



# REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

## Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 3563
2. **NAME** *William Buckingham's Homestead* (c1880, c1935, c1960s, c1999)  
**OTHER NAMES** Buckingham's Cottage, Coolgiebrie
3. **LOCATION** Bristol Road, Roleystone
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**  
Portion of Lot 701 on Plan 19662, being part of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 1996 Folio 519 together with portion of Lot 157 on Plan 19663 being part of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume: 1996 Folio: 517 as is defined on Heritage Council of Western Australia Survey Drawing No. 3563 as prepared by Steffanoni Ewing & Cruickshank Pty Ltd.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** City of Armadale
6. **OWNER** Araluen Golf Resort Pty Ltd (as to Lot 701)  
Reginald Toohey & Anthony Spanjers
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**

• Register of Heritage Places:	Interim Entry	28/11/2003
	Permanent Entry	20/02/2004
• National Trust Classification:		-----
• Town Planning Scheme:		-----
• Municipal Inventory:	Adopted	21/08/1995
• Register of the National Estate:		-----
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**  
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9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**  
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10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**  
*William Buckingham's Homestead*, comprising an original mud brick and iron homestead with a timber framed addition, a rammed earth construction sheep dip, and a Cockscomb Coral tree, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:  

with its structural mud-brick walls, steep pitched roofs and minimal ornamentation, the place is a fine example of Western Australian vernacular architecture of the 1880s, demonstrating the colonial approach to the design of domestic housing;

the place is one of the oldest extant buildings in the Roleystone district, and is associated with the European settlement of south-western Australia in general and the development of the Roleystone/Kelmscott area as an agricultural district in particular;

the place demonstrates the way of life of farmers and tenant farmers in the southern region of Perth from the 1880s onwards. The size of the cottage, and its subsequent developments, reflect the rural economics and hardships of the pioneering Buckingham family and the subsequent occupiers of the place; and,

the place is associated with the Buckingham family, the first family to settle in the Roleystone district, who played an important role in the development of Perth, and were well-known for their contribution to the timber industry;

the sheep dip of the place provides evidence of a process and form of construction that is no longer used in farming practices and is a rare structure in the Perth Metropolitan area,

the remnant trees and accrements of the place, on the slope rising west from the Canning River, contribute to the natural and cultural landscape within which it is situated; and,

the place contributes to the community's sense of place as one of a few pioneer buildings remaining in the district, and is highly valued by the local and wider community as demonstrated by the community effort to lobby and raise funding for the restoration of the building beginning in 1994, when further neglect would have resulted in its loss.

The replacement fabric used in the reconstruction and redevelopment of the place has some significance for interpretative purposes, but the materials themselves are of little intrinsic value.