



# REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

## Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 10652

2. **NAME** *Prisoner of War Hut* (1944)  
**FORMER NAME** Men's Room

3. **LOCATION** Location 15920, Bruce Rock Shire

4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**

That part of Avon Location 15920, being part of the land comprised in Certificates of Title Volume 1483 Folio 807 and Volume 2055 Folio 858 as is defined in Heritage Council of Western Australia survey drawing No. 10652 prepared by Steffanoni Ewing and Cruickshank Pty. Ltd.

5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Shire of Bruce Rock

6. **OWNER** Peter Leishman Locke.

7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**

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| • Register of Heritage Places:     | Interim Entry   | 26/02/1999 |
|                                    | Permanent Entry | 14/05/1999 |
| • National Trust Classification:   |                 | -----      |
| • Town Planning Scheme:            |                 | -----      |
| • Municipal Inventory:             | Adopted         | 11/09/1997 |
| • Register of the National Estate: |                 | -----      |

8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**

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9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**

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10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

*Prisoner of War Hut*, a one-room timber-framed asbestos and iron hut, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place is one of a few known remaining Prisoner of War huts built for the accommodation of Italian prisoners of war working on Western Australian farms during World War Two and is the most intact example;

the place was lived in by Italian prisoners of war incarcerated in Australia during World War Two and is part of a wider network of prisoner of war and internment sites;

the place is a physical reminder of the three and a half thousand Italian prisoners of war incarcerated in Western Australia during World War Two, particularly those employed on farms in the Wheatbelt and South West; and;

the place is representative of the type of simple accommodation provided for prisoners of war employed on Western Australian farms during World War Two.