

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF MONUMENTS AND SITES

(often called World Heritage Day)

Join ICOMOS members and friends to celebrate this year's International Day of Monuments and Sites. This year's theme is AGRICULTURE which we will be exploring with a twist.

The day will start at Balladong Farm, York (Avon Tce) which is reputed to be the oldest rural farm in Western Australia. Having undergone expansion and contraction over the years, the place now comprises a reconstructed cottage (on 1835 footings) and a group of farm buildings including expansive Stables, a two-storey Granary as well as a Butcher's Shop and Shearing Shed, constructed in the 1850s and 1870s. Balladong has also had an interesting history from a heritage perspective. Nerida Moredoundt of Palassis Architects will give an overview of the history and potential future of this significant site.

The visit to Balladong will be followed by lunch at Jah Roc Café in the 1892 York Flour Mill (7 Broome St).

And for those who like their agriculture with a bit of a difference, we will stop at The Ruined Piano Sanctuary located on Wambyn Olive Farm, 17km from York (Great Southern Highway). As well as over 1300 olive trees, the property has been 'planted' with old pianos now in various states of repair. Visitors are given a map of the pianos and can stroll through the picturesque grounds and, depending on our numbers, we may get a tour (and maybe a tinkle) and be able to see the olive processing plant.

Time: 10.30 for 11.00 at Balladong Farm (simple cup of tea / coffee on arrival)
12.30 – lunch
2.30 – Ruined Piano Sanctuary (\$5)

Date: Sunday 18 April

RSVP: anne.brake@ntwa.com.au by Wednesday 14 April

Travel in own cars or, if you would like to car pool, let me know.



Balladong Farm



Ruined Piano Sanctuary (Wambyn Farm)

