

INVENTORY of SITES & ITEMS

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AWABA

## INVENTORY SUMMARY - LIST OF SITES &amp; ITEMS

AWABA - AW

ITEM No.	DESCRIPTION and LOCATION	TYPE	SIGNIFICANCE
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	AWABA - AW	AWABA - AW	
AW-01	SITE OF PALMER'S INN, PALMER'S Rd, RYHOPE An historical/archaeological survey is needed to locate this site.	a HO	M
AW-02	AWABA PUBLIC SCHOOL, 18 NELLINDA St, AWABA	SC	M
AW-03	AWABA UNION CHURCH, 20 GOSFORD St, AWABA	CH	M
AW-04	RAILWAY STATION BUILDINGS, ADELAIDE St, AWABA	RT	M H
AW-05	STATIONMASTER'S HOUSE, 1 WILTON Rd, AWABA	DW	M M
AW-06	WATER PUMPING STATION, WILTON Rd, AWABA More information needed for assessment.	WA	?
AW-07	AWABA STATE COAL MINE, 17 WILTON Rd, AWABA The Coal Mine has a very high potential for interpretation and would be a valuable site on a heritage trail.	EX	M H V
AW-08	RAILWAY STATION COTTAGE, ADELAIDE St, AWABA This cottage should be recorded. It has excellent potential to demonstrate working class household life in the late 19th Century.	DW	M V
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## CITY OF LAKE MACQUARIE

## HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY: SITE OF PALMER'S INN, PALMERS Rd, RYHOPE		ITEM No. AW - 01
PREVIOUS/OTHER NAMES OR USES:		
ADDRESS: near Palmer's Creek Bridge Palmer's Road, Ryhope Awaba 2283		S.H.I.P. REF. No.
PARISH: Awaba COUNTY: Northumberland		DATE INSPECTED: not found
PRESENT OWNER(S) (Name & Address):		BY: Doring (Oct.1992)
		REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:
		SITE AREA: CURRENT ZONING:
CATEGORY: Archaeological Site		MAP 1:25000 No. 9232-3-S
SUBCATEGORY:		NAME: WALLSEND
		GRID: 616 486
HISTORICAL THEMES: S.H.I.P.: Settlement, Transport  LOCAL:		Ref. Nos. for RELATED ITEMS
HISTORICAL PERIOD - BUILT: 1876 TO 1900 USED: 1885 to c1900 ?		
BUILDER: DATE BUILT: 1885		
ARCHITECT/DESIGNER:		
PHOTOGRAPH &/OR SKETCH PLAN (and caption): no photo		
ITEM No. AW - 01		

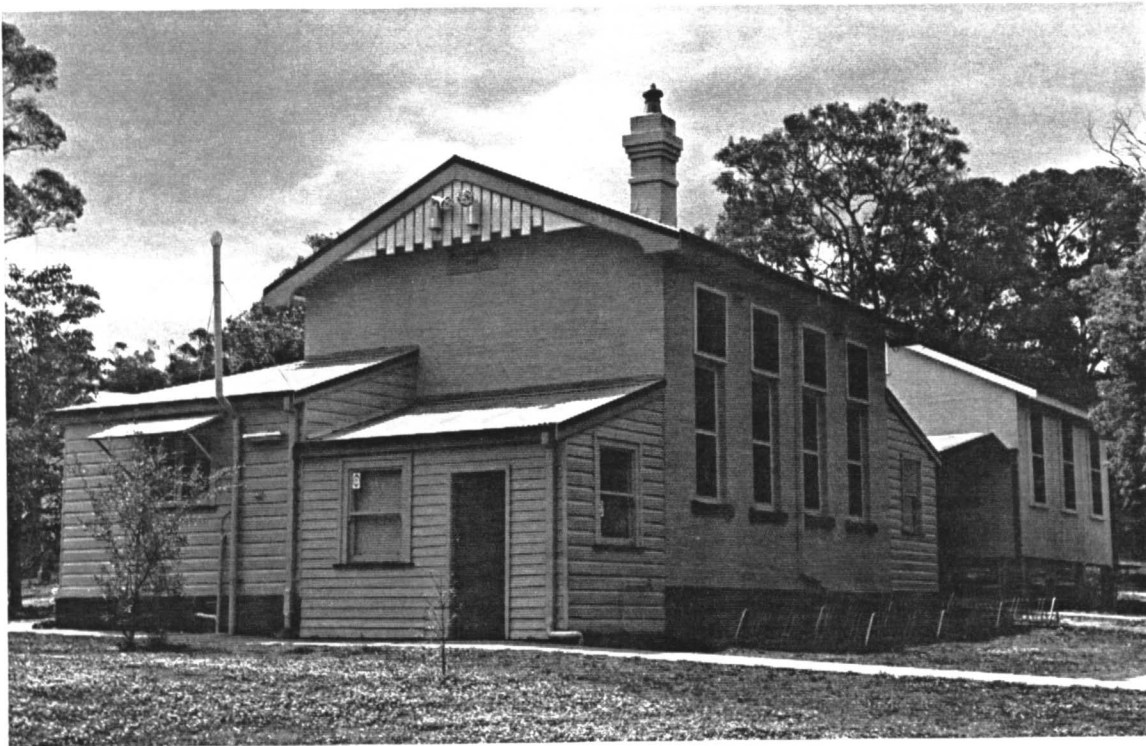
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<p>PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Archaeological Site Condition: possibly built over</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Archaeological Remains: not known</p> <p>Other physical detail: There is a cottage on what could be the site of the Inn</p>																						
INTERPRETATION:	Site could be interpreted by an historic marker if exactly located.																					
CONSERVATION ACTIVITY:	Identification of the exact site recommended																					
PRESENT USE:	residential site. Not known when the Inn ceased operation, or when the building was demolished.																					
HISTORICAL NOTES: Palmer's Inn was built in 1885 to serve the workers building the railway line at Awaba. It was on the corner of the (then) road between Wallsend & Cooranbong and the new Palmer's Rd (now Cessnock Rd) to Awaba. Other settlers moved to Palmer's, but after the railway construction was finished there were no attractions to the site.																						
REFERENCES:	Clouten, K.H., "Reid's Mistake", LMCC, 1967																					
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<p>STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: The site is interesting as a place of early occupation in this part of the Lake. The existence of the Inn was dependent on the construction of the railway and demonstrates the influence the coming of the Railway had on the area.</p> <p>If any remnants or relics of the Inn still exist, they could yield information about the Inn as a structure, or about its operation or the travellers who used it.</p>																						
Local Significance - Moderate		ITEM No. AW - 01																				

