



Baradine Memorial Hall

Warrumbungle Shire Community Based Heritage Study 2018

Volume 3: Heritage Inventory Sheets

Part 1 – A to B

Prepared by:



SHI number 1391115 Study number

Item name: Bank of New South Wales (former)

Location: 7 Renshaw Street Binnaway 2395 Warrumbungle

Address: 7 Renshaw Street Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Binnaway 2395

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish:

State: NSW County:

Other/former names:

Area/group/complex: **Group ID:**

Aboriginal area: Gamilaroi

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built Group: Commercial Category: Bank

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Residence

Former uses: Bank

Assessed significance: Local **Endorsed significance:**

Statement of The former Binnaway branch of the Bank of New South Wales is an example of an Art Deco style commercial significance: building with an attached residence. It has an impressive presence and is considered to have a high level of local aesthetic significance. The bank is a strong physical expression of the mid twentieth century prosperity and growth of Binnaway. It has a moderate level of local historical, social and technical/research significance.

The bank building also has a high level of integrity and a moderate level of representativeness.

Historical notes The first bank to trade in Binnaway was the Australian Bank of Commerce. This bank secured temporary of provenance: premises for eight weeks at a rental of 7/6 weekly. The bank then moved to premises owned by Mr Miller. (Bull 1986:41)

> From 1 October, 1915 until 1922, the Australian Bank of Commerce leased shop premises from David Innes Watt at £60 per annum. On 20 February, 1922, (at least £120 per anum), premises at the corner of Bullinda and Binnaway Streets were leased from Frederick William Liebentritt of Coonabarabran. The lease was transferred to the Bank of New South Wales on amalgamation of the two Banks in 1931. It continued to operate in these premises until 1938. (Bull 1986:59)

In 1937 a development application was submitted to Coonabarabran Shire Council for the construction of a new building for the Bank of New South Wales with attached dwelling in Binnaway. This was approved on 9 November 1937 with construction cost estimated to be £4,300.

In 1937 an allotment in Binnaway Street was purchased from J. Winter for £350. In 1938 this two-storey brick building was erected for the Bank of New South Wales at a cost of £5,789. The architect was thought to have been Gordon W. Lee of Newcastle. The manager at the time was Mr. T R Collis. (Bull 1986:85)

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

> 3. Economy Commerce

Towns, suburbs and villages 4. Settlement

Designer: Gordon W. Lee, Newcastle

Builder: Unknown

Year started: 1937 Circa: No Year completed: 1938

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Physical description: The former Bank of New South Wales in Binnaway is constructed in face brick. The façade of the building is

designed in an Inter-War Art Deco style with some classical revival elements including vestigial entablature

above the entry and symmetrical façade.

Physical condition Good

level:

Physical condition: The property and its structures are generally in very good condition.

The story of the site suggests that it has moderate archaeological potential.

Archaeological potential level:

Archaeological potential Detail: Modification dates:

Recommended - The building should be managed in a way that ensures its ongoing structural and aesthetic integrity.

management: - The ongoing management of the building should focus on maintenance of the existing fabric to ensure that it is

weatherproof and free of destructive pests. Replacement of building fabric, if required, should ideally be

undertaken with elements of matching materials and profiles.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

Criteria a): The former Binnaway branch of the Bank of New South Wales is a strong physical expression of the mid twentieth century prosperity and growth of Binnaway. It has a moderate level of local historical significance.

significance]

Criteria b): The bank building has little historical association significance.

[Historical

association

significance]

Criteria c): The bank is a handsome example of an Inter-War Art Deco style commercial building with an attached

[Aesthetic/ residence. It has an impressive presence in the streetscape of Renshaw Street and is considered to have a high

Technical level of local aesthetic significance.

significance]

Criteria d): As an expression of the commercial development of Binnaway in the mid 20th century the bank has a moderate

[Social/Cultural level of local social significance.

significance]

Criteria e): The bank is a relatively intact example of its kind and is considered to have a moderate level of local

[Research technical/research significance.

significance]

Criteria f): The bank is considered to have a low level of rarity.

[Rarity]

Criteria g): The former Bank of New South Wales is representative of the many former bank branches that exist in smaller

[Representative] communities. It is considered to have a moderate level of representativeness.

Intactness/Integrity: The former Bank of New South Wales has a high level of integrity.

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Location: 7 Renshaw Street Binnaway 2395 Warrumbungle

References: Author Title Year

Apperly, R., Irving, R. & Reynolds, P. A Pictorial Guide to Identifying Australian Architecture

Bull, R. Binnaway on the Castlereagh

1986

Coonabarabran Shire Council Minutes of Meeting of Coonabarabran Shire Council 9 Novemt 1937

Studies: Author Title Number Year

Ray Christison Coonabarabran Shire (former) Heritage Study 2006
Peter Duggan Warrumbungle Shire Community Based Heritage Study 2018

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Item name: Bank of New South Wales (former)

Location: 7 Renshaw Street Binnaway 2395 Warrumbungle

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Caption: Bank of New South Wales (former), view looking north west

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Caption: Former Bank of New South Wales, view from Renshaw Street, c.2006

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Former Bank of New South Wales, viewed from the south west

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Caption: Bank of New South Wales (former), view towards rear and side elevations

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SHI number 1391160 Study number

Item name: Bank of New South Wales (former)

Location: 71 John Street Coonabarabran 2357 Warrumbungle

Address: 71 John Street Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Coonabarabran 2357

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Coonabarabran

County: Gowen State: NSW

Other/former names: Coonabarabran Community Centre

Area/group/complex: **Group ID:**

Aboriginal area: Gamilaroi

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built Group: Finance Category: Bank

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Offices Former uses: Bank

Assessed significance: Local **Endorsed significance:**

Statement of The former Coonabarabran branch of the Bank of New South Wales is an example of an Inter-War Georgian significance: Revival style commercial building with an attached residence. It has an impressive presence and is considered to

have a high level of local aesthetic significance. The bank is a strong physical expression of the mid twentieth

century prosperity and growth of the town. It has a moderate level of local historical, social and

technical/research significance.

The bank building also has a high level of integrity and a moderate level of representativeness.

of provenance:

Historical notes The Australian Bank of Commerce was trading in Coonabarabran prior to 1923 (Morrissey 11).

A photograph taken prior to 1928 shows the Australian Bank of Commerce building in its current form without any glazing. This may have been taken during the construction of the building in 1925. (Coonabarabran DPS)

The Australian Bank of Commerce amalgamated with the Bank of New South Wales in 1931 (Bull 1986:59).

A photograph taken in John Street, Coonabarabran in September 1946 shows the Bank of New South Wales building with an unglazed upstairs balcony. The openings in the balcony are protected by roll-down canvas blinds. (State Library of NSW GPO 1-41885)

Themes: National theme Local theme State theme

3. Economy Commerce

4. Settlement Towns, suburbs and villages

Designer: Unknown Builder: Unknown

Year started: Year completed: 1925 Circa: Yes

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Item name: Bank of New South Wales (former)

Location: 71 John Street Coonabarabran 2357 Warrumbungle

Physical description: This Interwar Georgian Revival style building was constructed during the 1920s as the Australian Bank of Commerce branch for Coonabarabran.

It is a two-storey building of double brick construction. The western side of the ground floor façade is detailed with three arches that feature prominent stone voussoirs in the ground floor arches. A blank arch is a prominent feature of the northern façade of the building. The northernmost of the arches along the front of the building contains the front door that is surmounted by an elegant fanlight. All of the front windows on the ground floor façade of the building have arched upper sashes.

The upper floor, which originally contained the bank manager's residence, features a prominent hipped roof in corrugated iron. A large sunroom with pairs of double hung windows is a significant feature of the upper floor of the façade. The style of the front windows is not consistent with the style of the building. These were installed some time after its construction.

Physical condition

level:

Physical condition: The property and its structures are generally in very good condition.

The site is considered to have moderate archaeological potential.

Archaeological potential level:
Archaeological

potential Detail:

Modification dates: Glazing of downstairs loggia – circa 1928

Glazing of upstairs balcony – post 1946

Recommended The building should be managed in a way which ensures its ongoing structural and aesthetic integrity.

management: The ongoing management of the building should focus on maintenance of the existing fabric to ensure that it is

weatherproof and free of destructive pests. Replacement of building fabric, if required, should ideally be

undertaken with elements of matching materials and profiles.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

Criteria a): The former Coonabarabran branch of the Bank of New South Wales is a strong physical expression of the mid twentieth century prosperity and growth of Coonabarabran. It is the oldest of the surviving banking chambers in

significance] the town and has a moderate level of local historical significance.

Criteria b): The bank building has little historical association significance.

[Historical association

significance]

Criteria c): The bank is a handsome example of an Inter-War Georgian Revival style commercial building with an attached [Aesthetic/ residence. It has an impressive presence in the streetscape of John Street and is considered to have a high level

Technical of local aesthetic significance.

significance|

Criteria d): As an expression of the commercial development of Coonabarabran in the mid 20th century the bank has a **[Social/Cultural**] moderate level of local social significance.

significance

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Criteria e): The bank is a relatively intact example of its kind and is considered to have a moderate level of local

[Research technical/research significance.

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Criteria f): The bank is considered to have a low level of rarity.

[Rarity]

Criteria g): The former Bank of New South Wales is representative of the many former bank branches that exist in regional

[Representative] communities. It is considered to have a moderate level of representativeness.

Intactness/Integrity: The former Bank of New South Wales has a high level of integrity.

References: Author Title Year

Coonabarabran DPS Local & Family F Coonabarabran Streets What's in a Name?

Bull, R.Binnaway on the Castlereagh1986Morriseey, T.Memories of Coonabarabran1980Government Printing OfficeCoonabarabran St287711946

Studies: Author Title Number Year

Ray Christison Coonabarabran Shire (former) Heritage Study 2006
Peter Duggan Warrumbungle Shire Community Based Heritage Study 2018

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Heritage study

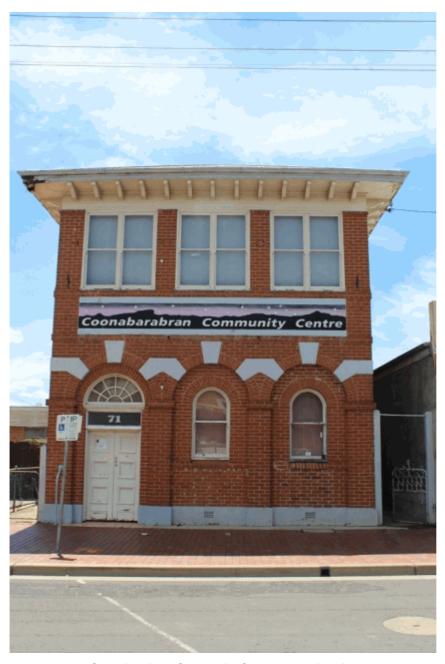
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SHI number 1391160 Study number

Item name: Bank of New South Wales (former)

Location: 71 John Street Coonabarabran 2357 Warrumbungle

Image:



Caption: Coonabarabran Community Centre, west elevation

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Item name: Bank of New South Wales (former)

Location: 71 John Street Coonabarabran 2357 Warrumbungle

Image:



Caption: Coonabarabran Community Centre, looking south east, c.2005

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SHI number 1390043 Study number

Item name: Bank of NSW (former)

Location: 42 Bolaro Street Dunedoo 2844 Warrumbungle

Address: 42 Bolaro Street Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Dunedoo 2844

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Bolaro

State: NSW County: Lincoln

Other/former names: Westpak Bank, Old Bank Building

Area/group/complex: Group ID:

Aboriginal area: Wiradjuri

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built Group: Commercial Category: Bank

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Library, community meeting rooms and museum

Former uses: Bank

Assessed significance: Local Endorsed significance:

Statement of An impressive main street building dating from the Federation period that remains a vital part of the commercial

significance: centre and community of Dunedoo.

SHI number 1390043 Study number

Item name: Bank of NSW (former)

Location: 42 Bolaro Street Dunedoo 2844 Warrumbungle

Historical notes On the 2nd May 1910, the Manager of the Gulgong Branch of the Bank of N.S.W. arrived in Dunedoo and of provenance: opened a branch in a room at the end of the front verandah of one of the hotels. The Manager of the Australian Bank of Commerce arrived and opened a branch at the other end of the verandah, so Dunedoo had two banks and a hotel all under one roof.

> On 22nd August 1910, the Bank of N.S.W. moved from the Hotel to premises leased from Charles Edward Paine. Land was purchased in June 1910, the western half from T. H. Cudgeon for £80 and the eastern half from James Nott for £55. The present building was erected in 1914-15 at a cost of £2,876. The architect was Alfred Allen and the contractor A. Smith. The interior was renovated in 1938 and the building substantially altered in 1955- 56.

The Mudgee Guardian of 4th March 1915 reported:

'The Bank building comprises, in all, about 10 rooms, including the banking chamber and manager's room. Verandahs, 9 feet in width are on both sides and the back of the building. In company with the bank manager and contractor our representative first made an inspection of the front of the building, which is very imposing, there being no less than ten circular concrete columns, artistically furnished with ionic caps and reinforced concrete

The roof over the Banking portion overhangs four feet this being a special feature of the architecture with a view to keeping the walls cool and dry. The porch is floored with tiles and approached by six massive slate steps. There are brick walls throughout, 9 inches in thickness for the residence and 18 inches for the Banking Chamber and all 12 feet high. Mr S. Townsend, of Gulgong, manufactured the bricks for the face work of the walls, "and they are without a doubt", remarked the contractor, "the best bricks I have seen manufactured outside the city." The strong room is 11ft. by 11ft. and the walls, roof and floors are unusually thick and burglar proof. An inspection of the banking chamber disclosed the fact that neither money nor labour had been spared, the counter and fittings consisting of beautifully polished Queensland maple. To the right or the banking chamber is the manager's room, which is also nicely fitted up. The residential portion of the building comprises eight rooms, including a spacious main entrance hall, side passage, kitchen, laundry and bathroom. A fine Stobo air-gas plant supplies the necessary lighting... Good ventilation is also a special feature... Out buildings consist of a motor garage, stable and forage room... This fine and imposing building reflects great credit on the skill and ability of the contractor and architect, and we venture to say that Dunedoo can now boast of a bank that is second to none in any town of its own size.'

The building subsequently became a branch of Westpac which vacated the building in c.2016. The building now serves as a community centre and accommodates the Dunedoo branch of the Macquarie Regional Library, community meeting rooms and the Dunedoo Museum.

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

8. Culture Social institutions

3. Economy Commerce

Designer: Alfred Allen, Architect

Builder: A. Smith

Year started: 1914 Year completed: 1915 Circa: No

SHI number 1390043 Study number

Item name: Bank of NSW (former)

Location: 42 Bolaro Street Dunedoo 2844 Warrumbungle

Physical description: The former Bank of NSW is a large single storey commercial building constructed of face brickwork with a hipped and gabled roof clad in corrugated steel. There is an off centre portico with pediment above supported on pairs of tapered Doric style columns to the front elevation.

> The building features face brick walls with bands of render at the base and around its sill line, and a roughcast rendered frieze above window head height. Elaborate large timber brackets curve out to support extensions of the roof at the front. At the rear there is a different style of verandah, perhaps dating from an earlier period, which has paired timber posts and tall federation style brackets. The rear roof features exposed rafters. The building still has its original chimneys which are roughcast rendered with terracotta chimney pots at the top. The windows to the side and rear are generally timber framed with a triple line of header brickwork at the top of each window. Windows to the front elevation are timber framed double glazed with a single pane of glass to each sash. French doors open onto the verandah at the rear and western side. All the timber panels are decorated with stop chamfers. Windows and doors generally have fan lights above. At the main side entrance door, the fanlights and sidelights are in coloured leadlight glass.

The brickwork to the window jambs is curved and purpose made, in dark manganese bricks, laid to form quoining.

The building currently serves as the Dunedoo branch of the Macquarie Regional Library, community meeting rooms and the Dunedoo Museum.

Physical condition

Physical condition: very good

Archaeological potential level: Archaeological potential Detail:

Modification dates: Access ramps.

Recommended - Continue to maintain building in good order.

management: - The curtilage or setting of this building shall be taken as being the title of the Lot of land that it stands on.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

The former Dunedoo branch of the Bank of New South Wales is a strong physical expression of the early Criteria a): [Historical Twentieth Century prosperity and growth of Dunedoo following the arrival of the rail line in 1910. significance]

Criteria b): [Historical

association significance]

Criteria c): The bank is a handsome example of an Federation period commercial building with an attached residence. It has an impressive presence in the streetscape of Bolaro Street. [Aesthetic/

Technical

significance]

Criteria d): [Social/Cultural significance|

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Criteria e): Research

significance|

Criteria f):

[Rarity]

Criteria g): The former Bank of New South Wales is representative of the many former bank branches that exist in regional

[Representative] communities.

Intactness/Integrity: The former Bank of New South Wales has a high level of integrity.

References: Author Year

> 1992 Roy Cameron Around the Balck Stump

Studies: Author Title Number Year

Hickson & Cameron Coolah Shire Community Based Heritage Study 2004 Peter Duggan Warrumbungle Shire Community Based Heritage Study 2018

Parcels: Parcel code Plan code Plan number Lot number **Section number**

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Location validity: Spatial accuracy:

Map scale: Map name:

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Listing: Name Title Number ListingDate

08/09/2005 Heritage study

Data entry: Data first entered: 02/10/1998 Data updated: 23/10/2018 Status: Completed

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Item name: Bank of NSW (former)

Location: 42 Bolaro Street Dunedoo 2844 Warrumbungle

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Caption: Westpac bank and community centre - Dunedoo

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Caption: Former Bank of N.S.W., view looking south east

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Caption: Former Bank of N.S.W., north elevation

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SHI number 1391119 Study number

Item name: Baradine Forestry Office

Location: Warrumbungle

Address: Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Baradine 2396

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Baradine

State: NSW County: Baradine

Other/former names: Baradine Forest Centre

Area/group/complex: **Group ID:**

Aboriginal area:

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built **Group:** Forestry and Timber Industry Category: Forestry Office

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Forestry office Former uses: Forestry office

Assessed significance: State **Endorsed significance:**

Statement of The Baradine Forestry Office has direct associations with the work of NSW Government Forestry agencies in significance: the Pilliga since its construction in 1937. It also has associations with a range of District Foresters, including Ben Harris who was associated with the establishment of much of the industry infrastructure within the forests. The forestry office was constructed in the late 1930s as a showcase for the forestry industry of the Pilliga. The interior of the building uses a wide range of local timbers arranged in Art Deco interior designs. Specially manufactured furniture also showcases the forest products of New South Wales.

> The Baradine Forestry Office has a high level of historical, historical association, aesthetic significance, rarity and representativeness. It also has a high level of local social significance and an exceptional level of integrity.

SHI number 1391119 Study number

Item name: Baradine Forestry Office

Location: Warrumbungle

Historical notes Commercial timber getting began in the Pilliga as early as 1870s. The Pilliga Scrub was dedicated to forestry in of provenance: 1907 as Pilliga East Block and Pilliga West Block. Small communities developed around sawmilling operations and declined as these mills moved to different parts of the forest. Baradine became a centre for forestry and a Forestry Office was established there in 1937. (Heritage Office 1996:82)

> The establishment of the Forestry Commission in 1916 (Curby & Humphreys 2002:23) had a profound impact on the development of the forestry industry in the Pilliga. The Commission played a influential role as managers of the forest. Wilfred de Beuzeville, the first officially appointed Forest Assessor, conducted a forest survey in 1915 with his assistant Ivan Krippner. At this time E.H.F. Swain was the District Forester with a headquarters in Pilliga. Later, as Commissioner of Forests, he established the Forestry Commission's Division of Wood Technology. (Rolls 1982:273-274) Swain was influential in the design of the Baradine Forestry Office, naming the 'neo-sylvic' style of the office furniture that was especially constructed for this office by the Wood Technology Division.

> Prior to the construction of the present forestry administration building, accommodation for Forestry Office staff consisted of a small 'hand me down' timber structure said to be previously occupied by locally based members of the Police Force. By the mid 1930's it became evident that this building was inadequate for the needs of the work force required to cope with the expansion of the forest industries. A competition was held to find a suitable design for a new building, which would not only better suit the needs of the administration, but showcase the products of local industries. An entry from New Zealand won the competition.

Most of the building, and some of its furniture, is made from the local, termite resistant, White Cypress Pine. Many other types of Pilliga forest timbers, such as the narrow leafed ironbark used for the flooring of the main office and the mapping room, have been included. A special showpiece of parquetry in the lobby consists of White Pine, Ironbark, and Brown Bloodwood, and the fireplaces, no two of which are alike, variously contain samples of white cypress, red gum, bloodwood, Pilliga box, motherumbung, and another type of acacia. The interior lining boards are arranged both vertically and horizontally. Other timbers used include carbeen, beefwood, brigalow, red box, and coachwood. The fire-map stand was cut from Bull oak, an extremely hard timber which, unlike those timbers listed above, is not recommended for the use of home carpenters, but which, like those others, occurs naturally in the Pilliga.

The office was officially opened by the Hon. R. S. Vincent MLA, the minister for mines and forests, on 1 May, 1937. In attendance on the day were Marshall Lord (sawmiller, Gwabegar), E.H.F Swain (State commissioner for forests), Bruce Pincham (sawmiller, Barradine), Neil Bradley (sawmiller, Gwabegar), Jim Wilkins (Wombo and Cliffdale sawmills), Jack Underwood (Rocky Creek sawmill), Jim Wightman (sawmiller, Gwabegar and Narrabri), Frank Kragen (Timber Assn. President), Jim Booth (timber agent), Tom Underwood (Wooleybah sawmill), Bill Milne (timber agent), Wilbur Wangmann (sawmiller, Kenebri), Tom Kennedy (Ceelnoy sawmill), Eric Lord (sawmiller, Gwabegar), Jack Nelson (sawmiller, Gilgandra), and Ben Harris, the District Forrester. Ben Harris had first come to Baradine to fill the role of Forest Guard shortly after World War I, and remained in charge of the office until he moved to Sydney in 1946 to take the position of District Forester, Metropolitan.

Though downgraded in recent years, the complex consisting of the Administration Building, with its five ancillary buildings and regional workshop was a vital part of the town, being associated in some way or another with all those employed in the forest industries.

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

3. Economy Forestry

7. Governing Government and Administration

Designer: NSW Forestry Commission

Builder: NSW Forestry Commission

Year started: 1937 Circa: No Year completed: 1937

SHI number 1391119 Study number

Item name: Baradine Forestry Office

Location: Warrumbungle

Physical description: The office building is constructed in a polygon shape facing the intersection of Lachlan & Darling Streets. It is built of local timbers and features decorative linings with inlays of various timbers.

> Floors are mostly White Cypress and Narrow-leaved Ironbark. A parquetry floor in the entrance lobby features White Cypress, Ironbark and Brown Bloodwood. Floors are cut from selected 3"x1" boards which are dressed and secret nailed to preserve and unbroken surface finish.

> Walls are a combination of Pilliga Box, red Gum and Ironbark Strips intermingled with White Cypress. Lining boards are of varying widths and proportions. In some rooms the boards are horizontal, others are vertical and others are a combination of both. A picture rail of a different timber usually covers the break. All boards are secret nailed to preserve an unblemished surface. The lobby is panelled in a matched White Cypress veneer effect by Brigalow strips. The walls consist of a rotary peeled ply.

> Internal doors consist of a solid core with matched ply veneer. The matched ply produces a very unique effect. The ply in this building is rare as White Cypress is very difficult to peel or slice successfully on a commercial scale

> Fireplace surrounds are different in each room. One consists of White Cypress only, another of Red Gum only and others of Bloodwood and Pilliga Box. Some fireplaces consist of two or more species such as Motherumbung and Bloodwood, and red Gum and another acacia. All show strong Art Deco influences.

