

South  
Australian  
Heritage  
Act  
1978-80

**HERITAGE SURVEY  
ITEM IDENTIFICATION SHEET**

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HERITAGE SURVEY REGION 8

Item Ref. No. 40

ITEM NAME: Hill River Station Complex  
Former or other

Office Use  
ITEM No.  
DOCKET No.

**HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE**

Hill River Station is one of the best known and most substantial in the Lower North. The Run was taken up by William Robinson in 1841. He built the original part of the homestead in 1849 in sandstone. C.B. Fisher owned the property c.1855-76, when it comprised 100 square miles. This was the major period of building and development and the start of an extensive tree-planting programme. Fisher converted large areas to freehold, wheat farming on a vast scale: 600 horses and 70 permanent workers lived on the property. The remaining complex faithfully reflects the scale and complexity of Station life during that period - since 1876 the property has been owned by the Angas family. The complex takes the form of two distinct groups (a) Homestead - extended in 1927 (using original sandstone and slate) and the coach house - stables, built with huge stones. About 700 metres to the South East; (b) Outbuildings, which included the station "village"; 6 cottages, Presbyterian Church (now tractor shed), ramshed (now woolshed), horse enclosure etc., forming an impressive sandstone group.

**LOCATION**  
Address

Town  
Postcode  
Section 599, 600  
Hundred Clare  
County Stanley  
L.G.A. Clare  
S.H.P. Region 8  
A.M.G. Ref. 6630-III  
54 28270 625350

**SUBJECT**

2.1  
2.2  
4.1  
4.10

**PERIOD**

State

Study Area  
1837-54  
1855-68

**REFERENCES**

S.A. Archives Research note 126;  
National Trust, 2481;  
Cockburn, Pastoral Pioneers, vol.2, pp.256-257;  
Branson & Phillips, Clare and district sketchbook, pp.56-57;  
Noye, Clare..., pp.41-42

Verbal A.F. Angas (owner), 1982  
Archival photographs

**TYPE OF ITEM**

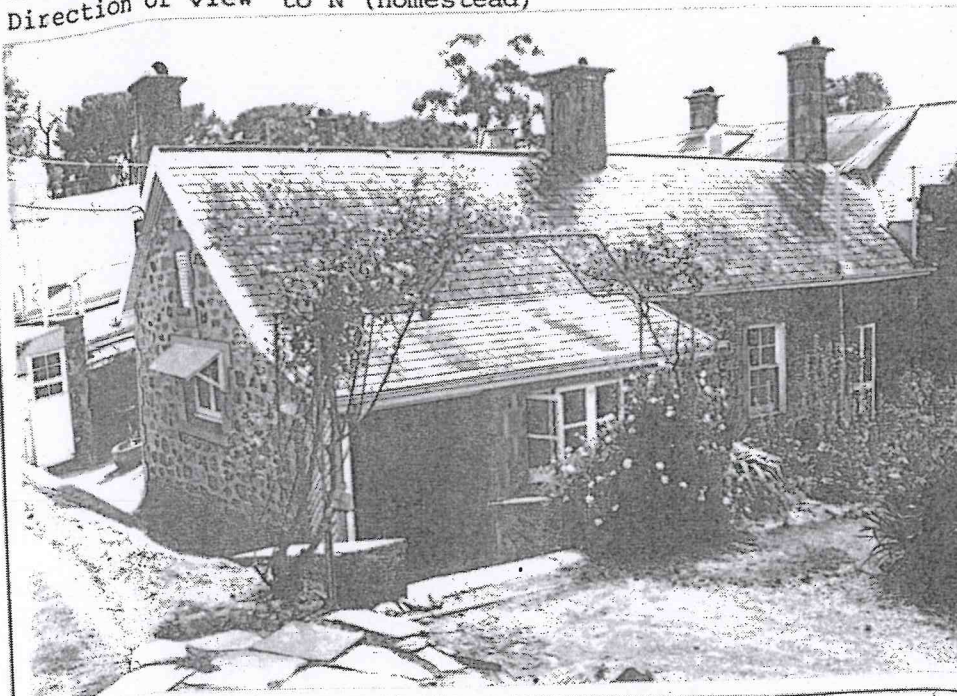
LAND Natural feature   
Historical site   
Historical Gdn.

BUILDING   
STRUCTURE

PHYSICAL CONDITION  
Excellent

PHOTOGRAPH  
Direction of view to N (homestead)

Film No. 292 Negative No. 8



**STATUS**

Reg. of State Her. Items  
Reg.  Interim L.   
Nominated   
National Estate  
Reg.  Proposed L.   
National Trust  
CL  RL  File   
Other (a) (b)  
S.A. Highways Dept.   
Instit. of Engineers

