HERITAGE INVESTIGATIONS

HERITAGE SURVEY OF THE LOWER NORTH

(REGION 8 - SOUTH AUSTRALIA)

PART TWO

5. D.C. BURRA BURRA

ITEM IDENTIFICATION SHEETS


Funded by the South Australian Heritage Committee and the Australian Heritage Commission (National Estate Programme, 1981/2).
South Australian Heritage Act 1978-80

HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

This massive stone boundary wall extends along the ridge of the Camels Hump Range and Brown Hill Range for a total distance of approximately 65 kilometres, following a large part of the eastern boundary of the Clare District (see Clare D.C.) and the entire western boundary of the Burra Burra D.C. It is believed that the wall was erected after the granting of freehold in the Hundreds of Anne and Ayers in 1864-66, and that either of the landowners Scott or Browne started the construction and others followed suit. An estimated 7,040,000 stones were used over the total length of the wall. Since these were gathered in the immediate vicinity the form of the wall varies as the stone type varies from hill to hill. It is a remarkable relic, possibly unique in Australia.

REFERENCES

National Trust, 2490;
Northern Argus, 21 Nov. 1941;
SAA 1324/109; SAA 1324/50;
Schmaal, Clare - a backward glance, pp 19-20

Verbal Jean Schmaal, 1981
Archival photographs

PHOTOGRAPH

Film No. 267 Negative No. 13
Direction of view to S

PROJECT

HERITAGE SURVEY
Item Ref. No. 1

Office Use
ITEM No.
DOCKET No.

LOCATION

Address Camels Hump Range
Town
Postcode
Section
Hundred
County
L.G.A. Burra Burra
S.H.P. Region 8
A.H.G. Ref.6630-III & IV
54 from 28640 627310 northwards

SUBJECT

4.10

PERIOD

State

Study Area
1855-68

TYPE OF ITEM

LAND Natural feature
Historical site
Historical Gdn.
BUILDING
STRUCTURE

PHYSICAL CONDITION

STATUS

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

RECOMMENDATION

(A) State X (B) Local

PREPARED BY
HERITAGE INVESTIGATIONS

Date: 1982
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**HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE**

This was a well-known watering place (still used), which attracted the Browne brothers to take up the Booborowie run in the early 1840s. The name "Booborowie" is an Aboriginal word meaning "round waterhole", (which was this waterhole).

**REFERENCES**

S.A. Archives 1324/29

Verbal Shirley Madigan, 1981

Archival photographs

**PHOTOGRAPH**

Film No. 267  Negative No. 3

Direction of view to N

**PROJECT**

HERITAGE SURVEY REGION 8

Item Ref. No. 6

Office Use

ITEM No.

DOCKET No.

**LOCATION**

Address

Town Booborowie

Postcode

Section

Hundred Ayers

County

L.G.A. Burra Burra

S.H.P. Region 8

A.M.G. Ref. 6630 - 1

54 29120 628600

**SUBJECT**

4.9

**PERIOD**

State

Study Area

1837-54

**TYPE OF ITEM**

LAND Natural feature [x]

Historical site [ ]

Historical Gdn. [ ]

BUILDING STRUCTURE [ ]

PHYSICAL CONDITION [ ]

**STATUS**

Reg. of State Her. Items

Reg. [ ] Interim [ ]

Nominated [ ]

National Estate

Reg. [ ] Proposed [ ]

National Trust

CL [ ] RL [ ] File [ ]

Other

S.A. Highways Dept. [ ]

Instit. of Engineers [ ]

**RECOMMENDATION**

(A) State [ ] (B) Local [x]

PREPARED BY HERITAGE INVESTIGATIONS

Date: 1981
HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE
As early as 1846 William Browne and his brother John held the extensive Booborowie run under Occupation Licence. According to Cockburn the Brownes held the land as early as 1843. In 1851 they were granted the land under the Waste Lands of the Crown Leases Act. The lease was wholly resumed by 1869. Present homestead probably dates from the 1870s and 80s. According to present owners, Burke and Wills camped on the verandah on their way north.

In 1877 the town of Booborowie was proclaimed on Browne land, to the South East of Section 1000.

