

## FLINDERS RANGES HERITAGE SURVEY

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**Fettlers Cottages**

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### LOCATION

<b>Address</b>	Railway Terrace South, Marree
<b>Owner(s)</b>	Australian National Railways Commission
<b>CT Number</b>	4303/363
<b>Local Government Area</b>	Unincorporated
<b>AMG Reference</b>	Marree 1:250,000 series (metric 215716)

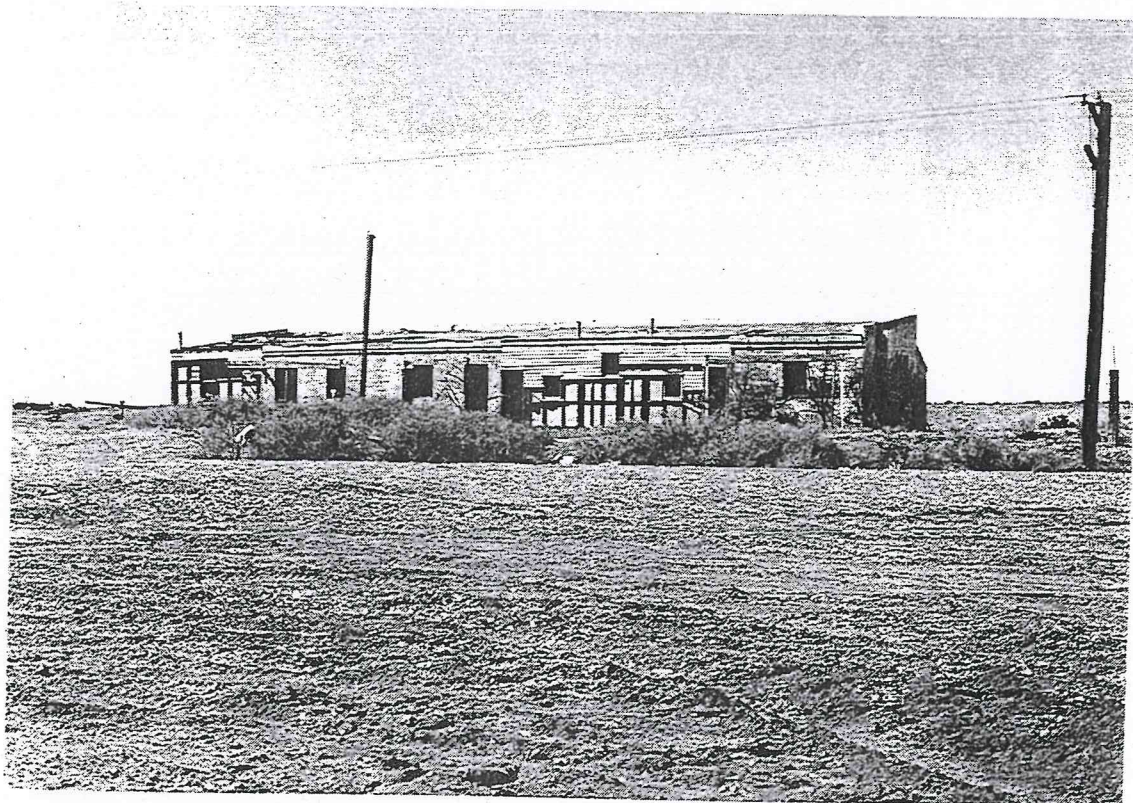
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<b>State Heritage Status</b>	State Heritage Register — 10838 — 23 November 1989
<b>Other Assessments</b>	Mound Springs Heritage Survey, 1984 Railway Heritage of South Australia Survey, 1992

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<b>Photographer</b>	B.G. Rowney/P.F. Donovan

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#### DESCRIPTION

The cottages are of single storey construction with skillion roof form. The walls are of sandstone with casement windows. The roof is of corrugated galvanized iron. The cottages are of standard department design. They are vernacular in style and are totally functional, with no ornamentation. Currently the cottages are derelict.

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#### HISTORY

Marree was surveyed in October 1883 and proclaimed a town on 20 December 1883. The railway was opened for traffic on 7 February 1884. These are maintenance cottages of standard design, and evidently date from 1883-84 when the railway was opened to Marree. As such they are the oldest surviving railway buildings in Marree, which was essentially a railway town, and which has waxed and waned with the fortunes of the railway. The cottages are identified with the history of the Central Australian Railway.

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#### STATEMENT OF HERITAGE VALUE

These cottages are of a standard design which was used on the Central Australia Railway. Additions have been made from time to time.