> A foundation block of Narrow-leaved ironbark has been set into the enquiry counter facing the foyer. This was axe-hewn by Roy "Tiger" Lewis from a large dead tree. It was taken to Sydney where it was polished and the present inscription chiselled into the face. The inscription reads:

FORESTRY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING **BARADINE** THIS FOUNDATION BLOCK OF PILLIGA IRONBARK WAS LAID ON MAY 1ST 1937 BY THE HON. R.S. VINCENT M.L.A. MINISTER FOR MINES AND FORESTS

The counter consists of Carbeen offset by White Cypress boards which also frame the foundation block. The counter window frames consist of Beefwood, a timber brother to Silky Oak.

Windows are constructed of Red Gum and Bloodwood.

Furniture especially made for the building includes office desks of 'neo-sylvic' design (so named by E.H.P. Swain, a past Forestry Commissioner. The consist almost entirely of White Cypress in two different designs. These desks were made by the NSW Forestry Commission Wood Technology Division, Harrington Street, Sydney some time prior to 1937. Wood technology carpenters made special furniture for the Conference Room. The tables and chairs consist predominantly of Bloodwood with a "fiddle-back" grain similar to that found in Queensland Maple.

The compound of the office includes a number of timber buildings including a former blacksmith shop. A fire lookout tower is also located behind the office.

Physical condition

level:

Physical condition: The building is in very good condition and appears to be well maintained.

SHI number 1391119
Study number

Item name: Baradine Forestry Office

Location: Warrumbungle

Archaeological potential level:

Archaeological potential Detail:
Modification dates:

Recommended - It is recommended that this building should be placed on the NSW State Heritage Register.

management: - The building should be managed in a way that ensures its ongoing structural and aesthetic integrity.

- The ongoing management of the building should focus on maintenance of the existing fabric to ensure that it is weatherproof and free of destructive pests. Replacement of building fabric, if required, should ideally be undertaken with elements of matching materials and profiles.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

Criteria a): The Baradine Forestry Office is the central office administering the forest industries of the Pilliga. In this role it functioned as the cornerstone of the extremely active forest industries operating in the forest during the mid and significance late 20th centuries. The office has a high level of state historical significance.

Criteria b): The Baradine Forestry Office has direct associations with the work of NSW Government Forestry agencies in [Historical the Pilliga since its construction in 1937. It also has associations with a range of District Foresters, including Ben Harris who was associated with the establishment of much of the industry infrastructure within the forests and E.H.F. Swain who later became Commissioner of Forests. It has a high level of state historical association significance.

Criteria c): The Baradine Forestry Office was constructed in the late 1930s as a showcase for the forestry industry of the [Aesthetic/ Pilliga. The interior of the building uses a wide range of local timbers arranged in Art Deco interior designs.

Technical Specially manufactured furniture also showcases the forest products of New South Wales. The building and its significance fittings are unique and have a high state level of aesthetic significance.

Criteria d): The Baradine Forestry Office is recognised in the region as a focus of the forest industries. It was also a central point of reference for people working in the industry. The office has a high level of local social significance.

significance

Criteria e): The use of a range of Pilliga timbers in the structure, fixtures and fittings of the building provide it with a moderate state level of technical/research significance.

significance

Criteria f): The building is unique and has a high state level of rarity. [Rarity]

Criteria g): The Baradine Forestry Office is highly representative of the Pilliga forest industries and of the development of **[Representative]** the town of Baradine.

Intactness/Integrity: The building has a high level of integrity.

References:AuthorTitleYearRolls, E.A Million Wild Acres. 200 Years of man and an Australian For1982Heritage OfficeRegional Histories1996Curby, P. & Humphreys, A.Non-Indigenous Cultural Heritage Study in NSW Western Reg2002Hadfield, J.Baradine Forestry Office2006Forests NSWBaradine Forest Centre – Office Timbers

SHI number 1391119
Study number

Item name: Baradine Forestry Office

Location: Warrumbungle

Studies: Author Title Number Year

Ray Christison Coonabarabran Shire (former) Heritage Study 2006
Peter Duggan Warrumbungle Shire Community Based Heritage Study 2018

Parcels: Parcel code Lot number Section number Plan code Plan number 4 29 DP 758051

Latitude: -30.947933 **Longitude:** 149.066672

Location validity: Spatial accuracy:

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AMG zone: Easting: Northing:

Listing: Name Title Number ListingDate

Heritage study

Data entry: Data first entered: 01/06/2007 Data updated: 06/10/2018 Status: Completed

SHI number 1391119
Study number

Item name: Baradine Forestry Office

Location: Warrumbungle

Image:



Caption: Baradine Forestry Office, view from Lachlan Street looking north

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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Baradine Forestry Office view towards entrance, c.2005.

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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Foundation block in Baradine Forestry Office, c.2005

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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Outbuildings, Baradine Forestry Office, including the former blacksmith's shop (centre),

c.2005.

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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Outbuildings, Baradine Forestry Office, c.2005.

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SHI number 1391120 Study number

Item name: Baradine General Cemetery

Location: off Worrigal Street Baradine 2396 Warrumbungle

Address: off Worrigal Street Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Baradine 2396

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Baradine

State: NSW County: Baradine

Other/former names:

Area/group/complex: **Group ID:**

Aboriginal area: Gamilaroi

Curtilage/boundary:

Group: Cemeteries and Burial Sites Category: Cemetery/Graveyard/Burial Ground **Item type:** Landscape

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: General cemetery Former uses: General cemetery

Assessed significance: Local **Endorsed significance:**

Statement of The Baradine General Cemetery is an important element of the early development of the town of Baradine. It significance: has numerous associations with persons who played a role in the development of the area and has a high level of local historical and historical association significance. The place is a substantially intact Victorian cemetery that contains many gravestones and memorials representing various phases of fashion in memorial design. It has a high level of local aesthetic, social and technical/research significance. The cemetery has a high local level of representativeness and integrity, and a moderate level of rarity.

Historical notes European occupation of the area around Baradine commenced in the 1830s when a run was established in the of provenance: area by Andrew Brown on behalf of James Walker of Wallerawong. Brown named this run Barradean (Rolls 1982:117). The Walker family held the run until 1867 when it was sold to Edward King Cox (Howlett 1965). In the early 1860s a village was surveyed at the convergence of a number of tracks that connected local pastoral stations. This point was on James Walker's Barradean run. A 40 acre township was gazetted in 1862 and the first blocks sold in 1865. By 1866 30 people were living in the village of Baradine (Howlett 1965). With a gradual growth in population came demand for services. A post office was established in 1867 and a telegraph office in 1876. A school was built from slabs in 1876. This was possibly a private venture which was supplemented or replaced by a public school in 1877. By 1885 the town boasted a population of 80 and had a courthouse and police station (Howlett 1965).

> Baradine was a centre for the forestry industries that developed in the northern and western Pilliga. Timbergetters and sleeper cutters used Baradine as a base. As the forest industries developed after World War I Baradine grew accordingly. The inter-war period saw rapid development of the town and its institutions. All of the town's churches and many of its existing commercial buildings were constructed during this period.

The Baradine General Cemetery has grown with the town and contains the remains of many former local residents. In 1988 a set of gates was erected at the entrance to the cemetery. These gates were dedicated to Baradine district pioneers who are buried in the cemetery.

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

9. Phases of Life Birth and Death

Designer: Unknown **Builder:** Various

Year started: 1860 Circa: Yes Year completed:

SHI number 1391120 Study number

Item name: Baradine General Cemetery

Location: off Worrigal Street Baradine 2396 Warrumbungle

Physical description: The Baradine General Cemetery contains all denominational sections within one large open space. All

internments to date are located on the northern side of the cemetery block.

The cemetery is fully fenced and has gates of square section tubular steel flanked by columns constructed of coursed stone rubble. A memorial plaque on the eastern column reads:

BARADINE MEMORIAL GATES

CENTENARY YEAR

1988

These gates are dedicated to the memory of the Baradine District Pioneers who are buried here

Physical condition

level:

Physical condition: The cemetery is generally well cared for and in good condition.

Archaeological potential level:

Archaeological potential Detail: Modification dates:

Recommended - The cemetery should be managed in a way that ensures its ongoing structural and aesthetic integrity.

management: - The national trust guidelines for the management of historic cemeteries should be used as a guide to

managing the place.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

Criteria a): The Baradine General Cemetery is an important element of the early development of the town of Baradine. It

[Historical has a high level of local historical significance.

significance

Criteria b): The cemetery has numerous associations with persons who played a role in the development of Baradine It has a

[Historical high level of local historical association significance.

association significance

Criteria c): The Baradine General Cemetery is a substantially intact Victorian cemetery that contains many gravestones and [Aesthetic/ memorials representing various phases of fashion in memorial design. It has a high level of local aesthetic

Technical significance.

significance]

Criteria d): The Baradine General Cemetery is an important element of the story of Baradine. It contains the remains of and **Social/Cultural** memorials to generations of residents of the district. The place has a high level of local social significance.

significance]

Criteria e): The cemetery has the potential to provide information about trends in the design of memorials and gravestones [Research in the 19th & 20th centuries. It is also considered to possess a high level of archaeological potential. It has a

significance | high level of local technical/research significance.

SHI number 1391120 Study number

Item name: Baradine General Cemetery

Location: off Worrigal Street Baradine 2396 Warrumbungle

Criteria f): The Baradine General Cemetery is one example of a Victorian cemetery in western NSW. It is considered to

[Rarity] have moderate local rarity.

Criteria g): The cemetery is representative of places developed in the 19th century to bury the dead. It is has a high level of

[Representative] local significance in this regard.

Intactness/Integrity: The cemetery is considered to have a high level of integrity.

References: Author Title Year

Howlett, J. They Came to Baradine 1965 Rolls, E. A Million Wild Acres: 200 Years of Man and an Australian For 1982

Studies: Author Title Number Year

Ray Christison Coonabarabran Shire (former) Heritage Study 2006 Peter Duggan Warrumbungle Shire Community Based Heritage Study 2018

Parcels: Parcel code Lot number Section number Plan code Plan number

7014 DP 1004440

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Location validity: Spatial accuracy:

Map name: Baradine Map scale: 1:50 000

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Listing: Name Title Number ListingDate

Heritage study

Data entry: Data first entered: 01/06/2007 Data updated: 06/10/2018 Status: Completed

SHI number 1391120 Study number

Item name: Baradine General Cemetery

Location: off Worrigal Street Baradine 2396 Warrumbungle

Image:



Caption: Baradine General Cemetery looking south across the Roman Catholic section, c.2005

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Item name: Baradine General Cemetery

Location: off Worrigal Street Baradine 2396 Warrumbungle



Caption: Baradine General Cemetery, c.2005

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Item name: Baradine General Cemetery

Warrumbungle off Worrigal Street Baradine 2396 Location:



Caption: Detail of memorial gates, Baradine General Cemetery, c.2005.

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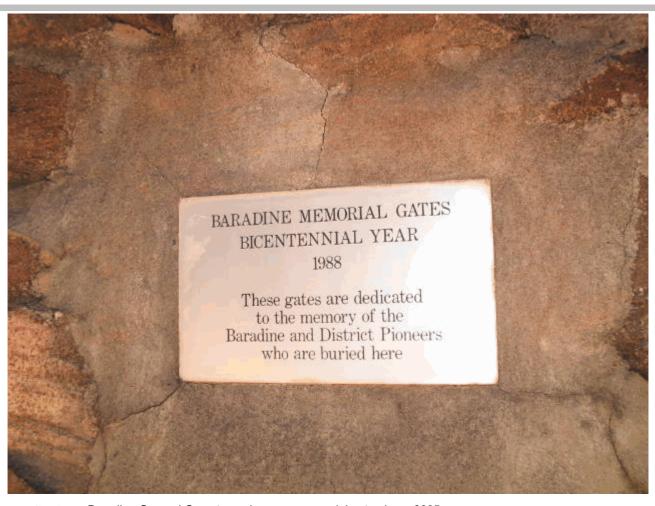
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Item name: Baradine General Cemetery

Location: off Worrigal Street Baradine 2396 Warrumbungle



Caption: Baradine General Cemetery, plaque on memorial gate pier, c.2005

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SHI number 5066622 Study number

Item name: Baradine Hotel

Location: 1-7 Wellington Street Baradine 2396 Warrumbungle

Address: 1-7 Wellington Street Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Baradine 2396

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Baradine

State: NSW County: Baradine

Other/former names: Lincoln's Baradine Hotel

Area/group/complex: Group ID:

Aboriginal area: Gamilaroi

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built Group: Commercial Category: Hotel

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Hotel
Former uses: Hotel

Assessed significance: Local Endorsed significance:

Statement of A good example of an Interwar period country hotel, addressing the street corner and forming a dominant **significance:** element at the eastern end of the main street of the town. Important part of the historical and social life of the

town.

Historical notes The Baradine Hotel was constructed by John Leitheid in 1926 who had taken over the licence to the Sportsman's

of provenance: Arms Hotel from Mrs. Ryan. Mrs. Ryan and her husband Ted had resided in Baradine for more than 30 years having conducted the hotel business during that time (Dubbo Liberal and Macquarie Advocate, 26 May, 1916). The Sportsman's Arms Hotel was located on the corner of Narren and Queen Streets. Mrs Ryan continued running the hotel following the death of her husband in 1916 before moving to the Mudgee district in 1926 when John Leitheid transferred the licence to the current hotel. The Ryan's daughter and son-in-law J. Rigney took over the management of the hotel until it was then taken over by Bill Lincoln in 1934 when it became Lincoln's Hotel. William died in 1936. In 1938 the hotel narrowly averted disaster when a fire destroyed the two adjoining buildings but was fought by a bucket brigade made up of boarders staying in the hotel. It appears that during the 1930s Albert Zimmerli, of Binnaway, was the owner of the hotel, and following his death in 1942 his estate

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

8. Culture Leisure

continued to own the hotel until at least the 1970s.

4. Settlement Accommodation

Designer:

Builder:

Year started: Year completed: 1926 Circa: No

Physical description: Two storeyed hotel building constructed of face brickwork with a two storey timber verandah addressing both

Narren and Wellington Streets. Above the verandah the walls rise to form a parapet, which is decorated on the building corner with a rendered gabled parapet with the words 'Hotel Baradine' and '1926' in relief. There are rendered squares to both street fronts on the parapet. Windows are generally timber framed double hung sashes in pairs on the ground floor. Door openings consist of timber framed half glazed French doors with fan lights

above on the ground and first floors.

Physical condition Good

level:

Physical condition:

SHI number 5066622 Study number

Item name: Baradine Hotel

Location: 1-7 Wellington Street Baradine 2396 Warrumbungle

Archaeological potential level:

Archaeological potential Detail: Modification dates:

Recommended - Continue to maintain building in good order.

management: - Continue to record and research this place's history.

- The curtilage or setting of this building shall be taken as being the title of the Lot of land that it stands on.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

Criteria a): The Baradine Hotel has been trading on this site since 1926. The hotel stands as a marker of the major period of [Historical development in the town during the Interwar period following the coming of the railway in 1923 and the

significance] continued growth of the timber industry in the district.

Criteria b): [Historical association significance]

Criteria c): The Baradine Hotel is a good example of an Interwar period hotel which forms a dominant element at the [Aesthetic/ eastern end of the main street of the town.with a prominent first floor verandah and parapet.

Technical significance

Criteria d): The Baradine Hotel has long associations with the community of Baradine.

[Social/Cultural

significance]

Criteria e): [Research significance]

Criteria f): [Rarity]

Criteria g): The Baradine Hotel is representative of Interwar period country hotels.

[Representative]

Intactness/Integrity:

References: Author Title Year

Cutts, Liz and Kildey, Roslyn Baradine: A Town Full of History 2015

Studies: Author Title Number Year

Peter Duggan Warrumbungle Shire Community Based Heritage Study 2018

SHI number **5066622** Study number

Item name: Baradine Hotel

Location: 1-7 Wellington Street Baradine 2396 Warrumbungle

Parcels:Parcel codeLot numberSection numberPlan codePlan number610DP758051

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Location validity: Spatial accuracy:

Map name: Map scale:

AMG zone: Easting: Northing:

Listing: Name Title Number ListingDate

Heritage study

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SHI number 5066622 Study number

Item name: Baradine Hotel

Location: 1-7 Wellington Street Baradine 2396 Warrumbungle

Image:



Baradine Hotel, view looking north east

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Location: 1-7 Wellington Street Baradine 2396 Warrumbungle



Caption: Baradine Hotel, view looking west Copy right: Warrumbungle Shire Council

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Caption: Baradine Hotel, view looking north west

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SHI number 1391121 Study number

Item name: Baradine Memorial Hall

Location: Warrumbungle

Address: Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Baradine 2396

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Baradine

County: Baradine State: NSW

Other/former names:

Area/group/complex: **Group ID:**

Aboriginal area: Gamilaroi

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built **Group:** Community Facilities Category: Hall Public

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Community hall Former uses: Community hall

Assessed significance: Local **Endorsed significance:**

Statement of The Baradine Memorial Hall was constructed in two stages as a memorial to the men of the Baradine district significance: who served in World War I and the men and women of the district who served in World War II. It was funded by community subscription and has played an ongoing role in the development of the town. It is a well-proportioned Inter-War Free Classical Style building with sympathetic extensions and occupies a

prominent location at the end of Wellington Street.

The hall has a high level of local historical, historical association, aesthetic and social significance, and high level of integrity and a moderate level of representativeness.

SHI number 1391121 Study number

Item name: Baradine Memorial Hall

Location: Warrumbungle

Historical notes Australia's traumatic experience of Wold War I led to spontaneous community action to create memorials. of provenance: Government regulation limited fundraising for the construction of memorials until after the end of hostilities in 1918. During and after the war there was much debate about the role of memorials. Public opinion was divided between the desirability of pure monument and the creation of memorials that served a civic purpose (Inglis 2001:138-144). The utilitarian point of view seems to have prevailed in the Coonabarabran district with the erection of a memorial hall in Baradine in 1925 and a clock tower in Coonabarabran in 1926. The Baradine Memorial Hall was dedicated as the 'Baradine and district Soldiers Memorial' and the Coonabarabran memorial to 'Perpetuate the memory of the men of the Coonabarabran District who served the Empire in the Great War'.

> A site had been reserved in Narren Street Baradine in 1896 for a Mechanics Institute. This site was chosen for the memorial hall. (Howlett 1965) The Baradine community undertook extensive fundraising to raise money for its memorial hall and submitted plans to council for a relatively small classical style building. Coonabarabran Shire Council approved the construction of the Baradine Memorial Hall at its meeting of 1 May 1925.

The hall served as the community's main hall, however its size was inadequate to cater for larger dances, balls, wedding receptions and concerts. The nearby Embassy Theatre, constructed in 1930, tended to be the principal venue for community celebrations. If a ball coincided with a movie screening the 'pictures' took priority and were shown in the Embassy Theatre at the usual time and the dancers would gather at the Memorial Hall to socialise until the show was over. When the movies had finished the theatre seats were hurriedly pushed back against the walls and the ball goers moved down the street to the Embassy to dance the rest of the night away. (Hadfield

The cessation of World War II saw the establishment government incentives that encouraged fundraising for utilitarian memorials. The community of Baradine took this opportunity to extend the Baradine Memorial Hall. Extensions to the hall were opened in 1953, 'In memory of the men and women of this town and district who served in the Second World War'.

The extended hall has been the principal venue for community functions in Baradine since its completion.

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

8. Culture Leisure 9. Phases of Life Events

Designer: Various **Builder:** Various

Year started: 1925 Circa: No Year completed: 1953

Physical description: The hall was built in two stages. Construction of the first stage was commenced in 1925. This was a relatively small hall which expresses very strong Inter-War Free Classical Style influences. The façade features a colonnaded entry porch with four columns of hybrid Doric and Tuscan style. The entablature of the colonnade features the Latin motto FIDELIS AD URNAM. The tympanum features the arms of Australia. Two marble foundation stones have been set into the lower walls of the façade on either side of the front doors. The western tablet is the original foundation stone laid on 11 November 1925 and the eastern tablet marks the 1953 extensions. The external walls of the original hall are rendered brick. The render is scored to imitate a stone block pattern. Two fireplaces and a chimney are located on the western side of the building.

> The 1953 extension quadrupled the size of the building. This extension is constructed in brick in a restrained functionalist style. The original roof line was extended to cover this section. The original hall was converted into a foyer with the extension holding a large hall and stage.

Physical condition

Physical condition: The building is in very good condition and well maintained.

SHI number 1391121 Study number

Item name: Baradine Memorial Hall

Location: Warrumbungle

Archaeological potential level:
Archaeological

potential Detail:

Modification dates: Extension of the hall - 1953

Recommended - The ongoing management of the building should focus on maintenance of the existing fabric to ensure that it is

management: weatherproof and free of destructive pests. Replacement of building fabric, if required, should be undertaken

with elements of matching materials and profiles.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

Criteria a): The Baradine Memorial Hall was constructed in two stages as a memorial to the men of the Baradine district who served in World War I and the men and women of the district who served in World War II. It was funded by community subscription and has played an ongoing role in the development of the town. It has a high level of local historical significance.

Criteria b): The hall has direct associations with a number of Baradine's prominent citizens has indirect associations with [Historical community celebrations and events. It is also a memorial to the men of the district who served in World War II association and the men and women of the district who served in World War II. It has a high level of local historical

significance] association significance.

Criteria c): The Baradine Memorial Hall is a well-proportioned Inter-War Free Classical Style building with sympathetic [Aesthetic/ extensions in a Post Modernist style. It occupies a prominent location at the end of Wellington Street and has a high level of local aesthetic significance.

significance|

Criteria d): The hall has been a hub of social activity in Baradine since the 1920s and has a high level of local social [Social/Cultural significance] significance

Criteria e): The building is one of many of its type constructed in the region and is considered to have little [Research technical/research significance.

significance]

Criteria f): The Baradine Memorial Hall is one of many such halls in the district and is considered to have a low level of **[Rarity]** rarity.

Criteria g): The Baradine Memorial Hall is representative of halls constructed around the district as memorials to World [Representative] War I servicemen and World War II service men and women. It has a moderate level of local representativeness.

Intactness/Integrity: The hall has a high level of integrity.

References:AuthorTitleYearHadfield , J.Baradine Memorial Hall2006Inglis, K.S.Sacred Places: War Memorials in the Australian Landscape.2001

Howlett, J. They Came to Baradine 1965

Studies: Author Title Number Year

Ray Christison Coonabarabran Shire (former) Heritage Study 2006
Peter Duggan Warrumbungle Shire Community Based Heritage Study 2018

SHI number
1391121
Study number

Item name: Baradine Memorial Hall

Location: Warrumbungle

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Item name: Baradine Memorial Hall

Location: Warrumbungle

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Caption: Western and southern side of Baradine Memorial Hall

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Item name: Baradine Memorial Hall

Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: northern and western side of Baradine Memorial Hall

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Caption: Baradine Memorial Hall viewed from Wellington Street, c.2005

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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Western side of the Baradine Memorial Hall showing the original hall with rendered walls,

c.2005

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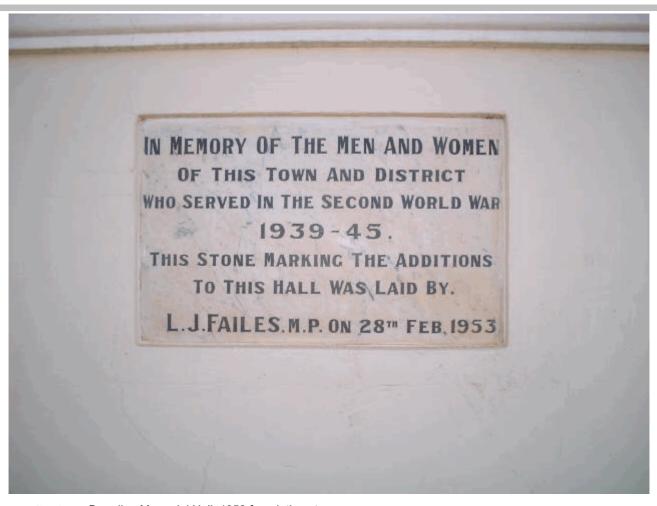
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Caption: Baradine Memorial Hall, 1953 foundation stone

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Item name: Baradine Memorial Hall

Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Baradine Memorial Hall, 1925 foundation stone

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SHI number 1391122 Study number

Item name: Baradine Methodist Church (former)

Location: 40-42 Macquarie Street Baradine 2396 Warrumbungle

Address: 40-42 Macquarie Street Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Baradine 2396

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Baradine

State: NSW County: Baradine

Other/former names:

Area/group/complex: Group ID:

Aboriginal area: Gamilaroi

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built Group: Religion Category: Church

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Pre-school centre

Former uses: Church

Assessed significance: Local Endorsed significance:

Statement of Baradine Methodist Church has associations with the development of the town of Baradine and with a number of **significance:** Baradine district families, including the Hotchkiss, Bunner, Cox, Rice, Dunnage, Wilson and Tassell families

who contributed to its construction. It is also representative of the high level of community endeavour that led to

its construction.

