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Heritage Houses in Mullumbimby

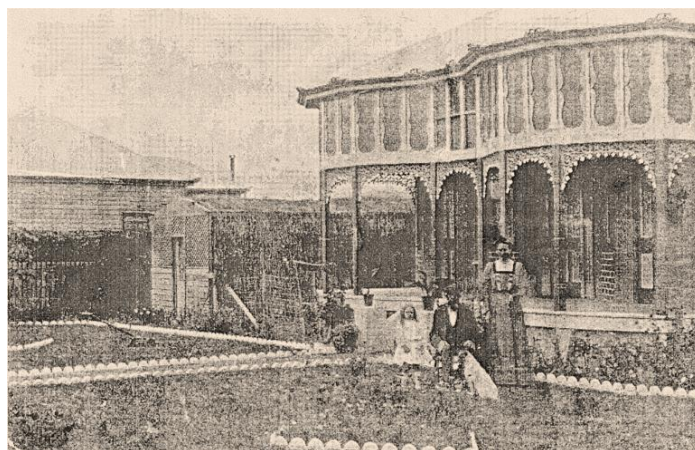
At [Byron Local Environmental Plan 2014 - NSW Legislation](#) is a list of 22 Mullumbimby houses deemed worthy of classification as 'Heritage Items' under *Schedule 5 - Environmental Heritage* of the *Byron Local Environmental Plan 2014*. (The jewel in the crown is arguably Cedar House in Dalley Street, which is also listed with the National Trust.)

The list stemmed from the *Byron Shire Community-Based Heritage Study* of 2007, authored by Dr Donald Ellsmore in conjunction with the Byron Shire Council, members of the Byron Shire Community-Based Heritage Study Steering Committee, Mr Peter Stolz, Dr Brett Stubbs and community volunteers..., including contributions from **Chris and Robyn Gray** on Mullumbimby nominations. [See Coordinator's Report at [Community-Based-Heritage-Study-volume-1-coordinators-report](#) and detailed submissions at [Community-Based-Heritage-Study-final-combined-volume-3](#), with Mullum narrative pages starting at pg 516 and photo pages from pg 941 (of the 1019 page trawl).]



No 1 Stuart Street 2007

(Image by D. Ellsmore Pg 942/1019 of Heritage Study)



Known as Moonya Villa 1917

(Image from BVHS Archive)

The simple statement, *Heritage consists of places and objects inherited from the past that we as a community want to hand on to future generations...*, is bureaucratically prescribed at [Assessing-Heritage-Significance.pdf](#). A property owner whose home is *Listed in the heritage schedule of a local council's Local Environmental Plan (LEP)...* is obliged to comply with the provisions of Para 5.10 *Heritage Conservation* at <https://legislation.nsw.gov.au/view/html/inforce/current/epi-2014-0297#sec.5.10>..., and presumably policed by council inspectors.

Since compilation of the list in 2007 a few of the registered houses have deteriorated, while some others have been given makeovers and/or subdivided for Airbnb. Conversely, along with the boom of recent years many non-listed houses have been restored and revealed themselves to be worthy of consideration as 'Heritage Items', particularly so at the top end of the market, which enjoyed a mini-renaissance thanks to some pedantic owner-occupiers. But the rebirthing of other Heritage candidates by investors and absentee landlords continues to change the ambience of the town as houses are altered to squeeze in rental rooms and large blocks partitioned or subdivided to accommodate bland boxes, presumably countenanced on the grounds of relieving the housing crisis.

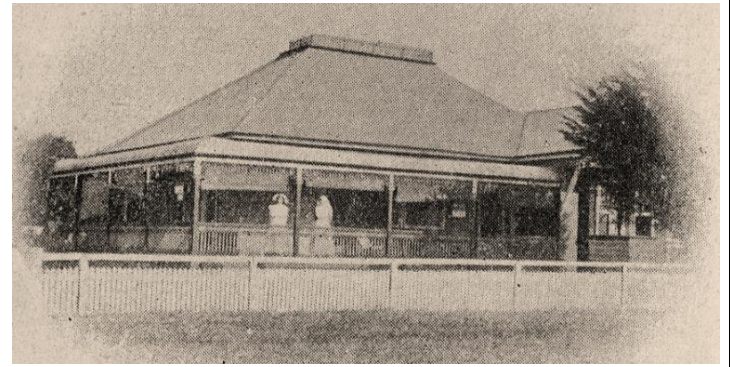
To ensure preservation of some veneer of yesteryear ahead of the profiteers, a short list of additional houses for heritage listing would likely include 'Wiloonna' at 5 Main Arm Road (but probably beyond redemption), the relatively unmolested Bridgland House at 14 Station St., Dr Singh/Kesteven's Residence at 8 Jubilee St., Headmaster's House 14 Jubilee St., Methodist Manse 138 Dalley St., The Brunswick Hospital 25 Dalley St., War Widow's Cottage 34 Gordon St.... Take a stroll

