

Area: Mullewa	Place Number: 38	Category: 5
Assessment Date: 10/02/1995	Last Revision Date: 08/03/2012	
HCWA Number: 6114	Asset ID: MCH126625	

PLACE DETAILS

Name:	Tenindewa School Site
Other Names:	Tenindewa School
Type of Place:	School Site
Address:	Lot 31 Patrick Street
Suburb:	Tenindewa

LOCATION

Map Reference: 14.14	GPS Northing: 6833299.62	GPS Easting: 340023.420
	GPS Northing: 0000	GPS Easting: 000



Photo Description:

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View of the school site showing the large rock with 2 plaques.

SITE DETAILS

Lot No.:	Lot 31	Assess No.:	8505
Reserv No.:	15675	Vol/Fol:	
Dia/Plan:			

USE OF PLACE

Original Use:	School	Occupied:	Not Occupied
Current Use:	Site		
Ownership:	Unknown		
Public Access:	Yes		

DESCRIPTION

Walls:	Stone	Roof:	Tile
Condition:	Good	Integrity:	
Original fabric:			
Modifications:			

The Tenindewa School site is located approximately 800 metres north of the Geraldton-Mullewa Road and about 200 metres east of the Yuna-Tenindewa Road along a dirt track. The site is marked by a large rock which has two plaques affixed to it. A Bicentennial plaque notes that the school was in operation between 1913 and 1939, and lists the names of the teachers who taught at the school while the other plaque has a photograph of a group of school students standing in front of the school building with their teacher. All that remains of the old school are evidence of some foundations immediately to the south and the remnants of a water tank to the west.

HISTORY

Construction Date:	1913	Source:	Plaque, 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 particularly 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

hall. Initially the first school classes were conducted in a railway employee's cottage. However in 1913 a school was built, not too far from the store, which operated from this site until 1939. The advent of school buses resulted in the school students being more easily transported into the school at Mullewa. The school building was subsequently purchased by Harry Stokes following World War 2 and he transported it to his farm.

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA: 402 Education & Science
AHC: 6.2 Establishing schools

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Tenindewa School Site has some local historic significance for its important role in the provision of education to the local community. The site is evidence of how the Tenindewa community flourished in the years prior to World War 2. The school site is included on a local heritage trail and is held in some esteem by the local community.

MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

Management Category: 5
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 Recommendation: Proposed development may need to have 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

No other listings

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Lindsay, D., "Tenindewa: To Sow the Barley", 1988; Barden, W.D., "Mullewa Through the Years 1861-1961", Mullewa Road Board, 1961; Keeffe, B., "Eastward Ho: To Mullewa and the Murchison", Mullewa Shire Council, 1995.

OTHER PHOTOS

No other photos