

City of Greater Geraldton Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places Place Record

Area: Greenough Place Number: 60 Category: 5

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

 HCWA Number:
 3744
 Asset ID:
 MCH126966

PLACE DETAILS

Name: Backshall's House Site
Other Names: Warrener's Cottage

Type of Place: Ruin

Address: off Company Road (west side)

Suburb: Greenough

LOCATION

Map Walkaway **GPS** 6793269.00 **GPS** 280288.000

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



Photo Description:

9/12/2004
Henkel
Ruins of cottage and outbuildings

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SITE DETAILS

Lot No.: CG 444

Reserv No.: Road Reserve **Assess No.:** 63837

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 Roof: Not applicable

Condition: Not applicable Integrity:

Original fabric: Modifications:

Located to the west of Company Road at the base of the sand-dunes are the ruins of a small, two-roomed stone cottage which had a corrugated iron roof. Nearby is evidence of yard walls and outbuildings.

2004/05 Review: The stone ruins have deteriorated since the last inspection.

HISTORY

Construction Date: 1870 **Source:** GFF Survey

Architect: Not available Builder: Not available

This was one of the blocks of land purchased by W. Padbury in 1868. A small cottage was built and the land was leased to the Warreners. The Greenough Races were held here in the 1870-80s. By 1914 the property was owned by Reuben Backshall. (Source: Gary Martin)

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA: 100 Demographic settlement and mobility

300 Occupations

603 Local heroes and battlers

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AHC: 8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The ruin of Backshall's House has only some local historic significance as evidence of the settlement of the Greenough Flats in the 1870s. The place is representative of other farming cottages given its small scale, simple style and use of local materials.

MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

Management Category:

Level of Significance: HISTORIC SITE: The site has historic significance

for its previous use and its role in the historical

development of the locality.

Management

Proposed development may need to have Recommendation: regard to possible archaeological evidence

remaining on the site. Recognise and interpret

the site if feasible. This may be achieved

through a variety of methods including, but not limited to, signage, public art, paving treatment and landscaping as well as design treatment of

any new development which reflects the

former use of the site.

OTHER LISTINGS

Shire of Greenough - Town Planning Scheme (52), 01/01/1970 National Trust of WA - Recorded, 01/01/1970

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Bibliography:

Feilman, M., "Greenough Historical Survey of the Front Flats", 1977 (52). Suba, T., "The Greenough Front Flats Bibliography of Local Sources and Table of Heritage Places", 1994.

HCWA Database No. 3744.

OTHER PHOTOS

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