

# SORELL HERITAGE STUDY

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| Address: 408 Marion Bay Road, Bream Creek 7175                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                    | UPI: 2900005                          | PID: 7544473 |
| Name: BROOKSIDE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                    | Owner: J G DODDERIDGE                 |              |
| Feature Type: House                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Structure Type:    | Dating: 1830-1890 c 1880              |              |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Site Feature Type: | Access Restrictions: Not available    |              |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                    | Inspection date: October 96 Ian Terry |              |
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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                    | Grid ref: 5625 56516 525827           |              |
| Indication of Significance: Probable Significance                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                    | Theme: Primary Production             |              |
| Material: Timber Siding                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Corrugated Iron    | Listings:                             |              |
| Condition: Fair                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                    |                                       |              |
| Integrity: Altered, extended unsympathetically                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                    |                                       |              |
| National Estate Criteria:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                    | Photograph Index: 14: 22-23           |              |
| Risk: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <span>Excavation: <input type="checkbox"/></span> <span>Development: <input type="checkbox"/></span> <span>Maintenance: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></span> <span>Vandalism: <input type="checkbox"/></span> </div> |                    |                                       |              |

## SITE DESCRIPTION:

A plain c1880 weatherboard house with a steep pitched corrugated iron hipped roof. It has an enclosed front verandah and asbestos cement additions at the rear. The house has double hung sash windows at the front. Its front door is invisible externally due to the enclosed verandah. The chimney has been removed. The cottage has been altered and is in very rundown condition with conservation work urgently required.

## HISTORY:

Built on part of Hugh McGuinness' original 320 acre grant. McGuinness had stockmen living in the district, possibly on the same land, in 1816 and a cow herd living in a hut there in the 1820s. These rural workers were threatened and then raided by Aborigines in 1829. By the mid 1830s Brookside was the location of one of the only three families living in the Bream Creek area. Various families have owned and leased the property the Dunbabins, Jacob Burdon and Sam Wellard. The block was leased by S C Clifford late in the nineteenth century.

## BOUNDARY:

The listing boundary is formed by the fence lines immediately around the house and garden.

## COMMENTS:

Brookside has local significance as one of the earliest properties settled by Europeans in the district. The existing house is significant as one of a collection of c1880 houses in the district, reflecting the sudden growth of the district following the Waste Lands Acts after 1858.

The house should be included in Schedule 3 of the Sorell Planning Scheme.

## BIBLIOGRAPHY + PREVIOUS STUDIES:

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 DUNBABIN, Thomas. 1954. *A Farm at the World's End: Some account of the Dunbabins of Marchwiell in Tasmania*. T Dunbabin, Hobart.  
 Pembroke 1 /166 (map)

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