

Victorian Heritage Database Report

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Location

Lakes Entrance

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S36

Date lost

01/06/1864

Official number

48392

Construction material

Wood

Hull

1 deck , square Stern, carvel built no gallery or head

Propulsion

Sail

Number of masts

2

Length/Breadth/Depth

46.10 Feet / 14.30 Feet / 5.60 Feet

Year of construction

1845

Built port

Brisbane Water, NSW

Built country

Australia

Registration Number

33 of 1864

Registration Port

Melbourne

Date lost

01/06/1864

Owner

Benjamin Flint of Sale

Master

Captain Benjamin Flint

Cause of loss

Drifted onto sandbank and filled with water

Statement of significance

<p>The vessel is historically significant as one of the early Australian built vessels employed in the coastal trade around Australia. It is impossible to determine whether it is of any archaeological or technical significance as it has not been located or inspected, but it may have the potential to yield information about the construction of early 19th century Australian built coastal traders.</p>

VHR history

The first vessel lost at the entrance to the Gippsland Lakes was the schooner Apollo. It was becalmed while crossing the bar in June 1864, and drifted ashore, becoming a total wreck.
 The Apollo was crossing the bar at Lakes Entrance when the wind died, causing the vessel to drift onto a sandbank.