It has a high level of local historical association and social significance, and a moderate level of local historical, aesthetic and technical/research significance. The church is also considered to have a high local level of representativeness.

SHI number 1391122 Study number

Item name: Baradine Methodist Church (former)

Location: 40-42 Macquarie Street Baradine 2396 Warrumbungle

Historical notes During the early years of the twentieth century Methodist services, like those of all the other denominations of provenance: active in the town, were regularly held in the Union Church on the corner of Narren and Macquarie streets. Like the other congregations the Methodists aspired to build a church that was theirs alone, a more substantial building that would satisfy the needs of generations to come. Land was no problem. In 1879 block numbers 7 and 8, in section 19 of the Baradine Town Plan had been set aside for the purpose. It was decided to erect the building on Block 8, fronting Barwon Street.

> At a trustee meeting held on the 7th October 1948 it was decided to approach a firm of architects recommended by the Methodist Church Property Department and ask them to draw up plans for a proposed church hall to seat 150 persons. When it became obvious that that firm was not interested, the trustees first considered a plan which had been drawn up for the construction of the Peak Hill Church Hall and which was offered to them free of charge. Eventually the architect Geoffrey H. Gore of Campbelltown was commissioned to draw up plans for them.

> A building application was submitted to Coonabarabran Shire Council during 1950. The proposed use of 6 inch bricks on the external walls prompted Council to seek advice from the Local Government Department (Coonabarabran Shire Council, 1950).

> The project progressed very slowly. Plans and specifications were not approved until July 1953 but after that little time was wasted. Members of the congregation had already made most of the concrete blocks to be used in the external walls. These were made from a mixture of Kandos cement and clean sand from the Baradine creek. Blocks were mortared with a lime mortar to which had been added an additional 10% cement. Mr C. Kerr was the building contractor appointed by the trust.

Because there was insufficient money in the trust account to complete the job, a loan of £1,000 was obtained from the local branch of the CBC bank. A wheat drive, use of voluntary labour where possible, and generous donations from the congregation however meant that this sum was far more than needed. The final cost of the building was £3,837/7/11, and the trust, after all moneys owing had been paid, owed the bank only £170/10/4.

A grand opening was held on Saturday, 23rd October 1954. The Rev. Norman Lickiss, who, back in the early 1920's, was the first Methodist minister appointed to the Coonabarabran district was invited back to do the honours. The congregation until then had been a large one, with the Hotchkiss, Bunner, Cox, Rice, Dunnage, Wilson and Tassell families, and other temporary residents, regularly in attendance. Numbers began to decline around the time the church was built. By the mid 1980's when the congregation became part of the new Uniting Church, it had shrunk to about eight. In 2001 the church was closed. It has since been adaptively reused as a pre-school centre.

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

8. Culture Religion

4. Settlement Towns, suburbs and villages

Designer: Geoffrey H. Gore, Architect

Builder: C. Kerr, building contractor

Year started: 1953 Year completed: 1954 Circa: No

SHI number 1391122 Study number

Item name: Baradine Methodist Church (former)

Location: 40-42 Macquarie Street Baradine 2396 Warrumbungle

Physical description: Baradine Methodist Church (former) is a very simple mid twentieth century church with a later addition added to its former entrance vestibule. The building is constructed in concrete bricks made locally by the members of the congregation. The parapeted gable roof is clad in corrugated galvanised iron.

The foundation stone of the church reads:

METHODIST CHURCH HALL

ERECTED

TO THE GLORY OF GOD

OPENED

23RD OCTOBER 1954 BY REV. N. W. LICKISS

A fence of concrete bricks and woven wire define the street boundaries of the property.

Physical condition

Physical condition: The property and its structures are in good condition.

The property is considered to have little archaeological potential.

Archaeological potential level:

Archaeological potential Detail:

Modification dates: c.2010s addition at its eastern end for conversion into a pre-school centre.

Recommended The ongoing management of the building should focus on maintenance of the existing fabric to ensure that it is

management: weatherproof and free of destructive pests. Replacement of building fabric, if required, should be undertaken

with elements of matching materials and profiles.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

As an element of the town of Baradine the Baradine Methodist Church has a moderate level of local historical Criteria a):

[Historical significance.

significance]

Criteria b): The church has associations with many Baradine district families, including the Hotchkiss, Bunner, Cox, Rice,

[Historical Dunnage, Wilson and Tassell Families who participated in its construction. For this reason it has a high level of

association local historical association significance.

significance]

Criteria c): Baradine Methodist Church is a modest example of a mid 20th century regional style church building. It is

[Aesthetic/ considered to have a moderate level of aesthetic significance at a local level.

Technical

significance]

Criteria d): The church has a high level of social significance at a local level. It was developed through community action [Social/Cultural and represents the aspirations of the Methodist community of Baradine.

significance]

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Criteria e): The church building has the potential to provide information regarding the construction of church buildings in the mid 20th century. The building appears to have been the first example of concrete block construction in the

significance former Coonabarabran Shire. It has a moderate level of local technical/research significance

Criteria f): The building is one of many church buildings constructed in the mid 20th century. It is considered to possess

[Rarity] little heritage significance in relation to rarity.

Criteria g): The church is representative of churches built in the mid 20th century and is also representative of the endeavour

[Representative] of the people of Baradine who worked towards its construction. It has a high level of local significance in this

regard

Intactness/Integrity: Baradine Methodist Church has a high level of integrity.

References: Author Title Year

Hadfield, J. Baradine Methodist Church 2006 Coonabarabran Shire Council Minutes of Council Meeting 15 November 1950 1950

Studies: Author Title Number Year

Ray Christison Coonabarabran Shire (former) Heritage Study

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Item name: Baradine Methodist Church (former)

Location: 40-42 Macquarie Street Baradine 2396 Warrumbungle

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Caption: View of eastern end of the former Baradine Methodist Chrurch

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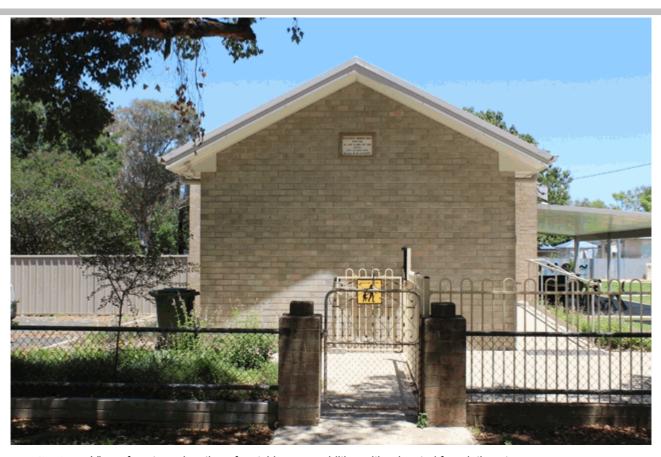
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Location: 40-42 Macquarie Street Baradine 2396 Warrumbungle



Caption: View of eastern elevation of matching new addition with relocated foundation stone

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Caption: Baradine Methodist Church, c.2006
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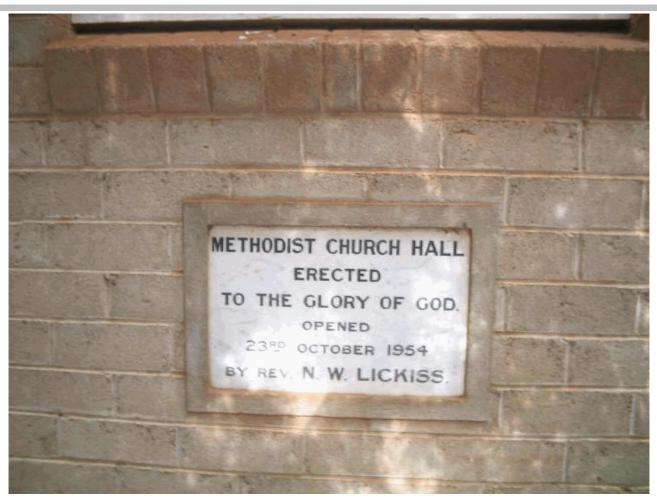
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Caption: Baradine Methodist Church

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SHI number 1391124 Study number

Item name: Baradine Tennis Club

Location: 9-15 Queen Street Baradine 2396 Warrumbungle

Address: 9-15 Queen Street Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Baradine 2396

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Baradine

County: Baradine State: NSW

Other/former names: Kenebri Public School

Group ID: Area/group/complex:

Aboriginal area: Gamilaroi

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built Group: Recreation and Entertainment Category: Sports Club

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Tennis club Former uses: School building

Assessed significance: Local **Endorsed significance:**

Statement of The Baradine Tennis Club building is a surviving element of the former settlement of Junee Vale, the village of significance: Kenebri and the town of Baradine. Despite being relocated a number of times it is representative of the story of these logging and timber working communities. It is also representative of the transitory nature of communities dependent on forest industries.

> The building has a moderate level of local historical, aesthetic and social significance and representativeness. It also possesses a high level of integrity.

Historical notes The Junee Vale School was opened as a subsidised school in 1899 on the western side of the creek at Junee Vale of provenance: Crossing. It replaced another small school situated at Kenebri, on the Western side of the creek, which had closed in 1892. When the Junee Vale building became too small for the current enrolment a petition dated 22nd October 1908, and signed by twenty seven concerned parents, was sent to the district inspector of schools asking that the school be reclassified as a Public School, and reminding him of an earlier promise made by him, or the department he represented, to build a new school to house the growing number of pupils.

> Subsequently a new building, situated further north and to the eastern side of the creek, was opened and occupied on the 26th October 1909.

In 1920 there were 24 children attending the school, but in 1921, when the railway was being extended through the area the enrolment was predicted to exceed 60 children. During the 1930's there were a great many more.

In November 1927, to stop confusion with the Junee Public School, the name of Junee Vale Public School was changed to Kenebri Public School. In 1946 the school was moved to a site on the western side of Baradine-Gwabegar Road at the southern end of the Kenebri Village. Three years later a second building was added to accommodate the still quite large enrolment.

The school was closed in February 1972, when a school bus run was established to bring the Kenebri students to the Public School in Baradine. The last headmaster was Bill Haynes.

After the closure both school and headmaster's residence were put up for sale and the Baradine Tennis Club purchased and moved the original school building where it has since served as their clubhouse.

SHI number 1391124 Study number

Item name: Baradine Tennis Club

Location: 9-15 Queen Street Baradine 2396 Warrumbungle

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

6. Educating Education 8. Culture Sport

Designer: Unknown Builder: Unknown

Year started: 1909 Year completed: 1972 Circa: No

Physical description: The Baradine Tennis Club consists of two tennis courts with court lighting. A classroom building was relocated

from Kenebri after the Kenebri Public School closed.

The former Kenebri Public School building is a standard Federation era public classroom design of weatherboard construction with a gable-roofed classroom with the main roof extending over an attached

Physical condition

level:

Physical condition: The building and tennis courts are in good condition.

The site has low archaeological potential.

Archaeological potential level: Archaeological

potential Detail:

Modification dates: Relocation from Junee Vale to Kenebri - 1946

Relocation from Kenebri to Baradine - 1972

Recommended The ongoing management of the tennis club site should focus on maintenance of the existing fabric to ensure that

management: it is structurally sound and free of destructive pests. Replacement of building fabric, if required, should be

undertaken with elements of matching materials and profiles.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

Criteria a): The Baradine Tennis Club building is a surviving element of the former settlement of Junee Vale, the village of

[Historical Kenebri and the town of Baradine. Despite being relocated a number of times it is representative of the story of significance these logging and timber working communities. It is also representative of the transitory nature of communities

dependent on forest industries and has a moderate level of local historical significance.

Criteria b): The building has little historical association significance.

[Historical association

significance]

Criteria c): The Baradine Tennis Club building has a moderate level of local aesthetic significance.

[Aesthetic/ **Technical**

significance]

Criteria d): The Baradine Tennis Club building is remembered as a school building in operation in Kenebri until 1972 and [Social/Cultural currently functions as a community facility in Baradine. It has a moderate level of local social significance.

significance]

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Item name: Baradine Tennis Club

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Criteria e): The building has little technical/research significance.

[Research significance]

Criteria f): The building is one of many public school classroom buildings of its era in New South Wales. It has little

[Rarity] cultural heritage significance in relation to rarity.

Criteria g): The Baradine Tennis Club building is representative of the former logging communities of Junee Vale and

[Representative] Baradine and has a moderate level of local significance in this regard.

Intactness/Integrity: The Baradine Tennis Club building has a high level of integrity.

References: Author Title Year

Hadfield, J. Baradine Tennis Club 2006

Studies: Author Title Number Year

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Caption: Baradine Tennis Club, north elevation

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Item name: Baradine Tennis Club

Location: 9-15 Queen Street Baradine 2396 Warrumbungle



Caption: Baradine Tennis Club, south elevation from across the tennis courts

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Item name: Baradine Tennis Club

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Caption: Baradine Tennis Club, view looking south east, c.2006

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Caption: Baradine Tennis Club viewed from the south across the tennis courts, c.2006

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SHI number 5066607 Study number

Item name: Bengadee Sawmill

Location: off Bengadee Boundary Trail, Cobbora State Conservation Area Cobbora 2844 Warrumbungle

Address: off Bengadee Boundary Trail, Cobbora State Conservation Area Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Cobbora 2844

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Boston

State: NSW County: Lincoln

Other/former names:

Group ID: Area/group/complex:

Aboriginal area: Wiradjuri

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built **Group:** Forestry and Timber Industry Category: Sawmill

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Abandoned

Former uses: Sawmill

Assessed significance: Local **Endorsed significance:**

Statement of The former Bengadee Sawmill and its cottage are representative of the timber industries and small sawmills that significance: developed in the region during the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The mill and associated structures are elements of the development of the Boomley Creek and Cobborah districts that occurred after the subdivision of early pastoral runs for closer settlement. The sawmill appears to have associations with various scrub lease holders and selectors. It is quite complete, demonstrating the process of receiving logs, breaking them down into cants then milling these into boards and planks. The mill also demonstrates the process of conversion of power source from steam to electricity.

Historical notes The following history is summarised from the thematic history in 'Bengadee Sawmill Conservation Management

of provenance: Strategy' by Christison, R.

During the late 19th century much of the area around what became the Bengadee selection was included in the Medway and Gamber West Holding. This area was designated for closer settlement as Resumed Area No.378. Portion 22 of the Parish of Boston was subdivided from this area in 1904 and later incorporated into Crown Lease Area No.1898. The block was not leased until November 1926 when Arthur Michael O'Malley took up a Crown Lease. The eastern part of the block had been worked under a Scrub Lease by Frank Mack and Sidney Austin from July 1923. O'Malley held his lease until February 1948 when it was taken up by Hector Mervyn Stanford. At the same time Stanford took out a mortgage with the Bank of New South Wales.

In October 1952 the property was transferred to Neville Stanley Stanford. During the period of the Neville Stanford's tenure the value of Portion 22 increased from £4,000 to £12,375. It was taken up by Keith Desmond Stidwell in March 1955. Stidwell mortgaged it to the Commercial Banking Company. Following Stidwell's death in 1965 the lease over Portion 22 was transferred to Leonore Mary Stidwell in accordance with his will. Control of the property also appears to have been taken over by the Rural Reconstruction Board. In September 1979 it was purchased by Harry and Mary Sourelos of Darling Street, Rozelle who ran goats on the property.

For much of the 20th century Portion 22 of the Parish of Boston, and the area south of it, was managed as part of a pastoral selection. On 28 January 1955 it was dedicated as part of Reserve R.77397. It was incorporated into Cobbora State Forest No.1028 in 1983. This was gazetted on 11 November 1983.

On the basis of records relating to the control of Portion 22 and physical evidence present at the Bengadee Sawmill it can be surmised that a sawmill was established on the property some time around 1923. It operated under steam power until some time between 1952 and 1955 when it was electrified and modernised. It is highly likely that it closed in 1965 after the death of Keith Stidwell.

SHI number **5066607** Study number

Item name: Bengadee Sawmill

Location: off Bengadee Boundary Trail, Cobbora State Conservation Area Cobbora 2844 Warrumbungle

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

3. Economy Forestry

1. Environment - naturally evolved

4. Settlement Land tenure
5. Working Labour

Designer: Builder:

Year started: Year completed: Circa: No

Physical description: The Bengadee Sawmill site contains two structures: the sawmill building and the manager's cottage.

The sawmill is a small sawmill building from the mid Twentieth Century. It has a shallow pitched skillion roof clad in corrugated iron supported on unmilled bush poles. It is located on a north facing hill slope. A rail mounted log trolley is located on the uphill side of the mill. It is set on rails that run along the entire length of the southern side and propelled from east to west with a hand-operated winch. It appears to have originally been used to break down the logs into cants that were fed directly onto the log bench for further milling. A circular breaking down saw was originally mounted about half way along the rail lines. After being passed through the breaking down saw timbers were further cut down by a finishing saw. At the Bengadee Mill timbers were passed back from the log bench and then fed into the finishing saw on a small rail-mounted trolley and a set of rollers. A docking saw and stacking benches are located on the northern side of the finishing saw area. The docking saw is mounted from the roof on an articulated mount fabricated from tubular steel. It is powered by a Downie electric motor. The docking saw would cut down the milled timber to particular lengths. An electrically driven dust impeller is located near the docking saw on the northern side of the mill. Much of the galvanised ducting has been removed and stacked behind the breaking down saw table.

It appears the mill was connected to reticulated electricity supply in the 1950s. A this time the mill equipment was retrofitted with electric motors and a switching room was added on the northern side of the sawmill clad in cypress scantling.

A small cottage is located to the west of the mill. This building is timber framed and clad in timber weatherboards. Originally constructed of two rooms with a skillion roof clad in corrugated iron. A skillion roofed addition is located on the southern side. Small glass louvre windows are located on the eastern and northern sides. A timber slatted window opening is located on the southern wall of the addition. Internal walls are lined in unfinished cypress boards to the original cottage and unlined to the addition.

Physical condition Fair

level:

Physical condition:

Archaeological potential level:

Archaeological potential Detail:

Modification dates:

Recommended The ongoing management of the structure should focus on maintenance of the existing fabric to ensure that the **management:** structures are weatherproof and free of destructive pests. Replacement of building fabric, if required, should be

undertaken with elements of matching materials and profiles.

Movable heritage should be retained in-situ.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

SHI number 5066607 Study number

Item name: Bengadee Sawmill

Location: off Bengadee Boundary Trail, Cobbora State Conservation Area Cobbora 2844 Warrumbungle

Criteria a): [Historical significance]

The former Bengadee Sawmill and associated structures are elements of the development of the Boomley Creek and Cobborah districts that occurred after the subdivision of early pastoral runs for closer settlement. The mill was constructed in the 1920s to take advantage of timber reserves located on ridge-top land that had been allocated for scrub leases around 1901. These leases were taken up from 1916 with the block on which the mill

is located being leased from 1923. It is likely that the mill ceased operating in 1965.

association

Criteria b): The Bengadee Sawmill appears to have associations with scrub lease holders Frank Mack and Sidney Austin, [Historical and selectors Hector and Neville Stanford, and Keith Stidwell.

significance] Criteria c):

[Aesthetic/ **Technical** significance

Criteria d): [Social/Cultural significance]

> Criteria e): The Bengadee Sawmill is quite complete, demonstrating the process of receiving logs, breaking them down into [Research cants then milling these into boards and planks. The mill also demonstrates the process of conversion of power significance] source from steam to electricity.

Criteria f):

[Rarity]

The former sawmill is highly rare as an relatively intact sawmill that is able to demonstrate its former operation through its retained fabric and movable items. It is the only sawmill recorded within the valley of the Talbragar

Criteria g): The former sawmill is representative of the small sawmills that developed in the region during the late 19th and [Representative] early 20th centuries.

Intactness/Integrity:

AMG zone:

References: Author Year

> Christison, R. Bengadee Sawmill Conservation Management Strategy 2011

Title Studies: Author Number Year 2018

Peter Duggan Warrumbungle Shire Community Based Heritage Study

Parcels: Parcel code Lot number Section number Plan code Plan number

Easting:

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Northing:

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Location validity: Spatial accuracy:

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Location: off Bengadee Boundary Trail, Cobbora State Conservation Area Cobbora 2844 Warrumbungle

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Caption: Bengadee Sawmill, view looking west

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Item name: Bengadee Sawmill

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Caption: Bengadee Sawmill, view looking south west

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Item name: Bengadee Sawmill

Location: off Bengadee Boundary Trail, Cobbora State Conservation Area Cobbora 2844 Warrumbungle



Caption: Bengadee Sawmill, view looking north west

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Item name: Bengadee Sawmill

Location: off Bengadee Boundary Trail, Cobbora State Conservation Area Cobbora 2844 Warrumbungle



Caption: Cottage at Bengadee Sawmill, view looking south west

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Caption: Cottage at Bengadee Sawmill, view looking north west

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Caption: Cottage at Bengadee Sawmill, kitchen

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SHI number 1391126 Study number

Item name: Binnaway General Cemetery

Location: Warrumbungle

Address: Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Binnaway 2395

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Greenbah

State: NSW County: Gowen

Other/former names:

Group ID: Area/group/complex:

Aboriginal area: Gamilaroi

Curtilage/boundary:

Group: Cemeteries and Burial Sites Category: Cemetery/Graveyard/Burial Ground **Item type:** Landscape

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: General cemetery Former uses: General cemetery

Assessed significance: Local **Endorsed significance:**

Statement of The Binnaway General Cemetery is an important element of the development of the town of Binnaway. It has significance: numerous associations with persons who played a role in the development of the town. It has a high level of local historical and historical association significance. The place is a substantially intact Victorian cemetery that contains many gravestones and memorials representing various phases of fashion in memorial design. It has a high level of local aesthetic and social significance. The cemetery also has the potential to provide information about trends in the design of memorials and gravestones in the 19th & 20th centuries and is considered to possess a high level of local technical/research significance. The cemetery has a high local level of representativeness and integrity and a moderate level of rarity.

Historical notes Larger pastoral runs, established in the Binnaway area in the 1820s and 30s began to be broken up from the of provenance: 1860s after the passing of the Robertson Land Acts. Free selectors such as Charles Naseby began taking up blocks along the Castlereagh River from 1869. In 1876 Naseby lodged a subdivision plan 'for the Private Village of Binnaway'. (Bull 1986:5) In 1904 David Innes Watt surrendered 100 acres of his property Ulindah, adjoining Naseby's subdivision, for the establishment of a village. The village boundaries of Binnaway were proclaimed on 10 June 1909. (Bull 1986:36)

> The construction of the railway line from Mudgee in 1917 appears to have been a major catalyst for the development of the town. Commercial establishments sprang up in the town in anticipation of the coming of the railway and the railway also encouraged the development of wheat growing in the area.

> The Binnaway General Cemetery appears to have been developed from the 1870s. The oldest recorded interment was that of King Goldie who died on 31 October 1880. Earliest interments by section are as follows:

Anglican - Alexander Leeson died 19 October 1898 aged 32

Roman Catholic - Jack Smith died 17 April 1916

Presbyterian - Nellie Annie Brown died 20 October 1914

Methodist - Thomas Hilton Roden died 11 October 1926

Denominations unknown - John David Book died 17 December 1892 aged 61 (Bull 1986:118-120)

The cemetery continues in use as the public cemetery for the Binnaway district.

