

Area: Greenough	Place Number: 174	Category: 2
Assessment Date: 09/12/1997	Last Revision Date: 15/11/2004	
HCWA Number: 13939	Asset ID: MCH127017	

PLACE DETAILS

Name:	Riverside Cottage
Other Names:	Cook's Cottage
Type of Place:	Cottage
Address:	off Verticordia Drive
Suburb:	Strathalbyn

LOCATION

Map Reference: 17.18	GPS Northing: 6817417.00	GPS Easting: 270221.000
	GPS Northing: 0000	GPS Easting: 000



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View of a section of Riverside Cottage remains

SITE DETAILS

Lot No.:	Lot 9001	Assess No.:	69832
Reserv No.:		Vol/Fol:	
Dia/Plan:			

USE OF PLACE

Original Use:	Residence		
Current Use:	Not in use		
Ownership:			
Public Access:	No	Occupied:	Not Occupied

DESCRIPTION

Walls:	Limestone/CGI	Roof:	Corrugated Iron
Condition:	Poor	Integrity:	
Original fabric:			
Modifications:			

Located on the banks of the Chapman River, Riverside Cottage is situated at the end of Verticordia Drive, on a large block of land and adjacent to a new residential subdivision. The cottage comprises two small stone buildings joined at the north end by a timber framed corrugated iron clad building, forming a 'U' with a central courtyard. Both the stone buildings have steeply pitched corrugated iron gable roofs while the central structure has a hipped roof. The roofs extend to cover verandahs, collapsed in part, supported on timber posts to the courtyard. Nearby, but on a separate lot, is a stone barn with a corrugated iron gable roof and a lean-to roof to the side. There is believed to be a grave on the property, as well as the remains of stone yard walls and a well.

HISTORY

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

Riverside Cottage was built in the 1860s by Henry Cook after he inherited the property from his brother, Elija Cook. It is believed that ticket-of-leave labour was used to construct the cottage, the barn and the shearing shed, which is now demolished. Henry Cook died in 1886. Walter Cook, the youngest of Henry's 10 children, died in 1943, leaving the property to his niece Clara Hackett. In 1957 the property was sold to Gladys Muir. The

Muir's sold some of the land to the Goulds and gave some to the nearby school. The house was lived in until 1991.
(Source: Correspondence from Mrs P. Ungvary, 23/11/1993)

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

Riverside Cottage has some historic significance as one of the early properties to be taken up along the Chapman River and for its association with the Cook family. Although in poor condition, the place is representative of the simple stone buildings so prevalent in the district. Situated in a picturesque location, Riverside Cottage contributes to the historic character of Greenough.

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. 13939.

OTHER PHOTOS



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Suba, Callow and Grundy

Riverside Cottage, prior to further deterioration



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Stone Barn on adjacent property (Lot 189)



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