

<b>Area:</b> Greenough	<b>Place Number:</b> 145	<b>Category:</b> 2
<b>Assessment Date:</b> 30/09/1997	<b>Last Revision Date:</b> 29/03/2005	
<b>HCWA Number:</b> 13921	<b>Asset ID:</b> MCH126902	

### PLACE DETAILS

<b>Name:</b>	Mt. Hill Homestead
<b>Other Names:</b>	off Allanooka Springs Road (west side)
<b>Type of Place:</b>	Homestead
<b>Address:</b>	off Allanooka Springs Road (west side)
<b>Suburb:</b>	Mount Hill

### LOCATION

<b>Map Reference:</b> Bookara N.E.	<b>GPS Northing:</b> 6790378.00 0000	<b>GPS Easting:</b> 293467.000 000
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#### Photo Description:

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Front (north) elevation of Mt. Hill Homestead

## SITE DETAILS

<b>Lot No.:</b>	CG 2757	<b>Assess No.:</b>	63084
<b>Reserv No.:</b>		<b>Vol/Fol:</b>	
<b>Dia/Plan:</b>			

## USE OF PLACE

<b>Original Use:</b>	Residence		
<b>Current Use:</b>	Residence		
<b>Ownership:</b>			
<b>Public Access:</b>	No	<b>Occupied:</b>	Occupied

## DESCRIPTION

<b>Walls:</b>	Limestone	<b>Roof:</b>	Corrugated Iron
<b>Condition:</b>	Good	<b>Integrity:</b>	
<b>Original fabric:</b>			
<b>Modifications:</b>			

Located at the southern most boundary of the Greenough Shire, Mt. Hill Homestead is a large residence of stone construction with a gambrel corrugated iron roof. The roof extends broken back to cover verandahs on three sides which are supported on metal poles. The main entrance to the north elevation is via steps to the verandah and is enhanced by a small gable. The building features painted brick quoining to openings. Original windows have been replaced with aluminium frames. The roof, which was originally a twin gable but is now joined by a flat roof, is punctuated by a brick corbelled chimney. To the rear is a verandah which is supported on bush poles and is partly enclosed at the ends. Located to the south-east of the house is a roofless stone building, possibly the former stables, which has been damaged by fire.

2004/5 Review: To the west of the house is a stone built toilet and ashpit. To the south of the house stands a brick chimney, all that remains of the shearer's quarters that were built in 1925.

## HISTORY

<b>Construction Date:</b>	1865	<b>Source:</b>	Palassis
<b>Architect:</b>	Not available		
<b>Builder:</b>	Not available		

Mt Hill was taken up as a pastoral property in the late 1850s. M. Morrissey

advertised Mt Hill Station, of about 85,000 acres, for sale in 1879. H. Pontt obtained a gallon licence for his shop at the Mount Hill Station in 1885. In 1901 Mount Hill was sold to Frank Mills. Ownership was transferred to George Ernest Sewell in 1903 and then to John Duncan Broad, Donald Edward Broad & Jessie Annie Broad in 1912. Jessie Annie Broad's share was transferred to Donald Edward Broad in 1922. A new front wing consisting of 4 rooms, new entrance and central hallway was added onto the original 5 room cottage in 1925. In 1936 Mt Hill was purchased by Hugh & Ellen Mary Hamersley. Ownership was transferred to Ellen Mary Hamersley in 1970 and the property was managed by her sons, Leonard and Evan Hamersley. Mt Hill was purchased from Mr G. Garratt by the current owner, Mr R.E. Carr.  
(Source: R.E. Carr)

### HISTORIC THEMES

<b>HCWA:</b>	100 Demographic settlement and mobility 300 Occupations
<b>AHC:</b>	8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements 3.5 Developing primary production 3.5.1 Grazing stock

### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Mt. Hill Homestead has considerable historic significance for its association with the early settlement of the Greenough district. The place has considerable aesthetic appeal which is enhanced by the use of local stone and built features such as brick quoining and entrance gable. The place makes an important contribution to the built heritage of the Shire.

### MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

<b>Management Category:</b>	2
<b>Level of Significance:</b>	CONSIDERABLE SIGNIFICANCE: Very important to the heritage of the locality.
<b>Management Recommendation:</b>	Conservation of the place is highly recommended. Any proposed change should not unduly impact on the heritage values of the place and should retain significant fabric wherever feasible.

## OTHER LISTINGS

Shire of Greenough - Town Planning Scheme (30), 01/01/1970  
National Trust of WA - Recorded, 01/01/1970  
Heritage Council of WA - Register, 01/01/1970

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Bibliography:  
HCWA Database No. 13921.  
The Victorian Express, 31 December 1879.  
Bain, M.A., "Ancient Landmarks", 1975, p.306.  
Broad, N. & T., "Saltbush Shepherds," 1992, p.60, 62.

## OTHER PHOTOS



### Photo Description:

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view of stone toilets with chimney of former shearer's quarters to the rear



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view of stables