

Area: Greenough	Place Number: 24	Category: 3
Assessment Date: 12/11/1997	Last Revision Date: 09/02/2005	
HCWA Number: 13990	Asset ID: MCH126777	

PLACE DETAILS

Name:	Bentwood
Other Names:	Eakins' Farmhouse
Type of Place:	House
Address:	Brand Highway (east side)
Suburb:	Greenough

LOCATION

Map	Geraldton	GPS	6797837.00	GPS	279023.000
Reference:	S.E.	Northing:	0000	Easting:	000



Photo Description:

9/12/2004

Henkel

Original stone cottage with additions

SITE DETAILS

Lot No.:	CG 1038	Assess No.:	63035
Reserv No.:		Vol/Fol:	
Dia/Plan:			

USE OF PLACE

Original Use:	Residence		
Current Use:	Residence		
Ownership:			
Public Access:	Restricted	Occupied:	Occupied

DESCRIPTION

Walls:	Limestone	Roof:	Corrugated Iron
Condition:	Good	Integrity:	
Original fabric:			
Modifications:	Painted brickwork, roof reclad		

Set well off Brand Highway, approximately 2.7 kilometres south of Phillips Road, this small stone cottage has been extended in rammed earth to facilitate its continued use as a dwelling. The original cottage to the south featured four rooms with a lean-to to the rear and a separate verandah to the front. A gable corrugated iron roof covers this section and the substantial rammed earth additions to the north and rear. The roof is punctuated by three brick chimneys. A verandah extends along the full length of the front (west) facade.

2004/05 Review: Substantial rammed earth additions have been constructed to the rear of the existing stone and earth house to enlarge the residential accommodation. In addition a separate building immediately to the south accommodates a café. The gardens are much more established.

HISTORY

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

John Eakins took up the title to VL 1038 in 1877. According to the owner the original stone cottage was built by Eakins. By 1914 the property was owned by Arthur C. Clinch. Prior to Richard Jones buying the property the

house belonged to Fred Cilli. The ruined cottage was restored by Richard Jones. Tea rooms now operate from a nearby building.
(Source: Owner Knowledge and Gary Martin)

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA:	100 Demographic settlement and mobility 104 Land allocation and subdivision 506 Tourism
AHC:	8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements 3.5 Developing primary production 3.23 Catering for tourists

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Eakins' Farmhouse has some historic significance as a residence which has existed on the Front Flats for over 130 years. The place is evidence of how small cottages can be adapted for continued use as a residence. Although altered and extended, the place nevertheless forms an important part of the built fabric of the area.

MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

Management Category:	3
Level of Significance:	MODERATE SIGNIFICANCE: Important to the heritage of the locality.
Management Recommendation:	Conservation of the place is recommended. Any proposed change to the place should not unduly impact on the heritage values of the place and should retain significant fabric wherever feasible.

OTHER LISTINGS

Shire of Greenough - Town Planning Scheme (20), 01/01/1970
National Trust of WA - Recorded, 01/01/1970

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Bibliography: Eakins, G.C., "Memoirs of G.C. Eakins," 1976.
Feilman, M., "Greenough Historical Survey of the Front Flats", 1977 (20).
Suba, T., "The Greenough Front Flats Bibliography of Local Sources and Table of Heritage Places", 1994.
Photographs: GHS2978 Eakin's cottage ruin (1979).

OTHER PHOTOS

No other photos