



# REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

## Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 12670
2. **NAME** *Lake Grace Hospital* (1926; 1938; 1952; 1960; 1964; 1980; 1983)  
**OTHER NAMES** Australian Inland Mission Hospital
3. **LOCATION** Memorial Drive, Lake Grace
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**  
Lake Grace Lot 167, being Crown Reserve 21653 and being the whole of the land comprised in Crown Land Record Volume 3021 Folio 701.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Shire of Lake Grace
6. **OWNER** Minister for Health
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**
  - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 28/03/2002  
Permanent Entry 30/08/2002
  - National Trust Classification: -----
  - Town Planning Scheme: -----
  - Municipal Inventory: Adopted 23/09/1998
  - Register of the National Estate: -----
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**  
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9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**  
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10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**  
*Lake Grace Hospital*, comprising the Australian Inland Mission (AIM) Hospital Museum (two-storey brick and timber, 1926) in Interwar Georgian Revival style, Main Hospital Building (brick and tile, 1952, 1964, 1983) and Nurse's Quarters (brick and tile, 1952, 1964) in Inter-War Functionalist style; lattice Drying Shed (timber, 1952); and various outbuildings, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place contains the only extant example in Western Australia, and one of the only three remaining examples in Australia, of an AIM hospital;

the Main Hospital Building and Nurse's Quarters together represent a fine intact example of a hospital facility in the Inter-War Functionalist

style designed by the Public Works Department WA, under the direction of Chief Architect A.E. Clare;

the AIM Hospital building, designed by PWD architect W.D. Hardwick, is associated with the Reverend John Flynn of the Flying Doctor Service, and with the Australian Inland Mission.

the place contains a collection of buildings which together represent the provision of medical and hospital services in a regional town since 1926;

the place was established to provide medical facilities for the growing population, as a result of the construction of the Great Southern Railway spur line to the area and the subsequent development of the central eastern wheatbelt district of Western Australia;

the place is associated with Dr Margaret Clark, OBE, who made a significant contribution to health care in the area and to the community in general while resident doctor from 1932 to 1960;

the AIM Hospital Museum is highly valued by the local community, as evidenced by their desire to preserve the building from demolition in 1983 and its subsequent purchase and development by Lake Grace Shire as a museum;

The laundry (a recent construction), the former Maternity Block (timber and asbestos, 1952, 1953, 1980) and the adjacent morgue (a transportable structure) have no heritage significance.