

Area: Greenough	Place Number: 136	Category: 2
Assessment Date: 30/09/1997	Last Revision Date: 29/03/2005	
HCWA Number: 13913	Asset ID: MCH127140	

PLACE DETAILS

Name:	Fairfield Farm
Other Names:	off Walter Road (west side)
Type of Place:	Farmhouse
Address:	off Walter Road (west side)
Suburb:	Walkaway

LOCATION

Map	Walkaway	GPS	6794100.00	GPS	286449.000
Reference:	S.W.	Northing:	0000	Easting:	000



Photo Description:

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front façade of house

SITE DETAILS

Lot No.:	VL 102	Assess No.:	63106
Reserv No.:	Pastoral Lease 3114900		
Dia/Plan:		Vol/Fol:	

USE OF PLACE

Original Use:	Residence		
Current Use:	Residence		
Ownership:	State Government		
Public Access:	No	Occupied:	Occupied

DESCRIPTION

Walls:	Limestone	Roof:	Corrugated Iron
Condition:	Fair	Integrity:	
Original fabric:	Largely intact		
Modifications:			

Fairfield Farmhouse is a rendered stone building with a steeply pitched corrugated iron gable roof. The roof extends broken back to cover surrounding verandahs which are supported on timber posts. There is a concrete block infill balustrade. The walls have an ashlar finish. The roof is punctuated by a corbelled rendered chimney to the east. There is a verandah to the rear.

Situated to the south-east of the house are the stone ruins of the Shepherd's Cottage. Nearby is a stone shearing shed which has a corrugated iron roof.

2004/5 Review: Since the last review there have been major extensions doubling the front of the house in size. The roof profile, wall finish and verandah style have been maintained in the new extensions. Situated to the north of the house is a small single room stone building (not mentioned in previous review). In front of the house is a large Moreton Bay Fig that was planted by Bob Hamersley, a former owner of Fairfield.

HISTORY

Construction Date:	1860	Source:	Owner Knowledge
Architect:	Not available		
Builder:	Not available		

The Shepherd's Cottage at Fairfield is believed to date from the time when the Cattle Company owned the land in the vicinity (See also Place Nos. 120, 134 and 138 for other examples of Shepherd's Cottages) J. Bruce took up the title to VL 102 in 1865. Edward Hamersley purchased the property in 1869. By 1904 it was occupied by Hugh Hamersley and by 1914 owned by John Hamersley. (Source: Gary Martin)

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA:	100 Demographic settlement and mobility 301 Grazing, pastoralism and dairying
AHC:	8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements 3.5 Developing primary production

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Fairfield Farmhouse and associated buildings have considerable historic significance as evidence of the early settlement of the Greenough District. The Shepherd's Cottage is one of only a few such remaining structures in the area and is evidence of the pastoral industry in the early years. The house has some aesthetic value which is enhanced by the use of local stone and the ashlar finish to the walls.

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

Bibliography:
HCWA Database No. 13913.

OTHER PHOTOS



Photo Description:

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view of Shepherd's Cottage



Photo Description:

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view of outbuilding to north of house