## CITY OF LAKE MACQUARIE

## HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY: <b>AWABA PUBLIC SCHOOL, 18 NELLINDA ST, AWABA</b>		ITEM No. <b>AW - 02</b>
PREVIOUS/OTHER NAMES OR USES:		
ADDRESS: 18 Nellinda Street Awaba 2283		S.H.I.P. REF. No.
PARISH: Awaba COUNTY: Northumberland		DATE INSPECTED: October 1992
PRESENT OWNER (Name & Address): Department of Public Instruction Government Real Estate 16 Grosvenor Street, Sydney NSW 2000		BY: Doring
CATEGORY: Building SUBCATEGORY: State Primary School		REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: Lot 397 DP 821668 SITE AREA: 9125m2 CURRENT ZONING: Residential 2(a)
HISTORICAL THEMES: S.H.I.P. Themes: Education, building styles, community social life. LOCAL Themes: as above		MAP 1:25000 No. 9231-4-N NAME: SWANSEA GRID: 633 464
HISTORICAL PERIOD - BUILT: 1876 -1900		USED: 1876 to now
BUILDER:		DATE BUILT: 1891
ARCHITECT/DESIGNER: NSW Govt. Architect's office		
PHOTOGRAPH &/OR SKETCH PLAN (and caption): The 1891 Awaba State Primary School building. The skillion roofed rooms in the foreground and the separate smaller building in the background are later additions. From the south-west.		
		
Doring Neg. 415.00		ITEM No. AW - 02

## CITY OF LAKE MACQUARIE

## HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY	AWABA PUBLIC SCHOOL, 18 NELLINDA STREET, AWABA	ITEM No. AW - 02																				
KNOWN HERITAGE LISTINGS:																						
<b>PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS</b> Architectural Style: Federation Arts & Crafts  MATERIALS - Frame: Double brick (prob. cavity)      Roof: GI gable  Walls/Cladding: Painted brick      Windows: DH 4 pane w. 4 pane top lights  Interior: not inspected      Floors: probably timber																						
DESCRIPTION: Small one-room country schoolhouse, typical of the Vernon period of the Gov't. Architects office. Shallow pitched roof, decorated with valence boards on gable ends, stepped chimney with terracotta pot. Tall south windows for good light without direct sun. East addition c1915 has vertical beaded T&G boards, characteristic local tall tapered concrete stumps (styled like earlier Jesmond Stone stumps). Other buildings include 1940s separate classroom to the north, flat roofed shelter shed to south.																						
MODIFICATIONS: Minor lean-to additions.																						
PRESENT USE: Unchanged - State Primary School																						
HISTORICAL NOTES: The school was opened in June 1891																						
REFERENCES: Nilsen, L.(ed), "Lake Macquarie: Past & Present", pub. LMCC 1985																						
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: The school building has served the community for over 100 years, proving its durability and its enduring fitness for its original purpose. It is an excellent example of a standard Government Architect's design for a small rural school of the time, providing good natural light and being cool in summer, warm in winter. The east addition is sympathetic in style while being constructed in cheaper materials characteristic of local designs. Both buildings have many years of useful life ahead of them.																						
Local Significance - moderate		ITEM No. AW - 02																				

## CITY OF LAKE MACQUARIE

## HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY: **AWABA UNION CHURCH**, 20 Gosford St, AwabaITEM No. **AW - 03**

PREVIOUS/OTHER NAMES OR USES:

ADDRESS: 20 Gosford St  
Awaba 2283  
(E side, N of jctn with Barton St.)

S.H.I.P. REF. No.

DATE INSPECTED: October 1992

PARISH: Awaba COUNTY: Northumberland

BY: Doring

PRESENT OWNER (Name &amp; Address):

REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:  
Lot 1 Sec 8 DP 758041

SITE AREA: 2023m2

CURRENT ZONING: Residential 2(a)

CATEGORY: Building

MAP 1:25000 No. 9231-4-N

SUBCATEGORY: Church

NAME: SWANSEA

GRID: 640 463

HISTORICAL THEMES:

S.H.I.P. Themes: Religion and social life

LOCAL Themes:

HISTORICAL PERIOD - BUILT: 1901-1925

USED: 1901 to now

BUILDER:

DATE BUILT: 1913

ARCHITECT/DESIGNER:

PHOTOGRAPH &/OR SKETCH PLAN (and caption):  
north-west.

