43 - LAMB ISLAND: Mango Trees



Street Address	Tina Avenue, Lamb Island
GPS/RPD	Near L83 & L84 RP127423
Place Type	Landscape





Red-e-map (RCC, 2017).

Mango Tree, Tina St, Lamb Island (AHS, 2017).

Condition	Fair	Integrity	Good
Statutory Listings	Local Heritage Place		
Non-Statutory Listings	No current listing		
Inspection Date	23/01/2017		

Historical Context

This group of mature mango trees is situated on Tina Avenue, Lamb Island and are believed to be associated with the Queensland Acclimatisation Society. In the nineteenth century, the Society played a key role in the importation and experimentation of exotic plants. It was formed to facilitate economic development through research and the introduction of exotic animals and plants that had potential to adapt and flourish in new environments. [1] These trees are believed to have been planted by then President, Leslie Corrie, in 1890. Corrie was a noted architect, who served as Brisbane's mayor from 1902-1903.[2]

The four surviving mango trees were planted on the road corridor of Tina Avenue, on the site of what later became the early Noyes property in 1890. The Noyes house was built by Eric Noyes, a prominent settler in the Southern Moreton Bay Islands, at 34 Tina Avenue in 1911. The house served as a post office until 1968, and Noyes was postmaster on Lamb Island and also ran the telephone exchange on Macleay and Lamb Islands.[3]

Physical Description

The four mature mango trees are situated in the road reserve on either side of Tina Ave, at the southern end of Lamb Island, near the original Noyes farmhouse.

Statement of Significance

The mango trees on Lamb Island are important for their historical, aesthetic and social significance. Noyes property in 1890. These trees are part of a number of mature trees that contribute to the Tina Avenue streetscape and reflect the practices of the Queensland Acclimatisation Society.

Criteria E The place is important to the region because of its aesthetic significance.

The mature mango trees are an important in demonstrating the pattern of European settlement on Lamb Island, and in the Southern Moreton Bay and Islands. The trees are historically notable for their planting by the Acclimatisation Society in the late nineteenth century, representing their practices of trialling exotic species in new locations and the Islands links to agricultural pursuits.

Criteria F	The place is important in demonstrating a high degree of creative or technical achievement at a
	particular period for the region.

The mango trees are aesthetically pleasing and make a positive contribution to the streetscape of Tina Avenue, and Lamb Island more generally.

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 mango trees are important for thier association with the Queensland Acclimatisation Society, and their prominence on the former Noyes Farmhouse.

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Primary Themes		
2.0 Exploiting, Utilising and Transforming the Land	2.07 Experimenting, developing technologies and innovation	

References

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[2] RPS, Redland City Council – Heritage Citation, "Mango Trees".

[3] Ibid.