# South Australian Heritage Council HERITAGE NEWS – DECEMBER 2022



**Image: Everard Court. Source: DEW Files** 

Heritage News contains news from the South Australian Heritage Council meeting and other topical news relating to conserving and promoting South Australia's unique heritage.

The South Australian Heritage Council (Council) met on 8 December 2022.



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### Introduction

Welcome to the last Heritage News of 2022. The South Australian Heritage Council had another busy year considering nominations for heritage protection. You can read about the listing decisions on the following page in the "Year at a Glance" section.

You will also read that Council provisionally entered four places in the South Australian Heritage Register at its 8 December meeting. This now provides for public consultation. Council would love to hear your support or otherwise for these interim listings. The consultation period will start in mid-January when an advert runs in The Advertiser. There will be three months to have your say with consultation ending mid-April 2023.

Council were also pleased to confirm a dwelling at 5 Fitzroy Terrace, Thorngate as a State Heritage Place. Thank you and congratulations to the new owners who attended our meeting on 8 December 2022.

Including the four places provisionally entered in the Register, we now have 2321 State Heritage Places in South Australia!

A big thank you to all our owners / caretakers of our enriching State Heritage Places!

Please browse other heritage related news through this web page:

https://www.environment.sa.gov.au/topics/heritage/heritage-news-events

If you enjoy getting information from social media please see further links at the end of this edition.

Enjoy and Merry Christmas!

Keith Conlon

Chair,

SA Heritage Council

Image: Mortlock Chamber, State Library of South Australia Christmas Tree. Photo by Keith Conlon.



### The Year at a glance:

In 2022 the Council **confirmed** the following eight (8) State Heritage Places:

- Remains of 'Theberton Cottage' Colonel William Light's House (including Underground Room, Underground Tank and Well) on Kaurna Country.
- Camp 10 Detention Cell Block, Loveday Internment Camp Complex on First Peoples of the River Murray & Mallee Region Country.
- The Green Waterhole Tank Cave Fossil Complex on Boandik Country.
- St Margaret Mary's Catholic Church, 286 Torrens Road, Croydon Park on Kaurna Country
- Outbuilding, former Reynell's Winery and Farm Complex, 38 44 Panalatinga Road, Old Reynella – on Kaurna Country.
- Catholic Church of the Holy Name, 80 Payneham Road, Stepney on Kaurna Country.
- Former Callington Smelting Works, 22 Callington Road, Callington on Peramangk Country.
- Dwelling (formerly "Woodgate"), 5 Fitzroy Terrace, Thorngate on Kaurna Country.

#### In 2022 Council listed one **object:**

 Object – Plaque, intrinsically associated with the Remains of "Theberton Cottage' Colonel William Light's House (including Underground Room, Underground Tank and Well) – on Kaurna Country.

In 2022 the Council **provisionally** entered 6 (six) State Heritage Places that are still to be confirmed or not through the public consultation process:

- St. Alphonsus' Catholic Church, 87 George Street, Millicent on Burganditj Country.
- Poole Creek Fossil Flora Complex, south of Lake Eyre and Covrichina Dam on Arabana Country.
- Nelly Creek Fossil Flora, Oodnadatta Track, Callana on Arabana Country.
- Everard Court Flats, 46 Anzac Highway, Everard Park on Kaurna Country.
- Dr Kent's Paddock Housing Complex, 3-57 Capper Street & 28 48 Rundle Street, Kent Town on Kaurna Country.
- Victa Cinema, 37 41 Ocean Street, Victor Harbor on Ngarrindjeri Country.

#### In 2022 Council noted its **intent to designate** the following:

- Hallett Cove Conservation Park & Sandison Reserve at Hallett Cove for its geological significance on Kaurna Country.
- Poole Creek Fossil Flora Complex, south of Lake Eyre and Covrichina Dam on Arabana Country as a place of palaeontological significance.
- Nelly Creek Fossil Flora, Oodnadatta Track, Callana on Arabana Country as a place of palaeontological significance.

