

# REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES Permanent 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

Those parts of Sussex Locations 461 and 474, being part of the land comprised in Certificates of Title Volume 1037 Folio 996 and Volume 1502 Folio 518 as together are defined in Heritage Council of Western Australia survey drawing No. 0429 prepared by Steffanoni Ewing and Cruickshank Pty. Ltd.

- 5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA Shire of Busselton
- **6. OWNER** Kevin Dale Merifield.

### 7. HERITAGE LISTINGS

•	Register of Heritage Places:	Interim Entry	08/01/1999
		Permanent Entry	23/04/1999
•	National Trust Classification:	Classified	05/06/1984
•	Town Planning Scheme:	Adopted	1983
•	Municipal Inventory:	Adopted	20/06/1996
•	Register of the National Estate:	Permanent	18/04/1989

## 8. CONSERVATION ORDER

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#### 9. HERITAGE AGREEMENT

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# 10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

*Millbrook Farm*, comprising timber and wattle and daub barn (1924), dairy (1930s), Robert Donald's House (1929) and Jack Donald's House (1927) 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 to 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 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.