Victorian Heritage Database Report

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PRETTY JANE

Location

Ninety Mile Beach, west of Lakes Entrance, near Loch Sport

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S537

Date lost

31 May 1882

Official number

63795

Construction material

Iron

Hull

One deck and a break, round stern, clincher built, no galleries, woman figurehead, iron framed

Propulsion

Steam - Unknown

Number of masts

2

Length/Breadth/Depth

112.60 Feet / 20.10 Feet / 6.80 Feet

Builder

T B Sheath and Co.

Year of construction

1870
Built port
Rutherglen
Built country
Scotland
Registration Number
67 of 1879
Registration Port
Sydney
Date lost
31 May 1882
Departure
Bairnsdale
Destination
Melbourne
Cargo
In ballast
Owner
Between 1874 and 1879 the Pretty Jane was owned by the Auckland Steam Ship Co Limited (1879) Australasian Steam Navigation Company
Master
Captain Patrick

Cause of loss

Beached after leaks developed subsequent to a collision with the Magnolia

VHR history

Following a collision with another vessel and striking the bar at the Gippsland Lakes, the steamer Pretty Jane was proceeding to Melbourne for repairs. However, when off the Ninety Mile Beach, the vessel began to sink and was beached. All on board were saved but the Pretty Jane broke up.