(See also sheets for shearing shed and sheep yards).

REFERENCES SAA, 1324/29;
Cockburn, Pastoral Pioneers;
Booborowie Centenary Souvenir

Verbal
Archival photographs

PHOTOGRAPH Film No. 267 Negative No. 11
Direction of view to W

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

RECOMMENDATION (A) State (B) Local
PREPARED BY HERITAGE INVESTIGATIONS
Date: 1982
South Australian Heritage Act 1978-80

HERITAGE SURVEY
ITEM IDENTIFICATION SHEET

ITEM NAME: Shearing Shed, Yards and Water Tank
Former or other: South Booborowie Shearing Shed

HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

While Booborowie Township was surveyed in 1877 it did not actually come into existence until the early 1900s, with closer settlement. Till then, the original Booborowie Head Station (see separate sheet) provided the small local population with a social focus, and "the twenty four stand shearing shed completed in the late 80's was the regular scene for a variety of social occasions".

The size of the shearing shed reflects the extent of the famous Booborowie run, first established by the Browne brothers in the 1840s, and developed as one of the best sheep stations and merino studs in S.A. The shed is one of the largest in the Region.

The shearing shed, yards and stone water tank are in good original condition and are still in use.

REFERENCES

"A History of the Booborowie District", (quote, p.11)

Verbal S. Madigan, Andrew Hawker, 1981
Archival photographs

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Film No. 267 Negative No. 6
Direction of view to NW

PROJECT
HERITAGE SURVEY REGION 8
Item Ref. No. 8
Office Use
ITEM No.
DOCKET No.

LOCATION
Address
Town Booborowie
Postcode
Section 1000
Hundred Ayers
County
L.G.A. Burra Burra
S.H.P. Region 8
A.M.G. Ref. 6630 - I
54 29130 628540

SUBJECT
4.1
2.7

PERIOD
State
Study Area
1885-1904

TYPE OF ITEM
LAND Natural feature
Historical site
Historical Gdn.

BUILDING
STRUCTURE

PHYSICAL CONDITION
Good

STATUS
Reg. of State Her. Items
Reg. Interim
National Estate
Reg. Proposed
National Trust
CL RL File
Other
S.A. Highways Dept.
Instit. of Engineers

RECOMMENDATION
(A) State [X] (B) Local

PREPARED BY
HERITAGE INVESTIGATIONS
Date: 1981
**HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE**

This stone farm storage shed was once Council offices. The District Council of Booborowie was proclaimed in 1875, and from 1877 was based at Council offices at Baldry (See separate sheet). However, it was soon apparent that the Council needed to be based in a more central area, particularly as the population was increasing rapidly in the southern part of the Hundred.

Without referring to residents' preferences for the location of a central township, the Government surveyed the township of Booborowie, which was declared in 1877. It was not well received and no buildings were at first erected there. The District Council made the first move to accept the new town, and as no provision was made in the survey for Council Chambers the Council erected this building on a site north of the town.

The office was built by Sara and Dunstan for £13 1/4/0 and completed in 1888.

The Council ceased to exist when it amalgamated with the Burra Burra District Council in 1935.

**REFERENCES**


Booborowie Centenary Souvenir

Verbal S. Madigan; Lucy Abbott; B. & M. Hogan, 1982

Archival photographs Map of 1912 Auction sale, Booborowie: J. Hawker
**HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE**

Officially opened on 12th October, 1921, this large hall is a local landmark and has served the district for local functions until the present. It is a good representative example of the Memorial Halls which were constructed throughout the State in the years following World War I.

**REFERENCES**

- Burra Record 26/4/77
- Verbal S. Madigan, 1981
- Archival photographs Burra Record, 26/4/77

**PHOTOGRAPH**

- Film No. 246
- Negative No. 11
- Direction of view to S
HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

Although Booborowie was surveyed and proclaimed a town in 1877, it was not well received and no buildings were erected there until the 1890s: the Wesleyan Methodist Church, which was opened in 1892, was the first. Because of this, the Church building was used for a great variety of community uses as the surrounding pastoral land was subsequently subdivided and more closely settled.

