

Street Address	Acute Corner of East Coast (Mooloomba) Road and Dickson Way, Point Lookout (Bill North's Cattle Dip)
GPS/RPD	Part of Lot 130 on SL13002
Place Type	Built



Red-e-map (RCC, 2017).



Cattle Dip, Point Lookout (AHS, 2017).

Condition	Good	Integrity	Good
Statutory Listings	Local Heritage Place		
Non-Statutory Listings	No current listing		
Inspection Date	17/01/2017		

Historical Context

Bill North's Cattle Dip is a cattle dip located on the corner of East Coast Road and Dickson Way, Point Lookout, North Stradbroke Island. This cattle dip was built and used by William Roger North who was a cattle farmer on Stradbroke Island in the late nineteenth century. North was born in Dublin, Ireland, in 1850 and came to Queensland in 1869, where he was a member for the Lockyer parliament from 1888 to 1893.[1] He then engaged in dugong farming for several months on Stradbroke Island and operated a fish cannery at Dunwich.[2]

The earliest mention of his cattle station on Stradbroke Island was in 1893, where he leased at least 24 square miles of land at Point Lookout to be used for breeding and fattening cattle, and it was on this site that his cattle dip was located.[3] North held cattle at Gatton which he brought across to the Island by swimming them from Southport.[4] In 1898 the sea broke through the island at Jumpinpin, creating North Stradbroke and South Stradbroke Islands. Due to the break, an alternative route was created from Pimpama Island to Dunwich for the cattle to swim.[5]

It was reported as early as 1896 that North was supplying beef to the Dunwich Benevolent Asylum.[6] North farmed cattle for almost 30 years, retiring in 1930. He returned to the Dunwich Benevolent Asylum as an inmate after his retirement and died in 1936, aged 86.[7]

In the late 1980s, the dip was cleared of vegetation and restored by North's great-grandson Gary North.[8]

Physical Description

The cattle dip is recessed into the hillside on the main road between Amity Point and Point Lookout. The concrete dip is bordered by a post and rail fence lining a run at both ends. The site is close to the road reserve and there is interpretive signage.

Statement of Significance

Bill North's Cattle Dip is a locally significant place which embodies historical value. As a surviving early cattle dip, it demonstrates the development of early pastoralism activities on North Stradbroke Island.

Criteria A	The place is important in demonstrating the evolution or pattern of the region's history.
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Bill North's Cattle Dip is historically significant as evidence of the early settlement and pastoral activities on North Stradbroke Island and is an early surviving European structure in Point Lookout.

Primary Themes

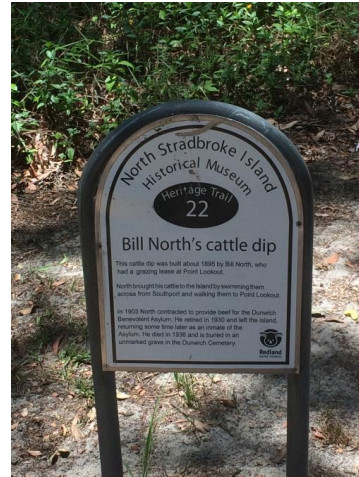
2.0 Exploiting, Utilising and Transforming the Land	2.03 Pastoral activities
3.0 Developing Secondary and Tertiary Industries	3.01 Feeding Queenslanders

References

- [1] Queensland Parliament, "Former Members – North, William Roger," 2011, <https://www.parliament.qld.gov.au/members/former/bio?id=89042263>.
- [2] Queensland Times, Ipswich Herald and General Adviser, 28 November 1893, p. 4; "Timeline North Stradbroke Island," Redland City Council, 2006, p. 6.
- [3] Ibid.
- [4] Ibid.
- [5] *Brisbane Courier*, 8 July 1898, p. 6.
- [6] *Brisbane Courier*, 2 April 1896, p. 5; *Brisbane Courier*, 14 December 1896, p. 7.
- [7] RPS, Redland City Council – Heritage Citation, "Bill North's Cattle Dip," 2012.
- [8] Ibid.



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