



City of Greater Geraldton  
Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places  
Place Record

Area: Greenough  
Assessment Date:

Place Number: 164    Category: 1

## SITE DETAILS

decorative timber fireplace surrounds to the main rooms.

A wide verandah skirts the perimeter of the residence with turned timber posts and decorative brackets. A former kitchen and servants wing is located at the north (the top of the 'T') and, with later re-roofing, is now attached to the main residence. The rooms generally appear to have maintained their original use other than for the location of the current kitchen which is now built into a section of enclosed verandah on the eastern wing. At the top of the hall a stairway leads to several rooms contained in the roof space which were formerly staff rooms. The stair also previously continued up to a viewing platform on the roof but this has been removed, probably at the time of re-roofing, due to inadequate waterproofing problems. The main roof framing support for the high ridge, comes from brick piers passing through the roof space from the internal walls below.

The condition of the place is good due to the hard work of the current owners although there are problems with rising damp, not helped by the concreting of verandah floors in places. The former kitchen wing is not occupied and somewhat run down and would benefit from integrating back into the day to day accommodation of the place.

## HISTORY

Construction Date:	1910	Source:	Owner Knowledge
Architect:	Jack Leamonth Ochiltree		
Builder:	Mr Huckle		

'Yanget', translated from an aboriginal language, means bullrush. Yanget was originally a portion of the large land holding Newmaracarra, which wealthy pastoralist Mr J.P. McKenzie Grant acquired in 1885. After his death in 1897 the property he owned was divided up between his four sons. Walter McKenzie Grant took up Newmaracarra [Place No. 156], David Edgar Grant inherited Moonyoonooka [Place No. 160], John Gordon Grant gained Glengary [Place No. 165], and Alec Edgar Grant became the owner of Yanget. Alexander Edwin Grant inherited Yanget on his coming of age in 1908 and increased the holding to 22,000 acres. The homestead was designed by J.L. Ochiltree and English stonemasons used local stone quarried on the property to build the walls. Yanget became well known for its Merino stud, Australian Illawarra Shorthorn cattle and the Welsh Mountain Pony and Clydesdale studs. A special train from the Kojarena Siding transported the stock to the Royal Perth Show and the Geraldton Agricultural Show. Alexander Grant married Erla Evelyn Rowan of Woorree (Place No. 175) in 1922. After her husband's death Mrs Erla Grant remained living at the homestead for fifteen years. In 1979 the



## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

### Bibliography:

"Yanget Station", The Geraldton Guardian Christmas Number, December 1928.

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

HCWA Database No. 13931.

### Photographs:

GHS6207 old bowser (1981).

Additional photo inserted

## OTHER PHOTOS



### Photo Description:

22/09/1997

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South façade, main entrance