Under agreement with the Education Department, the building was also used as the public school, from 1892 to 1918, though relations were strained at times when the different uses conflicted.

The small and simple structure reflects the small size and limited resources of the original congregation. It cost £194 to build.

REFERENCES

Abbott, ed. Iron Mine Image, No. 6, May 1982, p.2;

Verbal S. Madigan (from written notes compiled by L.M. Sutton, Archival photographs 1981)

PHOTOGRAPH

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**HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE**

The Post Office was built c. 1915 (when it was connected to the telephone network), which was when the Booborowie township started to grow, following the subdivision of the Booborowie estates in the early 1900s and closer settlement.

**REFERENCES**

"A History of Booborowie District", p. 11;

Verbal
Archival photographs

**PHOTOGRAPH**

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**LOCATION**

- **Address**: Lots 22/27, Fifth St., Town Booborowie
- **Postal Code**: 5417
- **Section**: Hundred Ayers
- **County**: L.G.A. Burra Burra
- **S.H.F. Region**: 8
- **A.M.G. Ref.**: 6630-1
- **Address**: Lot 22/27, Fifth St., Town Booborowie
- **Postal Code**: 5417
- **Section**: Hundred Ayers
- **County**: L.G.A. Burra Burra
- **S.H.F. Region**: 8
- **A.M.G. Ref.**: 6630-1

**SUBJECT**

4.8

**PERIOD**

Study Area
1905-28

**TYPE OF ITEM**

- Natural feature
- Historical site
- Historical Gdn.
- Building [X]
- Physical Condition

**STATUS**

- Reg. of State Her. Items
- Reg. Interim
- Nominated
- National Estate
- Reg. Proposed
- National Trust
- CL
- RL
- File
- Other
- S.A. Highways Dept.
- Insti.t. of Engineers

**RECOMMENDATION**

- (A) State
- (B) Local [X]

**PREPARED BY**

HERITAGE INVESTIGATIONS

**Date**: 1981
**ITEM NAME:** General Store  
**Former or other:** Benton's Carpenters and Builders Shop

**HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE**

This characteristic country town store was in operation as a general store by 1917. It was built to serve a rapidly developing district, following the subdivision of the surrounding Booborowie pastoral estates in the early 1900s.

Beneath the store is a cellar which was used as Tea-Rooms, its coolness "much appreciated by travellers during the hot summer months".

**REFERENCES**

"A History of the Booborowie District", p.11;

Verbal S. Madigan, 1981
Archival photographs

**PHOTOGRAPH**

*Film No. 247 Negative No. 5*

Direction of view to NE

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**LOCATION**

Address: Lot 22, Fifth St.
Town: Booborowie
Postcode: 5417
Section: Hundred Ayers
County: L.G.A. Burra Burra
S.H.F. Region: 8
A.M.G. Ref.: 6630-I
54 29190 628380

**SUBJECT**

4.6

**PERIOD**

State
Study Area
1905-28

**TYPE OF ITEM**

LAND Natural feature
Historical site
Historical Gdn.
BUILDING
STRUCTURE

**PHYSICAL CONDITION**

**STATUS**

Reg. of State Her. Items
Reg. [ ] Interim [ ]
Nominated [ ]
National Estate
Reg. [ ] Proposed [ ]
National Trust
CL [ ] RL [ ] File [ ]
Other
S.A. Highways Dept. [ ]
Instit. of Engineers [ ]

**RECOMMENDATION**

(A) State [ ] (B) Local [X]

**PREPARED BY**

HERITAGE INVESTIGATIONS

**Date:** 1981

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HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

The first Council assessment appearing for Booborowie Hotel was recorded in February 1918, it having been first licensed on 14th December, 1917. So it would appear that the Hotel was built during 1917. "The hotel appeared on the scene during the absence overseas of local menfolk and its timely completion provided a venue for many a reunion after the cessation of hostilities". The building is a good, well-kept example of hotel architecture of that period.

A massive grape-vine trained along the verandah dates from the establishment of the hotel.

