



**HERITAGE
COUNCIL**
OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

Amended Register Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 0429
2. **NAME** *Millbrook Farm* (1920s, 1978, 1980)
3. **LOCATION** Millbrook Road, Yallingup
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**
Portion of Lots 304, 305 and 308 on Deposited Plan 423277 as to portion labelled M.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** City of Busselton
6. **OWNER AT REGISTRATION** Kevin Dale Merifield
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**
 - Register of Heritage Places:

Interim	08/01/1999
Permanent	23/04/1999
Amended	07/01/2022
 - National Trust Classification: Classified 05/06/1984
 - Local Planning Scheme – Heritage List: 13/08/2014
 - Local Heritage Survey: Adopted 20/06/1996
 - Register of the National Estate: Permanent 18/04/1989
 - Aboriginal Sites Register -----
8. **ORDERS UNDER SECTION OF THE ACT**

9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**

10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**
Millbrook Farm, comprising the following timber framed weatherboard buildings: Barn (1924), Dairy (1930s), Robert Donald's House (1929) and Jack Donald's House (1927) all in the vernacular style, as well as a water wheel, mill race and dam wall (1922), saw pit (c. 1922) and lime kiln (c. 1920s), is considered to have cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the use of a water wheel to drive a saw mill is unique in Western Australia;
the complex displays a rich and diverse range of activities that date from the 1920s. These include timber milling, lime burning and farming;

the complex has historical and social links with the development of Yallingup as a tourist destination;

the place forms a cultural environment that is enhanced by its setting near a creek and the surrounding cleared pasture;

the place is closely associated with Robert Donald who constructed numerous buildings in the Busselton and Yallingup areas, including the first Caves House and the second Caves House;

the place has historical importance due to the construction methods used by Robert and Jack Donald in the construction of the water wheel; and,

the place has a strong potential to contain important archaeological deposits.

The timber, wattle and daub Seymour Buildings, relocated in 1982 have some significance.

The buildings constructed during the 1970s and 1980s are considered to have low significance. They include the stables, blacksmithy, reconstructed Donald house, bandstand, toilets, workshop and gift shop.