Historic Heritage Inventory



14 Waihou Street - Turua



Location: 14 Waihou Street, Turua

Heritage Status

Historic Places Trust Registration Number:

Historic Place Trust Category:

HDC Heritage Category: B - Heritage Feature. Regional, district and local.

Other:

Physical Description: Timber cottage, with a hipped gable roof, door with 2 panel lights and central door knob, and several double hung sash windows.

Other known names: Irwindale

Notable features: Bears inscription on the verandah "Irwindale 1880"

Style: Cottage

Materials: Timber with iron roof

Date of Construction: 1880?

History: The history of Turua is closely associated with the Bagnall family who immigrated to New Zealand in 1864 from Prince Edward Island, Canada. In 1877 the failing mill and associated forest land was leased to George Bagnall who, with his brothers, was able to make the mill profitable enough to buy out the original owners that year. The kahikatea forest was cut and processed, primarily into shipping boxes but mainly for butter. The site of the mill and wharf was located across Waihou St. from this house. A title search revealed that the

District Plan Schedule

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Heritage Type:

- Wahi Tapu
- □ Cultural Landscape
- Building
- ☐ Group of Buildings
- Structure
- Monument
- ☐ Historic Place
- Archaeological Site
- Other

Date Period: 1880

Significance:

- Archaeological
- Architectural
- Cultural
- Historic
- Scientific
- Technological

Thematic Context

- Maori
- Early Settlement
- Industry (mining)
- Extraction
- □ Forestry
- Agriculture
- Transport
- Communication
- Commerce
- Residential
- Social/Cultural
- ☐ Civic
- Health
- Educational
- ☐ Church/yard
- Other

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property was owned by the Bagnall Brothers and Company until 1919 and may have been the personal residence of William H Bagnell. The Thames Star reports 10 August 1880 that W H Bagnall's house burned down. This house's verandah is inscribed 1880. In 1919 the land is subdivided and transferred to W H Bagnall. An article from the Thames Star, 23 June, 1887 mentions the efforts of the Bagnall's to purchase freehold land to onsell to their employees. In May, 1920 W H Bagnall sold the property to Robert McLean, Carrier and Contractor Turua. Roberts widow Florence owned the property until 1937 when she transfers the land to Alfred Buckland and Sons Ltd.

Architect: Designer: Builder: Engineer:

History of changes: Four parallel windows inserted circa 1930 or later and addition to south side.

Condition: Good

Integrity: Appears substantially intact. At least one addition was made to the south side of the house.

Current Uses: Private residence **Former Uses:** Private residence

Registered owner: Michael Bruce

Legal Description: Lot 2 DPS 64528

Reference Source: Ohinemuri Regional History Journal 6, October 1966 – www.ohinemuri.org.nz/journal/06/taura.htm; Ohinemuri Regional History Journal 33, September 1989 - www.ohinemuri.org.nz/journal/33/local_post_offices.htm; Papers Past Thames Star 23 June 1887 - https://paperspast?a=d&d=THS18870623.2.11 Papers Past Thames Star 10 August 1880 - https://paperspast.natlib.govt.nz/cgibin/paperspast?a=d&d=THS18800810.2.15 Certificates of title- SA 287/47, SA 289/26, and SA689/246

Associated Pictures:

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