

Basic Detail Report



Boomerang's tender

Vessel number

HV000020

Date

1905

Description

The craft was used as a tender or lifeboat for the MV BOOMERANG, a petrol motor driven launch built in 1905 in

Sydney that belonged to Frank Albert. Albert and his father had come to Australia from Europe and became well known with their music publishing business. The lapstrake craft is a double ended dinghy, which is an unusual hull shape for such a small vessel, and possibly done in this manner to give the appearance of a ship's lifeboat of the period. It was one of two identical craft that were carried on davits aboard the MV BOOMERANG, suspended above the sheer, one to port the other to starboard. The builder and designer of the MV BOOMERANG is noted as R.T. Wain in a report on motor boating in *The Referee* Nov 20 1905. The report's description of the vessel highlights the two identical tenders, so it is considered likely that R.T. Wain was also involved with the tender's design and construction. In 2007 the vessel is now on display at the Sydney Heritage Fleet, Wharf 7 Darling Harbour.

Dimensions

Vessel Dimensions: 3.38 m x 3.2 m x 1.31 m x 0.46 m (11.09 ft x 10.5 ft x 4.3 ft x 1.5 ft)