

79 Eglington Road



Quercus robur (Oak)
12.03.01

Tree No 683



Montecillo Veterans' Home & Hospital



RESIDENTS' HANDBOOK

3rd Edition

HISTORY - MONTECILLO VETERANS HOME & HOSPITAL

THE original building of *Montecillo War Veterans Home* dates back to around 1850, when it was built as a family home by Mr Robert Williams, who situated it on ten acres of land in Mornington, Dunedin. The property was later sold in 1862 to Mr W H Reynolds, who retained it for 40 years making extensive changes to the house and its surrounds whilst in residence there. The family modernised and expanded the villa into the stylish building that stands testament to their effort today.

In 1918 after several changes in family ownership, the house and land was sold to a committee of Patriotic City Fathers. A need was recognised for a place of recuperation and retirement for Returned Servicemen of the First World War, so the Otago Public helped raise funds to establish the Red Cross Military Convalescent Home at the property, which opened on June 27, 1918. The Home was expanded to include a recreation hall and other facilities for twenty-six men.

The conclusion of World War Two saw the establishment of the New Zealand Patriotic Funds Board, a subsidiary of which was the Otago Provincial Patriotic Council (est. 1947). These councils took over the role of the Red Cross in administering to the needs of New Zealand Returned Servicemen as the Red Cross expanded its efforts to aid the post-war cause on a global scale.

In 1952, the New Zealand Patriotic & Canteen Funds Board took control of the hospital and grounds and Montecillo joined New Zealand's three other War Veterans Homes located in Auckland, Christchurch and Levin being run by this organisation.

Throughout its history the Home has been honoured in hosting many distinguished guests, such as Edward, Prince of Wales (1920), Albert Duke of York (1927), both future kings, Admiral Byrd (1929), the Duke of Gloucester (1935), Lord Mountbatten (1920), Lady Mountbatten (1946), Lord Freyberg (1946), Field Marshal Montgomery (1947), and the Duke of Kent (1980), VC recipients Charlie Upham and Jack Hinton as well as many former Governors-General to name but a few.

In 1998 Montecillo was converted to a 54-bed Hospital and Rest Home attached to three and a half acres of woodland and bush property. Montecillo is managed by Major Fred Daniel MBE, JP who took the role on after serving more than 30 years in the New Zealand Army.

The home is nestled amongst much native flora and fauna with beautifully cultivated flower gardens. The residents (male and female), include ex-navy, army and air force, home servicemen, merchant navy, as well as the dependants of all these personnel.

Historically, Montecillo Veterans Home and Hospital has been governed from Wellington by the Patriotic and Canteen Funds Board, but the Board, as part of a major review of its role now and in the future, has decided to transfer the assets of the home to a local Trust.

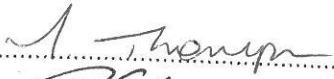
STANDARD TREE EVALUATION FORM

Date	11.4.2001.	
Tree	Oak	
Address	79 Eglinton Rd	
683		
Height (m)	Radius (m)	Diameter (mm) @ 1.2m

CONDITION EVALUATION						
Points	3	9	15	21	27	Score
• Form	Poor	Moderate	Good	Very Good	Specimen	15
• Occurrence	Predominant	Common	Infrequent	Rare	Very Rare	9
• Vigour & Vitality	Poor	Some	Good	Very Good	Excellent	15
• Function	Minor	Useful	Important	Significant	Major	15
• Age (Yr)	10 Yrs+	20 Yrs +	40 Yrs +	80 Yrs +	100 Yrs+	15
Subtotal Points						69

AMENITY EVALUATION						
Points	3	9	15	21	27	Score
• Stature (m)	3-8	9-14	15-20	21-26	27+	9
• Visibility (km)	0.5	1.0	2.0	4.0	8.0	9
• Proximity	Forest	Parkland	Group 10+	Group 3+	Solitary	21
• Role	Minor	Moderate	Important	Significant	Major	15
• Climate	Minor	Moderate	Important	Significant	Major	15
Subtotal Points						67

NOTABLE EVALUATION						
Recognition Points	Local 3	District 9	Regional 15	National 21	International 27	Score
Stature						
• Feature						
• Form						
Historic						
• Age 100+						
• Association						
• Commemoration						
• Remnant						
• Relict						
Scientific						
• Source						
• Rarity						
• Endangered						
Subtotal Points						
Total Points						138

 Arboricultural Asset Officer
 Landscape Architect

STANDARD TREE EVALUATION FORM

Date	12.03.2001	
Tree	Oak	
Address	79 Eglington rd.	
	689	
Height (m)	17	Radius (m)
		Circumference (m) @ 1.2m
		2.70

CONDITION EVALUATION						
Points	3	9	15	21	27	Score
• Form	Poor	Moderate	Good	Very Good	Specimen	15
• Occurrence	Predominant	Common	Infrequent	Rare	Very Rare	9
• Vigour & Vitality	Poor	Some	Good	Very Good	Excellent	15
• Function	Minor	Useful	Important	Significant	Major	21
• Age (Yr)	10 Yrs+	20 Yrs +	40 Yrs +	80 Yrs +	100 Yrs+	27
Subtotal Points						87

AMENITY EVALUATION						
Points	3	9	15	21	27	Score
• Stature (m)	3-8	9-14	15-20	21-26	27+	15
• Visibility (km)	0.5	1.0	2.0	4.0	8.0	15
• Proximity	Forest	Parkland	Group 10+	Group 3+	Solitary	21
• Role	Minor	Moderate	Important	Significant	Major	15
• Climate	Minor	Moderate	Important	Significant	Major	15
Subtotal Points						81

NOTABLE EVALUATION						
Recognition Points	Local 3	District 9	Regional 15	National 21	International 27	Score
Stature						
• Feature	✓					3
• Form						
Historic						
• Age 100+						
• Association						
• Commemoration						
• Remnant						
• Relict						
Scientific						
• Source						
• Rarity						
• Endangered						

Subtotal Points	3
Total Points	171


Arborist

