

## Item Details

**Name**

Oaks, The  
**SHR/LEP/S170**  
LEP #

**Address**

12 Hanna Place OAKHURST NSW 2761

**Local Govt Area**

Blacktown

**Local Aboriginal Land Council**

Unknown



**Item Type**

Built

**Group/Collection**

Residential buildings (private)

**Category**

House

## All Addresses

**Addresses**

Records Retrieved: 2

| Street No | Street Name | Suburb/Town/Postcode | Local Govt. Area | LALC    | Parish | County | Electorate | Address Type      |
|-----------|-------------|----------------------|------------------|---------|--------|--------|------------|-------------------|
| 54        | Hyatts Road | OAKHURST/NSW/2761    | Blacktown        | Unknown |        |        | Unknown    | Alternate Address |
| 12        | Hanna Place | OAKHURST/NSW/2761    | Blacktown        | Unknown |        |        | Unknown    | Primary Address   |

## Significance

**Statement Of Significance**

The Oaks is of high historic significance to Blacktown as one of the primary residences of the Plumpton area. The Building is of high aesthetic significance containing highly decorative interiors and individual designs to the planning and décor of each room. The long ownership of the Hanna family has meant that this is still highly intact.

**Criteria a)**

**Historical Significance**

The Oaks is of high historic significance to Blacktown as one of the primary remaining residences from the farming era in Plumpton. It also appears to have been a gentlemen's residence prior to this as the home of a building materials merchant.

The house expresses in its detail and interiors the tastes, skills and wealth of the successful building merchant William Goulding.

**Criteria b)**

**Historical Association Significance**

The house has association with William Goulding who was clearly a successful building merchant and the unique building style and detail reflects his tastes and skills as a merchant. Similar styling in other contemporary houses in the district indicate that he may have influenced the design and interior detail of other buildings.

The house has had a long farming association with the second owners the Hanna Family after whom Hanna Place was named.

**Criteria c)**

**Aesthetic/Technical Significance**

The Building is of high aesthetic significance containing highly decorative interiors and individual designs to the planning and décor of each room. The long ownership of the Hanna family has meant that this is still highly intact.

**Criteria d)**

**Social/Cultural Significance**

The house is of high significance to the local blacktown Community which fought for its preservation in the 1960's and 70's as the areas was developed by the housing commission.

**Criteria e)**

**Research Potential**

The grounds and rear outbuildings have the potential to reveal further information about the past uses and structures of the homestead group. The rear yard contains a well.

**Criteria f)**

**Rarity**

The house is a rare and substantial remianing example of a rural gentlemans residence in the Blacktown District.

**Integrity/Intactness**

High

**Owners**

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| Organisation         | Stakeholder Category | Date Ownership Updated |
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**Description**

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| <b>Designer</b> | <b>Builder/Maker</b> |
|                 | William Golding      |

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| <b>Physical Description</b> | <b>Updated</b> |
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A large two storey brick late Victorian country mansion with pyramidal hipped galvanised iron roof and surrounding verandahs on both storeys. The house is square in plan with an unusually raised clerestorey at the ridge flanked by two large chimneys.

The interiors are highly decorative and individual including decorative timber lining boards, decorative arches, and french doors and windows.

The site also includes significant outbuildings including a former ballroom and cottage, as well as a brick cistern well. The Cottage is said to predate the Mansion.

The property contains two remaining older structures including the cottasge which predates the large house, and a ballroom built in the early 20th century.

A later carport has been added to the older buildings.

The property sits adjacent to a public reserve which incorporates a sportsfield, as well as an area of remnant bushland to the frontage to Hyatts Road. The house is accessed from Hyatts Road as the primary address and former entrance, but is noted as being of 12 Hannah Place. (Hanna Place is a culdesac that was created after the housing commission subdivision of the property. A rear entry gate is available from this place but it is not the primary vehicle access)

Physical Condition

Good

Updated 01/16/2013

Modifications And Dates

The rear verandah has been infilled c 1940's.

Land Subdivided in 1962 by the housing commission.

Further Comments

Current Use

Residence / Solomon Islands Consulate

Former Use

Residence

Listings

Listings

| Records Retrieved: 2     |   |                |                       |                |              |
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| Heritage Listing         | Listing Title                           | Listing Number | Gazette Date          | Gazette Number | Gazette Page |
| Local Environmental Plan | Amend No 143                            |                | 4/12/2002 12:00:00 AM | 72             | 2262         |
| Local Environmental Plan | Blacktown Local Environmental Plan 2015 | 152            | 7/7/2015 12:00:00 AM  | 430            |              |

Procedures/Exemptions

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| Section of Act   | Description | Title | Comments | Action Date | Outcome |
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# History

## Historical Notes or Provenance

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The land on which Oakhust stands was originally part of the Grant to Walter Lamb in 1873.

The property was purchase by William Goulding in 1884. At this time he lived in the cottage on the property remaining to the rear of the house, but by 1895 had built the large two storey home. The house was built by William Golding as a wedding gift to his bride, Miss Rosa Emma Cable.

The house has an unusual construction mthod being built on a platform of Concrete squares. Concrete was only available from the 1880's after the portland cement works commenced for the building of the GPO in Sydney. Concrete footings would have been a new technology at the time. The floor is tiles with large black and white marble tiles in the hall.

The house reflects the use of fashionable materials and styling for the time including stained glass windowswhich would reflect Mr Gouldings business interests as a supplier of building materials.

The timber interior boarding is similar to other houses in the area and may reflect the nature of Mr Gouldings business as a supplier of building materials in the district. Other houses that reflect similar interior detail include 24 Mary Street Rooty Hill, Neoblie on the Great Western highway in Mt Druitt, and Howard Villa in Mount Druitt.

The property was sold in 1916 to a Mr Langtry and then on to Mr Hanna in 1918.

The house was owned by the Hanna family from 1918 to 1996. The Hanna family operated a poultry farm.

## Historic Themes

Records Retrieved: 2

| National Theme | State Theme                 | Local Theme                  |
|----------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| 4. Settlement  | Towns, suburbs and villages | Subdivision and urban growth |
| 3. Economy     | Agriculture                 | Farming activities           |

# Recommended Management

## Management Summary

## Management

Records Retrieved: 0

| Management Category | Management Name | Date Updated |
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# Report/Study

Heritage Studies

Records Retrieved: 3

| Report/Study Name              | Report/Study Code | Report/Study Type | Report/Study Year | Organisation | Author   |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|--|
| In House Heritage Items Review |                   |                   | 2009              |              | Margaret Fallon  |
| Blacktown Heritage Study       |                   |                   | 1995              |              | (not stated)   |
| Blacktown Heritage Study       |                   |                   | 1988              |              | Jonathan Falk Planning Consultants in association with Rodney Jensen and Assoc.s |

Reference & Internet Links

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References

Records Retrieved: 1

| Type    | Author | Year | Title      | Link |
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| Written |        |      | File Notes |      |

Data Source

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