REFERENCES


Verbal S. Madigan, 1981
Archival photographs

PHOTOGRAPH

Film No. 247  Negative No. 7
Direction of view to N

STATUS

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

RECOMMENDATION

(A) State (B) Local

PREPARED BY
HERITAGE INVESTIGATIONS

Date: 1981
**HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE**

The two front rooms of this house, originally one room, are the ones used by the Council, before it moved to Sec. 42, Hundred of Ayers (see separate Item Sheet). The District Council of Booborowie was formed in 1875, its first meetings being held in a private house. In 1876 tenders were called to have permanent headquarters erected at Baldry township (Booborowie township not then in existence). The builder was H. Jolly, the price being £125 and the Council office was completed in 1877.

Baldry was proclaimed in 1875. Its name was changed to Leighton in 1877.

The Council later moved to a more central location near Booborowie (see separate sheet).

The original Council office was subsequently used as a private residence, coming into Hogan ownership in 1910, when the wooden partitions in the Council room were put up, and possibly the other extensions were made.

Pound Yard: In yard next to Chambers. 1 post and 2 rails remain of the old yard, handcut. The Pound was established in 1876.

**REFERENCES**

Minutes of Booborowie D.C., S.A. Archives;
"Booborowie Centenary" Souvenir;
Northern Mail (1876-1877);

Verbal Martin & Brendan Hogan, Lucy Abbott, 1981
Archival photographs
HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

This stone-lined well is right next to stock route, which is still marked out as a road; 1 of 2 wells, the other in the opposite forest, and is still 10-12 ft. deep; this one is covered with branches.

An interesting relic of the major North-South stock route through Booborowie.

REFERENCES

Verbal Martin & Brendan Hogan, Lucy Abbott, 1981
Archival photographs

PHOTOGRAPH

Film No. 248 Negative No. 10
Direction of view to E

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

RECOMMENDATION
(A) State (B) Local

PREPARED BY HERITAGE INVESTIGATIONS
Date: 1981
HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE
John Baynes bought from White, ca. 1869-70; the house was probably already established at that time. Baynes came from World's End/Baldina district; Cornish.
Baynes was well-known locally as a farmer, Wesleyan preacher and musician. He gave extensive help to the Baldry Wesleyan Chapel, and was one of its trustees.

REFERENCES
Verbal L. Abbott, 1981
Archival photographs
**HERITAGE SURVEY**
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**HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE**

This is a picturesque representative example of a small corrugated galvanised iron farmhouse (with a stone and brick chimney). It probably dates from the early 1900s.

**REFERENCES**

Verbal
Archival photographs

**PHOTOGRAPH**

Film No. 247 Negative No. 11
Direction of view to NW

**LOCATION**

Address Booborowie-Burra Road
Town
Postcode
Section 194
Hundred Ayers
County
L.G.A. Burra Burra
S.H.P. Region 8
A.M.G. Ref. 6630-1
54 29550 628150

**SUBJECT**

2.2
4.10

**PERIOD**

State
Study Area

**TYPE OF ITEM**

LAND Natural feature
Historical site
Historical Gdn.
BUILDING
STRUCTURE
PHYSICAL CONDITION

**STATUS**

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

**RECOMMENDATION**

(A) State (B) Local
PREPARED BY
HERITAGE INVESTIGATIONS
Date: 1982
# Heritages Survey

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## Heritage Significance

The stone and brick hall was opened by the Hon. John Lewis on November 24th, 1909.

The subdivision and closer settlement of several of the large nearby pastoral properties at about the same time resulted in a "population explosion", with the new District Hall providing an important social centre.

## References

- Auhl, Burra and district..., p.180;
- Verbal
  Archival photographs Auhl, p.180 (1909)

## Photograph

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## Subject

2.7

## Period

State Study Area 1905-28

## Type of Item

- Natural feature
- Historical site
- Historical Gdn.
- Building X
- Structure
- Physical Condition

## Status

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

## Recommendation

(A) State (B) Local X

Prepared by Heritage Investigations

Date: 1982
Leighton School was established in 1876 and the permanent building was erected in 1878 on reserve land. This was a wooden school-room (now school library) and later included the teacher’s residence, another class-room and outbuildings.

