

Street Address	167 Esplanade, Redland Bay
GPS/RPD	Lots 65-68 and 79-80 on RP30542, and Lots 81-85 on RP136364
Place Type	Built



Red-e-map (RCC, 2021).



Redland Bay Hotel, Redland Bay (AHS, 2017).

Condition	Fair	Integrity	Fair
Statutory Listings	Local Heritage Place		
Non-Statutory Listings	No current listing		
Inspection Date	09/12/2016		

Historical Context

The current Redland Bay Hotel at 167 Esplanade was built in 1927. The original Redland Bay Hotel was constructed at 167 Esplanade, Redland Bay in the mid-1880s and was likely built in stages by Lawrence Cusak, a prominent local identity and partner in the Redland Bay Land Investment Company.[1] The hotel itself was likely built in stages. The manager of the hotel was William Lingley, and after many years in that position, he purchased the property in 1894, and two years later title was transferred to David Slawson.[2] The hotel was significant in early times as for a venue for community gatherings, for example housing early Church of England services.[3] It was also a popular vacation destination, described as “one of the most spacious to be found anywhere in the seaside resorts” by one commentator in 1925, regarding Redland Bay as a good family holiday spot.[4]

The Hotel burnt down in 1926 in strange circumstances. Tenders were made later that year for the design and construction of a new hotel on the same site. Tenders were accepted from the architect J. L. Baldwin, who designed the hotel, and by J. Lane, who built the hotel. The present Redland Bay Hotel was thus constructed in the same location as the original hotel in 1927 and has continued as a popular local venue since this time, and it has undergone a number of renovations and upgrades.[5]

Physical Description

The Redland Bay Hotel is a complex of buildings which include the main building constructed in 1927, as well as some which have been added over later decades. The main building is easily identified under a wide hipped roof with projected triple gable rooflines. The building is clad in chamfer boards with casement windows. The gable detail is of AC sheeting with painted cover straps in the English revival style. A large number of the original windows have been replaced, and the interior has been modified to serve the continued function and use of a hotel.

In recent years, an entrance porch and modern awning have been added along with a number of outbuildings. The modifications to the complex provide greater outdoor venue space and although they alter the original design of the main building, they contribute to the overall use of the place as a hotel and function space. Similarly, the once expansive sea views are now obscured by trees, however the site retains a clear connection with Redland Bay.

Statement of Significance

The Redland Bay Hotel is significant to the local area as it holds historical value and maintains a strong association with the Redland Bay community. The hotel has been used historically for various functions to accommodate the local citizens, including important meetings and church services. As a popular tourist destination over the summer holiday period, the hotel has been in continuous use since the mid-1880s, except for its short reconstruction period. When the hotel burnt down in 1926, it was immediately rebuilt the following year. The hotel complex still fulfils its original role and thus has maintained a strong association with the local community.

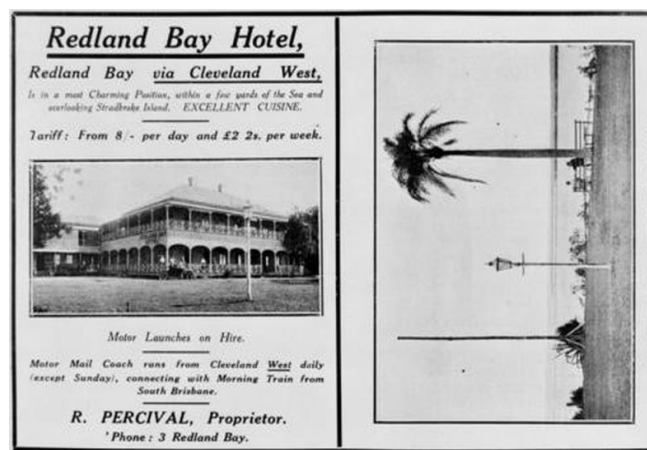
Criteria A	The place is important in demonstrating the evolution or pattern of the region's history.
The Redland Bay Hotel holds local significance as it demonstrates the evolution of settlement in Redland Bay. The complex illustrates the important role of a focal community place, where the local population have used the place for central gatherings and functions since the 1880s and an extremely popular tourist holiday destination, showing the significance of the area in the summer holiday season. Although the first hotel building burnt down, it was rebuilt in 1927 and the overall complex is still used for its original purpose.	
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 site has a continuous association with the local community of Redland Bay, as it has been used for the same purpose since its construction in the mid-1880s, the hotel has been used locally and as a tourist destination site, which demonstrates its strong association with this particular community.	

Primary Themes	
3.0 Developing Secondary and Tertiary Industries	3.11 Lodging people 3.08 Marketing, retailing and service industries

References
<p>[1] Mary Howells, "Places of the Redlands: Redland Bay," Redland Shire Council, 2000, p. 3. [2] Ibid p. 3; The Telegraph, 21 November, 1896, 1. [3] Woods and Bagot, Redland Heritage Study, 1995, Volume 1 Chapter 2, p. 87. [4] The Brisbane Courier, 8 December 1925, p. 11. [5] Woods and Bagot, Redland Heritage Study, 1995, Volume 1 Chapter 3, p. 123.</p>



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