

**Place name** Farm House

**Survey Date:**

**Other name**

**Id:**

1331

**Street** Tannery Road (Manns Beach Road)

**Last Update**

**Locality** Myrtle Point

**Postcode**

**Official Locality**

**Property No** CA 30, 21 acres

**Local Government Area** Wellington Shire

**Property Info**

**Precinct:** Not in precinct

**Easting**

**Northing**

**Map**

**Workshop number**

**Workshop votes**

**Field survey number**

**Community priority**

**Designer**

**Builder**

**Ownership**

**Built Date**

**Change Date**

**Description** The house is double-fronted, of ruled stuccoed brickwork and has a verandah on three sides. A transverse ridge, with gabled ends, over the front rooms which terminates four adjacent gabled roofs extending to the west, gives the building the appearance of the 1870-80 period. particularly the placement of an oculi vent in each gable. Each gable has a turned finial and each valence an alternating stop-chamfer. A basket-arch and keystone over the front door reinforces an early date but the doorway joinery with its rectangular toplight and panelled sidelights, hints of the 1880-90 period (cf. Wood Cot Park). Whilst the noncentral placement of the entrance and a cruciform passage suggests additions.

The verandah is supported on timber columns and capitals, whilst originally a simple timber frieze probably decorated the bressumer. A similar verandah on the west (rear) elevation has been partly enclosed. A photograph from c 1910 shows the tonal values of the original colour scheme (dark capitals, frieze and window joinery: medium walls and light posts and bressumer) as well as the original garden viz. gravel pathway to a central circular parterre fronting the house and several Cordyline Australus. (Butler 1982:36-7).

**Condition**

**Integrity**

**History** Formerly Anglican parsonage (Yarram Historical Society).

First land owner: E. Courtney, 19/12/1853 76 pounds 13 shillings.

Edward Courtney, Secretary to the Melbourne Anglican Diocese, purchased this land in 1853 presumably for the church; although he performed other official functions in the area being that of assignee to the insolvent estates of Robert Webstel and Pat and George Turnbull (1).

The Rev. Cox writes of the first Anglican minister at Tarraville, the Rev. Bean's purchase of land near Brewery Road for his own home which became known as "The Parsonage". Subsequently actual parsonage reserves were sought from the Government, but the Diocese eventually purchased CA 30. This was leased to J. F. Dight, the Tarraville butcher. from 1859 onwards until finally a parsonage was built there. This was sold to John Casbolt Snr. at least by 1898 (2).

The intervening history is obscure. When the Rev. Stretch departed in 1865, he auctioned the contents of the "Parsonage" which had three main rooms, plus bedrooms; thus indicating contraction of a church-owned house by then. However, the Rev. J. K. Hall resided in Stewart Street, Tarraville, during 1868-9 (3).

During 1897, the Church of England was rated for twenty acres and a "Parsonage" at Alberton East (NAV 25 pounds) whilst, after the next year. John Casbolt Snr. owns this land with Alfred as occupier (NAV 25 pounds) (4). It seems definite that this house was used as a parsonage if not built as one.(Butler 1982:36-7).

**Heritage Protections**

Register	Reference	Zoning	Status
Planning Scheme	HO19		Listed

**National Estate**

**Research Required**

**Recommendations** Requires documentation to support existing protection under planning scheme. Needs history, description and statement of significance.

**Fieldwork priority?**

**Stage 1 Ranking** Assessed & protected      **Stage 2 priority** No Action: Already include

**Final Ranking** Local significance      **Final Recommendation** Amendment C26

**Statement of significance** The house is a well considered in an urban or rural context, and may be the former Tarraville Anglican parsonage: being definitely on the intended site of the parsonage. It is one of three houses each of an early design, grouped at this road crossing (Butler 1982:36-7).

**Extent of designation**

**Informant**

**Notes**

**Follow up**

**Bibliography**

Butler, G. 1982. References  
1)  
a) Blue Book 1851, p. 197  
b) RGO  
2)  
a) Rev Cox  
b) (I) RB 1898  
(ii) RB 1899, 64f  
(iii) RB 1901, 64 acre at ten pounds as well as CA 30 at 10 pounds i.e. leased in 1900  
Tim Gibson holds C19th and C20th century photographs of this place.  
Butler, G., (1982), Port Albert Conservation Study (Place no. 19), South Gippsland Publishing Company, Foster, 36