In 2022 the Council **did not list** the following nominations:

- Aviemore', 158 Stephen Terrace, Gilberton on Kaurna Country.
- Some elements of Former Hardy's (Reynell's) Winery nomination on Kaurna Country.
- Mainline Drive-in, 588 Main North Road, Gepps Cross (the Council had no choice but to reject this as it was demolished prior to it being able to be considered for listing) - on Kaurna Country.
- Ashford House, 87 Anzac Highway, Ashford on Kaurna Country.
- 92 Brougham Place, North Adelaide on Kaurna Country.

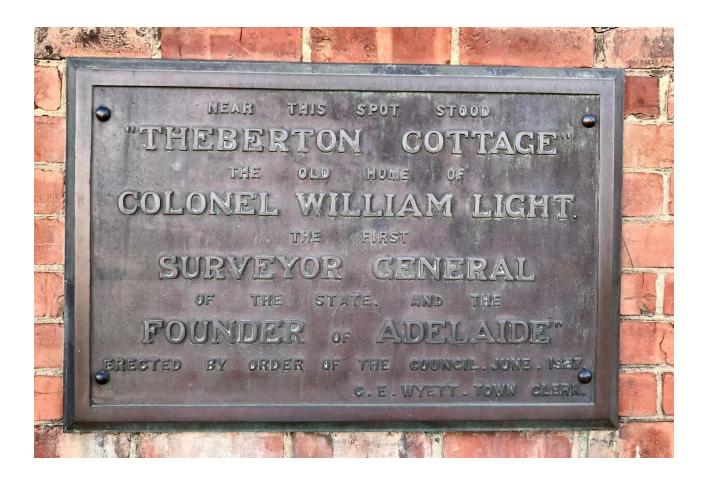


Photo: Plaque (the only Object listed by Council in 2022). Source - DEW files.

The plaque was a response by the Thebarton Council, in the 1920s to the demolition of 'Theberton Cottage' specifically and more broadly the need to preserve sites of historic importance in South Australia.

# Provisional Entries in the South Australian Heritage Register

### Nelly Creek Fossil Flora, Oodnadatta Track, Callana

On Arabana Country.

The Nelly Creek Fossil Flora Complex comprises seven fossil sites containing numerous palaeobotanical fossils (leaves, wood and pollen) dating from the Eocene Epoch (~56–33 Million years ago (Ma)). The combination of rare mummified fossil leaves and its central Australian locality differentiates Nelly Creek from all other South Australian fossil sites.

The species preserved in the fossils at the site expand the known range of extinct and extant native plant species, with many not found anywhere else within the State. Additionally, the anatomy of the preserved flora differs greatly from those found at other South Australian fossil sites and appears to denote a transitional period in climate not shown in any other fossil assemblages in the State. As such, the place can be considered of State and National interest.

The Nelly Creek Fossil Flora Complex is also highly likely to yield information that will build knowledge of Eocene environments within South Australia, including climate change and the aridification of the State.

Council provisionally entered the Nelly Creek Fossil Flora Complex as a State Heritage Place under criteria (b) and (c) of Section 16 of the *Heritage Places Act 1993*. Council also indicated its intent to designate this place for its palaeontological significance.

This decision triggers three months of community consultation which will start when advertised in the Advertiser in mid-January 2023.

Keep an eye out for the submission form through this webpage:

https://www.environment.sa.gov.au/topics/heritage/sa-heritage-register/entries-confirmations#nominationsprovisionallyentered



Images: Fossil leaves extracted from Eyre Formation in Nelly Creek". Source: Neville Alley 1999.

### Poole Creek Fossil Flora Complex, south of Kati Thanda / Lake Eyre and Covrichina Dam.

On Arabana Country.

The Poole Creek Fossil Flora Complex, including a portion of the Poole Creek Palaeochannel Geological Monument located south of Kati Thanda (Lake Eyre South) contains rare silicified botanical fossils of leaves, wood and fruit and a unique type specimen of the pine *Manchesteria australis*, deposited during the Cenozoic Era (66 Million years ago to present). The fossil assemblages extend over 29.5km of dry riverbed and contain rare seed cones resembling *Banksia, eucalypt*-like nuts and leaves of various species with a high quality of preservation. The fossil record contained in the complex extends the known temporal and geographical range of some identified species. Poole Creek Fossil Flora Complex also has a high potential to yield further information that will enable a greater understand of the environment and evolution of the Australian continent in ancient times.

