

Victorian Heritage Database Report

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ALBERT

Location

East Coast, Lakes Entrance

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S11

Date lost

27/03/1874

Official number

53956

Construction material

Wood

Hull

Wood, Square stern and carvel built

Propulsion

Sail

Number of masts

2

Length/Breadth/Depth

62.10 Feet / 17.80 Feet / 5.40 Feet

Year of construction

1864

Built port

Footscray,Victoria

Built country

Australia

Registration Number

37 of 1865

Registration Port

Melbourne

Date lost

27/03/1874

Departure

Melbourne

Destination

Gippsland Lakes

Cargo

General

Owner

Archibald Brown & Alex Fough, both ship chandlers of Melb. and Fred Linschou , master mariner of Sale.

Master

Captain Lemschow

Cause of loss

Ran aground

Statement of significance

<p>This vessel is historically significant as a representation of an early Australian built vessel employed in inter-colonial trading.</p>

VHR history

The schooner Albert ran onto a bank in west channel at the entrance to the Gippsland Lakes. Attempts were made to lighten the Albert, but it capsized and broke the mast. The vessel was eventually righted, but went to pieces shortly after. The shifting sand banks of the original entrance to the Gippsland Lakes often proved to be dangerous to shipping. The schooner Albert ran ashore in 1874 while crossing the bar and was soon a total wreck.