Place No. 53 Sam's Creek and Harbour



Sams Creek, 2012

LOCATION	
Name of Place	Sam's Creek and Harbour
Other Name (1)	
Location/Address	
Street Number	
Street Name	End of Sam's Creek Road
Suburb/Town	Point Samson
Other Locational descriptor (text)	NW of Point Samson Townsite
	519392 mE, 7720239 mN (MGA 94, Zone 50)
	Longitude 117.1854 Latitude: -20.6169

OWNERSHIP & LAND DESCR	IPTION			
Owner	Address	Phone/fax	Status	Item No.
State of Western Australia	PO Box 2222 MIDLAND 6056	92737373		
Minister for Resources Development	C/- Department of Resources Development	9327 5555		
Reserve No.	Lot/Location No.	Plan/Diagram	Vol/Folio	Item No.
35813	De Witt Loc 317	Res P: 127		

LISTING AND ASSESSMENT	
HCWA Reference Number	NEW ENTRY
State Register of Heritage Places:(Y/N)	N
Classified by the National Trust (Y/N)	N
Register of the National Estate (Y/N)	N
Local Town Planning Scheme (Y/N)	Y – via MHI provisions
Management Category	C

DESCRIPTION	
Construction Date (1)	

Construction Date (2)	
Site Type (Place Type)	Other Structure
Use(s) of Place	
Original	TRANSPORT/COMMUNICATION:
	Other - Fishing Harbour
Present	INDUSTRIAL/MANUFACTURING:
	Other - Pearl Operations (Cossack Pearls Pty Ltd)
Other	Recreational Node (Fishing/Swimming)
Construction Materials:	
Walls	
Roof	
Other	
Condition	
Integrity (how much of the original fabric	
is intact?):	
Description	

Physical Description

The site is a tidal creek close to the Indian Ocean. There are remains of ramps, jetties, moorings, structures and boats. There is a large Tamarind Tree set back from the creek.

History

Sam's Creek and Harbour is an area of land that was used by the local fishing industry as a fishing harbour prior to the development of John's Creek Harbour to the south of the Point Samson Townsite. Small jetties and boat ramps were erected on the creek banks for the use of the local fishing industries.

In the 1960's the Department of Lands and Surveys (now Department of Land Administration) granted a lease to the Geraldton Fishermen's Co-operative Limited for the purposes of "Prawn Processing Plant". This lease area is now being used by Cossack Pearls Pty Ltd.

Archaeology

There is physical evidence of past moorings, jetties, and vessels in and along the edge of the creek.

SIGNIFICANCE	
Historic theme (s)	2.TRANSPORT & COMMUNICATIONS – 201 River and Sea Transport
	3. OCCUPATIONS 305 Fishing & other maritime industry
Statement of Significance	

Sam's Creek and Harbour has local historical and social significance as the original harbour for the Point Samson fishing industry. It is still significant today commercially and for recreational fishing and boating. There is some research potential for the physical remains associated with the location. The Tamarind Tree is valued by locals as a potential connection to the Malay population in the area in earlier years.

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

NOTES	
MHI 1996	Identified on the Review List
MHI Review 2012	Site assessed, Place Name Record created



Wreck in Sams Creek, 2012



Tamarind Tree, Sam's Creek, 2013