

## 11 Ardmillan Road, Moonee Ponds Statement of Significance April 2021

Heritage Place:	Dinizulu	PS ref no:	HO514
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*'Gowrie' at 11 Ardmillan Road, Moonee Ponds (source: Context, April 2018)*

### What is significant?

'Dinizulu', at 11 Ardmillan Road, Moonee Ponds, is significant. It was built for jockey Collis James Boyd in 1920-21 along with a six-box stable at the rear. The architect has not been identified.

Significant fabric includes the:

- original building forms and roof forms including verandah, pergola and fenestrations and the unusual roof form combining jerkin-head gables with gablets;
- terracotta roof tiles, ridge capings and finials;
- original chimneys;
- eaves detailing with exposed rafters and brick brackets;
- pebble faced verandah and pergola pillars;
- unpainted face brick walls with contrasting clinker brickwork;
- window and door joinery and leaded glass window sashes; and
- former stable (now garage).

The low brick front fence, gate posts and high brick wall are not significant.

### How is it significant?

11 Ardmillan Road is of local historical and aesthetic significance to the City of Moonee Valley.

### Why is it significant?

Historically, 'Dinizulu' illustrates the theme of horse racing, which is particularly important to the municipality. Designed and built for its first owner, jockey Collis Boyd, along with a six-box stable in the rear yard, it illustrates how the homes and small stables of those working in the racing industry

were clustered near the many racetracks (in Flemington, Ascot Vale and Moonee Ponds). After the mid-twentieth century, large on-site stables and training complexes were established at the race tracks, rendering the house-stables complex largely obsolete. (Criterion A)

'Dinizulu' is a highly intact and successful bungalow design that is distinguished by its white pebble finish to verandah and pergola piers, a strong Japanese influence seen in the expressed joinery of the roof and pergola, and the highly unusual roof form which combines the picturesque jerkin-head gable with a gablet. The high quality of the house is further visible in details such as the contrasting clinker brick to the gables and corbels beneath the expressed roof purlins, and the windows with square and diamond leadlights to the upper and lower sashes. The presentation of the house is enhanced by the use of the same white pebbles to cap the gate posts and the pair of mature trees native to Norfolk Island, a Norfolk Island Pine and a Norfolk Island Oak in the front garden. (Criterion E)

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