Awaba Union Church viewd from the



Doring Neg. 415.03

ITEM No. **AW - 03**


## CITY OF LAKE MACQUARIE

## HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY	AWABA UNION CHURCH, 20 GOSFORD STREET, AWABA	ITEM No. AW - 03																				
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<p><b>PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS</b></p> <p>Architectural Style: vernacular - primitive gothic</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"><tr><td style="width: 33%;">MATERIALS - Frame:</td><td style="width: 33%;">Timber, tapered concrete stumps</td><td style="width: 33%;">Roof: Simple gable, CGI</td></tr><tr><td>Walls/Cladding:</td><td>Hardiplank</td><td>Windows: Aluminium DH</td></tr><tr><td>Interior:</td><td>not seen</td><td>Floors: Timber</td></tr></table>			MATERIALS - Frame:	Timber, tapered concrete stumps	Roof: Simple gable, CGI	Walls/Cladding:	Hardiplank	Windows: Aluminium DH	Interior:	not seen	Floors: Timber											
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Walls/Cladding:	Hardiplank	Windows: Aluminium DH																				
Interior:	not seen	Floors: Timber																				
DESCRIPTION: This small simple domestic scale building is typical of many such churches in small rural communities. The walls and roof have been reclad, and the window frames replaced, but the form is unchanged. Church was nearly blown over in 1934, & the tapered concrete stumps possibly date from this episode. The only extant decorations are small finials at each end, & these may be recent additions. Gabled porch blown off in 1934, possibly never replaced. Rural hilltop setting retained because of slow development of Awaba township.																						
MODIFICATIONS: Wall cladding & windows. Gabled porch removed.																						
PRESENT USE: Church																						
HISTORICAL NOTES: Land purchased by Awaba trustees on 11th December 1897. Funds raised through community functions & small slab church built 1898. Fortnightly srvcies with seats for about 60 by 1909. 1912 in poor repair. 1913 demolished & new church built. 1934, church was blown off its stumps in storm but successfully repaired. Reclad probably in the 1970s or early 1980s.																						
REFERENCES: Nilsen, L.(ed), "Lake Macquarie: Past & Present", pub. LMCC 1985 Lightfoot & Radford, "Colonies of Heaven", pub. authors, 1989.																						
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: This modest building is typical of the early churches built by small rural communities around the turn of the century in NSW. Its prominence and influence in the community have been enhanced by its attractive hilltop setting. Unlike most other surviving churches in the study area, it has retained its rural setting and modest pretentions.																						
Local Significance - Moderate		ITEM No. AW - 03																				

## CITY OF LAKE MACQUARIE

## HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY: <b>AWABA RAILWAY STATION BUILDINGS, AWABA</b>		ITEM No. <b>AW - 04</b>
PREVIOUS/OTHER NAMES OR USES:		
ADDRESS: south end of Adelaide Street Awaba 2283		S.H.I.P. REF. No.
PARISH: Awaba COUNTY: Northumberland		DATE INSPECTED: October 1992
PRESENT OWNER (Name & Address): State Rail Authority Transport House, York Street Sydney NSW 2000		BY: Doring
CATEGORY: Buildings SUBCATEGORY: Railway station		REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:  SITE AREA: 5 (d) Special Uses CURRENT ZONING: Railway
HISTORICAL THEMES: S.H.I.P. Themes: Transport  LOCAL Themes: Transport, railways		MAP 1:25000 No. 9231-4-N NAME: SWANSEA GRID: 637 461
HISTORICAL PERIOD - BUILT: 1876-1900		USED: c1887 - now
BUILDER: probably local		DATE BUILT: c1887-1890
ARCHITECT/DESIGNER: NSW Govt Railways - Existing Lines Branch Drawing Office		
PHOTOGRAPH &/OR SKETCH PLAN (and caption): viewed from the pedestrian overbridge. The small goods shed is on the left, the main waiting room with chimney beyond the ticket office, a railway cottage beyond the chimney.		
		
