



**HERITAGE
COUNCIL**
OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES PERMANENT ENTRY

1. **DATA BASE No.** 1972
2. **NAME** *Albany Snake Run Skateboard Park* (1976)
FORMER NAME (or OTHER NAMES) The Snake Run, Hare Street Skate Park, Skateboard Track
3. **LOCATION** 162 Hare St, Mount Clarence
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**
Reserve 19778 being Lot 1213 on Deposited Plan 174241 and being the whole of the land in Crown Land Title Volume 3009 Folio 370.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** City of Albany
6. **OWNER AT PERMANENT REGISTRATION**
State of Western Australia (Responsible Agency: Department of Lands;
Management Order Holder: City of Albany)
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**
 - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Registration 15/12/2015
Permanent Registration 17/05/2016
 - National Trust Classification: -----
 - Town Planning Scheme: -----
 - Municipal Inventory: -----
 - Register of the National Estate: -----
8. **ORDERS UNDER SECTION 38 OR 59 OF THE ACT**

9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**

10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**
Albany Snake Run Skateboard Park (1976), a reinforced concrete downhill skateboard track set within a 1.25 hectare park, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place is the oldest surviving skate park in Australia, and the second oldest in the World;

the place is thought to be the world's first community-built skate park;

the place is rare on an international level as a downhill slalom style skate park, the earliest style of skate park to be adopted, and is considered to be an excellent design that is believed to have influenced the basic concept for other skateboard tracks in the US;

the place is representative of the early development of skateboarding in Australia, which became popular in the mid-1970s;

the place is highly valued by the skating community of Western Australia as the first purpose-built skate park in the state; and,

the place is associated with skateboarding, a global cultural activity that is appreciated around the world.