around town and judge for yourself (or go for a virtual tour from the comfort of your loungeroom via dated Google Maps.) If you have a favourite building let us know and we'll coordinate a joint submission to the *Byron Shire Council's Heritage Advisory Committee*. (Or if you find nothing of virtue consider whether the current list, detailed below, should be culled to keep numbers in manageable proportions and not devalue the register's *raison d'être*.)

[The CBD is another story, angry **Mrs Elizabeth Ward** exclaiming in Jun1979 that the removal of the *lovely balconies on shops and three hotels, with wide cool verandahs on two streets with their wrought iron lace around the balconies... was nothing else but an act of vandalism and nothing else can replace the damage done...*, not to forget the last rites visited upon the Presbyterian, Methodist and Catholic churches and various temples of Mammon.]



No 28 Dalley Street Feb2010
(Courtesy Google Maps)



Known as 'Mullumbimby Private Hospital' 1919
(Courtesy BVHS Archive)

Address	Lot No	Known As	History
Argyle St (at Railway Crossing)	Part of Lot 2, DP 1121508	'Stationmaster's Cottage' The 5-roomed cottage was completed by the time of the formal opening of the Lismore-Mullumbimby portion of the railway in May1894. (pg589 of Heritage Study says the cottage <i>was built at the road crossing 100 metres to the north of the railway station to enable the stationmaster and his wife to operate the gates at the crossing.</i>) House purchased by railway worker Albert McLean for £550 in 1962 from another railway worker, with land rent of 8/- pa paid to the Railway Dept. McLean died 2011 and rent increased to 10% of land valuation.	The stationmaster was likely withdrawn in Sep1894 along with the one at Byron Bay due insufficient traffic on the line. In Jan1898 it became home to Mullum's Post and Telegraph Office, Postmaster Sharpe of Brunswick Heads moving in to take charge ~Apr1898 and maybe taking on gate duties. Due agitation from dairy farmers Mullum regained a full-time stationmaster position in Dec1903, while a temporary post office was provided next Torrens butchery in Dalley St in Apr1904. A new post office, now BVHS museum, was completed Nov1907. Photo pg 966 of Heritage Study.
11 Argyle St	Lots 11 and 12, Section 1, DP 4721	'Crompton House', (aka 'The Gnome House' pre subdivision to create Lot 11A) 'A fine example of a 1920s Californian Bungalow style home...' says pg 522 of the Heritage Study. Home of Crompton family and allegedly built by auctioneer Joe Crompton 1920. Joe Crompton (1891 Bulli-1968 Mullum), butcher and auctioneer of Mullum, and wife Margaret Marion Bassett (1888 Clarence-1967 Mullum), begat daughter Bertha L. Crompton 1918 Mullum Crk. Last child, Susan, born Argyle St 1930.	Lots 10/11 sold by J.W. Fisher to C.W. & R. Rolfe for £100 Aug1950. Rolfe sold 'Lot 11' to R.O. Walsh for £100 Jan1955 (and 'Lot 10', known as No 9 Argyle, to C.L. Somerville for £130 Jan1955). E.F. Sheather sold 'Lot 11' to B. & J.R. Medland for £150 Jun1958. Medlands sold to F.J. & V.A. Medland for £2500 May1960. Estate of M.M. Crompton transferred Lot 11/13 (No 11) to B.L. Crompton Jan1969. Sold Nov2010 for \$680,000; Sep2021 for \$1,380,000; resold 29Oct2021? Lot 11A created ~early 2000s? [Lot 12 (No 69?) sold by Mrs A.A. Frost to V.M. Sherry of Bruns Hds for £30 Oct1945.]
12 Azalea St	Lot 2, DP 209440	'Summerset'/'Somerset' (Pg525 of Heritage Study says it's 'A fine example of the inter-war bungalow style... built after 1915 and probably between the wars. Probably completed 1920/21 by builder Tulk. Shingle roof, 5 bedrooms, sewing room, lounge room, breakfast room....	Portions 118 and 119 on Azalea St (previously Poplar St) originally selected by banker Ralph Mate Thompson, paying £25 for each portion 1906. Thompson transferred to Tumut 1911 and property likely sold to Amy Withford at this time. Portion 119 and most of 118 resumed for High School per Gazette 20Oct1961, leaving No 12 as