Doring Neg. 415.11		ITEM No. AW - 04

## HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY	RAILWAY STATION BUILDINGS, ADELAIDE St, AWABA		ITEM No.	AW - 04
KNOWN HERITAGE LISTINGS:				
PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS				
Architectural Style:	Traditional/Victorian Railways style			
MATERIALS - Frame:	Timber	Roof: Main bldg, gables, cgi.		
	Rebated w'bd, vertical cgi.			
Walls/Cladding:	main bldng lapped w'bd with beaded edge (unusual in district)	Windows:	Timber dh, 2 or 4 pane	
Interior:	not seen	Floors:	Timber	
DESCRIPTION: A group of buildings of which 2 appear original - a waiting room on west platform and goods shed on east platform. Waiting room retains beaded, lapped weatherboards, original seating, scalloped valence over entrance, brick fireplace with ornate chimney. Goods shed has vertical cgi. cladding. Ticket office c1950s has unsympathetic skillion roof - possibly replaced an earlier building. c1950s cantilevered awning with welded steel frame detracts from the appearance of the group. 2 rlwy cottages are part of the group (see AW- 5 & 8)				
MODIFICATIONS: Cantilevered awning with welded steel frame c1950s Small brick shelter shed. Ticket office with skillion roof.				
PRESENT USE: Railway station				
HISTORICAL NOTES: Awaba village grew to serve the needs of the railway workers who camped there. The station opened in 1887 with a platform on one side and a siding. Some settlers stayed on, hence the station complex was built after the railway opened (c1889?). A branch line to Wangi Power station via Awaba State Colliery said to have been opened 25th May 1954, but it was in use by 1951.				
REFERENCES: Nilsen, L.(ed),"Lake Macquarie: Past & Present", pub. LMCC 1985 Clouten, K.H.,"Reid's Mistake", LMCC, 1967 Doring, C & MJ, "Wangi Power Station Heritage Study" 1990, unpub.				
EVALUATION CRITERIA:				
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: Awaba Railway Station, with its two associated cottages forms a coherent group, still intact enough, in its semi-rural surroundings, to be expressive of the earliest time of railway transport in Lake Macquarie. The large waiting shed is one of very few left which have exterior & interior virtually intact. The village & its railway station have a strong association with both Awaba State Colliery and Wangi Power Station.				
Regional Significance - Moderate				
Local Significance - High				
		ITEM No. AW - 04		

## CITY OF LAKE MACQUARIE

## HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY: **AWABA STATIONMASTER'S HOUSE**, 1 Wilton Rd, Awaba ITEM No. **AW - 05**

PREVIOUS/OTHER NAMES OR USES:

ADDRESS: 1 Wilton Road  
Awaba 2283

S.H.I.P. REF. No.

DATE INSPECTED: October 1992

PARISH: Awaba

COUNTY: Northumberland

BY: Doring

PRESENT OWNER (Name &amp; Address):

Mr H. J. Golledge  
1 Wilton Road  
Awaba 2283

REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:

Lot 1 DP 817297

SITE AREA: 731.1m2

CURRENT ZONING: 5 (a)

CATEGORY: Building

MAP 1:25000 No. 9231-4-N

SUBCATEGORY: Single storey residence

NAME: SWANSEA

GRID: 637 461

HISTORICAL THEMES:

S.H.I.P. Themes: Transport

LOCAL Themes: Transport, railways

HISTORICAL PERIOD - BUILT: 1876-1900

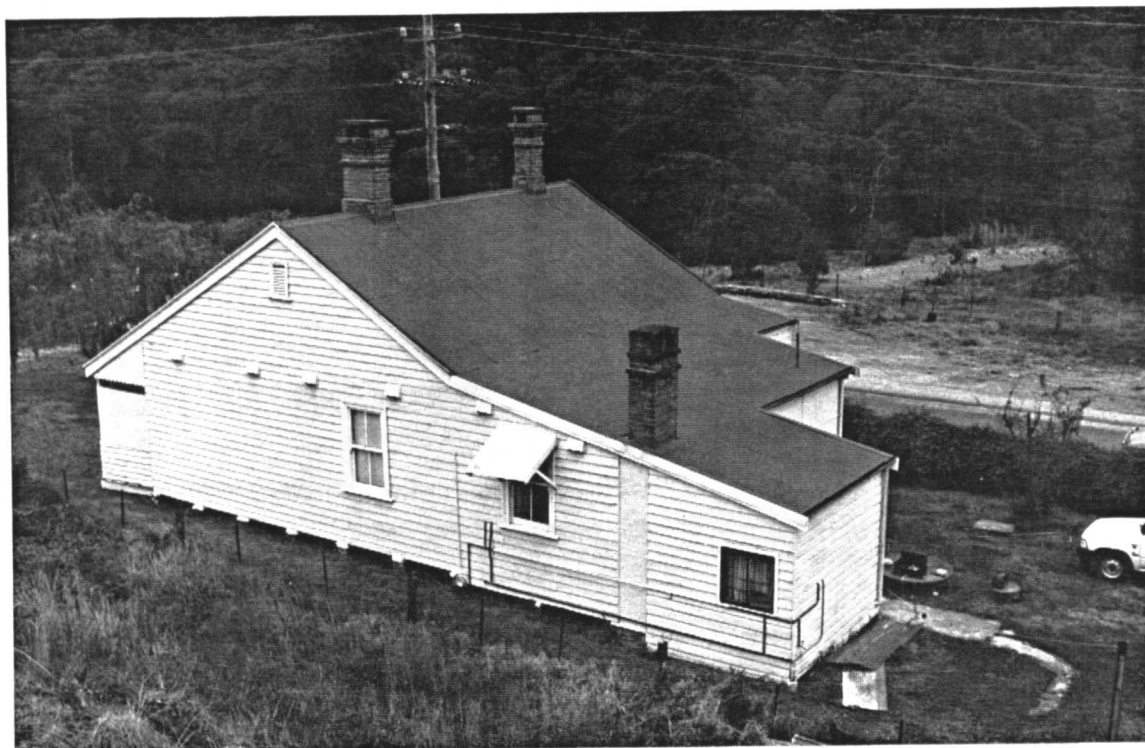
USED: c1887 - now

BUILDER: probably local

DATE BUILT: c1887-1890

ARCHITECT/DESIGNER: NSW Govt Railways - Existing Lines Branch Drawing Office

PHOTOGRAPH &amp;/OR SKETCH PLAN (and caption):


Former stationmaster's house,  
viewed from the pedestrian overbridge. The house has a north facing verandah  
across the front.

