

City of Greater Geraldton Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places Place Record

Area: Greenough Place Number: 91 Category: 2

 Assessment Date:
 30/09/1997
 Last Revision Date:
 09/03/2005

 HCWA Number:
 13887
 Asset ID:
 MCH126516

PLACE DETAILS

Name: Bootenal Light Tavern

Other Names: Bootenal Agricultural Hall

Type of Place: Hall

Address: Edward Road (east side)

Suburb: Bootenal

LOCATION

Map Geraldton **GPS** 6805897.00 **GPS** 278529.000

Reference: N.E. **Northing:** 0000 **Easting:** 000



Photo Description:

16/09/2004 Henkel North and west elevations

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SITE DETAILS

Lot No.: Lot 1 of CG 9866 VL 1128

Reserv No.: Assess No.: 63408

Dia/Plan: Vol/Fol:

USE OF PLACE

Original Use: Hall
Current Use: Tavern

Ownership:

Public Access: Restricted Occupied: Occupied

DESCRIPTION

Walls: Limestone Roof: Corrugated Iron

Condition: Good Integrity:

Original fabric: Modifications:

Located on the corner of Edward and Bootenal Roads, this large rectangular building is of coursed stone construction with a hipped corrugated iron roof. The front (west) facade is symmetrical with a window either side of the central door. The building features arched windows and entry with brick quoining which also enhances the corners. To the north elevation there is a corrugated iron drive through bottle shop while to the south there is a recent brick extension which accommodates the bar. The building has a small brick and iron chimney attached to the north elevation and is surrounded by a high wire fence.

HISTORY

Construction Date: 1906 **Source:** Marchant James, R.

Architect: Not available Builder: Jenner & Haffner

Fundraising for the Bootenal Hall commenced with a donation of £10 from Sir Edward Wittenoom. In September 1906 a tender of £340 by Messrs Jenner and Haffner was accepted to build the Bootenal Agricultural Hall. The hall was officially opened in December 1906, with at least four members of parliament and a large crowd in attendance, most of whom arrived by special train. The hall was a worthwhile addition to the district and was used for a variety of events and social occasions, including the annual concerts of St John's and St Thomas' schools and dances. During

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WW II the hall was used by the R.A.A.F.. After the wall Caligaro rented the hall and used it to accommodate workers from his brickworks. In more recent years the hall was adapted for use as the Bootenal Light Tavern. (Sources: Marchant James, R., "Cork to Capricorn", p.197 & Gary Martin, "Public Halls on the Greenough Flats", Greenough River Gazette, June 1998, p.10)

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA: 400 Social and civic activities

311 Hospitality industry and tourism

600 People

AHC: education

3.5.3 Developing agricultural industries

3.9 Farming for commercial profit

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The former Bootenal Hall has considerable historic significance for its connection to the social and recreational activities of the local Bootenal community. The building is characteristic of small halls in rural locations and is an important part of the built heritage 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:

Marchant James, R., "Cork to Capricorn - A History of the Presentation Sisters in Western Australia 1891-1991", 1996.

Martin, G., "Public Halls on the Greenough Flats", Greenough River Gazette, June 1998.

McGuinness, R., "From the Emerald Isle to the Sunburnt Land", 1999, p.59-61. HCWA Database No. 13887.

OTHER PHOTOS

No other photos

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