

Item Details

Name
Redgate - house and garden

SHR/LEP/S170

LEP #

Address
20 Farm Road RIVERSTONE NSW 2765

Local Govt Area
Blacktown

Local Aboriginal Land Council
Unknown



Item Type	Group/Collection	Category
Complex / Group	Residential buildings (private)	Homestead building

All Addresses

Addresses								
Records Retrieved: 1								
Street No	Street Name	Suburb/Town/Postcode	Local Govt. Area	LALC	Parish	County	Electorate	Address Type
20	Farm Road	RIVERSTONE/NSW/2765	Blacktown	Unknown			Unknown	Primary Address

Significance

Statement Of Significance

20 Farm Road is of historical significance as a remaining Victorian bungalow homestead farm complex within the Riverstone area, from the Essex Farms Estate that retains its setting and garden surrounds. The house is associated with a well know Victorian resident family the Cragg family.

Criteria a)

Historical Significance

20 Farm Road (Redgate) is of historic significance to the Riverstone Area as a remaining homestead and farm complex on the western side of Eastern Creek, that retains its farm setting.

Criteria b)

Historical Association Significance

Redgate has significance in association with Joseph Cragg who built the farm and originally owned 40 acres of the land in the area. He was a well-known member of the local community.

Criteria c)

Aesthetic/Technical Significance

20 Farm Road is of high aesthetic significance as a well-kept remaining example of a weatherboard Victorian homestead, within a mature garden setting including remnant federation garden plantings such as palms and Jacaranda.

Criteria e)

Research Potential

The farm complex has the potential to reveal further information about the history of the farm, and the layout of outbuildings.

Integrity/Intactness

High

Owners

		Records Retrieved: 0
Organisation	Stakeholder Category	Date Ownership Updated
No Results Found		

Description

Designer

Builder/Maker

Physical Description

Updated

A Victorian weatherboard and fibro farmhouse with corrugated galvanised iron hipped roof and wrap around verandah. The French doors on either side of the central door open on to a bull-nose verandah. The driveway is lined by mature conifers.

The grounds contain remaining significant federation plantings including cypress pines, palms and oak trees, within a defined house yard that includes the driveway approach from Farm Road.

The grounds around the house yard contain remnant farm infrastructure buildings.

Physical Condition

Updated 12/10/2015

Good

Modifications And Dates

Further Comments

Current Use

Residence

Former Use

Farm Homestead

Listings

Listings

				Records Retrieved: 2	
Heritage Listing	Listing Title	Listing Number	Gazette Date	Gazzette Number	Gazzette Page
Local Environmental Plan	Amend No 143		4/12/2002 12:00:00 AM	72	2262
Local Environmental Plan	Blacktown Local Environmental Plan 2015	l76	7/7/2015 12:00:00 AM	430	

Procedures/Exemptions

Records Retrieved: 0					
Section of Act	Description	Title	Comments	Action Date	Outcome
No Results Found					

History

Historical Notes or Provenance

Updated

In October 1890, Joseph Cragg purchased 19 acres of land within the ‘Essex Farms’, which was located to the immediate west of Clive Estate. Cragg built Redgate on this land as early as 1893, with an article in the Windsor Richmond Gazette of that year describing the house as a ‘neat building’.

The house and the social events that were held there, including the wedding of Cragg’s daughter, were mentioned numerous times in the local paper over the following decades.

Over time, Cragg added to his original 19 acres, and by 1924 he owned over 40 acres of land in the vicinity of Redgate. The house was sold following Cragg’s death in 1924.

Historical aerial imagery of the local area suggests that the easternmost portion of Cragg’s original property was subdivided from the larger estate sometime between 1964 and 1987. A small house was subsequently built in the south-eastern corner of this new lot. From 1987 onwards, the land was further subdivided. Presently, the original parcel of land comprises four separate lots, all of which have been built upon. The aerial imagery also suggests that Redgate itself has remained largely unchanged externally since 1947, though it does appear to have been re-roofed sometime after 1987 (Figure 19). A number of small buildings associated with the house and located to the rear have been consistently present since 1947. (Urbis 2015)

Historic Themes

Records Retrieved: 3		
National Theme	State Theme	Local Theme
4. Settlement	Towns, suburbs and villages	Settlement in the 19th Century
4. Settlement	Land tenure	Unknown
3. Economy	Agriculture	Farming activities

Recommended Management

Management Summary

Management

Records Retrieved: 0

Management Category	Management Name	Date Updated
No Results Found		

Report/Study

Heritage Studies

Records Retrieved: 6

Report/Study Name	Report/Study Code	Report/Study Type	Report/Study Year	Organisation	Author
In House Heritage Items Review			2009		Margaret Fallon
Blacktown Heritage Study			1995		(not stated)
Blacktown Heritage Study			1988		Jonathan Falk Planning Consultants in association with Rodney Jensen and Assoc.s
Heritage Study of the North Western Sector of Sydney			1984		Howard Tanner & Associates in association with Max Kelly and Elizabeth Vines
Heritage Study of the North Western sector of Sydney			1984		Howard Tanner and Associates
Heritage Study of the North Western Sector of Sydney			1984		Howard Tanner & Associates Pty Ltd

Reference & Internet Links

References

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Type	Author	Year	Title	Link
Written	URBIS	2015	Non indigenous Heritage Stury - Marsden Park North	

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