

Area: Geraldton	Place Number: 125	Category: 2
Assessment Date: 05/12/1996	Last Revision Date: 30/10/2009	
HCWA Number: 13375	Asset ID: MCH126634	

PLACE DETAILS

Name:	War Cemetery
Other Names:	130 Eastward Road
Type of Place:	CEMETERY
Address:	130 Eastward Road
Suburb:	Utakarra

LOCATION

Map Reference: 17.15	GPS Northing: 6814320.00	GPS Easting: 269900.000
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Photo Description:

5/12/2008

Tanya Henkel

General view of the War Cemetery.

SITE DETAILS

Lot No.:	Lot 8982	Assess No.:	16346
Reserv No.:	19984	Vol/Fol:	2140/ 670 & 671
Dia/Plan:	95780		

USE OF PLACE

Original Use:	Cemetery	Occupied:	Not Occupied
Current Use:	Cemetery		
Ownership:	Cemetery Board		
Public Access:	Yes		

DESCRIPTION

Walls:	Not applicable	Roof:	Not applicable
Condition:	Not applicable	Integrity:	
Original fabric:			
Modifications:			

The cemetery is surrounded by a tall hedge of assorted shrubs. Entrance to the cemetery from Eastward Road is via a stone lych gate (possibly using stone from Narra Tarra). The brick paved walkways have a pebble surround into which the headstones are arranged in two sections, 56 in the southern section and 27 in the northern section. To the south east corner there is a tall stone cross enhanced by a bronze sword.

The plaque at the lych gate entrance from Eastward Road records that the cemetery has 83 burials, 41 Army and 42 RAAF personnel.

HISTORY

Construction Date:	1941	Source:	S. Gratte
Architect:	Unknown		
Builder:	Unknown		

The cemetery was established c1941-2 and contains the graves of airmen and soldiers killed in accidents in the area during the Second World War. (Source: Stan Gratte)

The Cross of Sacrifice was unveiled by the Mayor of Geraldton, Dr J McAleer, on the 1st of October, 1950.

(Source: GLLSC - Cemeteries)

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA:	501 World wars and other wars
AHC:	7.7.3 Going to war 9.7.3 Remembering the dead

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The War Cemetery at Utaarra has high historic significance for its association with wartime activities in the Geraldton area, in particular in relation to training related accidents during the Second World War. The cemetery is held in high esteem by the local community.

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

Heritage Council of WA - Register, 08/01/1999 Australian Heritage Commission - Register, 01/01/1970

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

GLLSC - Cemeteries

OTHER PHOTOS



Photo Description:

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View of the cemetery looking south.