

City of Greater Geraldton Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places Place Record

Area: Greenough Place Number: 174 Category: 2

 Assessment Date:
 09/12/1997
 Last Revision Date:
 15/11/2004

 HCWA Number:
 13939
 Asset ID:
 MCH127017

PLACE DETAILS

Name: Riverside Cottage
Other Names: Cook's Cottage

Type of Place: Cottage

Address: off Verticordia Drive

Suburb: Strathalbyn

LOCATION

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 6817417.00
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 270221.000

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Photo Description:

15/11/2004 Henkel View of a section of Riverside Cottage remains

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SITE DETAILS

Lot No.: Lot 9001

Reserv No.: Assess No.: 69832

Dia/Plan: Vol/Fol:

USE OF PLACE

Original Use: Residence
Current Use: Not in use

Ownership:

Public Access: No Occupied: Not Occupied

DESCRIPTION

Walls: Limestone/CGI Roof: Corrugated Iron

Condition: Poor **Integrity:**

Original fabric: Modifications:

Located on the banks of the Chapman River, Riverside Cottage is situated at the end of Verticordia Drive, on a large block of land and adjacent to a new residential subdivision. The cottage comprises two small stone buildings joined at the north end by a timber framed corrugated iron clad building, forming a 'U' with a central courtyard. Both the stone buildings have steeply pitched corrugated iron gable roofs while the central structure has a hipped roof. The roofs extend to cover verandahs, collapsed in part, supported on timber posts to the courtyard. Nearby, but on a separate lot, is a stone barn with a corrugated iron gable roof and a lean-to roof to the side. There is believed to be a grave on the property, as well as the remains of stone yard walls and a well.

HISTORY

Construction Date: 1860 Source:

Architect: Not available Builder: Not available

Riverside Cottage was built in the 1860s by Henry Cook after he inherited the property from his brother, Elija Cook. It is believed that ticket-of-leave labour was used to construct the cottage, the barn and the shearing shed, which is now demolished. Henry Cook died in 1886. Walter Cook, the youngest of Henry's 10 children, died in 1943, leaving the property to his niece Clara Hackett. In 1957 the property was sold to Gladys Muir. The

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Muirs sold some of the land to the Goulds and gave some to the nearby school. The house was lived in until 1991.

(Source: Correspondence from Mrs P. Ungvary, 23/11/1993)

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA: 100 Demographic settlement and mobility

301 Grazing, pastoralism and dairying

602 Early settlers

AHC: 8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements

3.5 Developing primary production

3.5.1 Grazing stock

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Riverside Cottage has some historic significance as one of the early properties to be taken up along the Chapman River and for its association with the Cook family. Although in poor condition, the place is representative of the simple stone buildings so prevalent in the district. Situated in a picturesque location, Riverside Cottage contributes to the historic character of Greenough.

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

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SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Bibliography:

HCWA Database No. 13939.



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Photo Description: 9/12/1997 Suba, Callow and Grundy Riverside Cottage, prior to further deterioration

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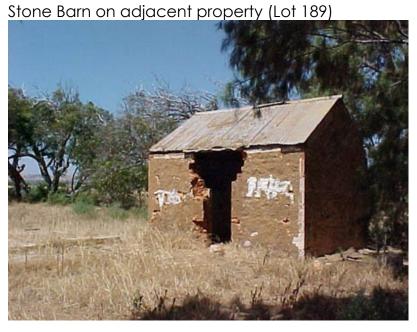


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View of a section of Riverside Cottage prior to further deterioration

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