

Area: Greenough	Place Number: 58	Category: 1
Assessment Date: 23/09/1997	Last Revision Date: 16/09/2004	
HCWA Number: 1151	Asset ID: MCH126957	

PLACE DETAILS

Name:	Hampton Arms
Other Names:	Hampton Hotel
Type of Place:	Hotel
Address:	Company Road (east side)
Suburb:	Greenough

LOCATION

Map	Walkaway	GPS	6793954.00	GPS	280889.000
Reference:	S.W.	Northing:	0000	Easting:	000



Photo Description:

16/09/2004

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Hampton Arms, front (west) elevation

SITE DETAILS

Lot No.:	Lot 3 of CG 66	Assess No.:	63563
Reserv No.:		Vol/Fol:	
Dia/Plan:			

USE OF PLACE

Original Use:	Hotel		
Current Use:	Hotel		
Ownership:			
Public Access:	Yes	Occupied:	Occupied

DESCRIPTION

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

The Hampton Arms Hotel is a two storey rendered limestone Georgian style building with continuous verandah and balconies on the long east and west elevations under a corrugated iron roof with hipped, 'dutch' type gable ends. There are two, single storey wings at the north and south ends forming a 'U' shaped plan with an internalised courtyard. There are adjacent outbuildings that would originally have provided stabling for horses and staff quarters. The ground floor, at the southern end has a large 'ballroom' now used as a restaurant/function space. The northern wing houses a bar. Guest's residential accommodation is located in the rooms on the ground and immediately above on the first floor to which access is gained via an old wide and winding external timber stair incorporated into the rear verandah balcony. All access is external along the verandahs or balconies and there are few internal connecting doors. The rooms are simply decorated with mini orb corrugated iron ceilings to the top floor rooms. The overall condition is good with high integrity and authenticity due to the continued use of the place as a public house or hotel.

2004/05 Review: The majority of the main building was reroofed as part funded by a Federal Historic Hotels grant. In addition attention was afforded to site drainage to alleviate rising damp problems in the stone walls.

HISTORY

Construction Date: 1863 **Source:** GPSOB
Architect: Not available
Builder: Not available

The Hampton Arms, named after the Governor of Western Australia, Dr John Steven Hampton, was built by Francis Watson Pearson and officially opened on 1 May 1863. The hotel was a popular resting place for travellers who could also get repairs undertaken to their vehicles and harnesses as Pearson was a good blacksmith as well as a publican. The Hampton Arms ballroom was a focal point for Greenough social life and the first ploughing match was held adjacent to the hotel in 1868. A meeting to elect seven men to the newly formed Greenough Road Board was held at the hotel on 17 February 1871.

Later licencees were Henry Woodman (1872-74), Thomas Wiley (1877-78), Mary Ann Pearson (1880-81 and 1889), Hugh Stephens (1881-86), Joshua Waldeck (1886-89), Henry Eaton (1889-92), Thomas Webb (1893-94) and James Criddle (1895-96). The construction of the Midland to Walkaway railway in 1894 drastically reduced road traffic and eventually resulted in the closure of the hotel in June 1896. Mrs Pearson's daughter, Elizabeth Wiley purchased the property in 1904. Mr A.A. Vince purchased the property in 1915 and the building was used as a farmhouse and gradually fell into disrepair. Alistair and Robin McKechnie bought the building in 1978 and commenced restoring the old hotel. The Hampton Arms was relicensed in 1981. The hotel was purchased by Judy Kennington in 1984.

(Source: Greenough Police Station Occurrence Book, Greenough-Walkaway Heritage Trail, Hampton Hotel Diary)

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA: 311 Hospitality industry and tourism
400 Social and civic activities
602 Early settlers
AHC: 3.22 Lodging people
3.21 Entertaining for profit
8.5.4 Pursuing common leisure interests

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Hampton Arms Hotel has considerable historic significance as the first licensed premise on the Greenough Flats and for its association with Francis Pearson, a well known identity in the district. Furthermore the

place provided for an important social venue for the Greenough community. The building has high aesthetic value given its simple yet commanding facade, its large scale and intact outbuildings. The Hampton Arms is an essential part of the built heritage of the Greenough Flats.

MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

Management Category: 1
Level of Significance: EXCEPTIONAL SIGNIFICANCE: Essential to the heritage of the locality.
Management Recommendation: Conservation of the place is considered essential. Any proposed change should not unduly impact on the significance of the place and be in accordance with either a Conservation Plan or Heritage Impact Statement.

OTHER LISTINGS

Shire of Greenough - Town Planning Scheme (51), 01/01/1970
National Trust of WA - Classified, 01/01/1970
Australian Heritage Commission - Register, 01/01/1970
Heritage Council of WA - Register, 01/01/1970

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

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Photographs:
GHS0643 front view (n.d.), GHS1210 front view (c1930), GHS3192 front view (1979), GHS6215 old toilet (c1980), GHS6617 car in front (1969).

OTHER PHOTOS
No other photos