SITE DETAILS

Lot No.: Lot 814

Reserv No.: 5525 Assess No.: 11470

Dia/Plan: Vol/Fol:

USE OF PLACE

Original Use: Hall Current Use: Hall

Ownership:

Public Access: Restricted Occupied: Occupied

DESCRIPTION

Walls: Brick (Rendered) Roof: Asbestos

Condition: Good Integrity:

Original fabric: Modifications:

The Yacht Club Hall addresses Marine Terrace with a wide setback which includes two mature Norfolk Island Pine trees. The building has a gable asbestos clad roof with a tall painted stepped rendered masonry parapet. The central panel of the parapet has raised masonry letters which spell out, "The Geraldton Yacht Club 1932". Below the parapet a small suspended concrete awning covers the original entrance which now contains a fixed nine pane timber framed window. Windows each side of the entrance are fixed 12 pane timber framed with a single pane transom light. To the side wall windows are eight pane timber framed and are set high. The newer 1964 clubrooms were constructed adjoining the Hall.

HISTORY

Construction Date: 1932 Source: Foundation Stone

Architect: Tom Roberts Builder: R.F. Cardilini

This Club was in existence as early as 1879 under the name of the Victorian Yacht Club. The Geraldton Yacht Club was formally founded on 1 October 1914 and became an incorporated organisation on 7 June 1932. (Yachting Association of WA, Annual Reference Yearbook, 1993/94, p.44) Mixed fleet racing used to take place from the end of the Esplanade Jetty. The Club's first premises were in tin sheds located near

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the John Forest Memorial. (Champion Trail) The Geraldton Yacht Club Hall was built in 1932, designed by architect Tom Roberts who also designed Birdwood House and built by contractor R.F. Cardilini at a cost of £1,400. The foundation stone was laid by Richard Carson Esq. President of the Yacht Club on 29 August, 1932. (Foundation Stone & "Geraldton Guardian & Express, 6 & 8/12/1932) The building was opened by the Mayor, Mr George Lester, on Saturday, 3 December, 1932. The building was the centre of much social activity with regular dances held there, especially during the Second World War when many troops were stationed in Geraldton. (Stan Gratte)

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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.

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