

Victorian Heritage Database Report

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MOANA

Location

Tullaberga Island, near Mallacoota, East Gippsland

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S497

Date lost

13/12/1976

Construction material

Steel

Propulsion

Motor

Length/Breadth/Depth

42.00 Feet / 0.00 Feet / 0.00 Feet

Date lost

13/12/1976

Departure

Adelaide

Destination

Brisbane

Cause of loss

Driven up on to Tullaberga Island

Number of crew

VHR history

Flares were sighted by residents and surf fishermen. A rescue launch manned by the postmaster put to sea. One crew member was found on Tullaberga Island and the other two were found in a liferaft between Tullaberga and Gabo Islands. The Moana was forced to seek shelter by huge seas. The crew mistook Gabo Light for Eden light and stayed too close to rocks, and were driven ashore.