

City of Greater Geraldton Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places Place Record

Area: Mullewa Place Number: 37 Category: 3

 Assessment Date:
 10/02/1995
 Last Revision Date:
 07/03/2012

 HCWA Number:
 6115
 Asset ID:
 MCH126618

PLACE DETAILS

Name: Tenindewa Store Fmr

Other Names: Tenindewa Store

Type of Place: Former Store

Address: Lot 32 Geraldton-Mt Magnet Road Cnr Tenindewa

Road North

Suburb: Tenindewa

LOCATION

Map 14.14 GPS 6832869.74 GPS 340330.830

Reference: Northing: 0000 Easting: 000



Photo Description:

6/10/2011

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South and west elevations of the Tenindewa Store Fmr.

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SITE DETAILS

Lot No.: Lot 32

Reserv No.: Assess No.: 680

Dia/Plan: 143767 **Vol/Fol:** 1742/1944

USE OF PLACE

Original Use: Store

Current Use: Not in use?
Ownership: Unknown

Public Access: Restricted Occupied: Not Occupied

DESCRIPTION

Walls: Concrete Block Roof: Zincalume

Condition: Not applicable Integrity:

Original fabric: Largely intact

Modifications:

The Tenindewa Store Fmr is located on open ground immediately north of, and facing towards, the railway line. The simple square building is of concrete block construction with a zincalume clad gable roof. The roof extends to cover surrounding verandahs which are supported on new timber posts. The front of the building, the southern elevation, has a central doorway with a window on each side. A sign saying "Tenindewa' is affixed to the gable end above the verandah. There is concrete paving to the front verandah and two corrugated iron clad dunnies located to the rear (north).

HISTORY

Construction Date: 1935 **Source:** Lindsay, D.

Architect: Unknown Builder: Unknown

Kockatea Siding, which was renamed Tenindewa in 1909, was one of the many stops on the Geraldton-Mullewa railway constructed in 1893. A railway gang and some of their families were housed there to service the line and, after farming commenced in the area from 1905, a small community emerged near the Siding which thrived particulary from the 1920s when a lot of nearby land was allocated. By 1910 there were railway buildings, sports facilities and a race course, a post office and a

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hall, and by 1913, a school. The first Tenindewa Store, a Westfarmers Cooperative and Post Office, was built by Alex Rumble in 1921. In 1924 Bill Griffiths leased the store from Alex Rumble until 1935 when he built a new (existing) Store and Post Office. The store closed in 1985 and is all that remains of a once thriving community.

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA: 308 Commercial services and industries

206 Mail services

AHC: 3.19 Marketing and retailing

3.7.1 Establishing postal services

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Tenindewa Store Fmr has considerable historic significance as the last remaining structure associated with the small commuity that emerged adjacent to the siding from the 1920s. It is indicative of how small settlements were established along the railway as land was allocated and taken up in the vicinity. The building has some aesthetic appeal given its simple form with surrounding verandahs and is a landmark along the Mullewa Road.

MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

Management Category: 3

Level of Significance: MODERATE SIGNIFICANCE: Important to the

heritage of the locality.

ManagementConservation of the place is recommended.Recommendation:Any proposed change to the place 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

Lindsay, D., "Tenindewa: To Sow the Barley", 1988; Keeffe, B., "Eastward Ho: To Mullewa and the Murchison", Mullewa Shire Council, 1995.

OTHER PHOTOS

No other photos

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