

Area: Geraldton	Place Number: 107	Category: 2
Assessment Date: 29/10/1996	Last Revision Date: 28/10/2009	
HCWA Number: 1059	Asset ID: MCH126572	

PLACE DETAILS

Name:	Salvation Army Barracks
Other Names:	Druid's Hall
Type of Place:	Offices
Address:	65 Durlacher Street, cnr Sanford Street
Suburb:	Geraldton

LOCATION

Map Reference: 15.15	GPS Northing: 6814721.00	GPS Easting: 266969.000
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Photo Description:

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Original facade retained in redevelopment of site.

SITE DETAILS

Lot No.:	Lot 796	Assess No.:	11750
Reserv No.:		Vol/Fol:	
Dia/Plan:			

USE OF PLACE

Original Use:	Druid's Hall & Salvation Army Barracks		
Current Use:	Offices		
Ownership:			
Public Access:	Restricted	Occupied:	Occupied

DESCRIPTION

Walls:	Brick (Rendered)	Roof:	Zincalume
Condition:	Good	Integrity:	
Original fabric:	Facade and entry porch		
Modifications:	Main hall demolished		

Description of the former Druid's Hall and Salvation Army Barracks from the 1997 Municipal Inventory: The place has a rendered and painted brick frontage with a projecting entry porch facing the main street of a corner site. At the rear (north) of the building, off the side street, are the significant remains of the original, corrugated iron, Druid's Hall which may date back to the mid-late 1800's. The old hall still appears to be used for ancillary purposes and is attached to the rear end of the brick hall like a stage. It has an enclosed, corrugated iron clad entry porch with pitched gable on its eastern end facing the side street. The entry is complete with finial, arched, small timber window and ledge and braced boarded entry doors. Under a skillion extension to the pitched roof, the porch has been extended on one side to abut the brick hall. The old corrugated iron hall behind the entry has had its original pitched roof reduced to a low pitched skillion falling away from the main (brick) hall; probably to avoid a box gutter junction between the two buildings.

The newer brick hall has simple, stucco textured render to its front (south) gable end with smooth rendered capping, plinth and quoining at the corners. A large, nine paned window with six pane highlights is located on each side of the horizontal banded entry porch. The porch has a moulded entablature type parapet which slopes up to form a small gable or pediment with the date "1934" in large, moulded lettering over the front entry. There are elements of Inter-War Art Deco appearance in the banding of the porch, whilst the main gable wall behind has more an appearance of the earlier Federation Free Style period about it. The entry

to the porch may have been open to the street originally, with the main doors behind but now has unsympathetic aluminium sliding doors. The east side, down the side street, has also had aluminium doors and highlights set into the wall where previously only high level, six pane, central pivot timber windows were located. One of the original timber windows is still in place at the northern end of the wall, and they can also be seen on the western side of the hall. The roof to the brick hall is 'super-six' asbestos with roof ventilators projecting through, either side of the long ridge line.

Present: The front facade facing Durlacher Street and the entry porch are all that remain of the hall which was largely demolished for redevelopment purposes. The new adjoining building is of concrete tilt up panel construction with a zincalume roof and features buttressing details with triangular pediments to the Sanford Street frontage to differentiate between the different office accommodation.

HISTORY

Construction Date:	1934	Source:	Building Sign
Architect:	Unknown		
Builder:	Unknown		

The corrugated iron section to the rear was the original Druid's Lodge. The building was also used for dances and was used as Doreen Dawson's Dance Studio for many years. The main section was built in 1934. (Sources: GLLSVF & Shirley Scotter).

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA:	400 Social and civic activities 308 Commercial services and industries
AHC:	8.1 Organising recreation

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The remaining section of the original Salvation Army Barracks, with its decorative detailing and Art Deco style, retains a degree of aesthetic significance. The remnant section still manages to contribute to the streetscape. The place also has historic significance for the role the Druids and the Salvation Army have played in community life.

MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

Management Category:	2
Level of Significance:	CONSIDERABLE SIGNIFICANCE: Very important to the heritage of the locality.
Management Recommendation:	Conservation of the place is highly 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

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

GLLSPC - Geraldton (General).
GLLSCVF.

OTHER PHOTOS



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Original CGI clad Druid's Hall to rear.



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The Hall prior to demolition.