These cottages are significant because they date from the time when the railway was extended to Marree and are the only railway buildings to do so. As such they are identified with the history of the town as an important railhead and supply centre for remote pastoral stations. The cottages are also linked with the history of the early transcontinental railway and the plans to promote settlement in the far north of South Australia and in the Northern Territory. They were entered in the State Heritage Register on 23 November 1989.

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#### RELEVANT CRITERIA

- (a) the cottages demonstrate important aspects of the evolution or pattern of the State's history, particularly its railway history.
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#### REFERENCES

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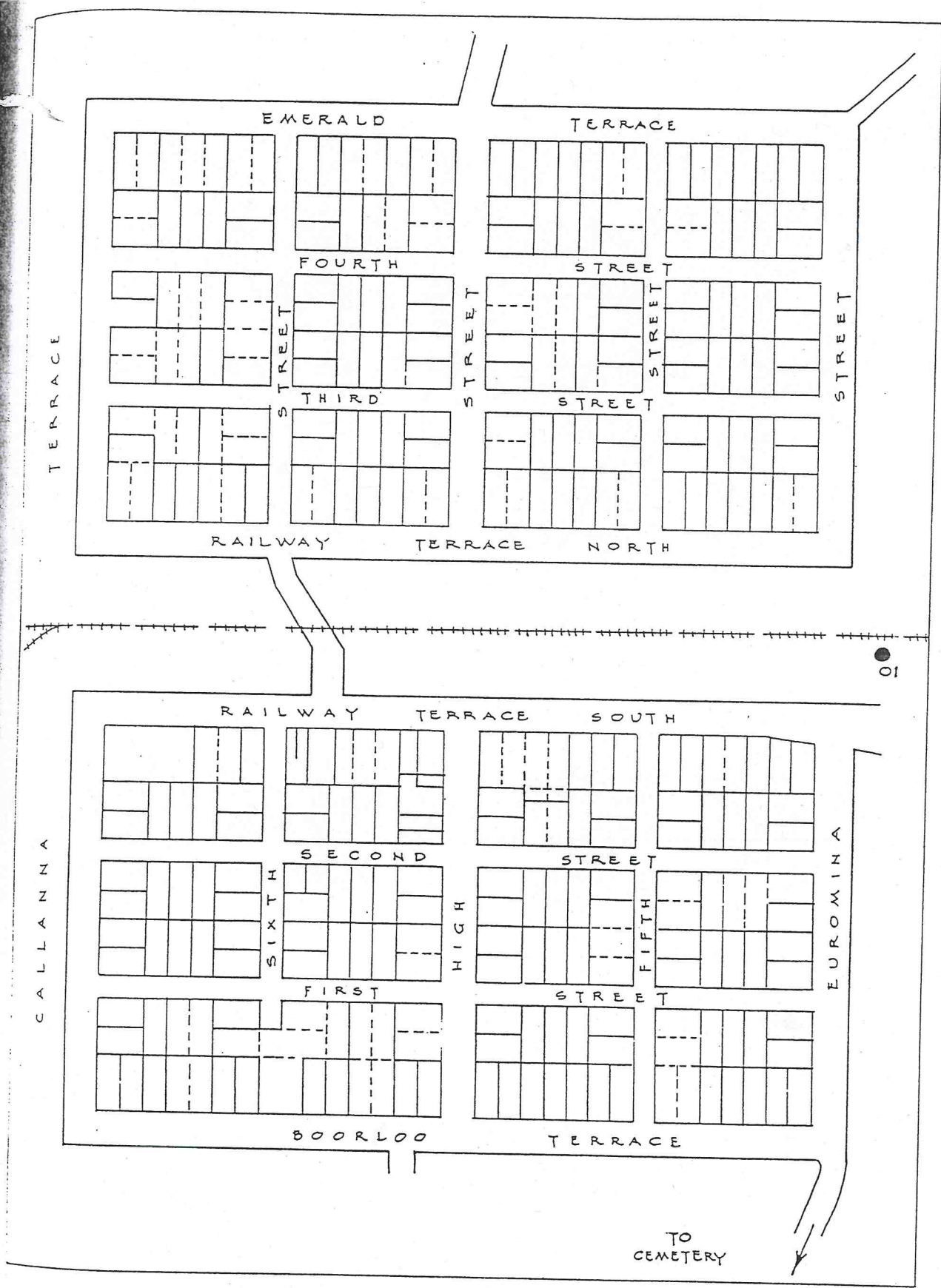
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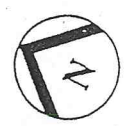
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