



WANDI PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC.

HOPE VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL BUILDING RELOCATION & RENOVATION

**IN
CONJUNCTION WITH THE**

**TOWN OF KWINANA
2004 -2005**

HISTORY

HVPS was situated at Mc Laren Avenue Hope Valley since 1964 (drawings approved Dec 1963) after being transported from a site in Naval Base.

Plans were approved for the construction of Naval Base Primary School on the 24th November 1959.

When the building was moved to Hope Valley it was only a two classroom school; the Education Department added another classroom to the building on its' relocation. The new room was added to the centre, with both end verandahs being lined; a store was then added to the eastern end. At a later date more work was completed to create a canteen and staff room to these verandahs.

The buildings future use will be for community activities fulfilling a need that is required by Clubs and Associations.

PUBLICITY

To publicise the Associations intentions to move the school a photo shoot was organised on the Wandi site with the Community newspaper. Representation was from the WPA (2004), a past Hope Valley student and youth of Wandi who would take advantage of the building.

Photo from left: Jamie Wellman, Glenda Wellman (President), Les Whiddett (Treasurer), Ryan Whiddett, John Lydon (Vice Pres.) & Rodney Cocks (Vice Pres.)



THE PROJECT IN BRIEF

- Hope Valley community petitioned Kwinana Town Council to retain the buildings for alternative use due to its' historical importance.
- Kwinana Council approached local groups for expressions of interest for the buildings use.
- Council confirmed its' support of the petition to retain the building; however Land Corp. did not want it on the existing site.
- Land Corp agreed to pay for the buildings relocation.



Rear of main school building located on the Hope Valley site.

MORE ON THE PROJECT

- Wandj Progress Association made a commitment to assist with the buildings relocation.
- Council committed itself to assist the WPA with the relocation.
- WPA set about organising the demolition, transport and reinstatement of two buildings.
- Hope Valley Primary School was moved on the 17 December 2004 at 5am.



View of the School from under the assembly area, before relocation.

HOPE VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL STAGE ONE DEMOLITION AND TRANSPORTATION

To achieve the goal of relocating the school buildings it was evident that future user groups had to have some input. Calls for assistance went out and was given by the following groups-

- WANDI PROGRESS ASSOCIATION
- WOODTURNERS ASSOCIATION of WA
- FINE WOOD WORKERS ASSOCIATION
 - NON AFFILIATED VOLUNTEERS

Work undertaken at this stage amounted to approximately 40 voluntary days.

Demolition of all buildings on site was undertaken to recover as much usable materials as possible.

Left: Flooring timber being removed .

Centre: Recovering security lights from a building destined for demolition.

Right: Light fitting & post being dismantled for removal.



THE CONTRACTOR TAKES OVER

Removal of the roof, verandahs, part of the staff room and all of the old canteen was undertaken to allow the transport contractor to do his job.



The transport company cut the remaining building in two; jacked both sections and positioned them on a low loader each ready for relocation by road.



SITE CLEARING

John Lydon a Wandj Progress Assoc. member; volunteered his time and machinery to clear the new site of spear wood in readiness for the earthworks.



The Wandí site was prepared for the buildings restumping.
A minimum amount of vegetation was removed and not
one tree was cut down on the site.



TRANSPORT BEGINS AT 5AM. ARRIVES AT 6.30AM.

Left: Schools leaves the Hope Valley site. Right: Both buildings approaching Wandu, Dehaer Rd from our oval. Bottom: Both buildings crossing the Freeway overpass on Anketell Road.



WE HAVE ARRIVED SAFELY

Both sections of the school arriving at 6.30am. Each section was parked on the Equestrian Centre car park waiting for the final positioning.



ON SITE

Top: The first section of the school is reversed into position.

Bottom: Soon after the second section is positioned; note the first section has been stumped at the final height.



THE OTHER BUILDING

The assembly area of the school was also dismantled for relocation; the slab is poured on the same day as the schools relocation to Wandi.



THE COMPLETED ASSEMBLY AREA

The structure will allow future group storage space once the conversion has been completed. External & internal walls, doors will be added making this a multi purpose structure.



STAGE ONE ALMOST COMPLETE

Left: Building fully stumped showing the new enclosed verandah ready for the toilets renovation to begin.

Right: Verandah and roof on, old staff room rebuilt at the end of the building.



INTERIOR RENOVATION BEGINS

Left: Carpet was removed from the floor to reveal quality jarrah flooring; these boards will be sealed for the buildings use. Ceilings have also been removed because of their age and damage in transport.

Right: All ceilings were replaced as part of the relocation costs. Fitting of lights, fans and painting will be completed by volunteers while waiting for stage two funding.