Doring Neg. 415.14

ITEM No. AW - 05

## HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY	STATIONMASTER'S HOUSE, 1 WILTON ROAD, AWABA		ITEM No. <b>AW - 05</b>																				
KNOWN HERITAGE LISTINGS:																							
PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS Architectural Style:																							
MATERIALS - Frame: Timber		Roof: cgi, gable with verandah under main roof, skillion at rear																					
Walls/Cladding: rebated wbd front, lapped wedge profile sides		Windows: Wood, dh, 2 pane sash																					
Interior: not seen		Floors: timber																					
DESCRIPTION: Modest gable roof cottage. Low "eyebrow" front verandah, timber posts with shaped brackets, scalloped valences each end. Extensive skillion at rear over kitchen etc. 3 brick chimneys. Remains of a picket fence at front & side, hedge along west (road) boundary. Old cabbage tree palm in backyard.																							
MODIFICATIONS: Few noticeable																							
PRESENT USE: Residence																							
HISTORICAL NOTES: The house was probably built about the same time as the station buildings, c1890.																							
REFERENCES: These references are to the railway station, not the cottages. Nilsen, L.(ed), "Lake Macquarie: Past & Present", pub. LMCC 1985 Clouten, K.H., "Reid's Mistake", LMCC, 1967																							
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: A typical, mostly intact, and attractive example of railway housing of its period, in a prominent position next to the station, so that its historic relationship with the railway station is quite evident.																							
Regional Significance - Moderate Local Significance - High		ITEM No. <b>AW - 05</b>																					

NAME/IDENTITY: <b>WATER PUMPING STATION</b> , Wilton Road, Awaba		ITEM No. <b>AW - 06</b>
PREVIOUS/OTHER NAMES OR USES:		
ADDRESS: <b>N-E cnr Wilton &amp; Olney Streets Awaba 2283</b>		S.H.I.P. REF. No.
PARISH: <b>Awaba</b> COUNTY: <b>Northumberland</b>		DATE INSPECTED: <b>October 1992</b>
PRESENT OWNER (Name & Address): <b>Hunter Water Corporation PO Box 5171B Newcastle West NSW 2302</b>		BY: <b>Doring</b>
		REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:  SITE AREA: <b>6 (c) Open Space</b> CURRENT ZONING: <b>(Local Res)</b>
CATEGORY: <b>Building</b>	MAP 1:25000 No. <b>9231-4-N</b>	
SUBCATEGORY: <b>Pumping Station</b>	NAME: <b>SWANSEA</b> GRID: <b>637 459</b>	
HISTORICAL THEMES: S.H.I.P. Themes: <b>Utilities</b>  LOCAL Themes: <b>Water Supply</b>		
HISTORICAL PERIOD - <b>BUILT 1926-1950 ?</b>		USED: <b>1926 to now</b>
BUILDER: <b>probably local</b>		DATE BUILT: <b>c1925-1930 ?</b>
ARCHITECT/DESIGNER: <b>Hunter Water Board</b>		
PHOTOGRAPH &/OR SKETCH PLAN (and caption): <b>Awaba water pumping station, viewed from the south-west. A door is in the out-of-view end of the building.</b>		
		
Doring Neg. 415.19		ITEM No. <b>AW - 06</b>


## CITY OF LAKE MACQUARIE

## HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY	WATER PUMPING STATION, WILTON ROAD, AWABA	ITEM No.    AW - 06																				
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Walls/Cladding:	Vertical ripple iron	Windows: timber louvred shutters																				
Interior:	not seen	Floors: probably concrete																				
DESCRIPTION:      Small, neat and carefully detailed rectangular shed. Vertical ripple iron cladding, hooded vents in wall, louvred shutters for extra vents. Frame has typical local style of decorative trim under the sill. Roof has been reclad. Roof has wide eaves with spaced lining boards for ventilation.																						
MODIFICATIONS:      None noticeable. Probably contains recent equipment.																						
PRESENT USE:          water pumping station																						
HISTORICAL NOTES:      This building appears to date from mid 1920s, but may be much later. "Lake Macquarie - Past & Present" notes that a water supply was brought to Awaba in 1948. The little building appears much earlier in its style, and may have been moved from some other location closer to Newcastle.																						
REFERENCES: Nilsen, L.(ed), "Lake Macquarie: Past & Present", pub. LMCC 1985																						
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:      More information needed.																						
Regional Significance - not assessed Local Significance - not assessed		ITEM No.    AW - 06																				

## CITY OF LAKE MACQUARIE

## HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY: <b>AWABA STATE COAL MINE</b> , 17 Wilton Rd, Awaba		ITEM No. <b>AW - 07</b>
PREVIOUS/OTHER NAMES OR USES:		
ADDRESS: 17 Wilton Road Awaba 2283		S.H.I.P. REF. No.
PARISH: Awaba COUNTY: Northumberland		DATE INSPECTED: November 1992
PRESENT OWNER (Name & Address): Pacific Power Electricity House, Park & Elizabeth Streets GPO Box 5257, Sydney, 2001		BY: Doring
CATEGORY: Buildings & Other Works SUBCATEGORY: Colliery		REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: DP Crown Por 154 DP 755207 SITE AREA: AB Land Claim 3609 CURRENT ZONING:
HISTORICAL THEMES: S.H.I.P. Themes: Mineral Extraction LOCAL Themes: Coal Mining and power production		MAP 1:25000 No. 9231-4-N NAME: Swansea GRID: 632 452
HISTORICAL PERIOD - BUILT: 1929-1950		USED: 1948 - now
BUILDER: State Coal Mines Authority		DATE BUILT: 1948
ARCHITECT/DESIGNER:		
PHOTOGRAPH &/OR SKETCH PLAN (and caption): viewed looking west from the car park. the coal loader/screen building is out of picture on the right. Boilerhouse and offices (left), Bathhouse (centre) Workshop (centre background). Green tower & conveyor belong to a new loader.		
		