The school must now be one of the very few small early country schools standing in an isolated location and still in use as such (most having been closed long since by the Education Department). However, it was closed for a period from 1945 (when enrolments dropped to 2) and was reopened in 1957 when it received students from the closed Gum Creek School.

*REFERENCES*


Verbal
Archival photographs

*PHOTOGRAPH*

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Reg. Proposed L
National Trust CL RL File
Other
S.A. Highways Dept.
Instit. of Engineers

*RECOMMENDATION*

(A) State (B) Local

**PREPARED BY**
HERITAGE INVESTIGATIONS

Date: 1982
**HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE**

Philip Oates, one of Iron Mine Primitive Methodist Chapel trustees (in the 1870s) (see Item Sheet) lived in the house. Oates came to Burra late 1840s early 1850s and worked as a whim boy at 10-12 years old. Originally a two-roomed house, and attached to a stone and galvanised iron woolshed and underground tank. In ca. 1860s Oates built a second, larger house; but this has been considerably altered since. Oates may have bought the first house and the land from the speculators who originally owned the land, and the house may have been an old boundary hut probably dating from the 1850s.

**REFERENCES**


Verbal Lucy Abbott, 1981
Archival photographs

**PHOTOGRAPH**

Film No. 248 Negative No. 7
Direction of view to SW
**HERITAGE SURVEY**

**ITEM IDENTIFICATION SHEET**

**ITEM NAME:** House and Iron Mine

**Former or other** Primitive Methodist Chapel & Iron Mine Soldiers' Memorial Hall

**HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE**

The Chapel was built in 1871, with addition ca. 1909; Hall built 1923 as one room; 2 soldiers from Congregation died in World War I: George Williams and Ray Flower; so the hall was built; one stained glass window put in by parents, the other by Iron Mine Sunday School; back part added 1932 for supper room; 1934 kitchen added; Church closed in 1974. The building has been converted to a residence.

Behind the property is the site of the original iron mine (from which the locality derived its name); once used for flux in Burra smelters. It was operating in the 1850s and closed in the 1860s.

**REFERENCES**


Verbal Lucy Abbott (owner), 1982

Archival photographs

**PHOTOGRAPH**

Film No. 240 Negative No. 3

Direction of view to NE

**LOCATION**

Address Near Leighton Town

Postcode

Section 427

Hundred Ayers

County

L.G.A. Burra Burra S.H.P. Region 8

A.M.G. Ref. 6630-1

54 29750 627350

**SUBJECT**

2.5

4.2

**PERIOD**

State

Study Area

1837-54

1869-84

1905-28

**TYPE OF ITEM**

LAND Natural feature

Historical site

Historical Gdn.

BUILDING

STRUCTURE

PHYSICAL CONDITION

**STATUS**

Reg. of State Her. Items

Reg. [ ] Interim L [ ]

Nominated [ ]

National Estate

Reg. [ ] Proposed [ ]

National Trust

CL [ ] RL [ ] File [ ]

Other

S.A. Highways Dept. [ ]

Instit. of Engineers [ ]

**RECOMMENDATION**

(A) State [ ] (B) Local [ ]

PREPARED BY

HERITAGE INVESTIGATIONS

Date: 1982
Item Ref. No. 22(a)

L.C.A. Burra Burra

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Negative No. 4
Direction of view to S

Film No. 248
Negative No. 1
Direction of view to W
HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

The homestead was built in 1872 for the pioneer Lincoln and Merino stud breeder, Gustav Gebhardt. The property is still owned by that family, which has made various additions to the house. The stud was dispersed only in 1973, having been founded in 1882.

The well-maintained and substantial house is typical of those built by successful pastoralists. Such residences "speak of the final success of some pioneers but tell us nothing of their early hardships". Gebhardt himself, had started work as a butcher's assistant.

REFERENCES

Auhl, Burra and district..., p. 54;
Stock Journal, October 7, 1982, p.40;
Auhl and Finch, Burra in colour (2nd ed.), pp.56-57 (quote)

Verbal
Archival photographs Auhl, p.54 (homestead)

PHOTOGRAPH  Auhl and Finch, Burra in Colour, (2nd ed.) p.57

PROJECT  HERITAGE SURVEY REGION 8
Item Ref. No. 23

Office Use
ITEM No.
DOCKET No.

