



City of Greater Geraldton
Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places
Place Record

Area: Greenough	Place Number: 159	Category: 2
Assessment Date: 22/09/1997	Last Revision Date: 05/04/2005	
HCWA Number: 13928	Asset ID: MC H126962	

PLACE DETAILS

Name:	Minnenooka Homestead
Other Names:	Minninooka
Type of Place:	Homestead
Address:	Minnenooka Road (east side)
Suburb:	Minnenooka

LOCATION

Map	Walkaway	GPS	6809734.00	GPS	295194.000
Reference:	S.W.	Northing:	0000	Easting:	000



Photo Description:

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view of front façade of house and stone walls enclosing garden

SITE DETAILS

Lot No.:	Loc 73	Assess No.:	61157
Reserv No.:		Vol/Fol:	
Dia/Plan:			

USE OF PLACE

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

DESCRIPTION

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

Minnenooka Homestead dates from the late 1800's. The house has been added to over the years with an extra wing off the rear forming an 'L' shaped plan overall. The external walls generally are dark sandstone and the original roof has been replaced by green aluminium tiles. The large perimeter verandahs have been concreted and pipe columns replace the original timber posts. The interiors have been completely 'modernised' in the 1960-1970's and reflect little of the original character of the place. The gardens are surrounded by extensive stone walls approximately 1m high, in very good co^a

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HISTORY

Construction Date:	1879	Source:	Homesteads Book
Architect:	Not available		
Builder:	Not available		

Minnenooka, or Minninooka as it is also known, is believed to mean 'anthill' in the local Aboriginal dialect. The property was originally part of the larger land holdings owned by the Pastoral Company which was associated with well known names such as the du Boulay, Logue, Walcott and Menzies. The title to VL 73 was taken up by du Boulay & Menzies in 1857. A.H. and Mrs du Boulay established their home at Minnenooka. The Homestead was built in 1879. The property was owned by Thomas Readhead c 1904-14.

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

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA:	100 Demographic settlement and mobility 301 Grazing, pastoralism and dairying 605 Famous and infamous people
AHC:	8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements 3.5 Developing primary production 3.5.1 Grazing stock

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Minnenooka Homestead is historically significant for its role in the early pastoral development of the region and for its association with well known identities in the district. Although its aesthetic significance is considerably diminished by the major renovations that have changed the character of the place, some elements of the original fabric remain intact, as is particularly evident in the outbuildings. As such the place remains an important part of the historic character of the Shire.

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:

Bain, M.A., "A Life of its Own," 1996, pp. 89, 104-5, 114

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

HCWA Database No. 13928.

OTHER PHOTOS

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view of DuBoulay grave