		George Mortimer acquired the ~2ac property from Amy Withford 1920 and had house built - family resident by 1921. George d. 1945 aged 85. Wife Emma died 1967 aged 98 and Somerset sold. Photo in BVHS archives dated 1941.	freehold. Estate of G. Mortimer sold Lot 2 to P.A. & J.V. Lehmann for \$6300 Dec1969. (Looks like it became part of Frank Mills large subdivision in the area ~1975/76?) No 12 sold for \$270,000 Mar1992; \$500,000 in Jul2008, and \$845,000 Nov2012.
Coolamon Scenic Drive	Lot 23, DP 1089627	Livingstone's Farm 'Ivy Hill', built by Hugh McD. Livingstone 1910. (See Livingstone History at 108-Newsletter-July-2021.pdf (mullumbimbymuseum.org.au) 'Ivy Hill' homestead across road from current Timber Slab Factory, is on original selection of J.T. Jarrett (Portion 22, Parish of Brunswick). Was last operational dairy farm in vicinity of town when closed 1986.	Timber Slab factory is on the site of Livingstone's innovative 'walk-thru bails' (adjacent to 'Livingstone's Crossing', now inexplicably named 'King Bobbys Bridge'.) <i>The building is significant to the precinct on the basis of period and pattern of settlement of the town. It is a farmhouse with connections to one of the foundation industries of the district, dairy farming....</i>
2-4 Dalley St	Lot 1, DP817318 (aka Lot 21/24, Section 1, cnr Dalley and Mill Strs and Studal Lane)	'Batsonia' House is <i>representative of the small number of early Mullumbimby Houses... in the late Victorian Style...</i> but now considerably enlarged along with other buildings on the block. Core building allegedly built at the end of the 19 th century. Also allegedly built 1905. Henry Tyler of Myocum first owner of lot 10, Section 1, in first auction of Portions Aug1888. John Batson snr (1886 England- 1956 Mullum), saw doctor at Hollingworth mill, and family moved in in 1940. Wife Florence Elizabeth 1885-1965, son John Batson jnr (1908-1989)	Lot 21/24, Section 1, was in the hands of B.A. Reilly when sold to J. Batson for £300 in Dec1938. In Apr1957 it was transferred to F.E. Batson, and sold to B. & G.E. Nelson for \$3350 in Feb1967. Nelsons sold it to W.G. Stoddart for \$10,000 in Oct1975. Later occupied by Australian tennis star Mary Hollywood. In the 1980s it became the residence and consulting rooms of Dr Miller. The place was sold for \$165,000 Nov1991; \$372,000 Apr2001; \$860,000 Feb2009; \$1,775,000 Aug2019.
28 Dalley St	Lot 1, DP122662 (aka Portion 8, Section 6, SE cnr Dalley and Tyagarah)	'Mullumbimby Private Hospital' (Pg551. <i>The building occupies an important place in the town's social history and is tangible evidence of early women's health infrastructure in the town... and is A grand Federation era weatherboard dwelling...</i>) Parrish family home at No 28 taken over by Dr Cole 1914/16. (Nos 25 and 28 were Hospitals. Nelsons at 25.) [See Mullum Hospital history in 'Fetch the Nurse, and call the Doctor, Quick; The Story of Medical and Health Services in the Brunswick Valley 1900 to 1994 by Netta MacKinnon. First dedicated hospital Mullum estb by Mrs Eliza Nelson 1911 at No 25, cnr Dalley and Tyagarah. No 28 was diagonally opposite and operated as hospital by Dr David D. Gibson, who lived at 'Cedarholm'.]	First owner of block was Richard Sommerville Aug1888. House built for auctioneer Parrish. <i>From 1917, it was a medical, surgical and lying-in hospital registered for six and then eight beds....</i> Operated by Emma Esther Davis 1917-1920.... Dr D. Gibson licensee 1923-1926. Property in hands of Dr D.D. Gibson when sold to mother-in-law Mrs F.E. Webb of Main Arm (and ex Middle Pub) for £1200 in Jun1948. She subdivided and sold a Lot (No 30) to Ellen Lemay Staunton of Mullum for £200 in Aug1951. Staunton on-sold to C.J. O'Brien for £200 in Apr1954. Mrs Webb sold cnr Lot (No 28) to grandson Dr Lloyd C. Gibson for £1200 in Aug1954. Gibson sold to A.J. Walton for £3700 in Jul1959. Walton sold to B. & E.V. Ellem for £3600 in Nov1964. Ellems sold to G. & P. Ireland for \$25,000 in Jun1978. Subsequently sold for \$302,000 Aug1996; \$685,000 Nov2003.
140 Dalley St	Lot 4, Section 12, DP 758725, (NE cnr Dalley and Fern Strs and Studal Lane)	'Cedarholme' and 'Cedar House' <i>The building is an important example of a grand Edwardian weatherboard house with corrugated iron roof and is a showpiece of Mullumbimby....</i> <i>Stylistically, the building is a Californian bungalow and an unusual early example of the style....</i> Allotment initially acquired by J.G. Locke 1888. Internal cedar supplied by Jacky Back.	Built 1908/18 for Finn W.A. Back by Sydney builders Harris & Hughes. Sold to Dr D.D. Gibson 1923 and used as a residence and consultation rooms. Wife Mrs Edith M. Gibson (nee Webb) became sole owner Feb1966. She sold to A.V. Smith Feb1969 for \$10,000. He sold to C.R. & M.S. Thompson Oct1970 for \$12,000. Acquired by Colin and Jan Buckland Jan1974 for \$30,000. Maid's quarters and carriage House converted for business 'Cedar House Antiques' 1984-2012. Sold for \$1,800,000 Oct2020.
5 Fern St	Lot 1, DP384372	'Glen Vuela'? (Allegedly house built on No 5 ~1910, directly opposite Cedar House.)	First owner of Portion 5 was William Curnow. Looks like first owner of the Portion after

