



City of Greater Geraldton
Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places
Place Record

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| Area: Greenough | Place Number: 96 | Category: 2 |
| Assessment Date: 30/09/1997 | Last Revision Date: 12/04/2005 | |
| HCWA Number: 4308 | Asset ID: MC H126537 | |

PLACE DETAILS

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| Name: | St John's Convent (Fmr) |
| Other Names: | St John's Convent |
| Type of Place: | Residence |
| Address: | Bridgid Road |
| Suburb: | Bootenal |

LOCATION

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| Map | Geraldton | GPS | 6804835.00 | GPS | 278829.000 |
| Reference: | N.E | Northing: | 0000 | Easting: | 000 |



Photo Description:

SITE DETAILS

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| Lot No.: | CG 1366 | Assess No.: | 63231 |
| Reserv No.: | 3651 | Vol/Fol: | |
| Dia/Plan: | | | |

USE OF PLACE

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| Original Use: | Convent | | |
| Current Use: | Residence | | |
| Ownership: | Western Australian Government | | |
| Public Access: | No | Occupied: | Occupied |

DESCRIPTION

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| Walls: | Limestone | Roof: | Corrugated Iron |
| Condition: | Good | Integrity: | |
| Original fabric: | | | |
| Modifications: | | | |

The former St John's Convent is of local stone construction with a hipped corrugated iron roof. A separate verandah roof wraps around the north and east elevations and is supported on timber posts. Windows are timber framed and double hung and are enhanced by red brick quoining which also features on the corners. A carport is attached to the south elevation, the southern wall being of corrugated iron construction.

HISTORY

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| Construction Date: | 1902 | Source: | Marchant James, R. |
| Architect: | Not available | | |
| Builder: | William Martin | | |

St John's Catholic Church [Place No. 97] was built in 1874 by Fr. Lecaille on a 12 acre glebe on the North Back Flats. Despite the absence of a resident priest, services were held at regular intervals. The building was also used as a school whenever Catholic lay teachers were available. However, on 1 April 1902 Presentation Sisters Brigid Kenny and Teresa Cunningham opened a church-school in the small church. To begin with the sisters lived in a curtained-off portion of the church, however on 7 December 1902 they moved into the new convent located adjacent to the church. Funded by the local parishioners, the new Bootenah Convent was constructed by building contractor William Martin for a cost of £450. Martin also worked on the Presentation Convent in Sanford Street,

OTHER LISTINGS

Heritage Council of WA - Register, 20/02/2004
National Trust of WA - Classified, 07/03/1995

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Bibliography:

Marchant James, R., "Cork to Capricorn - A History of the Presentation Sisters in Western Australia 1891-1991", 1996.

McGuinness, R., "From the Emerald Isle to the Sunburnt Land", 1999, p.77-81.
HCWA Database No. 4308.

OTHER PHOTOS

No other photos