LOCATION  Address
Town
Postcode
Section 108
Hundred Kingston
County
L.G.A. Burra Burra
S.H.P. Region 8
A.M.G. Ref. 6630-I
54 30300  628090

SUBJECT
2.2
4.1

PERIOD  State
Study Area
1869-84

TYPE OF ITEM
LAND Natural feature
Historical site
Historical Gdn. X

BUILDING
STRUCTURE

PHYSICAL CONDITION

STATUS
Reg. of State Her. Items
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Nomination
National Estate
Reg. Proposed L
National Trust
CL RL File
Other
S.A. Highways Dept.
Instit. of Engineers

RECOMMENDATION
(A) State X (B) Local
PREPARED BY
HERITAGE INVESTIGATIONS
Date: 1982
## HERITAGE SURVEY
### ITEM IDENTIFICATION SHEET

**ITEM NAME:** Teacher's residence  
Former or other: Public School

### HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

Built in 1884. The first school in the area was opened in 1880. Before the railway was opened in 1878 (see separate I.D. sheet), the township served a very small population of pastoralists.

### REFERENCES

P.B.D. S. 91;  
SAA, RN 385;  
SAA 1324/45;  
SAA 1324/103;  
National Trust, 1446

### PHOTOGRAPH

Film No. 267  
Negative No. 2  
Direction of view to W

### LOCATION

Town: Mt. Bryan  
Postcode:  
Section:  
Hundred: Kingston  
County:  
L.G.A.: Burra Burra  
S.H.P.: Region 8  
A.M.G.: Ref. 6630-1

### SUBJECT

2.6

### PERIOD

State  
Study Area: 1869-84

### TYPE OF ITEM

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### PHYSICAL CONDITION

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Other:  
S.A. Highways Dept. [ ]  
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### RECOMMENDATION

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**HERITAGE SURVEY ITEM IDENTIFICATION SHEET**

**ITEM NAME:** Railway Station

**Former or other Offices**

**HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE**

The Burra to Hallett section of railway was opened on 10 May 1878, and the station dates from this period. "Mt. Bryan" was the name of the large pastoral run to the north of Burra, held by Joseph Gilbert from at least 1848.

**REFERENCES**

- SAA: 1324/45; 1324/103; Research note 385;
- National Trust 2495

**PERIOD**

State Study Area 1869-84

**TYPE OF ITEM**

- BUILDING
- STRUCTURE

**PHYSICAL CONDITION**

- STATUS
  - Reg. of State Her. Items
  - National Estate
  - National Trust
  - Other

**RECOMMENDATION**

(A) State (B) Local

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Negative No. 13
Direction of view to S
**HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE**

During the 1850s subdivision of the huge Gum Creek Run began. John Bailey bought a block at Gum Creek in 1857 and began carting wood to the Burra Mines with his own bullock teams. The small house he built in 1857, close to the northern track, is still standing as part of the homestead complex. (Bailey was in 1872 one of the first Councillors for the new District Council of Hanson).

Another small stone building on the site was built by Gum Creek residents and opened in 1898 as the first Gum Creek school. It was closed in 1918 when a second school was opened. For several years after 1908 the building served a dual purpose as church and school, being used by the Church of England congregation.

This was not the only community building there; for a time the site (owned by a son, Thomas Bailey) was, in effect, the Gum Creek township. About the same date as the school, a blacksmith's shop (surviving) and a community hall were also built there.

**REFERENCES**


Verbal
Archival photographs

**PHOTOGRAPH**

Direction of view

**PROJECT**

HERITAGE SURVEY REGION 8

Item Ref. No. 30

Office Use

ITEM No.

DOCKET No.

LOCATION

Address

Town Gum Creek
Postcode

Section 755

Hundred Hanson
County L.G.A. Burra
S.H.P. Region 8
A.M.G. Ref. 6630-I

54 29290 626820

SUBJECT

1.4; 2.6;
2.2;
2.5; 4.5

PERIOD

State

Study Area
1855-68
1885-1904

TYPE OF ITEM

LAND Natural feature
Historical site
Historical Gdn.

