

BEAUFORT COUNTY  
HISTORIC SITES SURVEY - 1997

Statewide Survey Site Form  
State Historic Preservation Office  
South Carolina Department of Archives and History  
Columbia, SC

INTENSIVE LEVEL SITE INVENTORY FORM

Site Number: U - 13 - 495

Brockington Associates, Inc. • Brooker Architectural Design Consultants  
Historic Beaufort Foundation • Preservation Consultants, Inc.

USGS Quad: 046 Bluffton  
Doc. Level: Intensive Level-Site

Historic name(s): Steven's Club

Tax Number: R800 022 000 0032 0000

Common name(s): Cooper River Landing Club

Island: Daufuskie Is.

Address/location: 94 Carvin Rd.

City/Vicinity of (vic.) Daufuskie Island

Date: 1950c Alteration date:

Ownership:  1. private  2. city  3. county  4. state  5. federal  6. unknown

Category:  1. building  2. site  3. structure  4. object

Historic use(s): Nightclub; picnic ground Current uses: vacation house/not used.

National Register Status:

Action:

Date:

Listing Name:

NRIS #

Non-contributing property ; inventory #38

6/2/82 Daufuskie Island Historic District

Local Designation:

Potential:

Source of Evaluation:

Number of Related Resources:

Previous Survey:

Reference:

Photograph:



Photographs:

- prints
- slides
- negatives

Date: 9/17/97

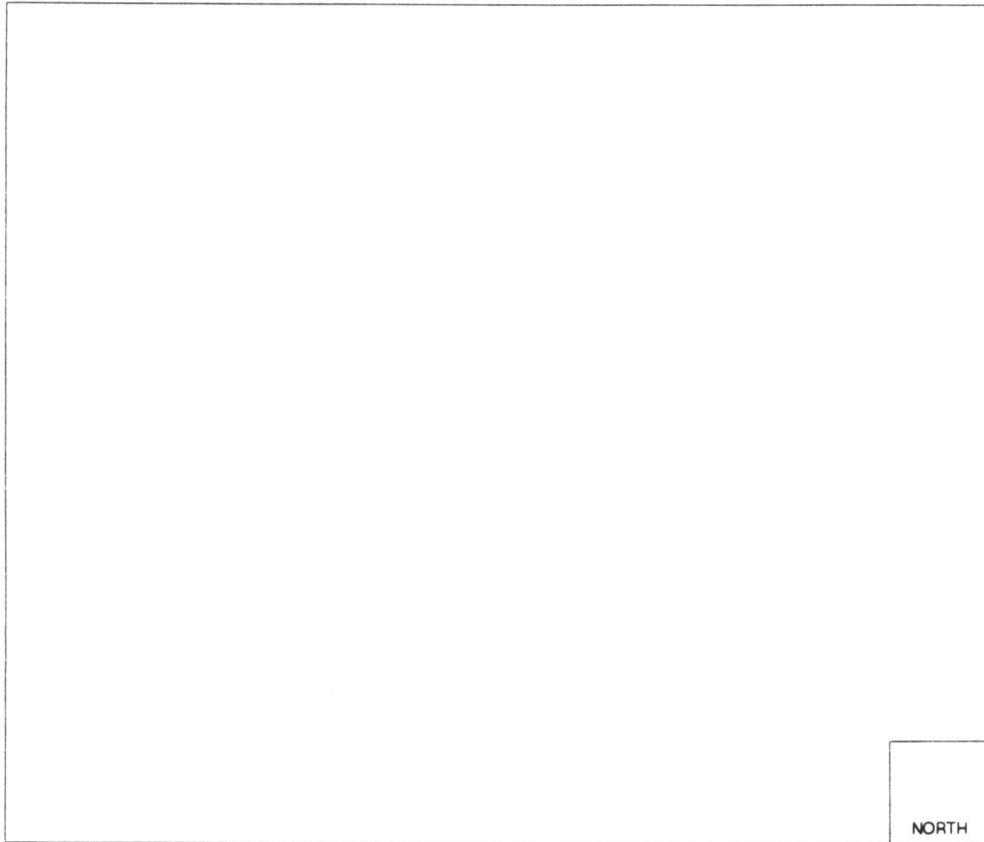
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Roll # Neg. View of:  
F7 F22 Clubhouse

Surroundings: rural; waterfront (steamboat landing)

Acreage:

Sketch:



Description: Level site adjacent to Cooper River Landing dock. Concrete block nightclub building probably constructed in late 1940s has been extensively altered with addition of second level.

Alterations: Alteration date: Integrity:  excellent  good  fair  poor  Other...

Historical Data: Cooper River is part of the Intracoastal Waterway. Passenger and supply steamers called regularly at the Cooper River dock. Residents began selling cooked crabs and fish to passengers and crew, and by about 1920 the landing (only an hour by water from Savannah) had developed as a picnic site for day excursions by black Savannahians. The commercial activity included a small "piccolo" club. The present modern building was built as a nightclub by Sam Stevens, owner of the Savannah-based *Waving Giff*. It was popular with island residents and visitors into the 1980s.

Informant/  
Bibliography: Yvonne Williams, interview 9/17/97. Billie Burn, *An Island Named Daufuskie*, p. 485.