

HERITAGE PLACE

NAME OF PLACE: ST DAVID'S ANGLICAN CHURCH AND HALL

ADDRESS/LOCATION OF PLACE: Coleraine Road NAREEN

STUDY NUMBER: 081

HERITAGE OVERLAY NUMBER:

PRECINCT: outside

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA: Southern Grampians Shire

ALLOTMENT: 126

PARISH: PARISH OF TARRAYOUKYAN

ACCESS DESCRIPTION:

CFA 386 D ; Vic Roads 54 A8; located on the Coleraine Road one kilometer south of the intersection of Steep Gully Road.

SIGNIFICANCE RATING: Local



St David's Anglican Church and Hall, Coleraine Road, Nareen.

Image Date: 25/03/02

EXTENT OF LISTING:

To the extent of: 1. All the Church and Hall buildings, the avenue of trees, the front fence and gate and all of the land.

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PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

St. David's Anglican Church is located on a rise, a short distance to the south of the township of Nareen. The Church is approached by a straight gravel drive with a distinctive row of Monterey Cypress (*Cupressus macrocarpa*). The Church is a modest timber building in a reduced Gothic revival style. The walls are weatherboard painted white. The gable roof is corrugated iron painted red and there are proprietary ventilators on alternate sides along the ridgeline. There is a small porch with doors on either side at the front and a transept or vestry with its own entrance on the south side towards at rear. The simple triangular topped doors and windows evoke the Gothic style. The doors are ledge and brace with wrought iron hinges painted black. The windows are in a group of three in the porch and as single and double windows in the side walls.

The adjacent church hall is also white weatherboard with a corrugated iron roof and similar ventilators. The windows are large double hung sashes with hopper fanlights. Behind the hall there is a separate brick amenities block.

HISTORY:

The land on which St. David's Anglican Church stands appears to have been purchased from the Crown by the selector, Duncan McCorkindale in February 1876 (Department of Lands and Survey, 1956). McCorkindale's tombstone in the Tarrayoukian cemetery states that he was born in Loch Awe, Argyleshire, Scotland, and died at his selection, Glentive, Nareen in 1888 at the age of 64. McCorkindale was married to Isabella, and they had one son, Alexander, born about 1864. It is not known when the land on which the Catholic Church stands was donated, or purchased by the church, but there is some indication that this may be the second Anglican church, the first possibly dating from the 1860s when Nareen began as a separate community. The church appears to date from the late nineteenth century and the hall from the early twentieth century. There is no indication on Parish plans of an Anglican Church reserve, and the architect (if any), builder and date of construction are not known.

THEMATIC CONTEXT:

Theme 8 Developing Australia's cultural life
8.6 Worshipping
8.6.1 Worshipping together
8.6.4 Making places for worship

CONDITION:

The buildings are in excellent condition.

INTEGRITY:

Both buildings have a very high degree of integrity

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

What is significant?

St. David's Anglican Church is located on the Coleraine Road, some 500 metres south of the centre of the township of Nareen. The church is in a reduced gothic revival style, and appears to date from the late nineteenth century. It is constructed of timber, with a painted corrugated iron roof. The Church is set on a slight rise above the township, and the approach is via a straight gravel drive lined on either side with Monterey cypress (*Cupressus macrocarpa*). The date of construction, architect and builder are not known. An early twentieth century timber hall stands adjacent to the church. Both buildings are in excellent condition and retain a very high degree of integrity, as does the driveway.

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How is it significant?

St. David's Anglican Church is of historical significance to the Southern Grampians Shire.

Why is it significant?

The Church is of historical significance as the only church, which has remained in Nareen. It is representative of the long association, and continuing support of the community for the Anglican Church. St. David's Anglican Church is of further historical significance as the expression of the role and position of the Anglican Church and its congregation in the community for over 100 years.

COMPARISON:

013 Holy Trinity Anglican Church & Organ, Henty Street, Coleraine

ASSESSED BY: tfh

ASSESSMENT DATE:

28/10/2001

EXISTING LISTINGS:

HERITAGE STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS:

Include in VHR Include in RNE Include in Local Planning Scheme

No Recommendations for Inclusions

REFERENCES:

Author	Title	Year	Page
Department of Lands and Survey	Tarrayoukyan County of Dundas	1956	