BUILDING

STRUCTURE

PHYSICAL CONDITION

STATUS

Reg. of State Her. Items
Reg. Interim L
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National Estate
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National Trust
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Other
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HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

Of architectural interest this small building is built of sandstone rubble with semi circular headed openings.

The chimney remains and the building appears largely intact.

The building served as the Farrell Flat Primary School until recently.

REFERENCES

Verbal  J.O. Denton, 1982
Archival photographs

PHOTOGRAPH  Film No. 293  Negative No. 1
Direction of view to SW

PROJECT
HERITAGE SURVEY REGION 8
Item Ref. No. 32
Office Use
ITEM No.
DOCKET No.

LOCATION
Address  Levi St.,
Town  Farrell Flat
Postcode
Section
Hundred
County
L.C.A.  Burra Burra
S.H.F. Region 8
A.M.G. Ref. 6630-II

SUBJECT
2.6
4.10

PERIOD
State
Study Area

TYPE OF ITEM
LAND Natural feature
Historical site
Historical Gdn.
X
BUILDING
STRUCTURE
PHYSICAL CONDITION

STATUS
Reg. of State Her. Items
Reg. Interim L
Nominated
National Estate
Reg Proposed L
National Trust
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Other
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RECOMMENDATION
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Date: 1982
HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

This building is distinguished by scalloped valences and early window glazing.

It was formerly the Masters Saddlers Shop and Residence in c. 1930s.

REFERENCES

Verbal  J.O. Denton, 1982
Archival photographs

PHOTOGRAPH

Film No. 293 Negative No. 5
Direction of view to the East

STATUS

Reg. of State Her. Items
Reg. Interim L Nominated
National Estate
Reg. Proposed L
National Trust
CL RL File
Other
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RECOMMENDATION

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HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

This building of unusual plan form combines shop, agency and residence. The facade appears intact and original.

Possibly established by Mr. Sexton c. 1880s, it was purchased by Joseph Denton in 1907 and is presently run by his daughter Mrs. J.H. Torr.

REFERENCES

Cyclopedia of S.A., p.453

Verbal J.O. Denton, 1982
Archival photographs

PHOTOGRAPH

Film No. 293 Negative No. 4
Direction of view to the NW

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Reg. of State Her. Items Reg. Interim L.
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Other S.A. Highways Dept.
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Date: 1982
**HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE**

This was described in 1871, when it was being completed by Mr. Bleechmore of Mintaro, as one of the neatest hotels in the country districts, constructed of limestone with the eastern front in Auburn bluestone, dressed.

The hotel's name reflects the town's name, Hanson, until 1940; as the nearby railway station was called Farrell's Flat, the two names caused much confusion.

**REFERENCES**

Register, 20th January, 1871; 16th November, 1871

Verbal Ian Auhl, 1982
Archival photographs

**PHOTOGRAPH** Auhl, Burra and district, p.115, (c.1936)
**HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE**

The station building was erected between 1897 and 1899, possibly by the Burra firm, Sara and Dunstan, who built many of the stations on the northern line.

The Railway Station similar to Nanoora, Tarlee and other stations on the northern line. It is notable for the railway station building, the water tower on masonry base and the corrugated iron goods shed which was built c. 1870s. There is also a hand crane of interest.

**REFERENCES**

Auhl, Burra ... pictorial memoir, NO. 193, and p. 180;

Register, 16th November, 1871

Verbal
Archival photographs Auhl (above ref.) c. 1900

**PHOTOGRAPH**

Film No. 293 Negative No. 3

**LOCATION**

Address
Town Farrell Flat
Postcode
Section
Hundred Hanson
County L.G.A. Burra Burra
S.H.P. Region 8
A.M.G. Ref. 6630-II

**PROJECT**

HERITAGE SURVEY REGION 8
Item Ref. No. 36

**SUBJECT**

4.7

**PERIOD**

State
Study Area
1869-84
1885-1904

**TYPE OF ITEM**

LAND Natural feature
Historical site
Historical Gdn.

