

Victorian Heritage Database Report

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JULIUS

Location

Lakes Entrance, Ninety Mile Beach

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S376

Date lost

02/05/1892

Official number

74641

Construction material

Wood

Hull

Fore and aft schooner. One deck, elliptical stern, carvel built, plain head

Number of masts

2

Length/Breadth/Depth

72.60 Feet / 17.40 Feet / 6.40 Feet

Builder

Henry Andrew Warneke

Year of construction

1876

Built port

Sandridge

Built country

Melbourne

Registration Number

1 of 1890

Registration Port

Melbourne

Date lost

02/05/1892

Departure

Refuge Cove

Destination

Gippsland Lakes

Cargo

Large blocks of stone some weighing 2/3 tns designed for the work of filling in between the bays at the Lakes entrance works.

Owner

John W. Fraser, Melbourne

Master

Captain Masters

Weather conditions

Heavy SE gale had battered the schooner Julius between Refuge cove and Gippsland Lakes.

Cause of loss

Beached in a sinking condition as pumps were not coping with the leaking ship. The water gained rapidly when the pumps choked so the master decided to beach the vessel. However she floundered when about twenty miles from her destination.

VHR history

The schooner Julius was damaged in a gale and began to take water. After the pumps failed, the vessel was run ashore on the Ninety Mile Beach in an attempt to save the lives of those on board. However, the captain and cook were drowned.