

Basic Detail Report



Sea Hawk

Vessel number

HV000319

Date

1920

Primary Maker

J R Jones

Description

SEA HAWK was built in 1920 at J R Jones yard in Melbourne on the Maribynong River. It has a red gum keel, New Zealand kauri planking and blue gum frames. The spars are Oregon pine. It is about 9.50m long and one of the bigger couta boats - they were typically around 8 to 8.5 metres long. SEA HAWK took on a number of roles. When new in 1920, it took parties out sailing and for picnics from Sorrento Pier on Port Phillip, something many couta boats did alongside, or as an alternative to, fishing. In 1923 SEA HAWK began its professional fishing career, probably while owned by Joe Harry and Sandy Culliver. It continued fishing until around 1944 when it was employed as a lighthouse supply vessel. From 1950 SEA HAWK is thought to have been used purely for recreational sailing. In 2009 the current owner was rebuilding the deck which had deteriorated, but a considerable amount of original material remains in the hull.

Dimensions

Vessel Dimensions: 9.45 m x 9.3 m x 3.25 m x 1.22 m (31 ft x 30.5 ft x 10.66 ft x 4 ft)