

City of Greater Geraldton Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places Place Record

Area: Greenough Place Number: 73 Category: 2

 Assessment Date:
 16/12/1997
 Last Revision Date:
 09/03/2005

 HCWA Number:
 1139
 Asset ID:
 MCH127047

PLACE DETAILS

Name: Greenough Farmer's Club Hall

Other Names: Dewar's Barn

Type of Place: Hall

Address: off Brand Highway (east side)

Suburb: South Greenough

LOCATION

Map Walkaway **GPS** 6793862.00 **GPS** 284292.000

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



Photo Description:

9/12/2004 Henkel West elevation of hall

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SITE DETAILS

Lot No.: CG 726

Reserv No.: Assess No.: 63096

Dia/Plan: Vol/Fol:

USE OF PLACE

Original Use: Barn/Hall
Current Use: Not in use

Ownership:

Public Access: No Occupied: Not Occupied

DESCRIPTION

Walls: Limestone Roof: Corrugated Iron

Condition: Poor Integrity:

Original fabric: Modifications:

Located on the east side of Brand Highway and immediately north of Showground Road, this large stone building has a gable corrugated iron roof. There are low parapet walls to both ends, north and south, with small ventilation slits below. There is a large stone lean-to to the south end of the hall which is enclosed with corrugated iron sheeting. The building features brick quoining to openings and has large, high set 16 pane windows to the east and west elevations. There is a large centrally placed doorway to the west elevation with a 4 pane window over and a large timber lintel. There is evidence of a stone lean-to to the east. The interior walls are rendered and limewashed in an unusual pink hue.

HISTORY

Construction Date: 1870 Source: GFF Survey

Architect: Not available Builder: Not available

The barn was built on land owned by George Shenton and leased to Alex Dewar. Dewar purchased the property in 1875.

In 1891 the Greenough Farmer's Club resolved to hold their show on land near the Greenough Crossing, formerly Mr A. Dewar's homestead. The land was subsequently donated by Thomas Clinch in 1896 to the Greenough Farmers Club. Tenders were called to improve show buildings in 1896 and the place became a focal point for their activities including

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annual agricultural shows, sporting events and polo up to the late 1930s. (Sources: J. Parker & Gary Martin, "Public Halls on the Greenough Flats", Greenough River Gazette, June 1998, p.10)

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA: 302 Rural industry and market gardening

400 Social and civic activities 603 Local heroes and battlers

AHC: education

3.5.3 Developing agricultural industries 3.9 Farming for commercial profit

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Greenough Farmer's Club Hall has considerable historic significance for its association with the social and recreational activities of the Greenough community, including the annual agricultural show. The place has a high degree of aesthetic merit given its large scale, use of local materials and design features such as brick quoining and large window openings. The hall forms an important part of the cultural heritage of the Greenough Flats.

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

Shire of Greenough - Town Planning Scheme (59), 01/01/1970 National Trust of WA - Classified, 01/01/1970

Australian Heritage Commission - Register, 01/01/1970

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SUPPORTING INFORMATION

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OTHER PHOTOS

No other photos

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