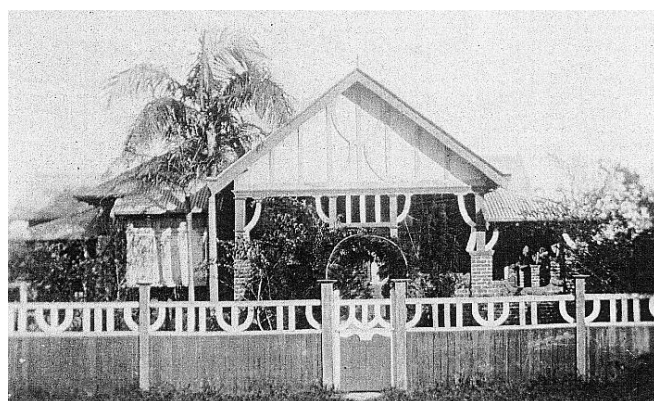
	(originally Portion 5, Section 14, SE cnr bound by Fern, Dalley and Studal.)	The Federation style <i>house is a fine example of the cottage style in vogue prior to WW1 and one of the most ornately decorated and intact cottages in town... and associated with a civic leader of the town, Charles Latter... a coach builder and farrier in town from ~1911 who purchased the block ~1915.</i>	reconfiguration of Dalley St was C.J. Latter who subdivided and sold No 7 Fern to F.A. Rowe for £330 in Aug1953. Latter's Estate sold No 5 (Lot 4) to F.D. & W.M. McDougall for \$11,700 in Sep1971. Looks like McDougalls re-subdivided and sold No 5 (Lot 5) to V.D. Tupper for \$11,900 in Jun1972. Sold for \$225,000 Oct1996; \$1,780,000 Dec2021
6 Jubilee Avenue	Lot3, Section 15, DP758725	'The Bridgehouse' and 'Jubilee House' next Saltwater Creek. (Jubilee Ave originally Acacia St) Block first acquired by John Moorhead, storekeeper, in 1893 for £47/10/-. In Oct1906 it was sold to lawyer H.W. Weigall, who sold to banker R.M. Thompson Jun1907. He sold to widow Catherine Coughran Apr1908 and house completed that year.	In Nov1920 Ms Coughran sold to auctioneer J.C. Morrison who on-sold to Sam Laverty Dec1920. Sam died 1926 and his heirs sold to Henry Cox Jul1929. In hands of H.G. Cox when sold to Norma J. Cox for \$1100 Feb1974. She sold to G.J. & C. Cook, T.J. Myers and T.J. Martin for \$12,600 May1977. Trio sold to A.J. & J.I. Dickenson for \$52,000 Apr1980. Sold for \$750,000 Sep2006; \$960,000 Nov2015; \$1,845,000 May2021.
2 Murwillumbah Road	Lot 293, DP 755687; Lot 1, DP123836	'Magnolia House'... <i>for many years the show garden of Mullumbimby...</i> (Pg535, Heritage Study) (2.5ac block with river frontage currently undergoing restoration). 'Riverview', original house on the site, burnt down 1925.	2 titles. Built 1930, in the <i>Californian Bungalow style, replacing a large timber house destroyed by fire, with gardens already established...</i> Sold for \$1,390,000 in Aug2015; \$3,300,000 May2021
Cnr Myokum and Stuart Streets	Lot 389, DP728162	BVHS Museum (Pg591 Heritage Listings: <i>The museum building, which is the former post office relocated to this site, is one of the most sophisticated timber buildings in the town. It was designed in the office of Colonial Architect Walter Liberty Vernon in an Arts and Crafts style...</i>	<i>The postal service operated at the corner of Dalley and Burringbar Streets from 1907 until 1983, when the building was replaced with a new brick structure...</i> , while the old building was acquired by BVHS in 1984 and relocated to Summer's Park for a cost of \$13,000. Built in 1907 for £725.
9 Myokum Street	Lot 2, DP 858380	'Yellow Church' <i>It is a building of pleasing proportions with a steep gable roof over a large interior volume... and is a strong contributor to the bohemian charm of modern-day Mullumbimby...</i> , but out of context on this site. It is the original Presbyterian Church built 1903 Stuart St., the site now hosting a bland commercial building.	Scheduled for destruction by Presbyterians, but rescued by Sweaney family 1996 and relocated to original selection of Edward Jones in Myokum St. where it has been in continuous use as 'The Yellow Church Yoga Centre'. Property sold for \$310,000 in Dec2003; \$779,000 Dec2015. (Note that the Methodist Church, cnr Dalley and Whian, built 1907, suffered the same fate 1978. The Catholic Church, built in brick 1907, was demolished 1989.)
37 Prince St	Lot 4, Section 1, DP 4721	<i>An Important example of ornate multi-garbled WW1 weatherboard dwelling opposite Railway Park..., built by Peter Pezet, a local builder... and allegedly built for a mysterious dentist named Fogarty 1914. But house long associated with George Henville (d. 1961 aged 70) solicitor's clerk, married Marian Ivy Row (d. 1988 aged 99), storekeeper's daughter, 1914 Mullum. (P. Pezet's house opposite rail station destroyed by fire Jan1935.)</i>	<i>...thought to have been the first house in Mullumbimby with a terracotta tile roof... and the first house on the eastern side of the railway line. (Pezet also built cottages at 5, 7 and 9 Argyle St 1918)</i> Estate of George Henville transferred property to M.I. Henville Mar1966. She sold to M. & V.J. Monas for \$24,000 Jul1977. Sold for \$118,000 in May1993; \$218,000 Feb2001; \$341,000 Feb2003.
57 Station St	Lots 6&7, Section 4 (3?)	Public Lavatory near boundary with McGougan's Lane. Designed 1980 by architect Christine Vadasz who was <i>trying to recognise that Mullumbimby was an unusual town where a very significant social experiment was under way and it therefore deserved public amenities which reflected this change....</i>	pg648 of Heritage recommendations <i>The yin yang inspired design of the toilets is an unusual and distinctive style of architecture, consistent with the Bohemian character of the area... and contributes to the eclectic mix of forms in the town.</i>