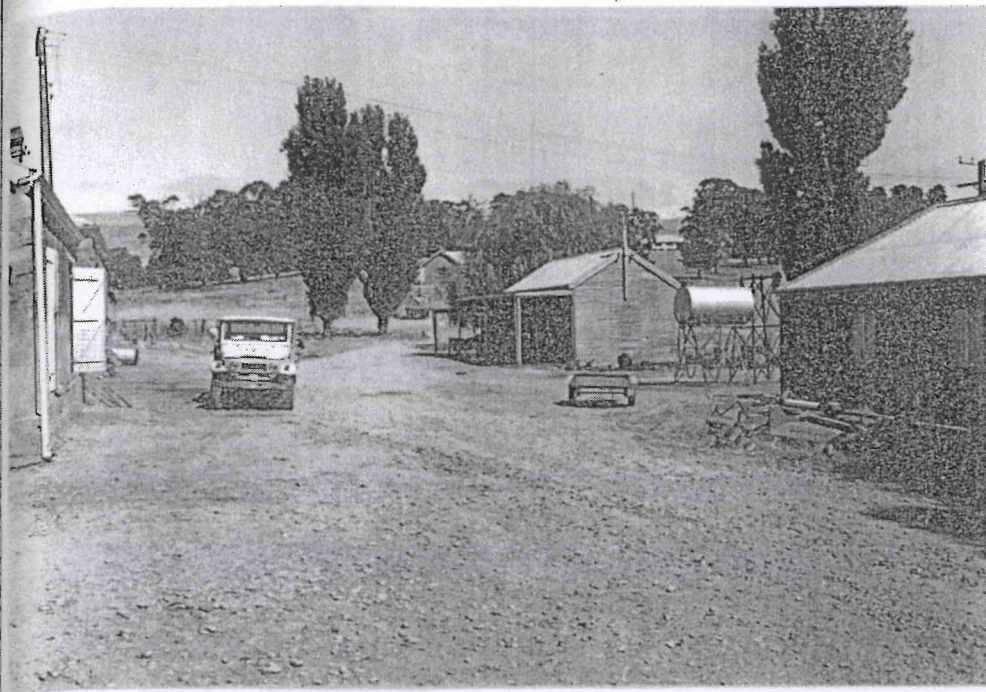
**RECOMMENDATION**

(A) State  (B) Local

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Date: 1982

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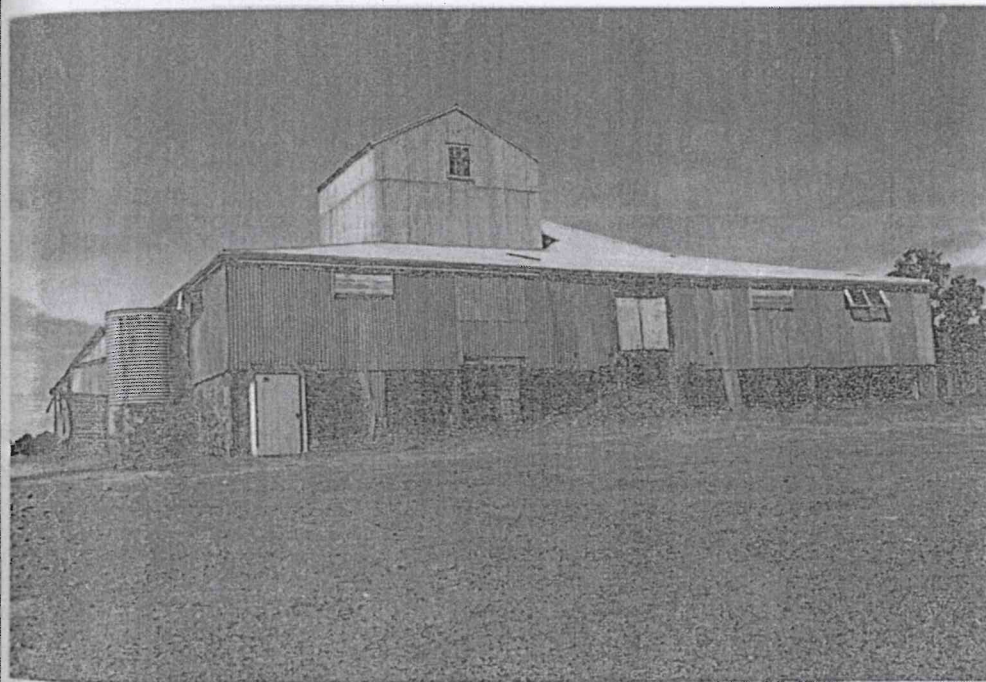


PROJECT  
HERITAGE SURVEY REGION 8

Item Ref. No. 40(a)

L.G.A. Clare

Film No. 292  
Negative No. 13  
Direction of view to W  
(outbuildings)



Film No. 292  
Negative No. 10  
Direction of view  
(shearing shed)

Film No.  
Negative No.  
Direction of view



FILM 32 HILL RIVER HOMESTEAD  
No 3

CLARE  
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FILM 32  
NO 5

COACH HOUSE AND STABLES, HILL RIVER  
STATION, FROM EAST

CLARE  
31-1-79



FILM 32 HILL RIVER HOMESTEAD, EAST  
NO 2 VERANDAH

CLARE  
31-1-79



FILM 32 COACH HOUSE DOORS, HILL RIVER STATION  
No 6

CLARE  
31-1-79