

# Irwin Shire Council

## Municipal Inventory Place Record

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**Place Details**      **Place Number:** 131      **Category:** 5      **HCWA No:** 12316  
**Assessment Date:** 06/08/1997      **Last Revision Date:** 08/01/2005

**Name:** Shady Grove Homestead  
**Former Name:**  
**Type of Place:** House  
**Address:** Milo Road  
**Map Reference:** HUNT 1:2000 BE42/35.03  
**Locality Name:** Milo      **Area of Site:**  
**GPS Northing:**      **GPS Easting:**

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### Photograph

**Date of Photograph:** 6/08/1997      **Source:** *Suba & Grundy*



South west facade, Shady Grove Homestead

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### Ownership

**Owner:** L. & C. Watson      **Owner Phone/Fax:**  
**Address:** PO Box 194, Dongara, 6525

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### Site Details

<b>Lot/Locn:</b>	Loc 595	<b>Diagram/Plan:</b>	<b>Vol/Folio:</b>
<b>Reserve:</b>		<b>Purpose:</b>	
<b>Assess No:</b>	4656	<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:** Stone/Concrete Block

**Roof:** Corrugated Iron

**Condition:** Fair

**Integrity:** Medium

**Orig'l Fabric:**

**Modifications**

This house was originally a small cottage that was enlarged by adding a concrete addition to the south and west sides. The house has a corrugated iron roof, which extends to cover the front and side verandahs. There is a skillion roof to the rear. The front verandah is supported on metal poles; the side verandah is enclosed with rusticated concrete block. Windows to the front are timber framed casement style. There is a chimney to the west.

2004

Not visited.

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### History

**Const'n Date:** c1871

**Source:**

**Architect:** Unknown

**Builder:** Unknown

Originally part of the Cattle Company leasehold, the tillage lease was taken out by police constable Edward Goodwin and farmed by John Webley. In c.1871 he built the original part of Shady Grove house. Later, the property was bought by Alfred Thomas Watson, and the farm was passed to son Albert and to his son Lynton Watson, the current owner. (The three homes located along the banks of the Irwin River in this vicinity ("Shady Grove", "Willow Green" and "Drummcoe") are thought to have been built by the same builder as they are all very much alike. (Source: IDHS Records)

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### Historic Theme(s)

HCWA

AHC

104 Land allocation and subdivision

8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements

602 Early settlers

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### Statement of Significance

The house Shady Grove has high historic significance given its connection to the early settlement of the Irwin District.

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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. 12316

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