87 Station St	Lots 16 and 17, Section 4, DP 2772	<i>The house was built by Ernie Maddy ~1925, who was part of the Hollingworth extended family.... A Well designed 1920s bungalow style residence associated with the Hollingworths who owned the timber mill across the road. Sold by estate of M.V. Maddy to E.R. Maddy Oct1959. E.R. Maddy sold to E.W.J. & H.B.G. Rose for £2950 Jun1962.</i>	Rose family had retired from Possum Crk. E. Rose sold to H. Rose Apr1976. Estate of H. Rose sold to J.H. Rose Dec1978. J.H. Rose sold to Rose (?) for \$40,000 Dec1979. (Lot 15, Section 4 sold by M.A. Maddy to S.J. & E.M. Nunan for £1850 Aug1952) (Hollingworth home 'Belongin' on cnr Station and Fern Strs burnt down 1925)
93 Station St	Lots 21-23, Section 4, DP 2772	'The Gables' <i>'A grand Edwardian weatherboard house with gardens and intact stable/garage at the rear on an oversized block. House completed 1907 for Ray Mallett, partner with cousin Joe Hollingworth in the timber mill across the road.</i>	Big description Mullum star 7Feb1907, describing it as of the Gothic and Queen Ann style of architecture... and lit with acetylene gas lamps. Sold by estate of G.L. Olive to A., C., V.E., & L.B. Black for £1125 Aug1956. Sold by Blacks to A.E. & S.E. Redden for £450 Nov1962. Sold for \$720,000 Oct2013; for \$815,000 Aug2014; for \$725,000 Nov2015.
1 Stuart St	Lots 18-20, DP5046 (aka Portion 1, Section 1)	'Moonya Villa' First owner of block was William House in 1888. <i>At the turn of the Century (1900), this house was described as a fine example of a villa. It had six rooms and stood in extensive grounds, which included ornamental and fruit trees and flower gardens. In 1916, the widow of Gerald O'Connor (founder of Billinudgel) took up residence there... Open house to soldiers and all visitors..., was kept by Mrs O'Connor and her daughter, during the war years....</i> (Irishman Gerald O'Connor died 3Apr1910 'Kelsoleigh', Billinudgel; wife Julia Ann, nee Corcoran, died 1936 Rylstone.)	Son-in-law Ken Richardson of Bank of NSW moved into Moonya 1921 after marriage to Hilda O'Connor. Julia accompanied Richardsons to Guyra upon Ken's promotion and posting Oct1927. Ken was replaced by 'Mr North' who has taken Mr Richardson's fine residence in Stuart Street. Ken came back as manager of the bank 1941 and probably moved into bank building Burringbar St. Julia in meantime died Rylestone. In Mar1962 the estate of James Reddacliff transferred No 1 (Lots 18/19/20) to D.E. Mudge and S.J. Walker. In Sep1975 the estates of Walker and Mudge sold No 1 (Lots 18/20) to J.F. and B. Mudge for \$18,000.
21 Stuart St	Lots 3 and 4, DP 5046, Section 1.	'Duval' <i>A picturesque Federation style cottage with a dominant front verandah featuring arched valance and stuccoed balustrade....</i> William House purchased all Lots eastern side of Section 1 (5 Lots bounded by Mill and Tyagarah Streets and Studal lane) Ernest Elphinstone Sampson, a storekeeper /assistant, was the first known occupant of 'Duval' in ~1910. He left town 1913 to practice as a surveyor in Orange, likely passing the place to storekeeper Fred Isaac Ward.	In ~1923 the Wards passed the place to jeweller and optometrist Fred Kimpton, who came from Lismore 1922 and retired to Bruns ~1955. (Died 1963 Mullum, wife Clarissa died 1968 Mullum) Estate of T. Ryan sold to A.L. Ainsworth for £750 Sep1957. Sold for \$130,000 Jun1992; \$285,000 Jun1998; \$312,500 Jun1999; \$870,000 Dec2010; \$1,250,000 Jun2016. Photo BVHS archives unknown date.
31 Stuart St	Lot 1, DP 122660, section 6.	'Botany House' Residence of Dr Coburn, a general practitioner in the town from 1921 until 1944, and later the nurses' quarters for the Mullumbimby Hospital.... Built ~1930? (An exceptionally handsome bungalow style weatherboard residence....) Dr Francis P. Quirk sold Pt 2, section 6, to Mrs A.E. Coburn for £475 Jul1940. (P.M. Pezet sold Pt 2, Section 6 (No 29), to F.H. Kendrick for £124 Jul1948.) Matron C.I. Bulitude sold Lot 3, section 6, to A.T. Coburn for £400 Nov1941. Mrs A.E. Coburn sold '3/Portion2', section 6, to the Mullumbimby and District war memorial Hospital for £5500 Oct1951.	Apparently No 31 was the nurse's quarters for Kurraba hospital at No33, which was destroyed by fire 2Jan1969 and became the modern brick Alidenes home. Hospital sold Lot 3, section 6, to P&A Singh for \$3100 Jun1971. Hospital sold Lot 2, section 6, (No31) to G. & M.D. Booth for \$19,000 Jul1975. P. Singh sold Lot 9, section 6 (No 33) to B.H. & E.D. Alexander for \$6000 Jul1973. Alexanders sold No 33 to N.L. & C Alidenes for \$37,000 May1975. No 31 sold for \$375,000 in Sep2002. (And possibly sold for \$1,445,000 Sep2021?) (I. Fletcher & N. Irving sold Allotment 1, section 6 (No 27) to T. Fenwick & G. Spoule for \$26,000 Jun1979.)