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

9. Phases of Life Birth and Death

Designer: Unknown

SHI number 1391126 Study number

Item name: Binnaway General Cemetery

Location: Warrumbungle

Builder: Various

Year started: 1880 Circa: No Year completed:

Physical description: The Baradine General Cemetery contains all denominational sections within one large open space. The various

sections are distributed widely across the cemetery block.

The cemetery is fully fenced and has woven wire gates set between rendered piers that are topped by ornamental cherubs. A memorial plaque on the western side of the northern pier reads:

GATES

ERECTED BY JIM BOWDITCH

ASSISTED BY JIM STEELE AND WALT ZIMMERLI

c.1948

The eastern side of the same pier holds a plaque indicating that the gates are a memorial to 23 former residents of Binnaway.

Physical condition

Physical condition: The cemetery is well cared for and in very good condition.

The cemetery has moderate archaeological potential.

Archaeological potential level:

Archaeological potential Detail:

Modification dates: Construction of cemetery gates – circa 1948

Modification of gates – circa 1980s

Recommended management:

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

Criteria a): The Binnaway General Cemetery is an important element of the early development of the town of Binnaway. It

[Historical has a high level of local historical significance.

significance

Criteria b): The cemetery has numerous associations with persons who played a role in the development of Binnaway It has

[Historical a high level of local historical association significance.

association significance]

Criteria c): The Binnaway General Cemetery is a substantially intact Victorian cemetery that contains many gravestones [Aesthetic/ and memorials representing various phases of fashion in memorial design. It has a high level of local aesthetic

Technical significance.

significance]

SHI number 1391126 Study number

Item name: Binnaway General Cemetery

Location: Warrumbungle

Criteria d): [Social/Cultural significance|

The Binnaway General Cemetery is an important element of the story of Binnaway. It contains the remains of and memorials to generations of residents of the district. The place has a high level of local social significance.

Criteria e): The cemetery has the potential to provide information about trends in the design of memorials and gravestones Research in the 19th & 20th centuries. It is also considered to possess a high level of archaeological potential. It has a significance] high level of local technical/research significance.

The Binnaway General Cemetery is one example of a Victorian cemetery in western NSW. It is considered to [Rarity] have moderate local rarity.

Criteria g): The cemetery is representative of places developed in the 19th century to bury the dead. It is has a high level of [Representative] local significance in this regard.

Intactness/Integrity: The cemetery has a high level of integrity.

References: Author Year 1986 Bull, R.

Binnaway on the Castlereagh

Studies: Author Number Year

Ray Christison Coonabarabran Shire (former) Heritage Study 2006 Peter Duggan Warrumbungle Shire Community Based Heritage Study 2018

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SHI number 1391126 Study number

Item name: Binnaway General Cemetery

Location: Warrumbungle

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Caption: Memorial gates of Binnaway General Cemetery, c.2006

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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Plaque on memorial gates, c.2006 Copy right: Warrumbungle Shire Council

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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Plaque on east side of northern gate pier, c.2006

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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Binnaway General Cemetery looking south, c.2006

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SHI number 5066604 Study number

Item name: Binnaway Inn (former)

Location: 7 Cisco Street Binnaway 2395 Warrumbungle

Address: 7 Cisco Street Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Binnaway 2395

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Binnaway

State: NSW County: Napier

Other/former names:

Area/group/complex: **Group ID:**

Aboriginal area: Gamilaroi

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built Group: Commercial Category: Inn/Tavern

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Private residence.

Former uses: Inn.

Assessed significance: Local **Endorsed significance:**

Statement of The former Binnaway Inn is historically significant as evidence of the earliest days of the settlement at significance: Binnaway. It is associated with Charles Naseby whose land the town was established on and who held the

licence for the Binnaway Inn from atleast 1877.

Historical notes Binnaway stands on part of the Mowabla leased run occupied in 1848 by William Lawson. In the 1850s this run, of provenance: then roughly 13,000 acres, passed to David Innes Watt, who also held Ulindah to the south. Following the passing of the Robertson Land Act in 1861 settlers were allowed to take conditional purchase of small areas, which helped to break up the vast pastoral properties of the earlier squatters. The first of these settlers in the Binnaway area was Charles Naseby who took up 50 acres in 1869 and a another adjoining 50 acres in 1874. In 1876 he deposited a plan covering his land for the 'private village of Binnaway'. In 1877 Charles Naseby was the licensee of the Binnaway Inn. In 1888 John McWhirter took over the licence of the hotel until his death in 1892. John McWhirter arrived in Binnaway in 1869 probably with Charles Naseby, who was his wife Harriet's, uncle.

> Following the death of her husband Harriet McWhirter continued holding the licence to the Binnaway Inn. In April 1896 tenders were invited for the store keeping and hotel business formerly carried on by her husband. Offered in he tender was stock-in-trade, 10 acres freehold and a store, hotel and blacksmith's shop. Harriet had previously changed the name of the inn to the Exchange Hotel in 1895, which may be the time when she relocated the business to its current location. Her son Charles owned the hotel following her death. The telephone office, opened in 1901 was conducted from a room in the hotel.

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

Commerce 3. Economy 4. Settlement Accommodation

3. Economy Transport

Designer:

Builder:

Circa: Yes Year started: Year completed: 1877

SHI number 5066604 Study number

Item name: Binnaway Inn (former)

Location: 7 Cisco Street Binnaway 2395 Warrumbungle

Physical description: A modest example of a former inn, constructed of vertical timber slabs with a hipped roof clad in corrugated steel. A verandah with a hipped roof clad in corrugated steel extends around three sides with the western side infilled. The verandah is supported on squared timber posts. Windows on the front elevation are variously a timber framed casement or aluminium framed sliding window. A doorway opens into the building at the southern end of this elevation. Two chimneys gather upwards from a single base on the southern external side of the

The building has since been converted to a residence.

Physical condition Good

level:

Physical condition:

Archaeological

potential level:

Archaeological

potential Detail:

Modification dates:

Recommended - Continue to maintain building in good order.

management: - Continue to record and research this place's history.

- The curtilage or setting of this building shall be taken as being the title of the Lot of land that it stands on.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

The former Binnaway Inn dates back to the earliest days of the settlement at Binnaway. The town of Binnaway

was established on land purchased by Charles Naseby in 1869.

significance|

Criteria b): The former Binnaway Inn is associated with Charles Naseby, who established the private town of Binnaway

[Historical following his purchase of 100 acres firstly in 1869 and later in 1874. It is also assocated with John and Harriet

association McWhirter who took over the licence of the Binnaway Inn from Charles Naseby. Harriet later changed the name

significance] of the inn to the Exchange Hotel and relocated the business to its current site.

Criteria c): The former Binnaway Inn is a modest example of a mid Nineteenth Century vernacular timber slab building.

[Aesthetic/

Technical

significance]

Criteria d):

[Social/Cultural

significance]

Criteria e):

[Research

significance]

Criteria f): The former inn is rare locally as a substantially intact example of a vernacular timber slab building dating from

[Rarity] the 1870s.

Criteria g):

[Representative]

SHI number **5066604** Study number

Item name: Binnaway Inn (former)

Location: 7 Cisco Street Binnaway 2395 Warrumbungle

Intactness/Integrity:

References: Author Title Year

Bull, RobynBinnaway on the Castlereagh1986Dormer, MarionThe Bushman's Arms1983

Studies: Author Title Number Year

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Parcels: Parcel code Lot number Section number Plan code Plan number

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Latitude: -31.55359 **Longitude:** 149.373094

Location validity: Spatial accuracy:

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Item name: Binnaway Inn (former)

Location: 7 Cisco Street Binnaway 2395 Warrumbungle

Image:



Caption: Binnaway Inn (former), view looking north west

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SHI number 1391129
Study number

Item name: Binnaway Railway Crew Barracks

Location: Warrumbungle

Address: Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Binnaway 2395

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Binnaway

State: NSW County: Napier

Other/former names: Binnaway Rest House

Area/group/complex: Group ID:

Aboriginal area: Gamilaroi

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built Group: Transport - Rail Category: Railway Residence/Quarters

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Museum/accommodation

Former uses: Locomotive crew barracks

Assessed significance: Local Endorsed significance:

Statement of The Binnaway locomotive drivers' barracks is representative of the fabric and operation of the railway **significance:** infrastructure that was an extremely important contributor to the prosperity of Binnaway in the mid to late 20th

century. It is the principal remaining element of the former Binnaway locomotive depot and is a visual icon of the importance of rail in the story of Binnaway and helps to define the character of the town. It is also a

well-preserved example of an Inter-war Arts and Crafts style building.

The barracks has a high level of local historical and aesthetic significance, representativeness, rarity and integrity. It also has a moderate level of local social and technical/research significance.

SHI number 1391129 Study number

Item name: Binnaway Railway Crew Barracks

Location: Warrumbungle

Historical notes The branch line railway from Binnaway to Coonabarabran was opened on 11 June 1917 and the line was of provenance: extended through to Gwabegar by September 1923. The railway line had reached Mudgee from Wallerawang in 1884, its construction having been foreshadowed as far back as 1873. An extension from Gulgong to Coonabarabran had been approved in August 1911 'in response to substantial representations from the citizens of the general Coonabarabran area'. The line had reached Binnaway by April 1917. An additional railway line connecting Dubbo to Werris Creek via Binnaway was opened in April 1923. This line provided rail transport facilities to Weetaliba and Bomera.

> Binnaway sits at the junction of railway lines constructed to connect Dubbo to Werris Creek and Wallerawang/Mudgee to Coonabarabran and Gwabegar. The steam locomotives used extensively in New South Wales prior to the 1960s required regularly placed coaling, watering and servicing facilities. Because of its location a locomotive depot was developed at Binnaway from 1916 onwards. Various locomotive servicing and watering facilities were established around the Binnaway railway infrastructure during the 1920s. These included extension of the locomotive depot in 1926. Further extensions were undertaken with the provision of Defence Department funds during World War II.

Steam locomotives were gradually displaced by diesel power in the early 1960s. By 1967 steam power had almost completely disappeared from the Binnaway area and in 1970 the locomotive depot was demolished and ash pits filled in.

During the steam era train crews worked their trains over considerable distances away from their home depots at relatively low speeds. After working a train for five or six hours to locations up to 200 miles from home train crews required rest breaks. 'Crew Barracks' or 'Rest Houses' were established at regular intervals throughout the state to provide facilities for train crews to have a meal and some rest before returning home. These facilities were generally 'located at 100-150 mile intervals, mostly at relatively large railway centres'. (Love, 2001)

The railway expansion of the early twentieth century was accompanied by improvements in the facilities available at Crew Barracks. By the 1920s new designs 'incorporating better features and having the bedrooms set out along enclosed corridors' (Love, 2001) were constructed. The Binnaway Crew Barracks was constructed to these improved standards in 1924/1925.

The advent of dieselisation in the 1950s and 1960s increased train speeds and operating distances, thereby reducing the numbers of rest houses required. The Binnaway Crew Barracks was gradually downgraded and fell out of use, although modernisation and refitting of facilities was undertaken during the 1980s.

The barracks are now used as tourist accommodation.

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

> 3. Economy Transport

Designer: Design Office, NSW Department of Railways

Builder: NSW Department of Railways

Year started: 1924 Year completed: 1925 Circa: No

Physical description: The barracks is a long brick walled structure with a hipped roof clad in corrugated fibro and trimmed with terracotta ridge capping and finials. It is constructed in the Arts and Crafts Style, a style that was popular in the 1920s and used on many railway buildings at this time.

> Verandahs on the eastern and western sides of the building protect the main doorways which provide access to a common room. A commercial kitchen is located next to this room. Separate doorways provide access to the bedrooms, which are located on either side of a central hallway.

Physical condition

level:

Physical condition: The property and its structures are generally in good condition.

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Item name: Binnaway Railway Crew Barracks

Location: Warrumbungle

Archaeological potential level:

Archaeological potential Detail:

Modification dates: Installation of air conditioner in common room wall - 1970s

Refitting of bathrooms - 1980s Refitting of kitchen - 1980s

Recommended The ongoing management of the structure should focus on maintenance of the existing fabric to ensure that the

management: barracks is weatherproof and free of destructive pests. Replacement of building fabric, if required, should be

undertaken with elements of matching materials and profiles.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments: Re-roofing with Zincalume - 2006

Criteria a): The locomotive drivers' barracks is an important element in the history of Binnaway. It is the principal remaining element of the former Binnaway locomotive depot. It has a high level of local historical significance.

significance]

Criteria b): This structure has little historical association significance.

[Historical association

significance]

Criteria c): The Binnaway locomotive drivers' barracks has a high level of local aesthetic significance. It is a visual icon of [Aesthetic/ the importance of rail in the story of Binnaway and helps to define the character of the town. It is also a well-preserved example of an Inter-war Arts and Crafts style building.

significance|

Criteria d): As a surviving element of the railway infrastructure of the Binnaway locomotive drivers' barracks has a **[Social/Cultural** moderate level of local social significance.

significance]

Criteria e): The locomotive drivers' barracks is one of many buildings of this style constructed throughout New South [Research] Wales. It has a moderate level of technical/research significance at a local level.

[Research significance]

: The Binnaway locomotive drivers' barracks has a moderate level of local significance in this respect.

Criteria f): [Rarity]

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Criteria g): [Representative]

The Binnaway locomotive drivers' barracks is representative of the fabric and operation of the railway infrastructure that was an extremely important contributor to the prosperity of Binnaway in the mid to late 20th

century. It has a high level of local significance in this respect.

Intactness/Integrity: The Binnaway locomotive drivers' barracks has a high level of integrity and has very clear connections to the

rail infrastructure of Binnaway.

References: Author Title Year
Love, R. The Crew Barracks at Binnaway, N.S.W. 2001

Bright, R. Traffic Officer: Working as a Guard at Binnaway. In Dunn, I., 1 1999

Studies: Author Title Number Year

Ray ChristisonCoonabarabran Shire (former) Heritage Study2006Peter DugganWarrumbungle Shire Community Based Heritage Study2018

SHI number 1391129
Study number

Item name: Binnaway Railway Crew Barracks

Location: Warrumbungle

Parcels: Parcel code Lot number Section number Plan code Plan number
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Latitude: -31.548059 **Longitude:** 149.382709

Location validity: Spatial accuracy:

Map name: Map scale:

AMG zone: Easting: Northing:

Listing: Name Title Number ListingDate

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Item name: Binnaway Railway Crew Barracks

Location: Warrumbungle

Image:



Caption: Binnaway Railway Crew Barracks, eastern verandah

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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Binnaway Railway Crew Barracks, viewed from the north east, c.2005

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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Binnaway Railway Crew Barracks, viewed from the north, c.2005

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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Binnaway Crew Barracks viewed from the north-west with grain wagon in the foreground,

c.2005

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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Binnaway Railway Crew Barracks, viewed from the south, c.2005

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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Binnaway Railway Crew Barracks, viewed from the south east, c.2005

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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Northern end of Binnaway Crew Barracks with grain wagon on the right, c.2005

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SHI number 1391130 Study number

Item name: Binnaway Railway Pump House

Location: off Bullinda Street Binnaway 2395 Warrumbungle

Address: off Bullinda Street Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Binnaway 2395

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Binnaway

State: NSW County: Napier

Other/former names:

Area/group/complex: **Group ID:**

Aboriginal area:

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built Group: Transport - Rail Category: Other - Transport - Rail

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Vacant

Former uses: Pumping Station

Assessed significance: Local **Endorsed significance:**

Statement of The Binnaway railway pump house is representative of the fabric and operation of the railway infrastructure that significance: was an extremely important contributor to the prosperity of Binnaway in the mid to late 20th century. It is one remaining element of the former Binnaway locomotive depot and helps to define the character of the town.

> The pump house has a high level of local historical and aesthetic significance, representativeness and rarity. It also has a moderate level of local social significance and integrity.

Historical notes The branch line railway from Binnaway to Coonabarabran was opened on 11 June 1917 and the line was of provenance: extended through to Gwabegar by September 1923. The railway line had reached Mudgee from Wallerawang in 1884, its construction having been foreshadowed as far back as 1873. An extension from Gulgong to Coonabarabran had been approved in August 1911 'in response to substantial representations from the citizens of the general Coonabarabran area'. The line had reached Binnaway by April 1917. An additional railway line connecting Dubbo to Werris Creek via Binnaway was opened in April 1923. This line provided rail transport facilities to Weetaliba and Bomera.

> Binnaway sits at the junction of railway lines constructed to connect Dubbo to Werris Creek and Wallerawang/Mudgee to Coonabarabran and Gwabegar. The steam locomotives used extensively in New South Wales prior to the 1960s required regularly placed coaling, watering and servicing facilities. Because of its location a locomotive depot was developed at Binnaway from 1916 onwards. Various locomotive servicing and watering facilities were established around the Binnaway railway infrastructure during the 1920s. This included additions to the locomotive depot in 1926. (Love, 2001.p.5)

> A set of large cast iron water tanks was constructed near the locomotive depot to provide water for locomotives. An initial water supply of 20,000 gallons was expanded to 40,000 gallons in 1924. The water tanks were filled from the Castlereagh River via a pumping station constructed on the bank of the river at the bottom of Weetaliba Street. This pumping station, initially constructed when the railway was being built, was improved in 1922 to prevent damage by flood waters. The pumping plant was converted from oil to electricity in 1939. A further expansion of locomotive watering arrangements were undertaken with the provision of Defence Department funds during World War II. (Love, 2001.p.5)

Steam locomotives were gradually displaced by diesel power in the early 1960s. By 1967 steam power had almost completely disappeared from the Binnaway area and in 1970 the locomotive depot was demolished and ash pits filled in.

SHI number 1391130 Study number

Item name: Binnaway Railway Pump House

Location: off Bullinda Street Binnaway 2395 Warrumbungle

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

3. Economy Transport

Designer: Design Office, NSW Department of Railways

Builder: NSW Department of Railways

Year started: 1917 Year completed: 1922 Circa: No

Physical description: The Binnaway pumping station is built to a basic NSW Department of Railways design for a small pump house.

It is a rectangular timber framed, corrugated galvanised iron clad building with a gable roof. It is set on a mass

concrete base that also supported the pumping plant.

The building is relatively intact although windows have been removed. Some remnants of the pumping plant are

still present inside the structure. Ledged and braced timber doors are present in the northern doorway.

Physical condition

level

Physical condition: The structure is generally in fair condition.

Archaeological potential level:

Archaeological potential Detail:

Modification dates: Modifications to minimise flood damage - 1922

Conversion from oil to electricity power - 1939

Recommended management:

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

Criteria a): The Binnaway railway pump house is an important element in the history of Binnaway. It is one remaining

[Historical element of the extensive infrastructure installed to service the needs of steam locomotives in the mid 20th

significance] century. It has a high level of local historical significance.

Criteria b): This structure has little historical association significance.

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significance]

Criteria c): The Binnaway railway pump house has a high level of local aesthetic significance. It is a visual icon of the

[Aesthetic/ importance of rail in the story of Binnaway and helps to define the character of the town. It is also a

Technical well-preserved example of corrugated iron clad railway pump building.

significance]

Criteria d): As a surviving element of the railway infrastructure of the Binnaway railway pump house has a moderate level

[Social/Cultural of local social significance.

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Criteria e): The railway pump house is one of many buildings of its type constructed throughout New South Wales. It has a

[Research low level of technical/research significance.

significance]

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Item name: Binnaway Railway Pump House

Location: off Bullinda Street Binnaway 2395 Warrumbungle

Criteria f): The Binnaway railway pump house has a high level of local significance in this respect.

[Rarity]

Criteria g): The Binnaway railway pump house is representative of the fabric and operation of the railway infrastructure that

[Representative] was an extremely important contributor to the prosperity of Binnaway in the mid to late 20th century. It has a

high level of local significance in this respect.

Intactness/Integrity: The Binnaway railway pump house has a moderate level of integrity and has very clear connections to the rail

infrastructure of Binnaway.

References: Author Title Year

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Ray Christison Coonabarabran Shire (former) Heritage Study 2006
Peter Duggan Warrumbungle Shire Community Based Heritage Study 2018

Parcels: Parcel code Lot number Section number Plan code Plan number

Latitude: -31.546942 **Longitude:** 149.378795

Location validity: Spatial accuracy:

Map name: Binnaway Map scale: 1:50 000

AMG zone: 8734-N **Easting:** 256 **Northing:** 72

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Item name: Binnaway Railway Pump House

Location: off Bullinda Street Binnaway 2395 Warrumbungle

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Caption: Binnaway Railway Pump House, view looking north west

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Caption: Binnaway Railway Pump House, pump plant remains

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Caption: Binnaway Railway Pump House, viewed from the east, c.2005

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SHI number
1391131
Study number

Item name: Binnaway Railway Water Tanks

Location: off George Street Binnaway 2395 Warrumbungle

Address: off George Street Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Binnaway 2395

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Binnaway

State: NSW County: Napier

Other/former names:

Area/group/complex: Group ID:

Aboriginal area: Gamilaroi

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built Group: Transport - Rail Category: Railway Water Tower/ Tank

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Water tanks

Former uses: Water tanks

Assessed significance: Local Endorsed significance:

Statement of The Binnaway railway water tanks are an important element in the history of Binnaway. They are one remaining **significance:** element of the extensive infrastructure installed to service the needs of steam locomotives in the mid 20th

century and are a visual icon of the importance of rail in the story of Binnaway. The water tanks help to define

the character of the town.

The water tanks have a high level of local historical and aesthetic significance, representativeness and rarity. They also have a moderate level of local social significance and integrity.

SHI number 1391131 Study number

Item name: Binnaway Railway Water Tanks

Location: off George Street Binnaway 2395 Warrumbungle

Historical notes The branch line railway from Binnaway to Coonabarabran was opened on 11 June 1917 and the line was of provenance: extended through to Gwabegar by September 1923. The railway line had reached Mudgee from Wallerawang in 1884, its construction having been foreshadowed as far back as 1873. An extension from Gulgong to Coonabarabran had been approved in August 1911 'in response to substantial representations from the citizens of the general Coonabarabran area'. The line had reached Binnaway by April 1917. An additional railway line connecting Dubbo to Werris Creek via Binnaway was opened in April 1923. This line provided rail transport facilities to Weetaliba and Bomera.

> Binnaway sits at the junction of railway lines constructed to connect Dubbo to Werris Creek and Wallerawang/Mudgee to Coonabarabran and Gwabegar. The steam locomotives used extensively in New South Wales prior to the 1960s required regularly placed coaling, watering and servicing facilities. Because of its location a locomotive depot was developed at Binnaway from 1916 onwards. Various locomotive servicing and watering facilities were established around the Binnaway railway infrastructure during the 1920s. This included additions to the locomotive depot in 1926. (Love, 2001.p.5)

> A set of large cast iron water tanks was constructed near the locomotive depot to provide water for locomotives. An initial water supply of 20,000 gallons was expanded to 40,000 gallons in 1924 (Love, 2001.p.5). An early photograph of the Binnaway Locomotive Depot shows a single 20,000 gallon water tank sitting on the eastern side of the roundhouse approach road. A wooden coal staith is located on the western side of this road. (Bull, 1986, p.51) The tank depicted in this photograph appears to be the northernmost of the two existing tanks. A photograph taken from the roof of a locomotive at the roundhouse after completion of the nearby rest house shows only one water tank present on the depot approach road (Bull, 1986, p.82). As the rest house was not completed until 1925 it appears that the second water tank was not erected until at least that year.

The water tanks were filled from the Castlereagh River via a pumping station constructed on the bank of the river at the bottom of Weetaliba Street. The pumping plant was converted from oil to electricity in 1939. A further expansion of locomotive watering arrangements were undertaken with the provision of Defence Department funds during World War II. (Love, 2001.p.5)

Steam locomotives were gradually displaced by diesel power in the early 1960s. By 1967 steam power had almost completely disappeared from the Binnaway area and in 1970 the locomotive depot was demolished and ash pits filled in.

