

South Australian Heritage Act 1978-82	Register of State Heritage Items ITEM EVALUATION SHEET Buildings and Structures	Ref. No. 7023-10305
	Item ULVA COTTAGE BOWDEN STREET, PENOLA	Status N.Tr. (R.L.)
Age 1850-1860	Subject PEOPLE - Individuals	Style Vernacular

Qualitative Data

Grading

History		E	VG	AG	FP	NA
1. Context	An example of an early dwelling, Ulva Cottage is associated with the period of establishment of Penola during the 1850's and 1860's.		X			
2. Person/Group	Associated with Alexander Cameron, founder of Penola, and later with his family.		X			
3. Event	No known event.					X
Architecture						
4. Architect/Builder	Builder is believed to have been A. Cameron.			X		
5. Design	Simple hip roof slab cottage with stone chimneys at one end, skillion at rear and one side, verandah across front, symmetrical openings.		X			
6. Construction	Slab walls with stone used at chimney end and at addition, corrugated iron hip roof.			X		
7. Interior	Spartan, some walls timber lined, others have exposed structure, timber floors, fibro ceilings, simple joinery.			X		
8. Representation	One of a number of early timber cottages in Penola.			X		
Environment						
9. Continuity	Maintains and supports the scale and residential qualities, other homes immediately adjacent are much later and some are new.			X		
10. Local Character	Supports the small scale residential character of Penola, lends its support to Penola's age.			X		
11. Landmark	Adjacent swimming pool and Memorial Gardens, set on large block of land with large trees, off the main thoroughfare.		X			
Integrity						
12. Alterations	Four rooms under skillions added early in its life; new fibro ceilings, new verandah.		X			
13. Condition	Structurally sound but condition of interior is poor.			X		
14. Compatibility	Vacant.				X	

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Supplementary Information

Adaptation: The building's external form and appearance should be maintained and restored. The interior may also be restored but this should not be mandatory as its originality is questionable. The trees in the grounds should be retained for a suitable setting for the cottage.

Interpretation: The cottage has a potential for an active interpretation programme but this should be viewed in light of other venues in Penola. At present the cottage's role is passive as a remnant of the past.

Current Ownership: District Council of Penola.

History and Sources

Section 3 of the Hundred of Penola was purchased by Alexander "King" Cameron on 4/10/1850. The purchase price for the 80 acre section was £80/1/- and the Scottish pastoralist, whose home station was located about 2 miles south of Penola, established the township of Penola on the section around an inn built by him between 1844-1846.

Ulva Cottage, believed to have been one of the first built in Penola, is situated on allotment 49. The first transaction registered over the property occurs on 30.7.1861, when Cameron sold allotments 40, 41, 48, 49, 62, 63, 64, 65 and 66 to Andrew Watson of Kilbride and Allen Clarke Coleman, Storekeeper of Penola. The property was transferred a few years later to Albert James Edwards, a licensed victualler. Local sources state that Ulva Cottage was built by the Camerons for Dr. Baynton, one of Penola's first doctors and the husband of Margaret May Cameron. Council assessment books describe a cottage and garden in 1869, the year the District Council of Penola was formed. When an application to bring the property under the Real Property Act was made in 1889, the cottage was occupied by P.D. Nash, a storekeeper and H.G. Wells an inspector of sheep. It is now owned by the District Council of Penola. Plans for the extension of the nearby swimming pool will incorporate the cottage in the pool's surrounding area.

The cottage is an example of the type of dwelling built in the early years of the town's history and as a result reflects the period between 1850-1870 when the town became firmly established.

Sources:

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