38-42 Stuart Street	Lots 73-75, Section 3, DP 2772	CofE Rectory St Martins War Memorial Church at same address also listed as a "heritage Item". Foundation Stone laid 21Nov1921	Built by local W.B. King and volunteers 1911. <i>The rectory is a fine example of the timber houses erected in Mullumbimby in the early decades of the Twentieth Century... and used continuously for its original purpose for more than 90 years....</i>
2 Tincogan Street	Lots 2 and 3, DP 303076, aka portion 5, section 4.	'Albion' on cnr block opposite Federation Bridge, first owned by William Wardrop 1888. <i>An unusual timber bungalow with prominent front gable verandah... with Art Nouveau features...</i> House completed 1928 by Ray Graham, employee of storekeepers F.I. Ward and F.M. Uren 1930s to 1950s. In hands of George Pappas, ex- Empire Café and now Kingaroy, when sold to D.G. James for £575 Apr1938. James sold to M.M. Graham for £586 Jun1938.	Portion sold by S.R. Maxwell to Roy Vagg for £446 May1939. Portions sold by H.J. Wright to Roy Vagg for £20, and T.A. Barrett for £10, Jul1943. Roy Vagg sold portion (No 4) to W. Weir for £2200 Dec1951. Weir sold Lot 5 (No 4) to A.&E.M. Roy for £1600 Jul1958. Roy sold to B. Stewart for \$27,000 Jun1980. Sold for \$265,000 Jul2002; \$530,000 Jul2004; \$560,500 Sep2014; \$775,000 Aug2016; \$1,480,000 Feb2021;
18 Tincogan Street	Lot A, DP 350883, aka portion 4, section 5.	First owner of block was John Torrens 1888. Donald McGougan built the Mullumbimby Hotel on the site Oct1891. Allan Cameron turned the hotel into a general store late 1894. First permanent ambulance station and residence of officer Mr Webber 1937. (Old ambulance shed removed from railway property Jan1938.)	Estate of Henry Nelson sold block to A.J. Brown for £750 Mar1943. E.V. & T.G. Nelson sold portion (No 16) to D.W. Baker for £130 Aug1945. Brown sold No 18 to L.W. & M.S. Neave Apr1967. Neave sold to G.D. Mercer for \$17,000 May1973. Sold for \$205,000 Sep1993; \$705,000 Jan2014; \$934,500 Dec2018. Residence and office of Linknet Internet Provider Peter Bundy from ~2008.
4 Tyagarah Street	Lot 11, DP 518613, aka portion 5, section 2.	'The Manse' Occupies large cnr block NE cnr Tyagarah and Dalley first selected by Richard Somerville 1888. Pg 560 Heritage Study says it's <i>A grand home by Mullumbimby standards set on a corner block in a green sub-tropical garden....</i> Built ~1906/10 by the Presbyterian Church as a <i>Grand and prominent half gabled house with 3 cornered projecting bay front rooms... and restored 2005.</i> Sold for \$1,330,000 Sep2004; \$1,250,000 May2011.	Note: Catholic W.R. Reilly purchased the old School of Arts building Aug1904 and converted it into a Manse for Rev Hain? But most Presby ministers preferred to live in the Myocum Manse until ~1913? New Presbyterian manse Mullum opened 1922? – in ex residence of Dick Ireland's home 'Mascotte' [Note Google reckons Presbyterian Manse is at 138 Dalley? - <i>Built in 1908 as a 'Manse' homestead for the local Presbyterian minister, 138 Dalley street.... The premises is heritage listed, preserving the history of one of the last federation buildings in the region.... 138 Dalley was home to the Methodist Manse/Parsonage?</i>]