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

> 3. Economy **Transport**

Designer: Design Office, NSW Department of Railways

Builder: Perway Shop, Newcastle

Year started: 1917 Year completed: 1925 Circa: Yes

Physical description: The Binnaway railway water tanks are standard NSW Department of Railways cast iron water tanks typical of those installed in the early 20th century. They consist of two sets of cast iron water tanks set on braced steel frames. The tanks and stands appear to be complete.

> The tanks are fabricated from cast iron panels. These panels were cast as standard components to facilitate in-situ fabrication of tanks of various sizes and configurations. Makers plates on the southern tanks indicate that the panels for this tank were cast at the Perway Shop, Newcastle in 1923 and 1924. Given the expansion of locomotive watering capacity at Binnaway in 1924 from 20,000 gallons to 40,000 gallons it is assumed that the southern tank was the last installed

Physical condition

Physical condition: The tanks and their supporting structures are generally in fair condition for their age. They require painting.

The site is considered to have moderate archaeological potential.

SHI number
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Item name: Binnaway Railway Water Tanks

Location: off George Street Binnaway 2395 Warrumbungle

Archaeological potential level:

Archaeological potential Detail:

Modification dates: Expansion of watering capacity, involving erection of a second tank – 1924 to 1925

Recommended The ongoing management of the structure should focus on maintenance of the existing fabric to ensure its **management:** ongoing stability and integrity. Replacement of building fabric, if required, should be undertaken with elements

of materials and profiles.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

Criteria a): The Binnaway railway water tanks are an important element in the history of Binnaway. They are one remaining [Historical element of the extensive infrastructure installed to service the needs of steam locomotives in the mid 20th century. It has a high level of local historical significance.

Criteria b): This structure has little historical association significance.

[Historical association

significance]

Criteria c): The Binnaway railway water tanks have a high level of local aesthetic significance. They are a visual icon of the

[Aesthetic/ importance of rail in the story of Binnaway and help to define the character of the town. They are also a **Technical** well-preserved example of large cast iron locomotive watering tanks.

significance|

Criteria d): As a surviving element of the railway infrastructure of the Binnaway railway water tanks have a moderate level cial/Cultural of local social significance.

[Social/Cultural of losing significance]

Criteria e): The railway water tanks are one example of the once numerous water tanks erected throughout New South

[Research

Wales. They have a low level of technical/research significance.

significance]

Criteria f): The Binnaway railway water tanks have a high level of rarity at the local level.

[Rarity]

Criteria g): The Binnaway railway water tanks are representative of the fabric and operation of the railway infrastructure that **[Representative]** was an extremely important contributor to the prosperity of Binnaway in the mid to late 20th century. They have

a high level of local significance in this respect.

Intactness/Integrity: The Binnaway railway water tanks have a moderate level of integrity and very clear connections to the rail

infrastructure of Binnaway.

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SHI number
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Study number

Item name: Binnaway Railway Water Tanks

Location: off George Street Binnaway 2395 Warrumbungle

Parcels:Parcel codeLot numberSection numberPlan codePlan number2DP1139632

Latitude: -31.547451 **Longitude:** 149.382322

Location validity: Spatial accuracy:

Map name: Binnaway Map scale: 1:50 000

AMG zone: Binnaway 8734-N Easting: 261 Northing: 73

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Item name: Binnaway Railway Water Tanks

Location: off George Street Binnaway 2395 Warrumbungle

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Caption: Binnaway Railway Water Tanks, view looking north west

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Binnaway Railway Water Tanks viewed from the north east, c.2006

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Item name: Binnaway Railway Water Tanks

Location: off George Street Binnaway 2395 Warrumbungle



Caption: Binnaway Railway Water Tanks viewed from the east, c.2006

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SHI number 1391132 Study number

Item name: Binnaway Soldiers' Memorial Hall

Location: 13-15 David Street Binnaway 2395 Warrumbungle

Address: 13-15 David Street Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Binnaway 2395

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Binnaway

State: NSW County: Napier

Other/former names:

Area/group/complex: **Group ID:**

Aboriginal area: Gamilaroi

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built **Group:** Community Facilities Category: Hall Public

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Community Hall Former uses: Community Hall

Assessed significance: Local **Endorsed significance:**

Statement of Binnaway Soldiers' Memorial Hall was constructed as a memorial to the men of the Binnaway district who significance: served in World War I. It was funded by community subscription and has played an ongoing role in the development of the town. The hall has direct associations wit a number of Binnaway's prominent citizens, inleuding Arthur Henry Manser who constructed the building and operated a cinema in it for many years. The hall also has indirect associations with Binnaway's dance bands, including Frank Bourke and his White Rose Orchestra. The hall possesses a high level of local historical, historic association and social significance and a high level of integrity. It also has a moderate level of local aesthetic significance and representativeness.

Historical notes Construction of the Binnaway Soldiers' Memorial Hall commenced in December 1925. A foundation stone was of provenance: laid by Arthur Frew of Binnaway. The hall was officially opened on 13 June 1926. The following notes are quoted from Robyn Bull's 'Binnaway on the Castlereagh': 'the official opening of the Binnaway Soldiers' Memorial Hall took place on Sunday 13 June, 1926 at 3:00pm. The usual ceremony and speeches took place and afternoon tea was provided by the ladies committee. A grand opening ball was held on the following Wednesday , with dancing from 8:30pm to 3;00am. The orchestra was from Quirindi, "Snow's Jazz band", tickets were double 12/6, Gents 7/6, Ldies 5/-. A Juvenile Ball was also held on the Thursday night.' (Bull. P.64) 'Arthur Henry Manser was born in 1895, and came to Binnaway in approximately 1922. He was a travelling picture showman, and lived in Narromine at the time. He showed the movies in the open-air theatre owned by Allan Carlisle, which was on the corner whee later the Five Ways Café was built. A. H. Manser was a carpenter by trade and in 1926 built the Memorial Hall, where he moved his movie equipment at a later date. He had his own generator for power, and at the end of the evening's showing, he would put enough petrol in the engine to run for about ten minutes. He had erected light poles along Bullinda Street to give hi spatron slight on their way home, which would go out when the petrol ran out.' (Bull, p.73). The hall has continued to be used as a public meeting and entertainment place. A pre-school has been developed at the northern end of the hall.

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

8. Culture Leisure 9. Phases of Life Events

Designer: Unknown

Builder: Arthur Henry Manser

Year started: 1925 Year completed: 1926 Circa: No

SHI number 1391132 Study number

Item name: Binnaway Soldiers' Memorial Hall

Location: 13-15 David Street Binnaway 2395 Warrumbungle

Physical description: The building is an Inter-war Arts and Crafts style building with double brick walls laid in colonial bond and gable roof clad in corrugated galvanised iron. The original building is rectangular in form and features prominent gable ends clad in fibro. The eastern wall of the original hall contains a marble plaque which had been set with lead lettering indicating the following: THIS STONE WAS LAID BY A.A. FREW DEC 6th 1925. A number of brick extensions have been added to the building. These are: A foyer and offices built onto the southern end of the building facing David Street. A kitchen and supper room with skillion roof constructed on the western side of the building. Brick walled pre-school facilities constructed at the northern end of the hall.

Physical condition

level:

Physical condition: The building is in good condition and well maintained

Archaeological potential level: Archaeological

potential Detail:

Modification dates: Construction of new entry foyer. Construction of pre-school facilities, Construction of a kitchen and supper

Recommended - The building should be managed in a way that ensures its ongoing structural and aesthetic integrity.

management: - The ongoing management of the building should focus on maintenance of the existing fabric to ensure that it is

weatherproof and free of destructive pests. Replacement of building fabric, if required, should ideally be

undertaken with elements of matching materials and profiles.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

Criteria a): Binnaway Soldiers' Memorial Hall was constructed as a memorial to the men of the Binnaway district who served in World War I. It was funded by community subscription and has played an ongoing role in the [Historical significance] development of the town. It has a high level of local historical significance.

Criteria b): Th hall has direct associations with a number of Binnaway's prominent citizens, including Arthur Henry Manser [Historical] who constructed the building and operated a cinema within it for many years. The hall also has indirect association associations with Binnaway's dance bands, including Frank Bourke and his White Rose Orchestra. It is also a significance memorial to the men of the district who served in World War I and has a high level of local historical association significance.

Criteria c): The Soldier's Memorial Hall is a well-proportioned Inter-war Arts and Crafts Style building with some [Aesthetic/ sympathetic extensions. Later additions have partly compromised the proportions of the building. It has a Technical moderate level of local aesthetic significance.

significance|

Criteria d): The hall has been a hub of social activity in Binnaway since the 1920s and has a high level of social [Social/Cultural significance.

significance]

Criteria e): The building is one of many of its type constructed in the region and is considered to have little [Research technical/research significance.

significance]

The Binnaway Soldiers' Memorial Hall is one of many such halls in the district and is considered to have a low Criteria f): [Rarity] level of rarity.

Criteria g): The Binnaway Soldiers' Memorial Hall is representative of halls constructed around the district as memorials to [Representative] World War I servicemen. It has a moderate level of local representativeness.

SHI number 1391132 Study number

Year

Item name: Binnaway Soldiers' Memorial Hall

Location: 13-15 David Street Binnaway 2395 Warrumbungle

Intactness/Integrity: The hall has a high level of integrity.

References: Author Title

Bull, R. Binnaway on the Castlereagh 1986

Studies: Author Title Number Year

Ray Christison Coonabarabran Shire (former) Heritage Study 2006
Peter Duggan Warrumbungle Shire Community Based Heritage Study 2018

Parcels: Parcel code Lot number Section number Plan code Plan number

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Data entry: Data first entered: 06/06/2007 Data updated: 07/10/2018 Status: Completed

SHI number
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Study number

Item name: Binnaway Soldiers' Memorial Hall

Location: 13-15 David Street Binnaway 2395 Warrumbungle

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Caption: Binnaway Soldiers' Memorial Hall, east elevation

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Caption: Binnaway Soldiers' Memorial Hall viewed from Bullindah Street, c.2006

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Binnaway Soldiers' Memorial Hall viewed from David Street, c.2006

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Item name: Binnaway Soldiers' Memorial Hall

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Caption: Binnaway Soldiers' Memorial Hall, foundation stone, c.2006

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SHI number
1390212
Study number
Heritage Day 11

Item name: Binnia Downs Homestead

Location: 5618 Black Stump Way Coolah 2843 Warrumbungle

Address: 5618 Black Stump Way Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Coolah 2843

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Allison

State: NSW County: Napier

Other/former names:

Area/group/complex: Group ID:

Aboriginal area: Gamilaroi

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built Group: Farming and Grazing Category: Homestead Complex

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Unoccupied

Former uses: Pastoral Homestead

Assessed significance: Local Endorsed significance:

Statement of A very well built and attractively detailed late Victorian residence that reflects the importance of the wool **significance:** Industry to Australia in that era. A grand house that demonstrates the Victorian way of life with formal and

informal parts of the house, separating working and social life.

SHI number 1390212 Study number Heritage Day 11

Item name: Binnia Downs Homestead

Location: 5618 Black Stump Way Coolah 2843 Warrumbungle

Historical notes Hugh McMaster of Morven, Scotland, and his family came to Australia in the 'Brilliant' in 1838 as Government of provenance: emigrants and settled at Woodville on the Isis River on the lower Hunter. In 1852 he entered into a partnership with David Watts and formed several runs along and near the Castlereagh River one still being known as 'Ulindah'. Being the gold rush days, they drove their sheep as far away as Melbourne for sale. Some years later they acquired runs further to the east in the Weetalibah area. Duncan McMaster, son of Hugh McMaster, in 1859, took up land in the Binnia Creek area upon which the name of 'Binnia Plain' was bestowed. This name was later changed to 'Binnia Downs'.

> Plans prepared by W.R.Davidson, surveyor, in 1878, shows what could be a wattle and daub cottage with detached kitchen just a little north of Binnia Creek. Its closeness to the creek may indicate it was the first cottage. A plan a few years later shows stock and sheep yards in the vicinity of the present shearing shed with a house on the western side and a house on the southern side. There are two huts close by. A photograph taken in the early 1900's shows a windmill near the shearing shed and a cottage several chains to the north east of the shed, which could of been the first homestead at the time.

> The present Binnia Downs homestead was first constructed in 1888 and was not occupied until 1889 when John McMaster, son of Duncan McMaster was married and occupied the premises. At the time the owner, Duncan McMaster, was residing in Sydney and the station was being managed by John, his eldest son, known as 'Binnia Jack'. John McMaster came into possession of the property in 1899.

An extract from the Sydney Mail of 14th. September, 1904, reads;

'Binnia Downs, the property of John McMaster, is situated 12 miles from the town of Coolah, and 65 miles from the Gunnedah Railway Station. It has been in the family for over 40 years, during which time it has been thoroughly improved, principally by Duncan McMaster, Senior and bought to perfection as it is now. The country is timbered with box, myall and an abundant supply of kurrajongs. The soil consists of rich black and chocolate loam, and carries many of the best grasses and herbages. The water supply embraces springs, wells and numerous dams and tanks.

A large commodious brick building is the homestead surrounded by a very fine fruit and flower garden. Water supply is laid on, supplied by a large 16 foot windmill to both homestead and garden. The homestead right through is lighted with acetylene gas. A telephone connects the premises with the Post and Telegraph Office at Coolah.'

In October, 1908, 'Binnia Downs' was visited by Maurice Joseph Hennessy, 'Old Ned' who in an article in the Mudgee Guardian newspaper wrote;

'After passing through some magnificent grazing country, black soil flats and valleys, I reached the pretty homestead of 'Binnia Downs'. This is a most picturesque and up to date property. The mansion, which in the days of yore, on the occasion of my last visit, was a princely edifice, has been enlarged by the addition of several rooms, on the southern portion of the building. A large sitting room, private bedroom, and a dining room for the juvenile portion of the family has been included. The ceiling is of modern material now so extensively used in Sydney, 'Wunderlich', which makes a very pretty ceiling indeed. The verandah, which extends all around the building, is an improvement and I might say luxury in a warm climate.

The garden, in the centre of which is the mansion, occupying a commanding position on an eminence, thereby having a splendid view of the valleys, the famed 'Binnia Downs,' with myriads of kurrajong trees, growing in rows as if planted, the stately oak trees fringing the creeks, herbage and waving grasses carpeting the vales on which the herbs and flocks will graze at will, the blue Warrumbungle Mountains in 'the far distance, makes up a picture which once seen is not forgotten.

The stables and out houses are in keeping with everything else in connection with the well regulated and up to date establishment. The orchard is well equipped with every description of fruit trees. One orange tree was laden with golden coloured fruit whilst the apricot trees are literally loaded with fruit as large as pigeons' eggs. The other trees, vines, gooseberry bushes, etc. having escaped ravages of the frost give promise of a beautiful crop, both in the orchard and in the vineyard.

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> The flower garden is bright with choice roses and flowers of every description and colour. The gardens are spacious, artistically laid out, and carefully attended to by the capable gardener, a son of old Scotia, I should say, but whose name slips my memory. The gardens are irrigated by means of a windmill and a pump by water from the creek 3

The publication The Pastoral Homes of Australia printed in c.1910 reiterated the grandeur of the homestead by saying:

'The Binnia Homestead which is very well built and attractively designed edifice. was partly built about 21 years ago, and has since been considerably added to, until it now appears in its up to date form. Containing 18 rooms, all lighted by acetylene gas, ranks with the many beautiful homes to be seen in pastoral New South Wales. The garden which is well cared for, add very materially to the beauty of the homestead'.

Other additions and alterations have been made since 1910. 'Binnia Downs' in 1946 was sold by the McMaster family to Geoffrey W. Power who updated the conveniences of the homestead and connected the electricity to the premises. Mr. Power sold to Owen Druce in 1969. The next owner was the Healey family. Present owners are Paspaley Pearls of 'Kurrajong Park', Coolah.

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

3. Economy **Pastoralism** 9. Phases of Life Persons

Designer:

Builder:

Year started: 1889 Year completed: Circa: Yes

Physical description: An extensive Victorian homestead in a U shape generally, with formal front façade and courtyard behind. The house has a multi-hipped roof clad in corrugated iron. The walls feature large bay windows which are reflected in the outline of the roof. Original chimneys are rendered and decorated with recesses and stringer courses. The walls are masonry, scored to resemble ashlar block. Across the front and side returns are wide bull nosed iron verandahs, supported on cast iron Corinthian columns with iron lace balustrade and brackets.

> Windows vary. Some are simple, rectangular timber framed, double hung, while others, perhaps later windows, have flat arches over. A large more modern portico to the other side of the house indicates a later stage of construction. Doors are generally glazed and panelled with fanlights over. The main doors facing the front garden also have sidelights. The garden has some evidence of a formal Victorian garden with hedging of cotoneasters, with an old orchard at the back. The courtyard at the rear is surrounded by a timber framed verandah supported on timber posts with decorative timber brackets. At one end of a wing a garage door has

In the courtyard and to one side of the house are Beehive style ground wells. One is rendered. There are a number of small outbuildings in the vicinity covering perhaps an acre of land.

Physical condition

Physical condition: Fair to poor due partly to a lack of occupation: some fairly urgent repairs needed are broken window glass, loose

timber work on the side verandah.

Archaeological potential level:

Archaeological potential Detail:

Modification dates: Additions and alterations have been made circa 1910, with major side porch additions perhaps the 1960s.

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Item name: Binnia Downs Homestead

Location: 5618 Black Stump Way Coolah 2843 Warrumbungle

Recommended - It is important to find a use for this building so that it will be occupied. Subdivision of a small parcel of land to **management:** achieve this may be appropriate.

- Keep buildings in good order.

- The curtilage or setting of this building for purposes of listing where applicable, shall be taken as being only

the Homestead and an area of 20 metres around it.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

Criteria a): Binnia Downs homestead has direct associations with the development of the pastoral industries in the Coolah

[Historical district

significance]

Criteria b): The homestead has associations with the McMaster family, who were prominent pastoralists of the period.

[Historical association significance]

Criteria c): Binnia Downs is a fine example of a late Victorian period and style homestead with later additions carried out

[Aesthetic/ in the early to mid Twentieth Century. It demonstrates the growth and evolutionary processes of the grand homesteads. The building retains much of its early form and fabric intact albeit in a declining state.

significance|

Criteria d): [Social/Cultural

significance]

Criteria e): Binnia Downs demonstrates the construction techniques of grand late Victorian period and style homesteads.

[Research significance]

Criteria f): [Rarity]

Criteria g): [Representative]

Intactness/Integrity:

References: Author Title Year

Roy Cameron Binnia Downs 2004

Studies: Author Title Number Year

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Item name: Binnia Downs Homestead

Location: 5618 Black Stump Way Coolah 2843 Warrumbungle

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Heritage study 08/09/2005

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Item name: Binnia Downs Homestead

Location: 5618 Black Stump Way Coolah 2843 Warrumbungle

Image:



Caption: Binnia Downs Homestead

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Caption: Binnia Downs Homestead - front entrance steps

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Caption: Binnia Downs Homestead, front elevation

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SHI number
1390169
Study number
Heritage Day 7

Item name: Binnia Downs Shearers Quarters

Location: 5618 Black Stump Way Coolah 2843 Warrumbungle

Address: 5618 Black Stump Way Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Coolah 2843

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Allison

State: NSW County: Napier

Other/former names:

Area/group/complex: Group ID:

Aboriginal area: Gamilaroi

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built Group: Farming and Grazing Category: Shearers' Quarters

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: vacant

Former uses: Shearers quarters

Assessed significance: Local Endorsed significance:

Statement of The scope and size of the past local Merino wool industry is represented here in the capacity of the shearer's **significance:** accommodation which could house as many as 45 Shearers and station hands. The former important pastoral

activity was largely associated, in this case, with the Allison family and the McMaster family. The building has Aesthetic appeal as its stands alone in a wide flat paddock with its own ablutions buildings. The amenities provide technical interest in their display of ingenuity in the method of providing hot and cold water and waste

facilities for the many workers. It is now a rare local example of a shearing outfit of this capacity.

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Item name: Binnia Downs Shearers Quarters

Location: 5618 Black Stump Way Coolah 2843 Warrumbungle

Historical notes Binnia Downs Station woolshed is on land taken up by Duncan McMaster in 1859, and was held by him until of provenance: 1899, at which date John McMaster, his eldest son, came into possession. In 1918 Binnia Downs comprised 27,000 acres of freehold, and a block of improvement lease of 12,200 acres. Binnia Downs at the time was worked in conjunction with Mr. Master's property at Bundella, 25 miles away, and also with the adjoining property of Binnia which then contained an area of 13,500 acres mainly used as a fattening property.

> To date no information has been uncovered as to the name of the builder who constructed the Binnia Downs shearing shed or shearers quarters or the year it was built, but its erection certainly occurred prior to 1900. Maurice J. Hennessy, 'Old Ned' writing in the Mudgee Guardian of 29th October, 1908 states:-'I will now go to the Binnia Downs shearing shed where 20 shearers and something like 30 other hands are busily engaged, shearing, collecting and preparing the squatter's golden harvest for market. Wolseley shearing machines are in use here, and I may say that I have never visited a shed in which less noise from the machines or so little vibrations was noticeable. The shed is a very fine building, the large posts being five foot into the ground. They are certainly there to stay. Every detail in connection with the Binnia Downs shed is as near perfection as it is possible to get. And probably the most important factor, and the one that causes to be executed the maximum amount of work with a minimum amount of labour is the pet sheep, 'Jerry' which has acted as a sheep decoy to lead the different draft of sheep into the yard in which they are required to go. I am credibly informed that 'Jerry' is at his post first thing in the morning and is ready for duty at 5.00 am when he walks around the men's huts.

> The quality of Binnia Downs wool is famed in the different sale rooms, and realises high prices. This year 40,000 sheep will be shorn at Binnia Downs, and the wool maintains that excellence of quality for which it is proverbial. Under the supervision of Mr. Fenwick, who is in charge of the board, 'low and level', 'wool away', and 'no tar' is the order of the day. Many of the hands working in the shed have been there for many years; to wit there is Jack Sutherland, who has been shearing there for something like 15 years. Mr. Hancock, who is in charge of the woolpress is another old identity, who has been doing duty in the shed some 16 years. Mr. Roberts the expert, who has charge of the machine and engine, understands his duties, and performs them to the satisfaction of all concerned.

The engine is certainly a very fine one, an 8-h.p., double cylinder, set on a concrete floor. The 20 shearers are turning out something like 1500 a day, but it must be borne in mind the wethers that are being shorn on the occasion of my visit were very large and in tip top condition. Mr. Hughes is in charge of the wool classing department. Provision of housing for 2500 sheep are at hand if necessary to protect them from the weather. Several large loads of wool were dispatched on Tuesday, one load of ten tons left for Mudgee this week.'

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

5. Working Labour 3. Economy Pastoralism

Designer: Builder:

Year started: Circa: Yes Year completed: 1890

Physical description: Standing near to the shearing shed the shearers' quarters consists of three main structures. A simple rectangular accommodation unit, on timber stumps, with a central corridor and 16 rooms. Each room is lined in dressed cypress pine with timber framed double hung windows, but most are now in poor condition. The building opens through a single door in the end gable elevation. It would have been capable of accommodating from 16 to 60 men. Next to it a central ablutions block for showers and washing, and beyond this a three drop outhouse or toilet, both of these buildings are simple corrugated iron sheds. An iron tank set on top of a brick hearth allowed for the heating of water. The ablutions consisted of three primitive showers, and a long wash area. This contains a long single board cut out to receive round basins and over it a gutter fed water to each wash basin. A fallen branch from an overhanging pepper tree has caused its collapse. Another hearth sits at the opposite end of the

Physical condition Poor

level:

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Item name: Binnia Downs Shearers Quarters

Location: 5618 Black Stump Way Coolah 2843 Warrumbungle

Physical condition: Ruin Archaeological potential level: Archaeological potential Detail:

Modification dates:

Recommended - Continue to record and research this place's history.

management: - The curtilage or setting of this building for purposes of listing where applicable, shall be taken as being only

the Shearers Quarters and an area of 20 metres around it.