Doring Neg. 439.24 (also see supplementary pages)		ITEM No. <b>AW - 07</b>

## HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY	AWABA STATE COAL MINE, 17 WILTON Rd, AWABA		ITEM No.	AW - 07
KNOWN HERITAGE LISTINGS:				
PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS				
Architectural Style:				
MATERIALS - Frame:	Brick or steel		Roof: Corr. colorbond: sawtooth/ workshops, gable/offices & loader	
Walls/Cladding:	Brick offices, cgi industrial		Windows:	Hopper/offices, south- light sawtooth/workshops
Interior:			Floors:	
DESCRIPTION: The colliery buildings all date from c1950. The offices, bath-house, lamp-room etc. are an attractive and well laid out assemblage of interconnected, orange-red brick buildings with low pitched gable roofs, bounded on the south by a tall brick boiler house, on the north by the tall coal loader/screen. Large workshop on the west side has 4 sawtooth bays. The 2 drift portals have the mine name incised over the opening. The colliery entrance would be attractive if not overwhelmed by carparking spaces.				
MODIFICATIONS: Original stables, electrical sub-station and carpenter's storage sheds have been demolished. Some extra offices have been inserted between the east wings of the bath-house complex.				
PRESENT USE: State-owned coal mine				
HISTORICAL NOTES: Awaba State Coal Mine was planned in the 1940s to provide the coal supply for the proposed Lake Macquarie (now Wangi) Power Station. Opened 14th July 1948 by J.M.Baddeley, MLA. All its coal supplied Wangi P.S. via a branch rail-line until c1970, and then by truck until the 1980s. Now supplies Eraring P.S. via a purpose-built coal road.				
REFERENCES: Nilsen, L.(ed),"Lake Macquarie: Past & Present", pub. LMCC 1985 Doring, C & MJ, "Wangi Power Station Heritage Study" 1990, unpub.				
EVALUATION CRITERIA:				
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: Awaba State Coal Mine is an attractive and virtually complete complex of colliery buildings, laid out in a compact group to suit the working of a modern drift mine. The rural setting at the bottom of a small valley, surrounded by forest clad ridges, gives the Coal Mine an aesthetic value unmatched elsewhere in Lake Macquarie. The Coal Mine has a very high potential for interpretation and would be a valuable site on a heritage trail. Awaba State Coal Mine has a very strong association with Wangi Power Station, in that it was built to supply coal to Wangi, and was formerly linked to Wangi by a branch rail line, thus it shares in the high significance of Wangi P.S. as the first coalfields sited power station in NSW.				
Regional Significance - High. State Significance - Moderate Local Significance - Very High.			ITEM No. AW - 07	

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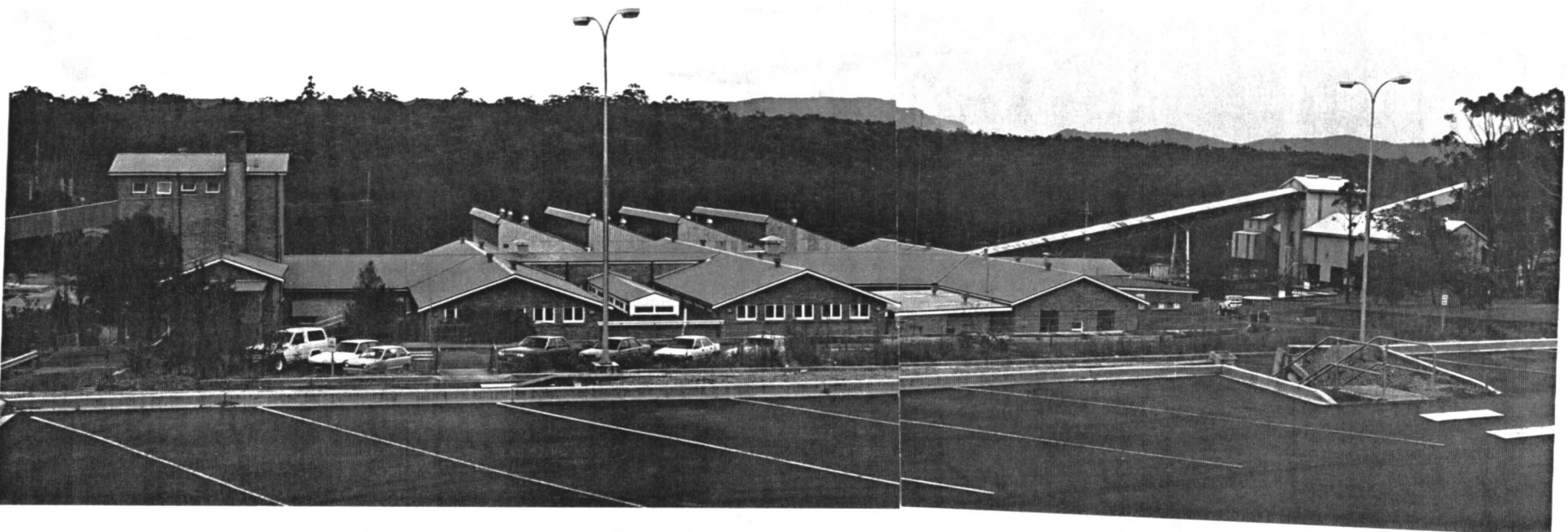
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Awaba State Coal Mine  
panorama from the carpark  
looking west. Showing  
Boilerhouse - left  
Bathhouse & Admin wing -  
centre foreground,  
Sawtooth Workshop roof -  
centre background,  
Coal conveyor, screen  
house and loader - right.