No 21 Stuart Street 2022
(Courtesy realestate.com.au)



'Duval' ~1920s/30s
(Courtesy BVHS Archives)



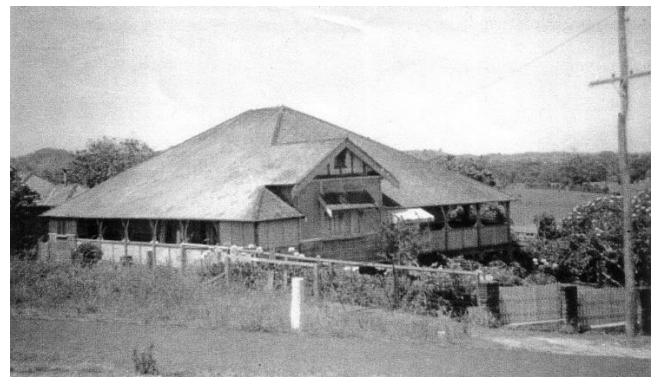
25 Dalley Street, Feb2010
(Courtesy Google Maps above and BVHS right)



The Brunswick Hospital ~1918. Built as dedicated hospital by Dakin Bros for Mrs Beatrice Nelson 1911.
(The 'Sunnybrae Private Hospital' is credited as Mullum's first hospital, opened 1906 in a converted house at 41 Gordon St.)