- Where a place is described as a ruin there are no management strategies beyond minimal interference. Where

Management name

possible the place should be able to deteriorate at its own natural rate.

Management: Management category

Criteria a):

Further comments:

[Historical

significance]

Criteria b):

[Historical association

significancel

Criteria c):

[Aesthetic/

Technical

significance]

Criteria d):

[Social/Cultural

significance|

Criteria e): The Binnia Downs Shearers' Quarters demonstrates the agricultural practices of the late Nineteenth and early

Twentieth Centuries, notably the temporary housing of paid labour.

significance

Criteria f):

[Rarity]

Criteria g): The quarters are representative of the various functional structures to be found on pastoral properties of the late

[Representative] Nineteenth and early Twentieth Centuries.

Intactness/Integrity:

References: Author Title Year

Roy Cameron Binnia Downs 2004

Studies: Author Title Number Year

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Item name: Binnia Downs Shearers Quarters

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Caption: Binnia Downs Shearers Quarters

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Item name: Binnia Downs Shearers Quarters

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Caption: Binnia Downs Shearers Quarters - Shearers toilets.

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Caption: Binnia Downs Shearers Quarters - window detail

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Item name: Binnia Downs Shearers Quarters

Location: 5618 Black Stump Way Coolah 2843 Warrumbungle



Caption: Binnia Downs Shearers Quarters, view looking east

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Item name: Binnia Downs Woolshed

Location: 5618 Black Stump Way Coolah 2843 Warrumbungle

Address: 5618 Black Stump Way Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Coolah 2843

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Allison

State: NSW County: Napier

Other/former names:

Area/group/complex: Group ID:

Aboriginal area: Gamilaroi

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built Group: Farming and Grazing Category: Woolshed/Shearing Shed

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Disused

Former uses: Woolshed

Assessed significance: Local Endorsed significance:

Statement of Binnia Downs woolshed is historically significant because it demonstrates the important pastoral activity of

significance: merino breeding and wool production.

The building has great aesthetic appeal and scientific interest as it is in many ways atypical. The long low sheds demonstrate local ingenuity in a particular style and type of construction suited to the local circumstance and materials at hand. Constructed out of timbers-in-the-round, the sheep pens have low slung roofs and wide eaves supported on deep brackets which keep the weather out in lieu of wall linings. The pens held many of the sheep elevated above what appears to be boggy ground. Box gutters drain the roof which is made up of a combination of small spans, kept short because the construction was dependant on available timber post lengths and post sizes that could be managed by hand.

It is a rare example of a construction technique that was economically resourceful, utilizing available materials.

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Historical notes Binnia Downs Station woolshed which stands about 20 kilometres north of Coolah and can easily be seen from of provenance: Black Stump Way. It is located on land taken up by Duncan McMaster in 1859, and was held by him until 1899, at which date his eldest son John McMaster came into possession. In 1918 Binnia Downs comprised 27,000 acres of freehold, and a block of improvement lease of 12,200 acres. Binnia Downs at the time was worked in conjunction with Mr. McMaster's property at Bundella, 25 miles away, and also with the adjoining property of Binnia which then contained an area of 13,500 acres, mainly used as a fattening property.

> Binnia Downs country is thickly dotted with kurrajong trees, some 50,000 having been lopped for fodder in 1915 to feed 30,000 Merinos and about 1500 head of cattle on the two properties, 'Bundella' and 'Binnia Downs'.

> To date no information has been uncovered as to the name of the builder who constructed the Binnia Downs shearing shed or the year it was built, but its erection certainly occurred prior to 1900. Maurice J. Hennessy, 'Old Ned' writing in the Mudgee Guardian of 29th October, 1908 states:-

> I will now go to the Binnia Downs shearing shed, where 20 shearers and something like 30 other hands are busily engaged, shearing, collecting and preparing the squatter's golden harvest for market. Wolseley shearing machines are in use here, and I may say that I have never visited a shed in which less noise from the machines or so little vibrations was noticeable. The shed is a very fine building, the large posts being five foot into the ground. They are certainly there to stay. Every detail in connection with the Binnia Downs shed is as near perfection as it is possible to get. And probably the most important factor, and the one that causes to be executed the maximum amount of work with a minimum amount of labour is the pet sheep, 'Jerry' which has acted as a sheep decoy to lead the different draft of sheep into the yard in which they are required to go. I am credibly informed that 'Jerry' is at his post first thing in the morning and is ready for duty at 5.00 am when he walks around the men's huts.

> The quality of Binnia Downs wool is famed in the different sale rooms, and realises high prices. This year 40,000 sheep will be shorn at Binnia Downs, and the wool maintains that excellence of quality for which it is proverbial. Under the supervision of Mr. Fenwick, who is in charge of the board, 'low and level', 'wool away', and 'no tar' is the order of the day. Many of the hands working in the shed have been there for many years; to wit there is Jack Sutherland, who has been shearing there for something like 15 years. Mr. Hancock, who is in charge of the woolpress is another old identity, who has been doing duty in the shed some 16 years. Mr. Roberts the expert, who has charge of the machine and engine, understands his duties, and performs them to the satisfaction of all concerned

The engine is certainly a very fine one, an 8-h.p., double cylinder, set on a concrete floor. The 20 shearers are turning out something like 1500 a day, but it must be borne in mind the wethers that are being shorn on the occasion of my visit were very large and in tip top condition. Mr. Hughes is in charge of the wool classing department. Provision of housing for 2500 sheep are at hand if necessary to protect them from the weather. Several large loads of wool were dispatched on Tuesday, one load of ten tons left for Mudgee this week.'

An article in the Sydney Mail of 26th May, 1888, supplies the following description of the woolshed, once part

The woolshed is a very large and well-built structure, over 200 feet long, fitted with 24 shearing machines, and usually holds 2,000 sheep under cover. The woolroom is Capable of holding 300 bales, has every convenience for the proper handling of the clip. It has a fine elevated stage for loading wool onto the waggons.'

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

Pastoralism 3. Economy 5. Working Labour

Designer:

Builder:

Year completed: 1890 Circa: Yes Year started:

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Physical description: The woolshed stands in a paddock not far from the road and the largest portion of the shed has a dual pitched, gable ended roof. The roof and walls are clad in galvanised corrugated iron. The roof has a number of skylights and on the gable end, approach side, a large timber door with fanlight above. The sides of the shed project in and out following the line of various functions within. At the rear a skillion roof slopes down towards the two lower rear sheds. Overall the sheds form a T shape on plan. The rear lower sheds are in double gables with central box gutter. Low slung roofs protect the otherwise open sheep pens which are set approximately a metre above the ground.

> The sheep pens are timber framed with very large timbers in the round. Posts at approx. 2 metre centres support bearers and joists consisting of 300mm round timber logs. A timber board floor is approx 35mm thick. An Ogee style gutter runs the perimeter. There is some timber floor collapse occurring at the end of one of the sheep pen wings. These two wings appear to have been built at different times although of the same type of construction.

Physical condition Poor

level:

Physical condition:

Archaeological potential level:

Archaeological potential Detail: **Modification dates:**

Recommended - The curtilage or setting of this building for purposes of listing where applicable, shall be taken as being only

management: the Woolshed and an area of 20 metres around it.

- Continue to maintain building in good order.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

Binnia Downs woolshed is representative of the importance pastoralism and the wool industry has had in the Criteria a): [Historical development of the local and Australian economy.

significance]

Criteria b): [Historical association

significance|

Binnia Downs woolshed has high local significance as an atypical woolshed constructed with a low slung [Aesthetic/ double gabled roof to suit the materials at hand and local ground conditions. The structure was built in two or more stages and is largely intact. **Technical**

significance]

Criteria d): [Social/Cultural significance]

> Criteria e): Binnia Downs woolshed demonstrates local ingenuity in the use of unique building techniques.

[Research significance]

Criteria f): The woolshed is quite rare as a low slung double gabled woolshed structure.

[Rarity]

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Criteria g): [Representative]

Intactness/Integrity:

References: Author Title Year

Roy Cameron Binnia Downs 2004

Studies: Author Title Number Year

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Peter Duggan Warrumbungle Shire Community Based Heritage Study 2018

Parcels: Parcel code Lot number Section number Plan code Plan number

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Caption: Binnia Downs Woolshed - side view

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Caption: Binnia Downs Woolshed - constuction under wool shed

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Caption: A rear view of the Woolshed

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Caption: Binnia Downs Woolshed, looking north east

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SHI number 1390102 Study number

Item name: Birriwa Homestead Group

Location: 3894 Castlereagh Highway Birriwa 2844 Warrumbungle

Address: 3894 Castlereagh Highway Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Birriwa 2844

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Wargundy

State: NSW County: Bligh

Other/former names:

Area/group/complex: **Group ID:**

Aboriginal area:

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built Group: Farming and Grazing Category: Homestead Complex

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: private dwelling

Former uses: Homestead complex, pastoral run and Cobb and Co. change station with stables

Endorsed significance: Assessed significance: State

Statement of This place is historically significant locally and to the State because of its long history as an important pastoral significance: property. It is associated with early explorer and pastoralist William Lawson in that it provided some of his very early grazing country, (1840s) and later with James Francis Plunkett, from Ireland (1860s), and later again with Lamb and Roberts, and Duncan McMaster. There are a number of buildings making up the complex which demonstrate the various periods of ownership. Among the buildings of the complex includes stables that served as part of a changing station on the Cobb & Co. run in the late 1870s from Gulgong to Denison Town via Barney's Reef.

> The main homestead is significant aesthetically, as a fine example of an earlier homestead with extensive Federation period alterations constructed from stone for E. J. Lowe in 1907.

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Historical notes There is no doubt that the herds of William Lawson, the explorer and pastoralist, were grazing upon the lands in of provenance: the vicinity of the present Birriwa Homestead in the early 1820's. Alan Cunningham after his discovery of Pandora Pass and on his return to Bathurst recorded in his diary that he stayed at one of Lawson's Hut at Craboon, which is a little north from Birriwa. Mainly due to the shortage of funds for the employment of surveyors, many had to wait years until freehold or leasehold title was granted over their occupational area. Lawson had to wait until the 1840's until he was officially granted a pre-lease of 640 acres over land in the vicinity of what later became the Birriwa Homestead area.

> The next known owner was James Francis Plunkett (1825-1911) who was born in Rosscommon, Ireland, and arrived in Sydney in 1841. In 1849 he traveled to California and on his return was ship-wrecked on one of the Fijian Islands. Finally arriving in Australia he purchased the Birriwa run which was then know as 'Billaroy'. The size of Plunkett's holding increased in 1865 with a selection of 320 acres, made up of eight 40 acre blocks. At the same time the Plunkett family leased an additional 690 acres, of land adjoining the original blocks, and possibly obtained occupational rights to nearby crown lands. The Plunketts built the present Birriwa Station shearing shed, which is a substantial structure of pit sawn slabs.

> The Plunkett family failed to prosper and between 1872 and 1874 sold to John de Villiers Lamb and Phineas Roberts. Birriwa Station was consolidated by Lamb and Roberts, who added an additional 720 acres thus substantially increasing the amount of further country they could lease from the Crown. At the time purchasers of freehold land could lease additional land up to a maximum of three times the acreage of the existing holding. A large dam was constructed on the property by seventy Chinese working with pick, shovel and wheel borrow. The dam was used to provide water to a sheep wash. A survey plan of part of the station records sheep yards, three huts, overflow drain, sweating yards, soak pit, engine shed, tanks and spouting, pump, iron room, fencing, excavations, dam etc. Roberts had 4 shepherd huts on the Station.

Duncan McMaster purchased Birriwa Station in 1883 - Later it was passed to his son-in-law E. J. Lowe. Duncan was also, at a time the owner of Oban Station at Coolah and Dalkeith Station at Cassilis.

Maurice Hennessy, "Old Ned' writing in the Mudgee Guardian of 17th September, 1908, states: "Putting up for the night at Mr. J. Bakers comfortable hotel at Birriwa, I had the opportunity of looking over Mr. E.J. Lowe's recently erected stone mansion, which is certainly a magnificent building. Erected according to most modem designs, the material used is a beautiful coloured stone procured on the Bolaro holding. The ceiling is of Wunderlich and certainly looks well. The walls are elevated, the roof spacious and well ventilated. Everything in connection with Birriwa Homestead is up to date. Mr. Bennett of Gulgong was his own architect, and erected a building that reflects credit upon him."

The foundation stone for the homestead was laid by the contractor M. H. Bennett on 23rd December, 1907. At the foundation stone ceremony he presented Mrs. Lowe with a silver trowel and allowed her the honours of setting the stone. A bottle containing a number of coins and documents was placed in a cavity of the stone (Mudgee Guardian, 2 January, 1908). The Lowe family motto 'Do right and fear not' was inscribed on the front tower during construction. James Wildman was the stone mason. At the same time Mr. Bennett had a contract for the construction of a new hospital at Coolah.

Like previous owners Lowe continued to expand the area of Birriwa Station. He acquired holdings on the western side of the Tucklan Valley. The outstation of Lowe's land was built on the well known Cranbourne property. Thus Lowe's land stretched from a point on the Talbragar, just east of Cobbora to the headwaters of Tucklan Creek, about 15 miles away. To prevent his stock straying into the timbered hills on the western side he constructed fences five miles long.

Arthur Stacey, son-in-law of E.J. Lowe, leased Birriwa Station from 1920 to 1927, when it was purchased by L.B. Coward and in 1962 sold onto the Leonard family. Since then portions have been sold that the Birriwa Homestead now stands on 70 acres (28.33 hectares) a far cry from the many thousand of acres its occupiers controlled around the late eighteen hundreds.

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> In 1879 Cobb & Co.'s mail contract took them past Birriwa Station which still contains the stables buildings: The run was Gulgong to Denison Town, Coolah via Barney's Reef, twice a week for 130 pounds per annum.

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

3. Economy Pastoralism 9. Phases of Life Persons

4. Settlement Accommodation

3. Economy **Transport**

Designer: M. H. Bennett

Builder: M. H. Bennett of Gulgong for the Federation Stone house section (1907) James Wildman stonemason

Year started: 1850 Year completed: 1907 Circa: Yes

Physical description: Birriwa homestead consists of a varied and interesting group of buildings. A central dressed and dimensioned stone house fronts towards the original road way, now missing. It presents a formal Victorian façade to the entrance gates which are flanked by tall palm trees. Immediately inside the gateway a gravel drive circles a stand of six palm trees. The house has a large multi hipped roof clad in corrugated iron, painted red, and verandah along the full width of the front façade which step outwards to follow the outline of the two broad bays each side of the entry pele, or small tower, which announces the entrance door. The verandah is supported on decorative timber columns with timber capital mouldings and shaped timber brackets. The verandah valance consists of turned timber spindles.

> Other buildings that stand nearby include: a timber weatherboard former hall and church (c.1880s and later used as a ball room) with a hipped gable roof clad in corrugated iron: a stone walled outbuilding formerly containing engine room, meat house, driver's quarters; and a corrugated iron clad former stables building containing horse stalls, carriage room and tack room. These stables are remnants of the Cobb & Co changing station where horses were stabled and changed when the coach passed from Barney's Reef on its way to Denison Town and Coolah from Gulgong.

Physical condition

Physical condition: Varies from poor to excellent.

Archaeological potential level:

Archaeological potential Detail:

Modification dates: The 1907 homestead is an addition to an earlier home, part of which is still retained as the kitchen wing (c.1850s-60s). The maids quarters, between the homestead and the stables on the western side, may also date from this earlier period.

- Stangers rooms, at the southern rear wing, may date from the 1880s-90s.
- Two car garage adjoining the western end of strangers room wing, built c.1930s

Recommended - Continue to maintain building in good order.

management: - It is recommended that this building should be placed on the NSW State Heritage Register.

- At some time have drawn up a Conservation Management Plan (CMP) or Conservation Management Strategy (CMS). For places of State significance, monetary assistance is available for this work. Speak to the local
- The curtilage or setting of this building for purposes of listing where applicable, shall be taken as being the Homestead, the outbuildings as described and an appropriate area around the homestead complex.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

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Criteria a): Birriwa homestead is associated with early pastoral exploration in the region. Includes association with Cobb &

[Historical Co. as a change station in 1879.

significance|

Criteria b): Important association with pastoralists: William Lawson, McMaster family and the Lowe family.

[Historical

association

significance]

Criteria c): Outstanding early Federation period and style stone homestead constructed in 1907. The buildings represent

[Aesthetic/ agricultural building styles and types of the late Nineteenth to early Twentieth Century.

Technical

significance]

Criteria d): [Social/Cultural

significance

Criteria e): Exceptional collection of buildings demonstrating many purposes and styles of life from the mid Nineteenth to

[Research early Twentieth Century.

significance]

Criteria f):

[Rarity]

Criteria g): Birriwa is representative of the grander homestead complexes of the late Nineteenth to early Twentieth Century.

[Representative]

Intactness/Integrity: High level of integrity

References: Author Title Year

Lorraine Cluff, Margaret Jackson and "Birriwa - A District History" 1988

Anne watts, Graham and Debbie Robii Tales of Tucklan and the Stringy Bark Goldfields 1993

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Caption: Stone outbuilding to the rear of Birriwa Homestead

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Caption: Birriwa Homestead, former church and ballroom

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Caption: Birriwa Homestead, outbuilding formerly containing engine room, meat room and driver's

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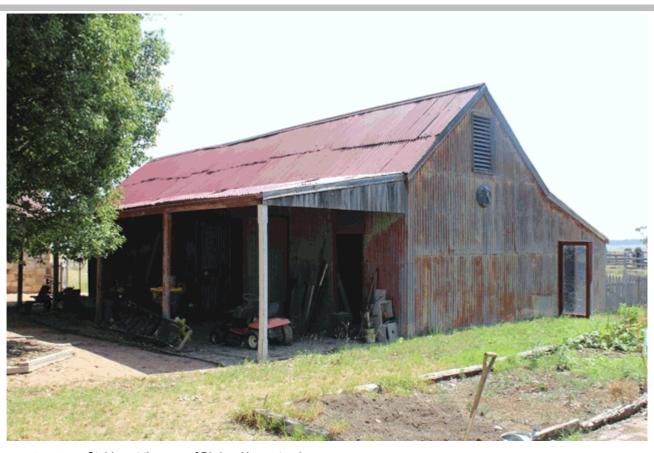
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Caption: Stables at the rear of Birriwa Homestead

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Caption: Sawn timber paving blocks within the horse stalls of the stables

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Item name: Bomera Homestead Group

Location: 8063 Black Stump Way Bomera 2381 Warrumbungle

Address: 8063 Black Stump Way Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Bomera 2381

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Bomera

State: NSW County: Pottinger

Other/former names:

Area/group/complex: Group ID:

Aboriginal area: Gamilaroi

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built **Group:** Farming and Grazing Category: Homestead Complex

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Pastoral station Former uses: Pastoral station

Assessed significance: Local **Endorsed significance:**

Statement of Bomera has direct associations with the early settlement of the Coonabarabran district. The property also significance: demonstrates the phases of development of pastoral properties associated with changes in land tenure and the prosperity of the wool industry. The property has direct associations with former convict, innkeeper and pastoralist James Hale, former property owner and benefactor of the Presbyterian Church John Henderson and bush balladeer Duke Tritton. The property employed a Chinese gardener and has demonstrated associations with the role of Chinese settlers in the area. Bomera consists of a relatively intact collection of pastoral structures demonstrating the evolution of a rural property. The buildings represent rural building styles of the period 1860 to the 1990s.

> The Bomera homestead group is considered to have a high level of local historical, historical association, aesthetic and technical/research significance, and representativeness. It is has a moderate level of social significance, rarity and integrity.

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Historical notes Bomera was taken up in the 1833 by James Hale, an ex-convict who appears to have prospered under the of provenance: patronage of William Cox and Sir John Jamison. He originally took up Tarawinda, immediately to the east of Ulamambri and also held Booballa (later Uliman) and Bundalla. Hale was apparently one of the first to apply for a licence to depasture stock beyond the limits of the colony in 1837.

Pickette and Campbell gave the following account of Hale's life:

Hale was born in Monmouth, England in 1795. At the age of twenty he was sentenced to seven years transportation for stealing goods from a parson. He arrived on the 'Manner' in 1816. After obtaining his ticket of leave, he worked for William Cox as an overseer... He became a successful and respected contractor to the Government for the supply of stores, firewood and cartage for the local survey parties at Windsor. Already he had 60 acres of land. Within three years he increased his holding to 2,000 acres. (Pickette & Campbell 1981:39)

In his return of 2 June 1839 Lands Commissioner Graham Hunter stated that 115 free men and 10 convicts were working on Bomera. The 1841 Census recorded 21 single males living at Bomera. All had arrived in the colony as convicts. At the time of the census 10 were free, two had tickets of leave and nine were privately assigned. 10 of these men were working as shepherds.

In 1845 a Mr. A. White was superintendent at Bomera and in the period from 1840 to 1860 William Clark managed the property. Clark is credited as being responsible for building many sheds on the property, including stores and a horse stud. He also built the homestead. After James Hale's retirement his son Samuel Hale managed Bomera. In 1862 ownership of the lease on Bomera passed to the grandsons of Hale's wife Mary, William and Andrew Town. In 1888 the property was purchased by James and John Henderson. John Henderson later purchased Uliman. According to local histories in 1900 the pair also owned 'Kentucky' in the Riverina. Some time between 1890 and 1907 Charles Henry James Henderson purchased Bomera. (Callan 2004:1)

In 1900 Bomera, then under the management of Donald McGillivray, consisted of 36,000 acres of freehold and 115,000 acres of leasehold land. The station carried 36,000 sheep and 3,500 cattle. In evidence put to a Parliamentary Standing Committee investigating the construction of a railway from Wellington to Werris Creek McGillivray claimed that the station had 20,000 acres suitable for the cultivation of wheat. (Callan 2004:2)

Between 1908 and 1913 Duncan Carson and Alfred Brown held title to the property. Alfred Brown died in 1910 and is buried on Bomera. In 1914 Duncan Carson purchased the property outright. He held the place until his death in 1931. The executors of his estate arranged a subdivision with an auction sale being held on 14 June 1934. Having been held at the height of the Great Depression the sale was presumably unsuccessful. (Callan

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1953-1956 Theodore Ray Hollingsworth and Godfrey Austin Jones

1958-1968 Stanley Earnest White

1968-2000 William Donald Deaton through Deaton Holdings Pty Ltd.

2000 Tony and Dee Sanders. Dee is William Donald Deaton's daughter. (Callan 2004:2)

When Harry Sowden was compiling his book on Australian Woolsheds in the late 1960s he photographed the interior of the woolshed at Bomera. He described the shed as deserted. Presumably shearing had ceased in the shed by this time. (Sowden 1972)

Bomera was a centre for European settlement from the 1830s and many stories have grown around the place. In his memoir, Time Means Tucker, former bush worker H. P. (Duke) Tritton recorded some aspects of life at Bomera in the early years of the 20th century. He noted that the Shearer's kitchen and mess hall were in the same building (this was adjacent to the homestead). Meals were served to shearers through a 'glory hole' a hole in the

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wall about 600x600mm. One of the managers of Bomera kept pigs that were allowed to forage along the Bomera Creek near the homestead during the day. Occasionally one would go missing. The manager blamed dogs. The shearers on these nights are 'Bomera Trout' – a delicacy caught in the creek near the homestead. (Tritton 1964)

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

3. Economy Pastoralism

Designer: Various **Builder:** Various

Year started: 1850 Year completed: 2005 Circa: Yes

Physical description: Bomera homestead group consists of a number of structures associated with a pastoral station that was first

settled by Europeans in the 1830s. Existing structures appear to have been built from the 1860s onwards. The

remaining structures are:

A substantial homestead constructed of split slabs and locally quarried sandstone,

A pigsty water tank stand

Weatherboard clad former gardener's cottage Weatherboard clad former blacksmith's shop A woolshed constructed in two stages

Physical condition

level:

Physical condition: The buildings are generally in good condition with care being taken to maintain roofs. The homestead has been

fully restored by its current owners.

