

<b>Area:</b> Geraldton	<b>Place Number:</b> 136	<b>Category:</b> 2
<b>Assessment Date:</b> 15/10/1996	<b>Last Revision Date:</b> 03/11/2009	
<b>HCWA Number:</b> 13386	<b>Asset ID:</b> MCH127072	

### PLACE DETAILS

<b>Name:</b>	Oddfellows Lodge Fmr
<b>Other Names:</b>	Circuit Nightclub, UP Nightclub
<b>Type of Place:</b>	Nightclub
<b>Address:</b>	60 Fitzgerald Street
<b>Suburb:</b>	Geraldton

### LOCATION

<b>Map Reference:</b> 14.15	<b>GPS Northing:</b> 6814210.00	<b>GPS Easting:</b> 266358.000
	<b>GPS Northing:</b> 0000	<b>GPS Easting:</b> 000



**Photo Description:**

26/02/2010

Tanya Henkel

Building currently in use as a nightclub.

## SITE DETAILS

<b>Lot No.:</b>	Lot 22	<b>Assess No.:</b>	11582
<b>Reserv No.:</b>		<b>Vol/Fol:</b>	
<b>Dia/Plan:</b>			

## USE OF PLACE

<b>Original Use:</b>	Lodge		
<b>Current Use:</b>	Nightclub		
<b>Ownership:</b>			
<b>Public Access:</b>	Restricted	<b>Occupied:</b>	Occupied

## DESCRIPTION

<b>Walls:</b>	Stone (Rendered)	<b>Roof:</b>	Corrugated Iron
<b>Condition:</b>	Good	<b>Integrity:</b>	
<b>Original fabric:</b>			
<b>Modifications:</b>	Numerous internal changes		

This substantial classical style painted rendered masonry (possible stone) building has a corrugated iron gambrel roof. To the front the building has buttresses which extend into the parapet and have an arched coping. The parapet has a central open bed triangular pediment the tympanum of which previously featured a swag. Below the parapet there are two friezes running the length of the building. The five arched replacement windows which are situated between the buttresses have a label mould above. The building has extensions to the south and west.

## HISTORY

<b>Construction Date:</b>	1907	<b>Source:</b>	Bain
<b>Architect:</b>	Unknown		
<b>Builder:</b>	Unknown		

The Oddfellows Lodge was built in 1907 as the centre for a group of Friendly Societies. (Source: Bain M.A., "A Life of its Own", City of Geraldton 1996, p220). In the early 1900s the building was used for social functions such as dances and it was later used by Metro Meats. (Source: M. Cobby). During the Second World War the building was used by army officers as a canteen/club. (Source: Stan Gratte)

## HISTORIC THEMES

<b>HCWA:</b>	400 Social and civic activities 605 Famous and infamous people
<b>AHC:</b>	8.5 Forming associations 3.12.5 Retailing food and beverages

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The place has historic significance for its connection to the Oddfellows Society and social and commercial activities in Geraldton. Although this building has had some alterations to the front facade and an addition to the side, the main decorative elements to the parapet have largely been retained. Given this, the place still has aesthetic significance and, in association with the neighbouring building "Bendemeer", it makes a major contribution to the streetscape of the area. The place has rarity value in that few of the buildings of this style remain in the city.

## MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

<b>Management Category:</b>	2
<b>Level of Significance:</b>	CONSIDERABLE SIGNIFICANCE: Very important to the heritage of the locality.
<b>Management Recommendation:</b>	Conservation of the place is highly recommended. Any proposed change should not unduly impact on the heritage values of the place and should retain significant fabric wherever feasible.

## OTHER LISTINGS

No other listings

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Bain, M.A., "A Life of its Own", City of Geraldton, 1996.

## OTHER PHOTOS



**Photo Description:**

19/05/2009

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Front facade from Fitzgerald Street.



**Photo Description:**

15/10/1996

Suba & Grundy

Decorative parapet detailing.