Victorian Heritage Database Report

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HUGH ROBERTS

Location

Clinton Rocks, 8km west of Point Hicks

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S327

Date lost

19/10/1863

Official number

31743

Construction material

Wood

Hull

One deck, square stern, carvel built, man's figurehead. Iron fastened. Register closed 31 Dec. 1863.

Propulsion

Sail

Number of masts

2

Length/Breadth/Depth

68.40 Feet / 20.20 Feet / 10.80 Feet

Year of construction

1848

Built port

Nevin (Nefyn)

Built country

Wales

Registration Number

35 of 1859

Registration Port

Melbourne

Date lost

19/10/1863

Departure

Warrnambool

Destination

Sydney

Cargo

140 tons potatoes.

Owner

Thomas Cooper, master mariner of Melbourne

Master

Captain Arnold

Number of crew

8

VHR history

The Welsh brigantine Hugh Roberts was seized by the water police in Melbourne in 1859 and then auctioned to recover the unpaid wages of the crew. Re-registered in Melbourne, the vessel was later lost near Ram Head. Six of the eight crew were drowned.