

City of Greater Geraldton Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places Place Record

Area: Geraldton Place Number: 303 Category: 2

 Assessment Date:
 05/12/1996
 Last Revision Date:
 18/12/2009

 HCWA Number:
 13463
 Asset ID:
 MCH126800

PLACE DETAILS

Name: Fmr Wainwright's Stables/Warehouse
Other Names: Marine Terrace (to rear of No. 241)

Type of Place: Stables

Address: Marine Terrace (to rear of No. 241)

Suburb: Geraldton

LOCATION

Map 14.15 **GPS** 6814461.00 **GPS** 266301.000

Reference: Northing: 0000 Easting: 000



Photo Description:

28/02/2007 Rod Milne Simple stone structure.

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SITE DETAILS

Lot No.: Lot 9

Reserv No.: Assess No.: 11559

Dia/Plan: Vol/Fol:

USE OF PLACE

Original Use: Warehouse/Stables

Current Use: Storeage

Ownership:

Public Access: No Occupied: Not Occupied

DESCRIPTION

Walls: Stone Roof: Corrugated Iron

Condition: Good Integrity:

Original fabric: Modifications:

This stone building and associated walls is sited to the rear of buildings fronting Marine Terrace. A gable corrugated iron roof covers the whitewashed random rubble stone walls. There are three doorways with timber lintels to the north elevation, two have single timber entry doors while the other has double entry doors with a timber framed opening above were possibly used as a stable entrance. There are two small rectangular air vents to the north elevation. Accessed via Fitzgerald Street Cinema carpark.

HISTORY

Construction Date: unknown Source: Feilman Report

Architect: Unknown **Builder:** Unknown

This is all that remains of a complex of Wainwright's warehouses which stretched between Fitzgerald Street and Gregory, with shops fronting onto Marine Terrace. The large door was reputedly for a horse drawn railway which went through several buildings and continued out to the jetty. Originally there was a large enclosed yard which had a steam driven chaffcutter in it which cut hat brought in from surrounding farms. This was superseded in the 1890s when three large mobile cutters were bought to cater for the enormous demand on the goldfields for chaff. (Source: Stan Gratte) A sketch plan in Constance Norris' book notes the

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building as "stables". (Source: Norris, C., "Memories of Champion Bay or Old Geraldton", p.45.) This building is currently used as a warehouse. The three wooden doors facing east were made by the late Mr Fong using old timbers, they are not original. The walls are snowcoated and painted and not whitewashed. (Source: owner)

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA: 308 Commercial services and industries

AHC: 3.19 Marketing and retailing

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This warehouse/stables building and associated wall are unique in this part of the city. The place, which has high integrity, has aesthetic appeal given its simple style of random rubble construction and gable roof. The place also demonstrates the use of local materials and is a good example of commercial structures of its era. It has historic significance as a lasting remnant of the Wainwright's Complex of buildings, important commercial buildings operating in Geraldton from the c1880s.

MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

Management Category: 2

Level of Significance: CONSIDERABLE SIGNIFICANCE: Very important

to the heritage of the locality.

Management Conservation of the place is highly

Recommendation: recommended. Any proposed change should

not unduly impact on the heritage values of the

place and should retain significant fabric

wherever feasible.

OTHER LISTINGS

No other listings

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Considine & Griffiths Architects, "Geraldton Foreshore Conservation Plan",

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OTHER PHOTOS



Photo Description:

5/12/1996 Suba & Grundy Building associated with Wainwright's Store.

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