The Poole Creek Fossil Flora Complex was provisionally entered as a State Heritage Place under criterion (b) and (c) of Section 16 of the *Heritage Places Act 1993*. Council also indicated its intent to designate this place for its palaeontological significance.

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Poole Creek Palaeochannel. Eyre Formation channel sands. Silcrete cement. Basal beds contain multicoloured quartz, agate, fossil wood. Plant fossils present in this outcrop.

Source: Government of South Australia. Department of State Development. Report Book, 90/00015

### **Everard Court Flats, 46 Anzac Highway, Everard Park**

On Kaurna Country.

Everard Court (flats) demonstrates an important evolution in the way South Australians lived during the twentieth century.

Everard Court (flats) is a high-quality example of the purpose-built flats developments that began to reshape the suburbs after the First World War, providing the middle class with a popular alternative to conventional detached housing.

Constructed in 1939 on the newly redeveloped Anzac Highway and ideally situated between the city and Glenelg, Everard Court (flats) was among the largest and most ambitious purpose-built flat developments realised during the interwar period. It is an uncommon example of this new, modern way of living, as the Second World War brought a halt to the construction of dwellings.

Everard Court (flats) is an outstanding example of interwar streamlined architecture articulating many of the key attributes of the style such as bold, asymmetrical massing, clean lines and rounded corners, and horizontal emphasis with contrasting vertical relief.

Everard Court (flats) was provisionally entered under as it is deemed to fulfil criteria (a), (b) and (e) for State heritage listing under section 16(1) of the *Heritage Places Act 1993*.

This decision triggers three months of community consultation, which will start when advertised in the Advertiser in mid-January 2023.

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Image: Evarard Court (flats). Source: DEW files.

### Dr Kent's Paddock Housing Complex, 3-57 Capper Street & 28 – 48 Rundle Street, Kent Town

On Kaurna Country.

Stage 1 of Dr Kent's Paddock Housing Complex demonstrates an important evolution in the history of social housing in South Australia. Built by the South Australian Housing Trust in 1978-1979 and designed by acclaimed South Australian architect Newell Platten while employed as Chief Design Architect, Dr Kent's Paddock Housing Complex demonstrates the South Australian Housing Trust's transition from provider of homes for workers to become the primary provider of social housing in South Australia. To meet the increasing needs for social housing during a time of social and economic change and inspired by broader urban renewal and densification of the urban environment, the South Australian Housing Trust became the industry leader in providing medium density cluster infill developments with Dr Kent's Paddock Housing Complex considered the best of this type.

After considering the assessment report and views put to it, the Council provisionally entered Stage 1, Dr Kent's Paddock Housing Complex as a State Heritage Place under criteria (a) of Section 16 of the *Heritage Places Act 1993*.

This decision triggers three months of community consultation.

An advertisement will be placed in The Advertiser in mid-January 2023, which will start the consultation process.

A submission form will be able to be downloaded from the following web page:

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Image: Dr Kent's Paddock. Central communal open space/garden, looking east, with flats to left side of image and townhouses with private courtyard gardens to right side of image.

Source DEW files.

# **Confirmations in the South Australian Heritage Register**

### Dwelling (former 'Woodgate'), 5 Fitzroy Terrace, Thorngate

On Kaurna Country.

Council received a presentation from the owners of the property at this meeting. The owners were supportive of State Heritage listing. They asked Council, however, to consider removing the garage and a later addition to the dwelling from the listing. The owners made submissions and provided evidence that the garage is a later addition and is in very poor condition having been infested with termites. The Council agreed to this request and amended the heritage listing accordingly.

Council confirmed the entry of 'Dwelling (former 'Woodgate')', Kaurna Country, 5 Fitzroy Terrace, Thorngate in the South Australian Heritage Register as a State Heritage Place, as it satisfies criteria (e) and (g) under section 16(1) of the *Heritage Places Act 1993*.

