

City of Greater Geraldton Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places Place Record

Area: Greenough Place Number: 29 Category:

 Assessment Date:
 12/11/1997
 Last Revision Date:
 09/02/2005

 HCWA Number:
 1148
 Asset ID:
 MCH126788

PLACE DETAILS

Name: Mount Pleasant

Other Names: Company Road (west side)

Type of Place: House

Address: Company Road (west side)

Suburb: Greenough

LOCATION

Map Geraldton **GPS** 6795119.00 **GPS** 278778.000

Reference: S.E. Northing: 0000 Easting: 000



Photo Description:

9/12/2004 Henkel

Front (east) elevation of Mount Pleasant

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SITE DETAILS

Lot No.: CG 76

Reserv No.: Assess No.: 63787

Dia/Plan: Vol/Fol:

USE OF PLACE

Original Use: Residence
Current Use: Residence

Ownership:

Public Access: No Occupied: Occupied

DESCRIPTION

Walls: Limestone Roof: Corrugated Iron

Condition: Good **Integrity:**

Original fabric:

Modifications: Adjoining garage

Set in an elevated position, this stone building has a steeply pitched corrugated iron roof which extends to cover the central verandah. The verandah, which is supported on timber posts, is accessed via timber stairs with a metal handrail. Two stone rooms either side of the verandah are covered with hipped corrugated iron roofs. Windows to the place are timber framed and double hung with small panes. There is a large stone room attached to the south of the house and a lean-to roof to the rear. The Carob tree often associated with the house has died while the olive tree is located to the north east of the house.

HISTORY

Construction Date: 1860 Source: N. King

Architect: Not available **Builder:** Not available

Mount Pleasant was built using locally quarried stone around 1860 as a family home for Frederick and Fredericka Waldeck, one of the first families to purchase farming land at Greenough. Frederick Waldeck was granted Victoria Locations 76 and 77, comprising 202 acres, in April 1857, however the Waldecks did not settle in Greenough until early 1860. The Waldecks were staunch Wesleyan community members and the house was often used as a gathering place for regular fellowship meetings before the opening of Wesley Church in 1870. [Place No. 49] Mount Pleasant was

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also used as a doctor's surgery, consulting rooms and post office, as Frederick's son, William, was the Postmaster from 1866 until 1874. (Sources: Greenough-Walkaway Heritage Trail, King, N., "The Waldeck Story", Hesperian Press, 1990, pp.46 & 62)

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA: 100 Demographic settlement and mobility

602 Early settlers

406 Religion

AHC: 8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements

2.4.2 Migrating to seek opportunity

8.6.3 Founding Australian religious institutions

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Mount Pleasant has high historic significance as one of the earliest remaining houses built on the Front Flats. The place has further significance given its close association with the Waldeck family, who were early settlers and prominent members of the Greenough community. The house has considerable aesthetic appeal which is enhanced by its elevated position with commanding views over the surrounding countryside, its good condition and high integrity. This combined with the use of local stone and original facade make the place an important component of the built heritage of Greenough.

MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

Management Category: 1

Level of Significance: EXCEPTIONAL SIGNIFICANCE: Essential to the

heritage of the locality.

Management Conservation of the place is considered

Recommendation: essential. Any proposed change should not unduly impact on the significance of the place

and be in accordance with either a

Conservation Plan or Heritage Impact

Statement.

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OTHER LISTINGS

Shire of Greenough - Town Planning Scheme (25), 01/01/1970 National Trust of WA - Classified, 01/01/1970 Australian Heritage Commission - Register, 01/01/1970

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

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HCWA Database No. 1148.

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Photographs:

GHS0958 front view (n.d.).

OTHER PHOTOS

No other photos

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