

29 - POINT LOOKOUT: Seven Norfolk Island Pines

Street Address	Moongalba Road and Midjimberry Road, Point Lookout
GPS/RPD	Road Reserve near Lot 417 on PL8544, Lot 415 on PL85424
Place Type	Landscape



Red-e-map (RCC, 2017).



Pine Tree, Point Lookout (AHS, 2017).

Condition	Fair	Integrity	Good
Statutory Listings	Local Heritage Place		
Non-Statutory Listings	No current listing		
Inspection Date	17/01/2017		

Historical Context

The Norfolk Pines at Point Lookout are a collection of mature pine trees. Members of the Stradbroke Island Progress Association are believed to have planted the trees in the late 1940s-early 1950s as part of a community project. It is known that they were there by 1953, as a newspaper article discusses their planting, and possible theft.[1] Two trees were supplied to each member of the Progress Association, who was then responsible for planting them and looking after them. The tree planting was a deliberate attempt to beautify the Point.[2]

Tree plantings have occurred for many years in the Redlands. Trees were recognised as offering the potential to beautify areas, and to offer picnickers and others shade and protection. Community groups such as the Point Lookout Progress Association conducted many such plantings. Sometimes trees were supplied and on occasion planted by the local council. Many such plantings remain in our area, such as the Norfolk Island pines in GJ Walter Park, the palms along Passage St, Cleveland, and the Moreton Bay figs on places like the Wellington Point reserve, the latter being planted in commemoration of Brisbane's centenary in 1924.[3]

Physical Description

The pine trees at Point Lookout are a series of mature Norfolk Pines, located on Midjimberry and Moongalba Roads. It is unclear how many of the seven original Pines planted in the 1940s and 1950s remain. Some of the current plantings may replace those which have been lost since the initial planting period, but are considered to be part of the overall place.

Statement of Significance

The Norfolk Island Pines embody historic, associative and aesthetic values for Point Lookout and the Redlands more generally. Their planting highlights the use of trees for public amenity and aesthetic value, used across the Redlands in the early twentieth century. They are associated with the Stradbroke Island Progress Association and offer a valuable contribution to the streetscape of Point Lookout.

Criteria A	The place is important in demonstrating the evolution or pattern of the region's history.
	The Norfolk Pines Trees are historically significant as established trees. They demonstrate early community attempts to establish scenic amenity and beautify the public areas of Point Lookout, including any subsequent replacements.
Criteria E	The place is important to the region because of its aesthetic significance.
	The Norfolk Island Pines are significant for their aesthetic contribution to the streetscape around Point lookout.
Criteria G	The place has a strong or special association with a particular community or cultural group for social, cultural or spiritual reasons important to the region.
	The Norfolk Island Pines are significant for their association with the Stradbroke Island Progress Association, who organised their planting in the mid-twentieth century.

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Primary Themes	
6.0 Buildings, Settlements, Towns, Cities and Dwellings	6.01 Establishing settlements and towns
8.0 Creating Social and Cultural Institutions	8.03 Organisations and societies

References
[1] <i>The Courier Mail</i> , 5 November, 1953, p.1. [2] Stradbroke Museum, North Stradbroke Island Heritage Trail, "Norfolk Island Pines", nd. [3] Mary Howells, "Wellington Point History", Redland City Council, nd, p. 8.