The rail line to Wangi  
Power Station passed  
behind (west of) the  
buildings.

This panorama is made up  
of two photographs -  
(Doring Neg.439.18) left  
(Doring Neg.439.19) right

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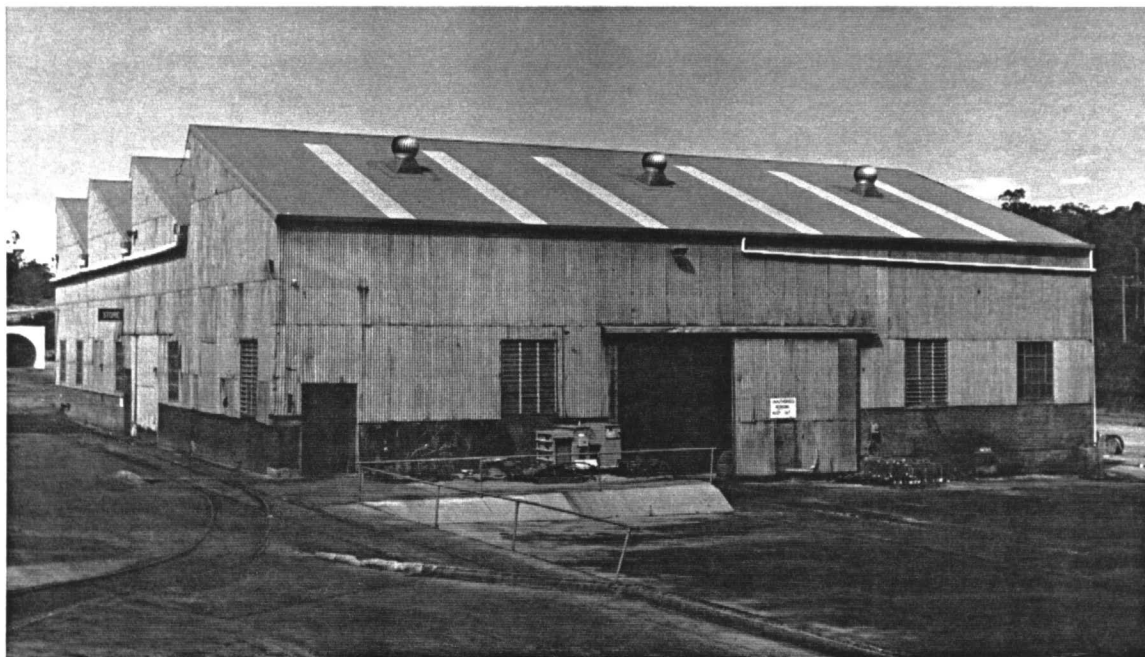
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Top: South end of the Admin. building with Boilerhouse in the background, viewed from near the Workshop, looking east. Note the bracketed window hoods, from a 1920s local style, on the west and north windows. (Doring Neg.439.12)

Bottom: The main Workshop building viewed from the north-east near the admin building. Note the rail lines in the foreground and running into the workshop. On the left (south end of the site) part of a modern drift portal can be seen. (Doring Neg.439.06)



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Top: One of the two 1949 drift portals, still in use for conveying coal to the surface. Railway lines in the foreground led to the other 1949 drift portal behind the camera, formerly for personnel, but now disused. To the right of the photo is the roofed coal conveyor rising up to the screen building. In front of the conveyor a coal cutter is awaiting repair. (Doring Neg.439.04).

Bottom: Roofed coal conveyor (left) leading up to the coal screening building. The coal loader is behind and left of the conveyor tower. The screen and loader structures are understood to be original, but have been re-clad and contain modern machinery. (Doring Neg.456.05)



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## HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY: **AWABA RAILWAY STATION COTTAGE**, Adelaide St, Awaba ITEM No. **AW - 08**

PREVIOUS/OTHER NAMES OR USES: possibly a former gate-keeper's cottage

ADDRESS: south end of Adelaide Street  
near Awaba Railway Station, Awaba 2283

S.H.I.P. REF. No.

