residential building. Key elements featured on Pan Pacific which are directly attributable to the design idiom include its substantial and off-centre shallow gable roof which covers the entire width of the dwelling, providing shelter to the main residential portion of the dwelling as well as offering a covered carport,

the mixed use of perforated brick screening with cream brick and 'crazy paving' stone cladding, deep eaves with projecting timber roof trusses, floor-to-ceiling glazing and a deep setback. These elements are all integral features original to the building, making it a highly intact example, and as such contributing to Pan Pacific's representative significance for the City of Greater Geelong. (Criterion D)

Pan Pacific is of associative significance to the City of Greater Geelong as a highly intact residential design prepared by Croatian-born architect Nino Sydney, or Hrvoj Oskar Ninoslav Pleminiti Somogji, for Lend Lease Homes and the 1962 Carlingford Homes Fair. (Criterion H)

Primary sources

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