12 Azalea Street 2022
(Courtesy onthehouse.com.au)



Mortimer Home 'Somerset' 1941
(Courtesy BVHS Archives)



8 Jubilee Avenue 2016
(Blue house next door at 10 Jubilee is part of another overcrowded subdivision. (Courtesy Google Maps)



1906. (Built by Dr Delph Singh ~1902 and leased in 1904 to Dr Leighton Kesteven, credited as Mullum's first resident doctor.) (Courtesy BVHS Archives)

The Police Residence

The Police Residence (Item ID No 9.100 at [Community-Based-Heritage-Study-volume-1-coordinators-report](#)) was recommended for heritage blessing but was amongst those places that *do not meet the threshold for listing according to available information about heritage significance and/or is within a nominated heritage conservation area*.

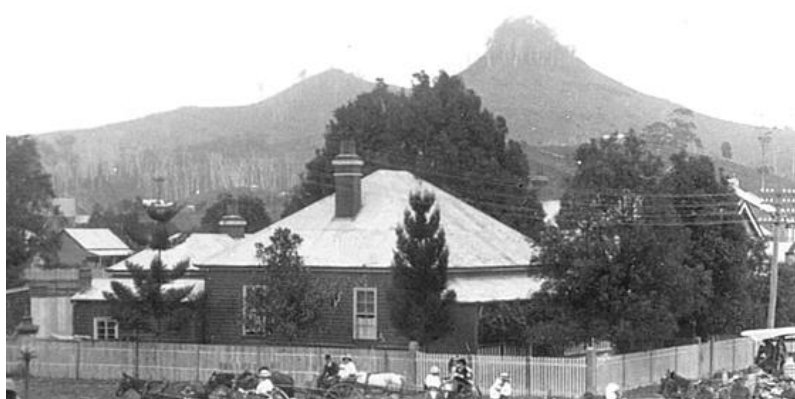
The original building served as the Police Station at Brunswick Heads and was erected 1885 by carpenter/builder **Alex Brown**, nephew-in-law of **Robert Marshall**. It served as Mullum's combined residence and police station from 1897 until the pukka combined station and courthouse were erected next door in 1907. A year later the residence was also given a makeover, marking the start of progressive upgrades that changed the face of the place, particularly major modifications 1935. Until recently it was connected to the courthouse by a unifying period fence.

The core of the current bland police residence on the prominent CBD site on the Burringbar/Dalley corner, may still qualify the place as the oldest house in Mullumbimby. If not, then the rapidly deteriorating ex-stationmaster's house (built 1894) wears the mantle. Hopefully some accommodation can be made to include the Stationmaster's residence in the rehabilitation of the car graveyard at the end of the 'temporary pod' accommodation.



59-61 Dalley St., intersection with Burringbar, Aug2016

This building may not be the original police station. (Mullum Star 6Oct1932 says Bruns Police station was removed to do duty as a police residence at Mullumbimby, and there it still stands to this day.) Building altered 1935.

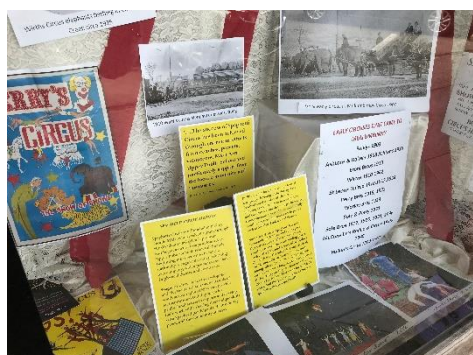


Police Residence 1915.

Building was removed from Brunswick Heads and re-erected Mullum 1897. In NSW Govt Gazette of 7Jul1907 (Issue 84) Government Architect's Branch called tenders for 'Erection of Police Buildings, Mullumbimby' (Prob means new brick courthouse and police station – Northern Star 10Sep1907 says C.B. Smith of Hornsby wins contract for both £1596)



Mullum Museum supported the National Circus with a display in Stewart's Menswear window showing historical photos and information. Check it out.



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*Deadline for newsletter items
LAST FRIDAY of the month

NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday 11th October

@10.30am

**MUSEUM HOURS – Tuesdays
and Fridays 10.00-12.00**

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