BUILDING

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STRUCTURE

PHYSICAL CONDITION

**STATUS**

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HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

The Foundation Stone was laid 17/12/1911 by Patritus A. Enright.

The building is an imposing landmark in Farrell Flat and an interesting example of church architecture of the early 20th century.

REFERENCES

Verbal
Archival photographs

PHOTOGRAPH
Film No. 293 Negative No. 2
Direction of view to S

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In 1862 Walter Duffield (of Gawler) and Thomas Saunders Porter bought land on which this homestead was built, in 1863, and the first merino stud in the Burra district was established. "Old Koonoona" homestead was enlarged in 1873 to plans by the well-known Adelaide architect, Daniel Garlick.

The freestone house is an impressive building and has been well-maintained.

REFERENCES

Auhl and Finch, Burra in Colour, (2nd ed.) pp 6-7;
Auhl, Burra and district...., pp 56, 59

Verbal Ian Auhl, 1982
Archival photographs

PHOTOGRAPH Auhl and Finch, Burra in Colour, (2nd ed.), p.5.
**HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE**

Built 1864, architect Wright & Woods. First owner, Mr. A. McCulloch; Complex includes homestead, coach-house, stables and main gate, and other outbuildings as well as suspension bridge.

The property was taken up on a mining lease in 1845: the Princess Royal Copper Mine was worked for some years. In the early 1850s the mining lease was relinquished and the Hon. Walter Duffield took it up as a pastoral lease. McCulloch bought it in 1863, and had his house built by the following year. The Tennant family purchased the property in 1900.

**REFERENCES**

National Trust, 45;
Cockburn, Pastoral Pioneers, p.1296.
Country Life, 31 Oct., 1968;
Historic Homestead of Australia;
Walkabout, Oct. 1969;
South Australia Register, 4 March, 1864.

Verbal
Archival photographs

**PHOTOGRAPH**

Heritage Conservation Branch file

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In 1845 two shepherds, Thomas Pickett and William Streair, found rich specimens copper rock near the Burra Creek. Pickett's find led to the opening of the Burra Burra Mine by the South Australian Mining Association - an event of great significance to South Australia as a whole. However, the mining association gave Pickett a miserly reward of £20 although he was struggling for a living, and he died soon afterwards in 1851.

This ruin was Pickett's shepherd's hut, on Diprose Creek. The memorial, opposite, was erected in 1971 by the Burra Burra branch of the National Trust.

**REFERENCES**

Auhl and Finch, *Burra in colour* (2nd ed.), pp 52-53

Verbal Ian Auhl, 1982

Archival photographs

**PHOTOGRAPH**

Direction of view to SE

Film No. 265 Negative No. 8

**STATUS**

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Nominated $\Box$

National Estate $\Box$

Reg. $\Box$ Proposed $\Box$

National Trust $\Box$

CL $\Box$ RL $\Box$ File $\Box$

Other

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## HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

Before 1900 World's End was a thriving small township with its own school, church and post office - the latter located in this house. The Creamery was the local butter factory.

## REFERENCES


Verbal Ian Auhl, Mrs. Jesse Rooke, Dudley Ruediger, 1982
Archival photographs

## PHOTOGRAPH

Film No. 265  Negative No. 10
Direction of view to S

## STATUS

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National Estate
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National Trust
CL RL File
Other
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## RECOMMENDATION

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## HERITAGE SURVEY
### ITEM IDENTIFICATION SHEET

**ITEM NAME:** Former World's End Wesleyan Methodist Church and School
Former or other

### HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

**REFERENCES**
Verbal
Archival photographs

**PHOTOGRAPH**
Direction of view
Film No. 265 Negative No. 11

**PROJECT**
HERITAGE SURVEY REGION 8
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Office Use
ITEM No.
DOCKET No.

**LOCATION**
Address
Town
Postcode
Section
Hundred
County
L.G.A.
S.H.P. Region 8
A.M.G. Ref.

**SUBJECT**

**PERIOD**
State
Study Area

**TYPE OF ITEM**
LAND Natural feature
Historical site
Historical Gdn.

BUILDING
STRUCTURE
PHYSICAL CONDITION

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