Historic Heritage Inventory



Leonard Homestead



Location: River Road, Ngatea

Heritage Status

Historic Places Trust Registration Number:

Historic Places Trust Category:

HDC Heritage Category: C - Heritage Item. Local or Neighbourhood

Significance Other:

Physical Description: Weather board clad villa with corrugated iron roof.

Other known names:

Notable features:

Style: Villa

Materials: Timber, with corrugated iron roof.

Date of Construction: 1912

History: The house was built for Tom Leonard who was allocated the River

Road farm in the 1910 Ballot.

It is a copy of one he had seen in Thames. Tom, his wife and eight of their children moved in at Christmas 1912. The house included 5 bedrooms, drawing room and a large kitchen with a double coal range, with a wide central passage.

District Plan Schedule

Number: HAU409

Heritage Category: C

Heritage Type:

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

Date Period:

1911 - 1940

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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It was the first house built on the western side of the Waihou River. Next was the Paul's House (now on Paul Drive).

It had its own wharf, also used by others eg. To unload the red metal from McCallum's Quarry at Kawakawa, which was used as road base.

Architect: Designer:

Builder: Trevallen Brothers (Thames).

Engineer:

History of changes: Verandahs and an addition at the back were made by the wife of the first owner. Further alterations were done in 1944-45, including removal of addition to back, house was replied. House has been reroofed in recent past.

Condition: Good.

Integrity: Substantially intact.

Current Uses: Private residence.

Former Uses: Private residence.

Registered owner: E M Leonard and others.

Legal Description: Lot 2 DP 362637.

Reference Source: Article in book 'Taming of the Hauraki Swamp' compiled

and edited by Ken Clover.

Associated Pictures:

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