



# REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

## Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 2749
2. **NAME** *Wongan Hills Hospital (fmr)* (1930, 1937, 1945, 1948, 1956, c. 1975)  
  
OTHER NAME *Wongan-Ballidu Museum*
3. **LOCATION** Cnr Camm Street & Mitchell Street, Wongan Hills
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**  
  
Wongan Hills Lots 79 to 82 inclusive, being Crown Reserve 19971 and being the whole of the land comprised in Crown Land Record Volume 3069 Folio 336.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Shire of Wongan-Ballidu
6. **OWNER** Shire of Wongan-Ballidu
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**
  - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 27/02/1998  
Permanent Entry 15/05/1998
  - National Trust Classification: -----
  - Town Planning Scheme: -----
  - Municipal Inventory: -----
  - Register of the National Estate: -----
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**  
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9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**  
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10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**  
*Wongan Hills Hospital (fmr)*, a complex of former hospital buildings consisting of a main brick building in the Inter-war Bungalow style displaying typical Edwardian detailing, and associated brick mortuary and timber framed and fibro utility buildings, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:  
  
the place provides evidence of a rural community's co-operative and on-going commitment to the cause of providing health

facilities in the town and demonstrates the process of development of a rural hospital facility;

the place provides an intact example of a rural hospital constructed entirely by public subscription during the Great Depression;

the place is associated with people who were prominent in the development of Wongan Hills, including architect J. H. Ackland; Dr A. Stenning, the town's first doctor; and, Dr T. Lovegrove, the district's longest serving doctor; and,

as a museum, the place facilitates an understanding of ways of life in rural Western Australia, informs the community of its heritage and provides direct links with its past role as a hospital.