

Victorian Heritage Database Report

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GYPSY MOTH V

Location

Gabo Island

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S303

Date lost

18/12/1982

Construction material

Other

Propulsion

Sail

Number of masts

1

Length/Breadth/Depth

0.00 / 0.00 / 0.00

Year of construction

1970

Registration Port

London

Date lost

18/12/1982

Departure

Round the world yacht race

Cargo

No Cargo.

Owner

Desmond Hammond.

Master

Desmond Hammond

Cause of loss

Driven ashore in 25 knots of SW wind whilst the skipper was below asleep

Number of crew

1

VHR history

At about 1800hrs, 18 December 1982, the yacht GYPSY MOTH V (originally built for Sir Francis Chichester) ran ashore below the Gabo Island lighthouse. Despite dropping sail and reversing the motor the vessel was stuck fast. An inspection of the hull on the morning of the 19 December 1982 found substantial damage to the hull and the vessel was given up to salvage.