City of Greater Geraldton
Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places
Place Record

Area: Geraldton	**Place Number:** 306	**Category:** 3	
Assessment Date: 05/12/1996	**Last Revision Date:** 15/02/2010		
HCWA Number: 13465	**Asset ID:** MCH127053		

PLACE DETAILS

Name:	Merry- Go- Round
Other Names:	248 Marine Terrace
Type of Place:	Merry- Go- Round
Address:	248 Marine Terrace
Suburb:	Geraldton

LOCATION

Map Reference:	14.15	**GPS Northing:**	6814506.00 0000	**GPS Easting:**	266219.000 000

Photo Description:
3/08/2007
Rod Milne
Located adjacent to the Fmr Railway Station.

SITE DETAILS

Lot No.:	Lot 816		
Reserv No.:		**Assess No.:**	10004
Dia/Plan:		**Vol/Fol:**	

USE OF PLACE

Original Use:	Merry- Go- Round		
Current Use:	Merry- Go- Round		
Ownership:	City of Geraldton-Greenough		
Public Access:	Yes	**Occupied:**	Not Occupied

DESCRIPTION

Walls:	Timber	**Roof:**	Not applicable
Condition:	Good	**Integrity:**	
Original fabric:			
Modifications:			

Located adjacent to the Fmr Railway Station on the ocean side of Marine Terrace, and to the west of the a large Moreton Bay Fig tree, the merry-go-round is of traditional design with a central tall metal pole with timber seating suspended from steel rods.

HISTORY

Construction Date:	unknown	**Source:**	Stan Gratte
Architect:	Unknown		
Builder:	Unknown		

The current Merry-Go-Round was built as a replica of the original around c1980. The original was built in Marsh's blacksmith shop and donated by them to the Geraldton children. It was in use from around 1914 until the c1950s.
(Source: Stan Gratte) Contact the Marsh Family for further information.

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA:	405 Sport, recreation and entertainment
	605 Famous and infamous people
AHC:	8.9 Commemorating significant events and people

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Sited under a large Moreton Bay Fig Tree, the Merry-Go-Round has social significance as a place of entertainment for children. The place also has social significance in that it brings to life the merry-go-round alluded to in the book "Merry-Go-Round by the Sea", written by Randolph Stowe and set in Geraldton. The place is held in high esteem by the local community.

MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

Management Category:	3
Level of Significance:	MODERATE SIGNIFICANCE: Important to the heritage of the locality.
Management Recommendation:	Conservation of the place is recommended. Any proposed change to the place 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

Considine & Griffiths Architects, "Geraldton Foreshore Conservation Plan", 2002 - Building 79.
"Geraldton: a photographic history", Geraldton Regional Library, 2004.

OTHER PHOTOS

Photo Description:
5/12/1996
Suba & Grundy
Located under a large Moreton Bay Fig tree.