The Wandí Progress Assoc. will also be cladding the assembly area to make it secure for basic storage; a roller door has already been installed. Cladding has been purchased but not installed at the time of this photo



STAGE ONE COMPLETE

Unfortunately the building suffered some vandalism before stage one was completed, 14 windows were broken. Kwinana Council came to our rescue and the windows were replaced; to support this unforeseen cost volunteers boarded up all glass openings to reduce further damage.



Photos' show the buildings relocated to Wandi and their position on site



WORK UNDERWAY

As a result of a grant by Edison Mission Energy and Alcoa Australia the phone, security and power has been installed to the main school building.



Power being installed to the main school building financed by a donation from Alcoa Australia.



Security and phone installation to the main school building financed by a grant from Edison Mission Energy.

STAGE TWO RENOVATION

Toilets will be added to the building (eastern end)– male, female & disabled

This same area will be used for the cleaners wet & storage area.

A basic tea/coffee preparation area will also be included.

Photo right shows the verandah space allocated for this purpose; extending to the left around the corner.

This space was originally the school canteen.

Drawings have been approved by Council for this space.



STAGE TWO RENOVATION

An office area will be added to the western verandah end of the school. The dividing wall (not structural) will be removed to allow a more flexible layout for future use.

With the wall removed it will also allow the air conditioner to be run more efficiently for the whole space.

Temporary office dividers will be used to create personal spaces between desks allowing the cool/hot air to circulate in the room.



STAGE TWO RENOVATION

Ceilings have been replaced in each classroom after the move, our intention is to replace the internal lining giving a more updated look. Carpets have been removed due to age, exposing jarrah flooring, this will be polished with an easy care finish. We expect this floor surface to be more conducive for community use.





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STAGE THREE RENOVATION

- Once the School was moved and the assembly area floor concreted a team of volunteers from the WPA & Woodturners Assoc. clad the outside of the structure. This turned this area into a building which would later become a store for clubs and work shop.



Supports are installed



The last sheets are fixed in place

Relocating the building was the easy part of the project, now works had to be completed to conform to new public building codes. Storm water had to be collected for drinking water and run off was directed into sumps. Door frames were replaced for disabled access to all areas, toilets were installed including disabled and flooring replaced. Wiring was checked and replaced along with the lights. Security, phone, fire detection and communication systems were installed all by volunteers.



Storm water sumps lifted in.



Les Whiddett installs the down pipes

The hard work began when each room was stripped ready for re-lining.



This part of the job was completed by volunteers. Fred took to the job with a destructive flair.



Landscaping began with the placement of large limestone rocks. WA Limestones' donation was appreciated as we were able to acknowledge the original schools site on a limestone ridge in Hope Valley.

Volunteers placed the rocks with their machinery, thanks to Graham from ABBA Earth Moving.



Almost there.



A little help from a friend.

It was important to have easy access for everyone on this new site. Paths were installed allowing for disabled access connecting all the relevant exit & entry points that would be used.

To identify the entry a limestone entry statement was constructed making this point more identifiable for users.

Contractors did a great job installing paths and walls.



PAINTING

Painting became the largest of all jobs completed by volunteers. Assistance was given by a variety of groups WPA, Woodturners Assoc. Wandi, Landcare Group Wandi, relocated residents, etc.

Some difficulty was noted with the high ceilings and there were some complains about stiff necks.



Left:

John proves even a woodturner can paint with his tongue out.

Right:

Fred applies a coat of paint to the ceiling. Don't make a mess Fred.



MORE ON PAINTING

Painting the outside of the building had its' own problems; different types of paint used, old flaking paint and no paint. Most of the outside was easier to paint with a spray gun because of the weather board and fibro sheeting. It was agreed that the colour of the building should change, after much discussion the old schools colours were chosen Maroon and white.



Peter makes short work of this job.



Electrical work was completed by John Lydon. His job was to upgrade the electrics to a modern standard allowing for future expansion.

Included in the electrical is the lighting of the car park and BBQ area.

LAND SCAPING

This job was completed by the Wandí Landcare Group and WPA. Three hundred seedling were planted between the new buildings and along the entry road. Advanced trees were planted between the buildings and later a hibiscus from the original school site will be planted near the main path to the school. Thanks Janet.



Kerry Morgan getting down and dirty.



Janet Carr with all the tools you need to plant a seedling. I think it's Janet?

FLOORING

After the carpets were lifted jarrah flooring was revealed. It was decided to sand and seal the floors as this would be an easier surface to keep clean. Lawrie became an expert on the sander and later the polisher. While doing this job marks appeared in the floors and after some discussion it was realised they were from the student chairs.





A CHANGE IN STYLE

Balustrading has been installed along the verandah for safety changing the look of the building.

Work was completed by a volunteer carver/woodturner; Fred Brewer who did a great job.

This work allowed the flooring to be trimmed and the fixing of loose boards.

Les does the trimming.

JUST ABOUT DONE

Disabled ramp in railing to be added it's looking great.





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**Thanks to these people for making this project the success it
has become.**

























