

SORELL HERITAGE STUDY

Address: Marion Bay Road Copping 7174		UPI: 2900154	PID: 5960722
Name: COPPING RECREATION GROUND			
Feature Type:	Structure Type:	Site Feature Type:	Dating: 1830-1890 C1890
	Club House	Park, recreation	Access Restrictions: Restricted
			Inspection date: October 96 P Davies
			Style: N/A
			Grid ref: 5625 565600 5258600
Indication of Significance: Low significance		Theme: Sport and Recreation	
Material:	Timber Siding	Corrugated Iron	Listings:
Condition:	Fair		
Integrity:	Altered, extended unsympathetically		
National Estate Criteria:			Photograph Index: 6:31-33
Risk: Excavation: ☐ Development: ☐ Maintenance: ☐ Vandalism: ☐			
SITE DESCRIPTION: The recreation ground comprises the playing field with metal and wire fence, a clubhouse facility and a facilities block with a small scoreboard. The facilities block is 1960's concrete block of no significance. The playing field appears to date from last century and was probably cut and formed around the 1880's (the surface was relaid in c1958-60). The clubhouse building is difficult to interpret, but the earlier section which fronts the playing field sits on a stone base, is rectangular in form, has a corrugated iron roof and timber walls. It is likely that the walls have been reclad as openings and finishes appear to date from a later period. The building has been extended on three sides with skillion additions containing a range of uses including toilets and store rooms. These obscure the earlier building and have no particular heritage value. The site includes a commemorative avenue of trees.			
HISTORY: The playing surface of the recreation ground was re-laid in c1958-60. The core of the clubhouse was a hall erected in c1890.			
BOUNDARY:			
COMMENTS: The site has some significance as the recreation ground for the community and the early section of the clubhouse building appears to have heritage value despite the later additions. However, the setting is partially lost with lack of maintenance and surrounding development, but the site retains social significance to the community.			
BIBLIOGRAPHY + PREVIOUS STUDIES: Informants: Margaret Long			

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