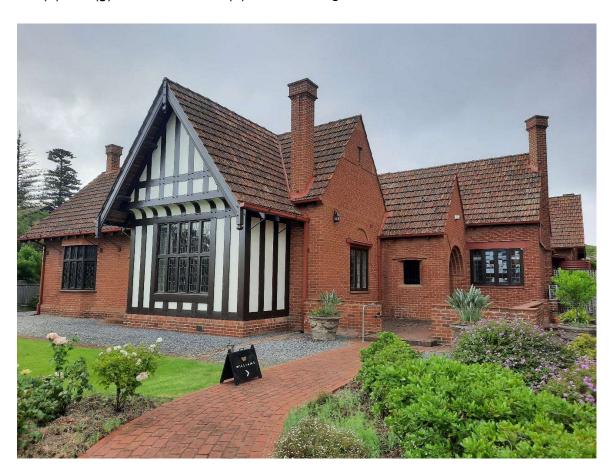


Image: 5 Fitzroy Terrace, Thorngate. Source DEW files.

### **Theberton Cottage archaeology project**

On 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2022, at a Heritage Friday Forum, our guest was Guadalupe Cincunegui, the Archaeologist and Heritage Consultant who has undertaken excavation of the remains for Lion, the former Brewery owner. She discussed the project and findings with Keith Conlon and participants.

Approximately 180 people attending this very interesting presentation.

If you would like to find out what 2023 brings we would be pleased to add you to our Friday Forum mailing list. Please email your details to David Hanna at <a href="mailto:david.hanna@sa.gov.au">david.hanna@sa.gov.au</a>.



Image: SA Heritage Council and Heritage SA staff on location.



Image: Guadalupe in the underground room of Theberton Cottage. Photo by Keith Conlon.

### **Other Heritage News / Events**

### **Historic Themes of South Australia**

South Australia has a rich and multifaceted history reflected in its tangible heritage, including places of First Nations cultural significance.

The South Australian Heritage Council has a role under the *Heritage Places Act 1993* to identify places, and related objects, of State heritage significance, and to enter them in the South Australian Heritage Register.

The purpose of the Historic Themes document is to assist in the identification of gaps in the South Australian Heritage Register and to assist in prioritising places for assessment for State Heritage listing.

This is designed to be a "living document". The South Australian Heritage Council has recognised that changes can be made to the Historic Themes in the future.

You can read the Historic Themes of South Australia document here.



Image: Former Westpac Bank (former Bank of New South Wales), 2-8 King William Street, Adelaide Banks are a type of place that relate to Theme 5: Developing South Australia's economies.

### **Heritage Christmas Stocking**

For your enjoyment, we have put the top photos from the last five heritage photo competitions on our webpage – a virtual Christmas Stocking.

Thanks again to everyone who entered our photo competitions. Without your photo entries we would be short on these gifts that celebrate the rich diversity and spread of our State Heritage Places. You might like to visit some!

You can view the photos here:

https://www.environment.sa.gov.au/topics/heritage/sa-heritage-council/heritage-christmas-

stocking

Click on the images to get details of the where, who and why!

Enjoy!

Image: Former Margaret Graham Nursing Home. Photo by Paula Furlani. On Kaurna Country.

This photo was a finalist in the 2019 Essence of Heritage photo competition. This is one of the many photos in the Christmas Stocking!

Margaret Graham, born in 1860, was matron between 1898 and 1920. In 1904 she become the first lady superintendent in the State of the Australian Army Nursing Service. During her matronship nearly 3000 nurses came under her care and she was praised for her 'breadth of mind and unfailing justice'. Margaret Graham died on 4 July 1942.



### **The Criteria**

### **Heritage Places Act 1993 – Section 16—Heritage Significance**

A place is of heritage significance if it satisfies one or more of the following criteria:

- (a) it demonstrates important aspects of the evolution or pattern of the State's history; or
- (b) it has rare, uncommon or endangered qualities that are of cultural significance; or
- (c) it may yield information that will contribute to an understanding of the State's history, including its natural history; or
- (d) it is an outstanding representative of a particular class of places of cultural significance; or
- (e) it demonstrates a high degree of creative, aesthetic or technical accomplishment or is an outstanding representative of particular construction techniques or design characteristics; or
- (f) it has strong cultural or spiritual associations for the community or a group within it; or
- (g) it has a special association with the life or work of a person or organisation or an event of historical importance.

### More information

If you would like to know more about the work of the South Australian Heritage Council and Heritage South Australia, here are some useful links.

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