DATE INSPECTED: October 1992

PARISH: Awaba

COUNTY: Northumberland

BY: Doring

PRESENT OWNER (Name &amp; Address):

REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:

SITE AREA: 3 (c) Neighbourhood  
CURRENT ZONING: Business

CATEGORY: Building

MAP 1:25000 No. 9231-4-N

SUBCATEGORY: Single storey residence

NAME: SWANSEA

GRID: 636 462

HISTORICAL THEMES:

S.H.I.P. Themes: Transport

LOCAL Themes: Railways, social life

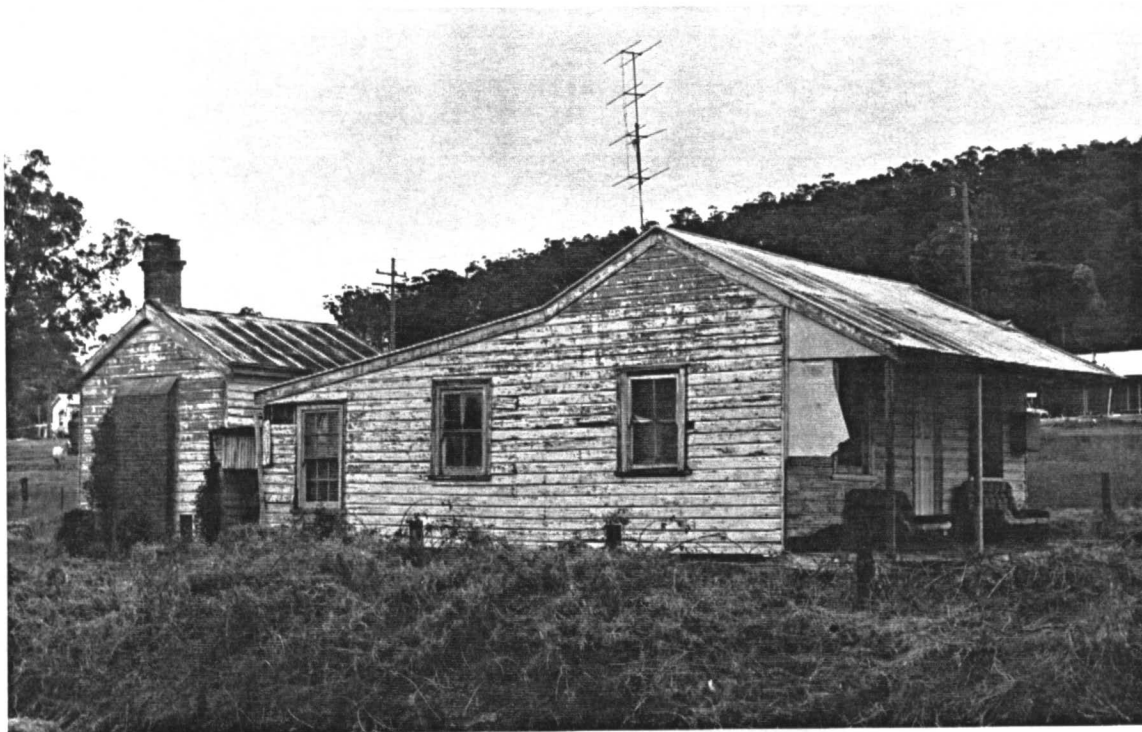
HISTORICAL PERIOD - BUILT: 1876-1900

USED: c1887 - now

BUILDER: probably local

DATE BUILT: c1887-1890

ARCHITECT/DESIGNER: NSW Govt Railways - Existing Lines Branch Drawing Office

PHOTOGRAPH &/OR SKETCH PLAN (and caption): Awaba Railway Station Cottage  
viewed from the south-east. The railway station is behind the camera. Note the  
separate kitchen wing detached from the main building.

Doring Neg. 415.15

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## CITY OF LAKE MACQUARIE

## HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY	RAILWAY STATION COTTAGE, ADELAIDE St, AWABA		ITEM No.	AW - 08
KNOWN HERITAGE LISTINGS:				
PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS Architectural Style: Traditional institutional style Victorian cottage.				
MATERIALS - Frame:		Timber	Roof: gable with cgi	
Walls/Cladding:		rebated w'board	Windows: dh timber w. 2 or 6 pane sashes	
Interior:		not seen	Floors: timber	
DESCRIPTION: Weatherboard cottage on a smaller scale than the Stationmaster's. Gable roof with eyebrow verandah on front and skillion on back. Separate gable roof kitchen wing with brick fireplace behind the skillion. Cottage is set in an open paddock slightly west of the station buildings. Has suffered lack of maintenance, but is substantially intact and could easily be repaired.				
MODIFICATIONS: Chimneys removed from main cottage. Scalloped valence, gutter & downpipe, and original verandah posts missing.				
PRESENT USE: domestic residence				
HISTORICAL NOTES: The cottage was probably built about the same time as the station buildings, c1890.				
REFERENCES: These references are to the railway station, not the cottages. Nilsen, L.(ed), "Lake Macquarie: Past & Present", pub. LMCC 1985 Clouten, K.H., "Reid's Mistake", LMCC, 1967				
EVALUATION CRITERIA:				
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: A typical and unusually intact example of railway housing of its period, in a prominent position in open ground close to the station, so that its historic relationship with the railway station is quite evident. This cottage is particularly important because of the survival of its separate kitchen wing, complete with brick fireplace and chimney. A once common means of guarding against the spread of fire, the separate kitchen wing is now a rare survival, and one of only very few left in Lake Macquarie. This cottage has the potential to demonstrate working class household life in the late 19th Century.				
Regional Significance - Moderate Local Significance - Very High			ITEM No. AW - 08	

