

# Irwin Shire Council

## Municipal Inventory Place Record

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**Place Details**      **Place Number:** 072      **Category:** 5      **HCWA No:** 11848  
**Assessment Date:** 11/06/1997      **Last Revision Date:** 20/08/2004

**Name:** Knowler's House  
**Former Name:**  
**Type of Place:** House  
**Address:** 56 Point Leander Drive  
**Map Reference:** HUNT 1:2000 BE42/35.03  
**Locality Name:** Port Denison      **Area of Site:**  
**GPS Northing:**      **GPS Easting:**

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### Photograph

**Date of Photograph:** 12/07/2004      **Source:** G. W. Grundy



Front façade facing Pt. Leander Drive

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### Ownership

**Owner:** T. Gilbert      **Owner Phone/Fax:**  
**Address:** 56 Pt Leander Dve, Dongara, 6525

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### Site Details

<b>Lot/Locn:</b>	Lot 59	<b>Diagram/Plan:</b>	<b>Vol/Folio:</b>
<b>Reserve:</b>		<b>Purpose:</b>	
<b>Assess No:</b>	1844	<b>Vesting:</b>	
<b>Occupied:</b>	Yes	<b>Occupier:</b>	
<b>PubAccess:</b>	No	<b>Lease:</b>	

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### Uses of the Place

**Original Use:** Residence

**Current Use:** Residence

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### Description

**Walls:** Rendered Stone

**Roof:** Corrugated Iron

**Condition:** Good

**Integrity:** Medium

**Orig'l Fabric:**

**Modifications**

1996

This rendered random rubble limestone house is sited directly on to the street and has a hipped corrugated iron roof with a bull-nose verandah which extends to cover the footpath. The verandah is supported on chamfered timber posts and has timber boards which enclose the ends above the verandah beam. There is a lean-to to the rear. Windows are aluminium framed.

2004

The house is being maintained by the owners.

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### History

**Const'n Date:** c1930s

**Source:** IDHS

**Architect:** Unknown

**Builder:** George Knowler

This house was built in the 1930s by George Knowler, builder, brick maker and well sinker. It was built as a house and shop which was run by the Knowler family and later May Batty ran it as a fish and chip shop. It was the residence of Sydney Knowler, a fisherman, till the 1970s when it was sold to Ken Smalley, who renovated the building and added a two storey garage and quarters at the rear. In the Mid 1980s Dennis and Joy Gilbert purchased the property and it was sold again in 2004.

(Source: IDHS Records)

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### Historic Theme(s)

HCWA

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100 Demographic settlement and mobility

8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements

305 Fishing and other maritime industry

3.4.2 Fishing and whaling

603 Local heroes and battlers

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### Statement of Significance

The house known as Knowler's has historic significance for its connection to the Knowler family who were well known in Port Denison. Given its simple style, the place has aesthetic appeal. The place is located in a prominent position on Point Leander Drive and makes a high contribution to the character of the town.

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### Management Category: 5

SIGNIFICANT IN CONTRIBUTING TO LOCAL CHARACTER.

The place has social significance and/or contributes to the streetscape and/or built environment of the precinct. Provide encouragement to the owner to maintain or enhance the street aspect of the place. Photographically record the place prior to any redevelopment.

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### Other Listings

No other heritage listings.

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### Supporting Information

IDHS Records

HCWA Database No. 11848

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### Additional Photographs

**Date of Photograph:** 11/06/1997    IR072-1

**Source:** *Suba & Grundy*



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