The area surrounding the buildings is considered to have moderate archaeological potential and building

sub-floor areas are considered to have high archaeological potential.

Archaeological potential level:

Archaeological potential Detail:

Modification dates: Extension of woolshed early 20th century

Extension & modification of homestead 1860s to 1970s

Modification of the woolshed after abandonment of shearing prior to 1972

Restoration & reconstruction of homestead 2003-2005

Recommended The ongoing management of the buildings should focus on maintenance of the existing fabric to ensure that it is

management: weatherproof and free of destructive pests. Replacement of building fabric, if required, should be undertaken

with elements of matching materials and profiles.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

Criteria a): Bomera has direct associations with the early settlement of the Coonabarabran district. The property also

[Historical demonstrates the phases of development of pastoral properties associated with changes in land tenure and the

significance] prosperity of the wool industry. It has a high level of local historical significance.

Criteria b): Bomera has direct associations with former convict, innkeeper and pastoralist James Hale, former property

[Historical] owner and benefactor of the Presbyterian Church John Henderson and bush balladeer Duke Tritton. The

association property employed a Chinese gardener and has demonstrated associations with the role of Chinese settlers in the

significance] area. It is considered to have a high level of local historical association significance.

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Sitting on the banks of Bomera Creek and beside Black Stump Way Bomera consists of a relatively intact [Aesthetic/ collection of pastoral structures demonstrating the evolution of a rural property. The buildings represent rural Technical building styles of the period 1860 to the 1990s. This group of buildings has a high level of local aesthetic

significance| significance.

Criteria d): Stories related to Bomera have been recorded in a number of accounts of rural life in New South Wales. The [Social/Cultural place is considered to have a moderate level of local social significance.

significance]

Criteria e): The principal buildings of Bomera, including the homestead and woolshed, were constructed in the 19th century and modified in the 20th. They are able to provide information on vernacular building techniques over an **significance**] extended period of time and are considered to have a high level of local technical/research significance.

The Bomera homestead group is a reasonably intact collection of pastoral buildings and service structures. The [Rarity] place is considered to have a moderate local level of rarity.

Criteria g): The Bomera homestead group is representative of home station assemblages developed in the late 19th and early [Representative] 20th centuries. It has a high level of local significance in this regard.

Intactness/Integrity: The Bomera homestead group has a moderate level of integrity.

Sowden, H.

References: Author Title Year

Triton, H. P. (Duke) Time Means Tucker 1964 Pickette, J. & Campbell, M. Coonabarabran as it was in the beginning 1983

Cameron, R. The Little Village with the Big Heart Callan, J. Bomera Station 2004

Australian Woolsheds Title Number Studies: Author Year

Ray Christison Coonabarabran Shire (former) Heritage Study 2006

Parcels: Parcel code Lot number Section number Plan code Plan number

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Heritage study

Data entry: Data first entered: 07/06/2007 Data updated: 08/10/2018 Status: Completed

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Caption: Bomera Homestead, looking west, c.2006

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Caption: Bomera woolshed, looking north, c.2006

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Caption: Bomera woolshed, looking south east, c.2006

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Caption: Bomera gardener's hut, looking south towards the homestead, c.2006

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SHI number 1391142 Study number

Item name: Bomera Private Cemetery

Location: Black Stump Way Bomera 2381 Warrumbungle

Address: Black Stump Way Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Bomera 2381

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Bomera

State: NSW County: Pottinger

Other/former names:

Area/group/complex: Group ID:

Aboriginal area:

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Complex / Group Group: Cemeteries and Burial Sites Category: Cemetery/Graveyard/Burial Ground

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Private cemetery

Former uses: Private cemetery

Assessed significance: Local Endorsed significance:

Statement of Bomera cemetery is part of the infrastructure of Bomera Station. The cemetery contains the remains of various **significance:** occupants of Bomera and others who have died in the area. It represents important aspects of the development of

the region.

The site has a moderate level of local historical, historical association, aesthetic and technical/research significance. It also has a moderate local level of representativeness and a high level of integrity.

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Item name: Bomera Private Cemetery

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The cemetery on the eastern side of Black Stump Way contains the remains of a number of people who lived and worked on Bomera. Among these is the grave of Daniel Mason, a native of Madras, East India who was accidentally killed on 6 November 1872, aged 54 years. (Cameron 98)

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

9. Phases of Life Birth and Death

Designer: Unknown **Builder:** Various

Year started: 1850 Year completed: 1900 Circa: Yes

Physical description: Bomera Cemetery sits within a fenced area located beside the eastern side of the road reserve of Black Stump Way. It is adjacent to bush and pastureland and overlooks Bomera Creek which is on the other side of the road.

> The cemetery is fenced with a white painted post and rail fence with access obtained through a single steel tube and woven wire gate. A number of well-ordered and well preserved headstones are located within the enclosed space. These are made from sandstone or marble. It appears that other burials are included within the cemetery.

Physical condition

level:

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Item name: Bomera Private Cemetery

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Physical condition: The cemetery and its headstones are in very good condition.

The site has high archaeological potential.

Archaeological potential level:

Archaeological potential Detail:
Modification dates:

Recommended It is recognised that the site is extremely fragile and subject to damage from bushfire or vandals. The ongoing

management: management of the graves should focus on maintenance of the existing fabric to ensure that the site is cleared of

vegetation to minimise the impact of fires. The fence around the graves should be maintained.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

Criteria a): Bomera cemetery is part of the infrastructure of Bomera Station. The cemetery contains the remains of various occupants of Bomera and others who have died in the area. It represents important aspects of the development

significance] of the region. It has a moderate level of local historical significance.

Criteria b): The site has associations with various owners and managers of Bomera. It has a moderate level of local

[Historical historical association significance.

association significance

Criteria c): Bomera cemetery is set beside Black Stump Way overlooking Bomera Creek. With its white post and rail fence

[Aesthetic/ and setting it has a moderate level of local aesthetic significance.

Technical significance

Criteria d): Bomera cemetery has little social significance.

[Social/Cultural significance]

Criteria e): The site may have some archaeological potential and is considered to have a moderate local level of

[Research technical/research significance.

significance]

Criteria f): Bomera cemetery is among many isolated graves in the region. It is considered to have a low level of rarity.

[Rarity]

Criteria g): Bomera cemetery is representative of the early places of burial of many early European settlers in the **[Representative]** Coonabarabran region. The place is considered to have a moderate level of representativeness.

Intactness/Integrity: The place has a high level of integrity.

References: Author Title Year

Pickette, J. & Campbell, M. Coonabarabran as it was in the beginning 1983

Cameron, R. The Little Village with the Big Heart

Callan, J. Bomera Station 2004

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Studies: Author Title Number Year

Ray Christison Coonabarabran Shire (former) Heritage Study 2006

Parcels: Parcel code Lot number Section number Plan code Plan number

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Location validity: Spatial accuracy:

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Caption: Bomera Private Cemetery viewed from the east, c.2006

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SHI number 1391143 Study number

Item name: Borah Creek Hall

Location: Borah Creek Road Rocky Glen 2357 Warrumbungle

Address: Borah Creek Road Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Rocky Glen 2357

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Borah

State: NSW County: White

Other/former names:

Group ID: Area/group/complex:

Aboriginal area: Gamilaroi

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built **Group:** Community Facilities Category: Hall Public

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Public Hall Former uses: Public Hall

Assessed significance: Local **Endorsed significance:**

Statement of As a former Agricultural Bureau hall the Borah Creek Hall has associations with the development of the significance: agricultural industry of the Borah Creek and Rocky Glen areas. It is also symbolic of the soldier settler

development that occurred in the Borah Creek area after World War I.

The Borah Creek Hall has a high level of local social significance and integrity. It also has a moderate level of

local historical, historical association and aesthetic significance.

Historical notes Borah Creek Hall was built as an Agricultural Bureau Hall in 1939. It was paid for by the New South Wales of provenance: Agricultural Bureau and local subscription and opened on 26 October 1939. To raise money for the construction of the hall the local community held dances, races and raffles. The timber frame and rusticated weatherboards were milled locally by local sawmillers George Alfred and Charles Terry.

> After construction it was the only community facility in the area and was the principal local venue for meetings and social functions. (Toynton 2005)

The hall continues to be actively managed, used and improved by the local community.

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

> 3. Economy Agriculture

Designer: Unknown

Builder: Agricultural Bureau and local residents.

Circa: Yes Year started: 1939 Year completed: 1939

Physical description: The Borah Creek Hall is a small timber-framed, weatherboard clad structure with a gable roof clad in corrugated

iron. A skillion roofed wing on the southern side of the hall includes kitchen facilities.

The timber frame and rusticated weatherboards were milled locally by local sawmillers George Alfred and

Charles Terry.

Physical condition

Physical condition: The property and its structures are generally in very good condition and are well maintained.

The site is considered to have low archaeological potential.

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Item name: Borah Creek Hall

Location: Borah Creek Road Rocky Glen 2357 Warrumbungle

Archaeological potential level:
Archaeological

potential Detail:

Modification dates: Internal lining of the hall.

Construction of brick & concrete front steps and side access ramp.

Verandah added on northern side, c.2010s.

Original timber framed double hung windows replaced with aluminium framed windows, c.2010s.

Recommended The Borah Creek Hall should be managed as a functioning community hall. The ongoing management of the **management:** building should focus on maintenance of the existing fabric to ensure that the hall is weatherproof and free of

destructive pests. Replacement of building fabric, if required, should be undertaken with elements of matching

materials and profiles.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

Criteria a): The Borah Creek Hall has a moderate level of historical significance at a local level. It is symbolic of the soldier

[Historical settler development that occurred in the Borah Creek area after World War I.

significance]

Criteria b): As a former Agricultural Bureau hall the Borah Creek Hall has associations with the development of the **[Historical** agricultural industry of the Borah Creek and Rocky Glen areas. It has moderate local historical association

association significance.

significance]

Criteria c): The hall has a moderate level of local aesthetic significance as a community-built public structure that was

[Aesthetic/ constructed from locally milled materials.

Technical

significance]

Criteria d): The Borah Creek Hall has a high level of social significance at a local level. It has been the focus of activity for sample of social significance at a local level. It has been the focus of activity for sample of social significance at a local level. It has been the focus of activity for sample of social significance at a local level. It has been the focus of activity for sample of social significance at a local level. It has been the focus of activity for sample of social significance at a local level. It has been the focus of activity for sample of social significance at a local level. It has been the focus of activity for sample of social significance at a local level.

[Social/Cultural the Borah Creek community for almost 80 years and has hosted numerous community celebrations. The hall significance continues to have an active management committee with a vision to ensure its ongoing role as a centre for

community.

Criteria e): The Borah Creek Hall has little technical/research significance.

[Research

significance]

Criteria f): The hall has a moderate level of rarity. It has managed to retain its intended function as a community hub

[Rarity] throughout its life, and continues to provide a venue for community events.

Criteria g):

[Representative]

Intactness/Integrity: The Borah Creek Hall retains a high degree of integrity.

References: Author Title Year

Toynton, D & J Heritage Identification Form -Borah Creek Hall and Reserve 2005

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Studies: Author Title Number Year

Ray Christison Coonabarabran Shire (former) Heritage Study 2006
Peter Duggan Warrumbungle Shire Community Based Heritage Study 2018

Parcels: Parcel code Lot number Section number Plan code Plan number

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Latitude: -31.070262 **Longitude:** 149.554485

Location validity: Spatial accuracy:

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Item name: Borah Creek Hall

Location: Borah Creek Road Rocky Glen 2357 Warrumbungle

Image:



Caption: Borah Creek Hall, view looking south east

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Study number

Item name: Bowenbung

Location: 571 Bong Bong Road Coolah 2843 Warrumbungle

Address: 571 Bong Bong Road Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Coolah 2843

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish:

State: NSW County:

Other/former names:

Area/group/complex: Group ID:

Aboriginal area:

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built Group: Residential buildings (private) Category: Cottage

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Private residence.

Former uses: Sheep and cropping property / residence.

Assessed significance: Local Endorsed significance:

Statement of The cottage on Bowenbung is historically important as a modest but good example of a self-built, vernacular, **significance:** timber slab building. It demonstrates the modest lifestyle and living conditions of small scale farmers in the

district during the early to mid Twentieth Century.

Historical notes The property Bowenbung consists of two settlers blocks of 40 acres each and was originally granted to two Niall

of provenance: brothers who came out from Ireland. A small iron bark cottage was erected at the northern end of the creek flat. There is no sign of this cottage now, however pottery shards can be easily found in the soil near the location. Catherine Scheimer, a direct descendant of one of the Niall brothers married Cyril Ryan and they built the current cottage known as Bowenbung in about 1930 from timber from the land. The Ryans had eight children who were raised in the two bedroom cottage. The property was used to run sheep and grow crops such as wheat and watermelons. The Ryans also grew vegetables which they bartered for goods from others and sold in town. The property passed into the hands of Michael Scheimer, nephew of Catherine Ryan in the late 1970s. The cottage was inhabited temporarily and roughly maintained until 2007 when Bowenbung was purchased by the

current owner.

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

4. Settlement Accommodation
3. Economy Agriculture

Designer:

Builder: Cyril Ryan

Year started: Year completed: 1930 Circa: Yes

Physical description: A small ironbark slab cottage with a low pitched gabled roof clad in corrugated iron and wrap-around verandah

to the rear. The cottage is constructed of vertical timber slabs fitted into a framework of posts and top and bottom plates with some walls clad in corrugated iron, laid vertically. Inside the walls are variously vertical, timber slabs or horizontally laid rough sawn boards. The bedroom and kitchen have skillion ceilings clad in 'mini-orb' and pressed metal respectively, the sitting room and rear bedroom have tent form ceilings clad in a reeded pressed metal ceiling. Evidence of some walls were previously papered exists in the bedrooms. There is a later brick

alcove to the kitchen and later brick chimney to the sitting room. Floors are timber boarded.

The verandah posts, beams and rafters are constructed of black pine bush poles with painted timber decking.

Physical condition Good

level:

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Study number

Item name: Bowenbung

Location: 571 Bong Bong Road Coolah 2843 Warrumbungle

Physical condition:

Archaeological

potential level:

Archaeological

potential Detail:

Modification dates:

Recommended - Continue to maintain building in good order.

management: - The curtilage or setting of this building shall be taken as being the place as described and an area of 20 metres

around it.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

Criteria a): The cottage on Bowenburg is historically important as it demonstrates the modest lifestyle and living conditions

[Historical of small scale farmers in the district during the early to mid Twentieth Century.

significance]

Criteria b): Bowenbung is associated with Cyril Ryan and Catherine Ryan (nee Scheimer), who constructed and raised a

[Historical family of eight children in the cottage in the 1930s.

association

significance]

Criteria c):

[Aesthetic/

Technical

significance]

Criteria d):

[Social/Cultural

significance]

Criteria e): The cottage on Bowenbung is able to demonstrate the construction methods of rural cottages.

[Research

significance]

Criteria f): The cottage is a rare, highly intact self-built cottage from the 1930s.

[Rarity]

Criteria g):

[Representative]

Intactness/Integrity: High level of intactness

References: Author Title Year

Studies: Author Title Number Year

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Item name: Bowenbung

Location: 571 Bong Bong Road Coolah 2843 Warrumbungle

Parcels: Parcel code Lot number Section number Plan code Plan number

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Latitude: -31.927925 **Longitude:** 149.614079

Location validity: Spatial accuracy:

Map name: Map scale:

AMG zone: Easting: Northing:

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Data entry: Data first entered: 05/10/2018 Data updated: 03/11/2018 Status: Completed

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Item name: Bowenbung

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Image:



Caption: Bowenbung, view looking north at cottage

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Location: 571 Bong Bong Road Coolah 2843 Warrumbungle



Caption: Bowenbung, view of cottage looking south

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Item name: Bracken's Hut

Location: Hildegarde Road Coolah Tops National Park Coolah 2843 Warrumbungle

Address: Hildegarde Road Coolah Tops National Park Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Coolah 2843

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Warung

State: NSW County: Bligh

Other/former names:

Area/group/complex: Group ID:

Aboriginal area: Gamilaroi

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built Group: Forestry and Timber Industry Category: Forestry camp/settlement/housing

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Accommodation - overnight

Former uses: Shepherds Hut

Assessed significance: Local Endorsed significance:

Statement of An isolated mountain cottage demonstrating in style, materials and size the life style typical of early settlers in

significance: remote areas.

Together with other huts on the mountain, it represent a collection of buildings that display considerable architectural variety in materials used and construction techniques.

It forms part of a rare hut group on NPWS land in NSW.

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Historical notes Bracken's Hut was built and still stands near to the Hildegarde Road and close to Norfolk Island Creek where the of provenance: Norfolk Island Swamp wetlands begin. It was constructed by James Hamilton Traill of Tuwinga Station which was situated on upper Coxs Creek. The hut was built for the purpose of housing his herdsman William Bracken and family. Mr. Traill at the time owned the adjoining 40 acres of freehold land, which contains another hut that later became known as 'The Potato Hut'. The area surrounding both huts was part of the Warung State Forest. Mr. Traill initially leased the Bracken's Hut 40 acres section from the Lands Department as an improvement lease until it became absorbed in his overall grazing lease from the Forestry Commission which ran from 1917 to 1972.

> James Hamilton Traill, was the youngest son of Arthur and Mia Traill. In August, 1914, he enlisted in the 1st Light Horse Regiment of the Australian Imperial Forces, and served in Palestine in the Camel Corps. In October 1917 he was attached to the 67th Squadron of the Australian Flying Corps, where he came into contact with T.E. Shaw, better known as Colonel T.E. Lawrence or Lawrence of Arabia. Later in 1918 he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for gallantry in flying operations against the enemy. Six years after the war, he with William Windeyer, established the Tuwinga Stud, selecting 150 ewes from the Collaroy Company near Cassilis. He had two sons James and Cecil, and before acquiring properties of their own, both assisted their father at Tuwinga and lands on the Coolah Tops. When 'J. H.' died he was buried on Tuwinga below Pulpit Rock. Many of the Aboriginals from Caroona who had worked on his property assisted in the digging of his grave, and then held their own service for him afterwards. As a mark of respect ex Wing Commander 'Chad' Martin D.S.O. D.F.C. of Sherwood Station in the Turee Vale Valley flew over the burial service at the grave and dropped a wreath from his aircraft.

> The Traill's leased area was worked in conjunction with Tuwinga and the sheep, sometimes totalled 3,000 head, were walked onto the Coolah Tops by men on horses from the Coxs Creek valley arriving in October. The sheep would then spend the next five to six months grazing on grasses and herbs of the swamps and forest under storey. A muster would generally be done before the end of March, when all the sheep were taken back down the valley to be shorn. The leased area was well watered as it possessed four streams and four swamps, that were never completely dry. The only difficulty of the area was the winter which bought extreme cold weather, frosts and usually an annual fall of snow for a short period. Thus there was little grass for adequate grazing during this period of the year.

Bracken's Hut was built in 1937 by Charlie Elsley from Spring Ridge, a jack of all trades, who was engaged by the Traill family for the construction of various station buildings. He died in Tamworth in March 1965 on his 84th birthday. All the corrugated iron for the building was brought on the site by pack horses which involved a rather steep climb out of Coxs Creek onto the Tops. It is interesting to note that the iron sheets were short in length as it was not practicable for greater lengths than six feet on a pack horse through the swamp and scrubby country along the bridle tack that lead up from the home station. The hut, which acted as an outstation to Tuwinga, was connected to the homestead in 1939 by a single telephone line.

The hut contained two bedrooms, a kitchen-dining room with a large fire place, a bath-laundry room, a large open verandah with an outside pit toilet. Household water supply came from a corrugated iron tank and a well near Norfolk Island Creek. Near the hut was a shed with an attached horse stable and yard. Bill Bracken, his wife Jossie, who was born in England, and three children lived in the hut for no less than 11 years into the late 1940s. The Brackens had a small herd of jersey cows for milk and meat. They also kept a bull and chickens and grew their own vegetables. The fruit trees behind the hut were grown by Mr. Traill. When Billy Bracken left the Tops he worked for a time on Gundare station and then lived in another corrugated iron house at the corner of Scully and Martin Streets, Coolah. He passed away in December, 1949, aged 59 years. Mr. Vesta Rose, who worked on a adjoining property for many years, says that Bill Bracken was a competent fiddle player. It was not unusual for persons who lived in an isolated area to counter the boredom they generally learnt to play a musical instrument.

Following Bill Bracken, Jack Breen and his wife lived there for a few years in the early 1950s. From this time on the hut was not permanently occupied. However, it was used for weeks at a time when mustering took place or fencing was being completed. Just prior to Tuwinga being sold the Traills relinquished their 6040 acres (2444 hectares) lease which was then acquired by Peter Duncan Smith of 'The Tops' property and held until 1980 when

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a lesser area was transferred to Dunbier Pastoral Pty. Ltd. of Coolah.

Even prior to the land being gazetted as a State Forest in 1917 there was always a keen demand from adjoining owners to lease the land in the vicinity of Bracken's Hut, because of the permanent water supply. James Patrick Tuckey who was born at Turill in 1899, related that prior to 1917 William McBeth and 'Bole' Randall drove 4,000 sheep from Coolah along the Turee Vale Bridle Track for six months pasturing near Norfolk Island Creek Swamp. At the same time Harry Bolton of Coolah, was caring for several hundred head of cattle nearby as extremely dry conditions were being experienced in the Coolah Valley.

By 1996 the hut was suffering badly from years of neglect and vandalism which prompted the National Parks and Wildlife Service to undertake a program of restoration and maintenance. Using handcrafted timbers, bush carpentry techniques and second hand materials the aim was to return the hut to (as close as possible) its original state. The restoration was completed in March 1999. Its restoration allows the hut to be rented from the Service for overnight stays. Bracken's daughters, Joyce and Dorothy, visited their old home late in 1999 and they were delighted to see that good care had been taken of the building where they had spent their youth. Their brother Kelvin had passed away some years earlier.

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

3. Economy Pastoralism5. Working Labour

4. Settlement Accommodation

Designer:

Builder: Bill Bracken

Year started: Year completed: Circa: No

Physical description: Bracken's Hut is located in open grassland close by the Norfolk Island Creek, in sight of Traill's hut. It is a

relatively well appointed 'hut', a timber framed building with walls and a gabled roof clad in corrugated iron and containing four rooms and a verandah on its eastern side. Outbuildings include stables and toilet, and an orchard.

Physical condition

level:

Physical condition: Very Good

Archaeological potential level:
Archaeological potential Detail:

Modification dates: Restored by NPWS in 1998

Recommended - Continue to maintain building in good order.

management: - The curtilage or setting of this place or building that this refers to, for purposes of listing where applicable shall

be taken as being the place as described and an area of 50 metres around it.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

Criteria a): [Historical significance]

Criteria b): [Historical association significance]

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Criteria c): Bracken's Hut is a modest but good example of a remotely located bush crafted structure.

[Aesthetic/

Technical

significance]

Criteria d):

[Social/Cultural significance]

Criteria e):

[Research significance]

Criteria f):

[Rarity]

Criteria g):

[Representative]

Intactness/Integrity:

References: Author Title Year

Roy Cameron A local history of the Coolah Tops National Park 1993

Studies: Author Title Number Year

Hickson & Cameron Coolah Shire Community Based Heritage Study Heritage Day 7 2004

Peter Duggan Warrumbungle Shire Community Based Heritage Study 2018

Parcels: Parcel code Lot number Section number Plan code Plan number

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Heritage study 08/09/2005

Data entry: Data first entered: 16/11/2004 Data updated: 09/10/2018 Status: Completed

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Caption: Brackens Hut - in the Coolah Tops National Park.

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Caption: Bracken's Hut - Coolah Tops National Park.

