

HARRISVILLE HISTORIC AND ARCHITECTURAL RESOURCES SURVEY
INDIVIDUAL INVENTORY FORM

DISTRICT: SITE #:
-- IP-14

PROPERTY NAME (HISTORIC):	OWNER (ORIGINAL): Persia Beal
PROPERTY NAME:	OWNER: Mr. & Mrs. Douglas McCarthy
LOCATION: On the north side of Chesham Road just west of IP-13	ADDRESS: Box 19 Harrisville, NH 03450
UTM REFERENCES: 18-736150-4758500	ACREAGE: 1.7 RANGE/LOT: X-14-1
USGS QUADRANGLE: Monadnock	VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: See Site Map
DATE: c.1842	
SOURCE: Tax Records	

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: The main stylistic feature of this 2 story white clapboard five bay farmhouse is a very large three bay gable-roofed wall dormer in the center of the south or principal facade. Pronounced cornice returns give the house a generally Greek Revival feeling although its center entry is sheltered by a gable-roofed porch supported by turned posts of the Colonial Revival period. A 2 story, 4 bay ell containing an entry with a bracketed hood connects to a barn and an additional ell to the west. The 3 story white clapboard barn is one of the largest 19th century barns in Harrisville.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: This farm achieves architectural significance as one of the best surviving examples in Harrisville of a 19th century connected farm complex (cf. CVD-7) in Chesham for another of the very few extant). Its historical importance is rooted in its contributions to two themes central to Harrisville's history: independent family farming and the absorption of existing farms by summer resort development near the turn of the 20th century. Bought by wealthy Worcester, MA businessman Arthur E. Childs in 1905, it was to become the estate farm for Childs' Aldworth Manor (IP-15) which was re-erected on hilltop site immediately to the north of this farm in 1907. Sold by Mr. Childs in the 1930s, it remained in the Main family for 42 years. This complex satisfies Criteria A and C of the National Register of Historic Places.

REFERENCES:

History of Dublin
Main, Mrs. Howard. Personal interview, June 27, 1983.

MAP: SEE CONTINUATION SHEET

DESCRIPTION OF VIEW:

Front elevation and barn (south elevation)

Facing north

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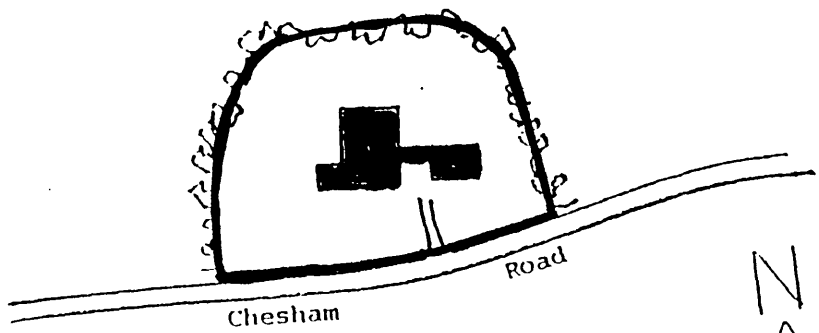
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- Contributing
- Non-contributing

SCALE 1"=200'

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:

Bounded on the north and east by the edge of trees, on the south by the Chesham Road and on the west by the edge of trees.

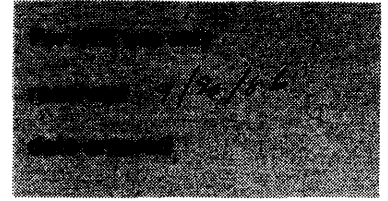
Includes the immediate visual surroundings incorporating the features contributing to the property's architectural and historical significance.

Designated as IP-14 on the Town of Harrisville Map, included with this nomination.

The boundaries of the property are indicated by the heavy black line on the sketch map above.

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form



Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Harrisville MRA
State Cheshire County, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

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| 11. Acre (The) ✓ | Substantive Review | for Keeper | Patrick Andrus 1/14/88 |
| | | Attest | Beth L. Sarge 1/14/88 |
| 12. Adams, Moses, Farm ✓ | Substantive Review | Keeper | return S |
| | | Attest | |
| 13. Adams Farm ✓ | Substantive Review | for Keeper | Patrick Andrus 1/14/88 |
| | | Attest | Beth L. Sarge 1/14/88 |
| 14. Aldworth Manor ✓ | Substantive Review | for Keeper | Patrick Andrus 1/14/88 |
| | | Attest | Beth L. Sarge 1/14/88 |
| 15. Adams, John, Homestead--Wellscroft ✓ | Substantive Review | for Keeper | Patrick Andrus 1/14/88 |
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| 16. Bancroft, Timothy, House ✓ | Substantive Review | for Keeper | Patrick Andrus 1/14/88 |
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| 17. Beal, Persia, House ✓ | Substantive Review | for Keeper | Patrick Andrus 1/14/88 |
| | | Attest | Beth L. Sarge 1/14/88 |
| 18. Bemis, Elbridge G., House ✓ | Substantive Review | for Keeper | Patrick Andrus 1/14/88 |
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| 19. Bemis, George, House ✓ | Substantive Review | for Keeper | Patrick Andrus 1/14/88 |
| | | Attest | Beth L. Sarge 1/14/88 |
| 20. Cheever, George, Farm ✓ | Substantive Review | for Keeper | Patrick Andrus 1/14/88 |
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