

Area: Greenough	Place Number: 138	Category: 2
Assessment Date: 22/09/1997	Last Revision Date: 10/05/2005	
HCWA Number: 9094	Asset ID: MCH127145	

PLACE DETAILS

Name:	Well Station
Other Names:	off Walkaway-Nangetty Road (south side)
Type of Place:	Homestead
Address:	off Walkaway-Nangetty Road (south side)
Suburb:	Walkaway

LOCATION

Map	Walkaway	GPS	6796099.00	GPS	288307.000
Reference:	S.W.	Northing:	0000	Easting:	000



Photo Description:

22/09/1997

Suba, Callow & Grundy

Front (east) elevation of original house

SITE DETAILS

Lot No.:	VL 202	Assess No.:	64076
Reserv No.:		Vol/Fol:	
Dia/Plan:	240316		

USE OF PLACE

Original Use:	Residence		
Current Use:	Residence		
Ownership:	Unknown		
Public Access:	No	Occupied:	Occupied

DESCRIPTION

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

Well Station is a simple Georgian style homestead, rectangular in plan form with surrounding verandahs. It has been built as two pavilions forming an 'L' shape relationship with each other and connected by a later laundry addition in the 1960's.

The original front wing dates from the mid-late 1800's and is of rendered stone construction with a steeply pitched corrugated iron roof. A separate hipped verandah roof runs along three sides and is supported on timber posts. The front (east) facade is symmetrical with a window either side of a central door. The wall has been rendered with concrete to sill height and the original timber verandah floors have been replaced with concrete floors which are presently causing some deterioration of the stone walls through rising damp. There is a rear wing, added in 1926, which is of brick construction with a steeply pitched hipped corrugated iron roof which extends to cover the verandah. To the south of the Homestead is the restored Shepherd's Cottage, also of stone construction. Continual occupation and care of the homestead has conserved and adapted the place to changing lifestyles over 130 years.

HISTORY

Construction Date:	1860	Source:	Geraldton Guardian 19/01/1909
Architect:	Not available		

Builder: 1909-Delmage & Co

Well Station formed part of a large tract of land in the Greenough area taken up during the middle of the 1800s by the Cattle Company, a partnership of Messrs Edward Hamersley, Samuel Phillips and Lockier Burges. When the Cattle Company dissolved Edward Hamersley retained the Greenough holdings which included Well Station. Phillips and Burges took the Irwin holdings. At the turn of the century Well Station was inherited by Hugh Edward Hamersley, grandson of Edward, who added to the property with other land. He used the holding for raising beef cattle. Soon after Hugh married Edith Maud Gould and they had three sons and a daughter. In 1909 Hugh Hamersley had extensive additions made to Well Homestead by Messrs Delmage & Co, Dongara. In 1935 Hugh Edward died and the property was managed by his second son Edward until the end of the war. From this time on until 1968 Well Station was run by Marion and Kevin Carr. The property was later owned by Leonard and Jane Hamersley who restored the homestead.

(Source: Geraldton Camera Club, "Homesteads of the MidWest Region of Western Australia", 1997)

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA:	100 Demographic settlement and mobility 301 Grazing, pastoralism and dairying 602 Early settlers
AHC:	8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements 3.5 Developing primary production 3.5.1 Grazing stock

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Well Station has considerable historic significance for its role in the development of the pastoral industry in the area and for its association with the Cattle Company - Hamersley, Phillips and Burges. The place has aesthetic significance for its simple Georgian style, adaptive use, attractive setting and use of local materials.

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:

Geraldton Guardian 19/01/1909.

Geraldton Camera Club, "Homesteads of the MidWest Region of Western Australia", 1997.

HCWA Database No. 9094.

OTHER PHOTOS

No other photos