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Caption: Front view of Bracken's Hut

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Caption: Bracken's Hut - side view

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Caption: Bracken's Hut, view looking north west

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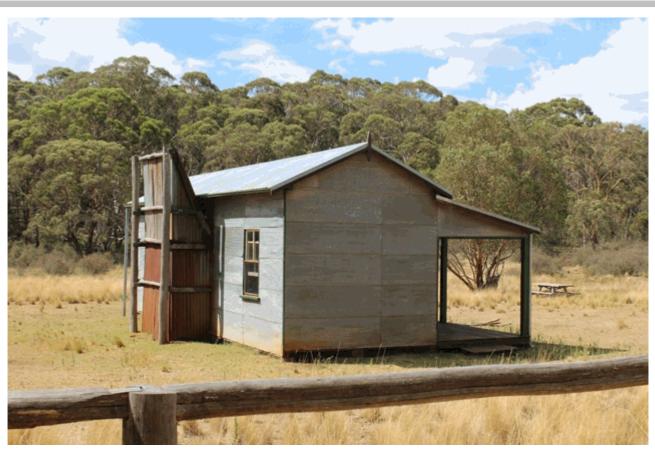
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Caption: Bracken's Hut, view looking north east to the rear of the hut

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SHI number 1391145
Study number

Item name: Bugaldie Church Cemetery

Location: Guinema Goorianawa Road Bugaldie 2357 Warrumbungle

Address: Guinema Goorianawa Road Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Bugaldie 2357

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Bugaldie

State: NSW County: Baradine

Other/former names:

Area/group/complex: Group ID:

Aboriginal area: Gamilaroi

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Complex / Group Group: Cemeteries and Burial Sites Category: Cemetery/Graveyard/Burial Ground

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Cemetery

Former uses: Cemetery

Assessed significance: Local Endorsed significance:

Statement of The Bugaldie Church Cemetery is an important element of the village of Bugaldie. It has been in use since at **significance:** least the 1890s and has associations with persons who played a role in the development of the Bugaldie area.

The cemetery is a Victorian cemetery that contains a number of high quality gravestones and memorials, as well as more vernacular grave markings. It has a high level of local historical association and technical/research significance, rarity and representativeness. It also has a moderate level of historical, aesthetic and social

significance, and integrity.

Historical notes The earliest dated internment in the Bugaldie Church Cemetery is dated October 1896. All known internments

of provenance: are as follows:

William Henry Munns, died 17 October 1896 aged 64

Emily Munns, died 2 May 1899 aged 67 Alexander Smith, died 28 January 1902 aged 63

Sarah Nash, died 3 June 1906 aged 65 James Nash, died 31 December 1907 aged 64

Miriam Beatone, wife of Neil Featherstone died 11 October 1914 aged 44 Ann Smith (wife of Alexander Smith), died 7 August 1919 aged 80 years

Lily C. Magann, died 23 October 1924 aged 59 Hannah Emily Edwards, died 21 April 1925 aged 63

Hilda Grace Taylor, died 29 April 1928 aged 33 years. Hilda is buried alongside baby Ross Taylor

John Lawrence Munns, died 28 March 1934 aged 51

George Cooper died early 1930s

The Smiths interred in this cemetery were relatives of the Munns family. The Taylor family owned a number of farming properties around Bugaldie in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

The cemetery appears to be associated with the former Bugaldie Catholic Church. This church is located to the west of the cemetery.

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

9. Phases of Life Birth and Death

Designer: Unknown **Builder:** Various

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Item name: Bugaldie Church Cemetery

Location: Guinema Goorianawa Road Bugaldie 2357 Warrumbungle

Year started: 1886 Year completed: Circa: Yes

Physical description: The Bugaldie Church Cemetery contains approximately 18 burials. It is located immediately adjacent to the road

that leads to Chalk Mountain. The site contains scattered remnant eucalypts and a number of introduced species of plants. A small section on the southern boundary is separately fenced and contains two graves that are marked

by concrete discs and concrete surrounds.

Most of the graves within the cemetery are made of white marble. A number of headstones were carved by W.

Larcombe of Dubbo. In the southern part of the cemetery is a stone cairn, This grave features a written

inscription within a glass jar. A possible additional burial plot is marked by three posts.

Physical condition

Physical condition: The cemetery grounds have been maintained in good condition following Council custodianship. It has high

archaeological potential.

Archaeological potential level:

Archaeological potential Detail: **Modification dates:**

Recommended - The cemetery should be managed in a way that ensures its ongoing structural and aesthetic integrity.

management: - The National Trust guidelines for the management of historic cemeteries should be used as a guide to managing

the place.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

Criteria a): The Bugaldie Church Cemetery is an important element of the village of Bugaldie. It has been in use since at

least the 1890s and has a moderate level of local historical significance. [Historical

significance]

Criteria b): The cemetery has associations with persons who played a role in the development of the Bugaldie area. It has a

[Historical high level of local historical association significance.

association

significance]

Criteria c): The Bugaldie Church Cemetery is a Victorian cemetery that contains a number of high quality gravestones and

memorials, as well as more vernacular grave markings. It has a moderate level of local aesthetic significance. [Aesthetic/

Technical significance]

The Bugaldie Church Cemetery is an important element of the story of Bugaldie. It contains the remains of and Criteria d):

[Social/Cultural significance]

memorials to a number of residents of the district. The place has a moderate level of local social significance.

Criteria e): The cemetery has the potential to provide information about trends in the design of memorials and gravestones [Research in the 19th & 20th centuries. It is also considered to possess a high level of archaeological potential. It has a

significance | high level of local technical/research significance.

Criteria f): The Bugaldie Church Cemetery is a relatively intact village cemetery. It is considered to have high local rarity. [Rarity]

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Criteria g): The cemetery is representative of places developed in the 19th century to bury the dead. It is has a high level of

[Representative] local significance in this regard.

Intactness/Integrity: The cemetery has a moderate level of integrity.

References: Author Title Year

Coonabarabran DPS Local & Family F Isolated Graves visited by DPS Coonabarabran Book 1

Studies: Author Title Number Year

Ray Christison Coonabarabran Shire (former) Heritage Study 2006
Peter Duggan Warrumbungle Shire Community Based Heritage Study 2018

Parcels: Parcel code Lot number Section number Plan code Plan number

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Latitude: -31.123942 **Longitude:** 149.108827

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Location: Guinema Goorianawa Road Bugaldie 2357 Warrumbungle

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SHI number 1391146 Study number

Item name: Bugaldie Memorial Hall

Location: Warrumbungle

Address: Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Bugaldie 2357

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish:

State: NSW County:

Other/former names:

Group ID: Area/group/complex:

Aboriginal area: Gamilaroi

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Built **Group:** Community Facilities Category: Hall Public

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Public Hall Former uses: Public Hall

Assessed significance: Local **Endorsed significance:**

Statement of The Bugaldie Memorial Hall is symbolic of the development of the village of Bugaldie in the late nineteenth and significance: early twentieth centuries. Memorial plantings near the hall remember various members of the Bugaldie community. The Hall has been a focus of activity for the Bugaldie community for over 90 years and has hosted numerous community celebrations and events. The hall continues to have an active management committee with a vision to ensure its ongoing role as a centre for community.

> The Bugaldie Memorial Hall high level of has a high level of local social significance and integrity. It also has a moderate level of local historical and aesthetic significance. The hall maintains a high level of integrity and has a moderate level of rarity and integrity.

Historical notes The style and materials of the hall suggest a construction date between the latter years of World War I and the of provenance: mid 1920s. The inscription above the entry door indicates the building was constructed in 1922. The original external walls of the hall are clad with compressed asbestos fibre sheet, commonly referred to as 'fibro'. This material was imported into Australia from 1903 and was manufactured locally by firms such as Wunderlich Pty Ltd Sydney and James Hardie & Co in Melbourne from 1917 (Butler, G., 1997. The Californian Bungalow in Australia, pp.54-56). It was heavily promoted by manufacturers as a material that could be easily installed, and was 'economical, fire retardant, white ant proof and durable'.

The adjacent memorial avenue of trees contains plaques with the following inscriptions:

Leslie McLean Featherstone Sgt 187 20/Bn AIF W.W.I. Beloved father and grandfather. Born June 1896 – August 1983

In memory of Vic & Dulcie Mills. Always remembered Allan, Barrie, Peter, Janice

In loving memory of Bert and Molly. The parents of Harold, Norman and Bob McGlashan and their families In loving memory of Grace & Percy Newman. The parents of Bill, Eric & Victor Newman & Doris McGlashan Archie & Mina Mills. Remembered by the Mills family

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

> 9. Phases of Life Birth and Death

Designer: Unknown Builder: Unknown

Year started: 1922 Circa: No Year completed:

SHI number 1391146 Study number

Item name: Bugaldie Memorial Hall

Location: Warrumbungle

Physical description: Bugaldie Memorial Hall is a gable-roofed, timber framed structure set on stumps. The walls are clad in profiled steel sheet over the original fibre cement and the roof is clad with corrugated galvanised iron. Ledged and braced double doors provide access to the hall from the west and south. A ramp has been constructed to the western doors. Double hung timber windows have been set into the southern and western walls. The windows towards the front of the building have an unusual glazing pattern with the upper sashes containing three lights and the lower sashes two lights.

> A memorial avenue of plane trees has been planted along the roadside in front of the hall. Plaques honouring a number of families of the district have been set at the bases of most trees.

Physical condition

level:

Physical condition: The property and its structures are generally in good condition.

The property has little archaeological potential.

Archaeological potential level:

Archaeological potential Detail:

Modification dates: Construction of an access ramp and various ongoing modifications. Reclad in the c.2010s.

Recommended The Bugaldie Memorial Hall should be managed as a community hall.

management: The ongoing management of the building and memorial avenue should focus on maintenance of the existing

fabric to ensure that the hall is weatherproof and free of destructive pests. Replacement of building fabric, if

required, should be undertaken with elements of matching materials and profiles.

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

Criteria a): The Bugaldie Memorial Hall has a moderate level of historical significance at a local level. It is symbolic of the development of the village of Bugaldie in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Memorial plantings [Historical

significance] near the hall remember various members of the Bugaldie community.

Criteria b): The hall has little historical association significance.

[Historical

association

significance]

Criteria c): The hall has a moderate level of local aesthetic significance as a community-built public structure that clearly

[Aesthetic/

shows the application of Inter-War design to a small rural hall.

Technical

significance|

Criteria d): The Bugaldie Memorial Hall has a high level of social significance at a local level. It has been a focus of activity for the Bugaldie community for over 90 years and has hosted numerous community celebrations and [Social/Cultural

events. The hall continues to have an active management committee with a vision to ensure its ongoing role as a

centre for community.

Criteria e):

[Research significance]

significance]

The Bugaldie Memorial Hall has little technical/research significance.

Criteria f): The Hall has a moderate level of rarity. It has managed to retain its intended function as a community hub

throughout its life, and continues to provide a venue for community events. [Rarity]

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Location: Warrumbungle

Criteria g): The Bugaldie Memorial Hall is representative of country halls in small villages. It is also representative of the

[Representative] style of community buildings constructed in the early twentieth century. It has a moderate level of local

significance in this regard.

Intactness/Integrity: The Bugaldie Memorial Hall has remained reasonable intact and has a high level of integrity.

References: Author Title Year

Butler, G. The Californian Bungalow in Australia 1997

Studies: Author Title Number Year

Ray Christison Coonabarabran Shire (former) Heritage Study 2006
Peter Duggan Warrumbungle Shire Community Based Heritage Study 2018

Parcels: Parcel code Lot number Section number Plan code Plan number

2 1 DP 758176

Latitude: -31.12247 **Longitude:** 149.110815

Location validity: Spatial accuracy:

Map name: Bugaldie Map scale: 1:50 000

AMG zone: 8375-N Easting: 12 Northing: 548

Listing: Name Title Number ListingDate

Heritage study

Data entry: Data first entered: 07/06/2007 Data updated: 08/10/2018 Status: Partial

SHI number 1391146 Study number

Item name: Bugaldie Memorial Hall

Location: Warrumbungle

Image:



Bugaldie Memorial Hall Copy right: Warrumbungle Shire Council

Image by: Peter Duggan **Image date:** 08/12/2017

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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Bugaldie Memorial Hall
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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Bugaldie Memorial Hall viewed from the south, c.2006

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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: The south-western aspect of Bugaldie Memorial Hall, c.2006

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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Memorial trees outside the Bugaldie Memorial Hall looking north-west, c.2006

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SHI number 1390166 Study number Heritage Day 7

Item name: Bundella Lookout

Location: Warrumbungle

Address: Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Coolah 2843

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish: Bundella

State: NSW County: Pottinger

Other/former names:

Area/group/complex: Group ID:

Aboriginal area: Gamilaroi

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Landscape Group: Landscape - Natural Category: Landform site or area

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: National Park Lookout

Former uses: Lookout

Assessed significance: Local Endorsed significance:

Statement of An extensive panaramic local lookout with expansive vista over the Liverpool Plains. Probably visited by

significance: Ludwig Leichhardt and other early explorers from 1842.

SHI number 1390166 Study number Heritage Day 7

Item name: Bundella Lookout

Location: Warrumbungle

Historical notes Bundella Lookout is situated rear the north-western corner of the Coolah Tops National Park. The Lookout and of provenance: the area immediately behind is important to the Park for five reasons; it provides spectacular views over the Liverpool Plains, sits on an immediate cliff, allows viewing of soaring eagles and at its rear provides an area for limited recreational purposes and for the parking of vehicles.

> From the Lookout one obtains a panoramic view of the plains. In the foreground is Tamilee Creek, Bundella Creek, Bundella Range, whilst in the background one can see Tamarang Mountain, Goran Lake and the mountains in the vicinity of Quirindi. The Lookout is a popular spot for watching the rising of the early morning sun or its late setting in the evening. Camping in the area is prohibited to prevent damage to the fragile vegetation.

> The first sheer cliff to the valley has a height of 40 metres, and like all of the Coolah Tops composed of basalt formation. On the left hand side of the Lookout in the first drop is a wonderful example of columnar basalt. At the rear of the Lookout is a naturally cleared area of several acres in area. At one time it could have been a bora area for the Aboriginals of Gamilaraay Tribe.

Further back is a parking area for those persons who like to take a short walk to the Bundella Lookout, or a longer walk to the Pinnacle Lookout, the Lava Caves, Tamilee Upper Falls or the Racecourse which is a naturally cleared circle with trees growing in the middle, thus resembling a racecourse. At the parking area there are tables with seats, wood barbeques and a toilet.

Close by are the Rocky Creek and Tamilee Creek swamps. No doubt the area would of been used by the Aboriginals. Warwick Pearson who carried out an archaeological study of both the Bundella and Warung State Forests in 1993 provides ample evidence that the Aborigines of the Gamilaraay Tribe either visited or inhabited both areas of both forests. An extract from his report reads:-

'The parts of the forests where sites were mostly common were the flat grounds around streams and around swamps. These areas were also where we found the largest sites, with the most flake on them. This is why we think the Aboriginal people still visited the forests, they spent most of their time close to the creeks and swamps, where there was fresh water and plenty of food. However, we found very small numbers of stone flakes all over the forest indicating that the Aboriginal people had visited all parts of the forest. The possible art site and the bora ring tells us that the forest was important to the Aboriginal people not just for food but also as a place for ceremonies and rituals.

The land that comprises the Lookout area had always been Crown Land. In 1905 it comprised a part of a lease to John and Duncan McMaster of Rockgediel. A plan of the boundary of the lease shows that the section in the vicinity of Bundella Lookout was enclosed by a brush fence of the day. The area became part of the Bundella State Forest in 1917, administered by the Forestry Commission, later State Forests of NSW, until it was absorbed in the Coolah Tops National Park in 1996.

Whilst under the jurisdiction of the Forestry Commission, the area for most of the time, was let for grazing The longest leasee would have been James Hamilton Traill an adjoining landowner. All grazing leases ceased when the area was taken over by the National Parks and Wildlife Service.

Themes: National theme State theme Local theme

> 1. Environment Environment - naturally evolved

3. Economy Exploration

Designer: N/A

Builder:

Year started: Year completed: Circa: No

Physical description: A very extensive and picturesque lookout with a view towards Tamworth and Gunnedah over the Liverpool

Plains

Physical condition

level:

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Study number
Heritage Day 7

Item name: Bundella Lookout

Location: Warrumbungle

Physical condition: NA Archaeological potential level:

Archaeological potential Detail:

Modification dates: Natural place. NPWS has added an interpretation sign nearby.

Recommended Continue to record and research this place's history.

management:

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

Criteria a): [Historical significance]

Criteria b): The lookout has associative significance no doubt with the local aboriginal people who may have used the area [Historical as a bora ground. It is also associated with early explorers such as Ludwig Leichhardt who may have visited the association lookout.

significance

Criteria c): Bundella lookout has aesthetic significance for its panoramic views over the Liverpool Plains.

[Aesthetic/ Technical

significance]

Criteria d): [Social/Cultural significance]

> Criteria e): [Research significance]

Criteria f): [Rarity]

Criteria g): [Representative]

Intactness/Integrity:

References: Author Title Year

Roy Cameron A local history of the Bundella and Warung State Forests 1993

Studies: Author Title Number Year

Hickson & Cameron Coolah Shire Community Based Heritage Study Heritage Day 7 2004
Peter Duggan Warrumbungle Shire Community Based Heritage Study 2018

SHI number 1390166 Study number Heritage Day 7

Item name: Bundella Lookout

Location: Warrumbungle

Parcels: Parcel code Lot number Section number Plan code Plan number

Latitude: -31.696925 **Longitude:** 150.017832

Location validity: Spatial accuracy:

Map name: Map scale:

AMG zone: Easting: Northing:

Listing: Name Title Number ListingDate

Heritage study 08/09/2005

Data entry: Data first entered: 16/11/2004 Data updated: 09/10/2018 Status: Completed

SHI number 1390166 Study number Heritage Day 7

Item name: Bundella Lookout

Location: Warrumbungle

Image:



Caption: Bundella Lookout
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Item name: Bundella Lookout

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Caption: Bundella Lookout

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SHI number 1391149
Study number

Item name: Bush Tucker Ground

Location: Warrumbungle

Address: Planning: Northern

Suburb/nearest town: Coonabarabran 2357

Local govt area: Warrumbungle Parish:

State: NSW County:

Other/former names: Land behind the Coonabarabran Industrial estate

Area/group/complex: Group ID:

Aboriginal area: Gamilaroi

Curtilage/boundary:

Item type: Landscape Group: Aboriginal Category: Organic resource area

Owner:

Admin codes: Code 2: Code 3:

Current use: Bushland
Former uses: Bushland

Assessed significance: Local Endorsed significance:

Statement of The industrial estate bushland area is recognised by the Coonabarabran Aboriginal community as a place that

significance: symbolises the many areas in which bush tucker can be gathered.

It has a moderate level of local aesthetic, social and technical/research significance, and a moderate level of representativeness and integrity.

SHI number 1391149 Study number

Item name: Bush Tucker Ground

Location: Warrumbungle

Historical notes In the mid to late 19th century Police Sergeant Ewing recorded the reminiscences of Aboriginal people, including of provenance: accounts of raiding parties that were later used by author Ion Idress in developing works of historical fiction such as The Red Chief of the Gunnedah Tribe. Ewing's papers include the following description of the Coonabarabran

> They are numerous that Coonabarabran tribe and have their camps large ones miles apart but there are small parties camped in numerous places some within a day's walk of here up in the mountains there Warrumbungles there are many many caves great ones that our whole tribe could fill up there in the daylight you could see a man coming up the mountain a half day before he could get up to you. We came down to the scrubby land and day after day watched parties of women and children leave camp to go fishing musselling in creeks and rivers and hunting small game. (Carmichael 1991:7)

> Bush tucker was an important element of the Aboriginal economy with a number of plants providing seasonal fruits and nourishment. Gathering of bush tucker has continued to be a significant element of cultural continuity that has survived the destruction of many aspects of Aboriginal society, religion and life.

> The area behind the Coonabarabran industrial estate is symbolic of the places in which Aboriginal people have gathered bush foods. It sits adjacent to the post invasion occupation sites of the former travelling stockyards on Baradine Road and the 1950s Gunnedah Hill housing development.

Fox (1996) described the food resources used by Aboriginal people as follows:

The Warrumbungle Ranges are abundant in both plant and animal foods. Animal foods included kangaroos, wallabies, emus, possums, goannas, echidnas, shellfish (fresh water mussels) and a variety of grubs (particularly witchetty grubs). Plant foods included berries (five corners, quandongs, figs, boobialla, kangaroo apple, native raspberry, orange, cherry, tomato and elderberry), and roots (daisy yam, bracken, kurrajongs, various lilies, and many species of orchids). Wattles and pigweed provided seeds, and some grass seeds were probably ground to make flour (grass seeds were extensively used on the plains where large numbers of grindstones have been found).

The burrawang or cycad nut (Macrozamia sp.) was also eaten. Evidence suggests that quite heavy use of the cycad nut goes back to 1,500 years ago. The cycad nut is extremely toxic, and if eaten raw can be fatal. Once leached of toxins, however, the cycad nuts are highly nutritious. The Gamilaroi developed sophisticated techniques of leaching the nuts in water to remove the toxins before eating. The use of an otherwise poisonous plant is a clear example of the extensive knowledge of food resources and preparation techniques maintained by the local Aboriginal people. (Fox 1996:55)

Themes: National theme Local theme State theme

> 2. Peopling Aboriginal cultures and interactions with

Designer: Unknown Builder: Unknown

Year started: Year completed: Circa: No

Physical description: The site is an area of Crown Land close to the town of Coonabarabran. It consist of a combination of relatively undisturbed and regrowth areas and contains the following food plants:

Five Corner Bush

Geebung

Ruby Hern Heath

Cycads Slipstone bush

Physical condition

level:

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Item name: Bush Tucker Ground

Location: Warrumbungle

Physical condition: The site has been cleared in places and is bisected by a road. It contains large patches of relatively undisturbed

The site is considered to have low archaeological potential.

Archaeological potential level: Archaeological potential Detail:

Recommended Preserve the site as an open site.

management:

Modification dates:

Management: Management category Management name

Further comments:

Criteria a): The industrial estate bushland area has little historical significance.

[Historical

significance]

Criteria b): The site has little historical association significance.

[Historical association significance]

Criteria c): The site comprises a combination of relatively undisturbed and regrowth bushland. It has a moderate level of

[Aesthetic/ local aesthetic significance.

Technical significance]

Criteria d): The industrial estate bushland area is recognised by the Coonabarabran Aboriginal community as a place that

symbolises the many areas in which bush tucker can be gathered. It has a moderate level of local social [Social/Cultural

significance significance.

Criteria e): The site can be used to demonstrate the various types of bush foods available in the area and has moderate local

[Research technical/research significance.

significance]

Criteria f): The site has little significance in relation to rarity.

[Rarity]

Criteria g): The site has a moderate level of local representativeness as a place that can be used to demonstrate the types of

[Representative] bush foods gathered by Aboriginal people.

Intactness/Integrity: The site has a moderate level of integrity.

References: Author Title Year

> 1996 Fox, P. Warrumbungle National Park Carmichael, D. Timor Valley 1991 Bill Robinson Information on bush tucker 2006

SHI number 1391149
Study number

Item name: Bush Tucker Ground

Location: Warrumbungle

Studies: Author Title Number Year

Ray Christison Coonabarabran Shire (former) Heritage Study 2006

Parcels: Parcel code Lot number Section number Plan code Plan number

22 DP 1208649

Latitude: -31.259677 **Longitude:** 149.277474

Location validity: Spatial accuracy:

Map name: Coonabarabran Map scale:

AMG zone: 8735-1&II **Easting:** 165 **Northing:** 387

Listing: Name Title Number ListingDate

Heritage study

Data entry: Data first entered: 21/08/2007 Data updated: 07/12/2018 Status: Completed

SHI number 1391149
Study number

Item name: Bush Tucker Ground

Location: Warrumbungle

Image:



Caption: Bushland behind the industrial estate, c.2006

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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Slipstone bush, c.2006
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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Young cycad, c.2006
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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Geebung bush, c.2006
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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Five corner bush, c.2006
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Location: Warrumbungle



Caption: Ruby hearn heath, c.2006
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