

Place No. 55 Sherlock Homestead Group

Sherlock Station homestead, 2012

LOCATION	
Name of Place	Sherlock Station Homestead Group
Other Name (1)	
Other Name (2)	
Location/Address	
Street Number	
Street Name	Great Northern Hwy
Suburb/Town	Roebourne
Other Locational descriptor (text)	567200 mE, 7689200 mN (MGA94 Zone 50)
	Longitude: 117.6461 Latitude: -20.8962

OWNERSHIP & LAND DESCR	IPTION			
Owner	Address	Phone/fax	Status	ltem No.
Peter Cook	337 Grand Promenade Dianella WA	9276 1333		
Reserve No.	Lot/Location No.	Plan/Diagram	Vol/Folio	ltem No.
	49	P220711	1435/582	

LISTING AND ASSESSMENT	
HCWA Reference Number	4032
State Register of Heritage Places:(Y/N)	Yes
Classified by the National Trust (Y/N)	Yes
Register of the National Estate (Y/N)	Yes
Local Town Planning Scheme (Y/N)	Yes
Management Category	В

DESCRIPTION	
Construction Date (1)	
Construction Date (2)	
Site Type (Place Type)	Individual Building or Group
Use(s) of Place	

Original	FARMING/PASTORAL: Homestead Servants' Quarters/Shearers' Quarters Shed Kitchen Stockyard Outstation Other
Present	FARMING/PASTORAL: Residences Sheds Kitchen Stockyard Other
Other	
Construction Materials:	
Walls	9. STONE 904 Local Stone 6. METAL 606 Corrugated Iron
Roof	6. METAL 606 Corrugated Iron
Other	
Condition	Good to poor
Integrity (how much of the original fabric is intact?):	Some buildings intact and in use, others abandoned
Physical Description	

The station homestead complex is comprised of earlier (late 19th and early 20th century structures) and a range of late 20th century residential buildings.

The earliest homestead buildings are located in a group (on plan, 2, 3, 4, and 5). It includes the stone-built homestead (2), the verandah of which is now largely closed with a low concrete wall to the dado height. The kitchen is adjacent, but more recent and made largely of concrete and metal. In the immediate vicinity are buildings predominantly made of metal for quarters, engine room, and working areas. They are still used.

A series of residences, still used, overlooks the main complex (12, 10, 11).

The remains of stables built of stone (8) and metal frame (9) are closest to the old yards (20).

The complex related to shearing lies abandoned, although was in use until recently. The complex is essentially late 20th century in form, with use of demountables and metal structures for shearing, office work, and quarters.

History

Sherlock Station replaced the earlier site known as Old Sherlock Station, and appears to have been in its current configuration in the late 1800s, being photographed in 1898. As such the homestead reflects over a century of continual use.

The station was an integral part of the network of sheep stations established in the 1800s and used throughout the 20th century alongside neighbours at Pyramid, Warambie, Mount Fisher and Croyden.

Archaeology

There is clear potential for the physical remains to provide insight into the earlier working of the station, as well as the station society, including of Aboriginal occupants who would have lived at the station during much of its use.

SIGNIFICANCE]
Historic theme (s)	1. DEMOGRAPHIC SETTLEMENT & MOBILITY 107 Settlements
	6. PEOPLE 603 Early Settlers
Statement of Significance:	

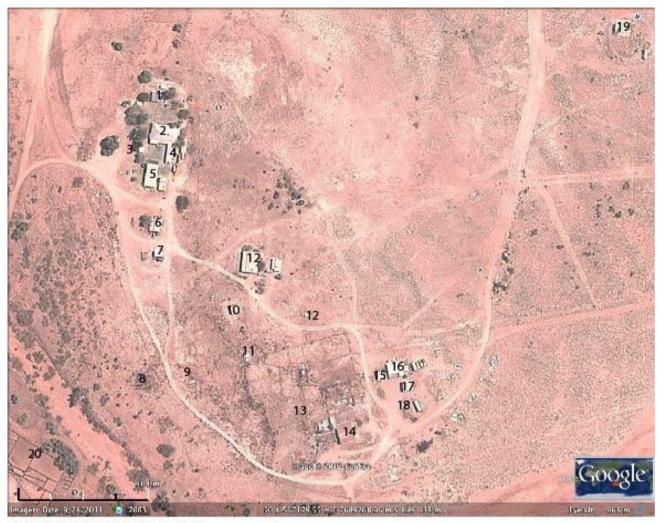
Sherlock Station is significant as one of several stations to survive intact for over a century until recently, as a sheep station. It tracks the history, in association with Old Sherlock Station, to the earliest days of the arrival of European colonists and is thus of local historical significance.

ASSOCIATIONS	
Architect/Designer (1)	
Architect/Designer (2)	
Other Associated Person(s)	

MHI 1996	Identified on Review List
MHI Review 2012	Site assessed and Place Name Record created



View of Sherlock Station buildings, 2012



SHERLOCK STATION HEAD STATION

- 1. Modern structure
- 2. Homestead (Cl roof [recent]; wooden framed roof; stone walls; concrete floor; wooden verandah posts)
- 3. Laundry and WC (stone walls, CI roof)
- 4. Meat room (concrete walls, CI roof)
- 5. Work room (CI walls, CI curved and skillion roof)
- 6. Garage/Shed (CI walls and roof)
- 7. Generator shed (Ci walls and roof)
- 8. Ruined stables (stone)
- 9. Stables (metal framed structure)
- 10. Residence
- 11. Residence
- 12. Residence
- 13. Shearing shed (composite structure using demountables within metal framed structure)
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- 15. Showers
- 16. Workers' quarters
- 17. Workers' quarters
- 18. WC
- 19. Overseer's quarters
- 20. Stock yards



Shearing equipment at Sherlock Station, 2012