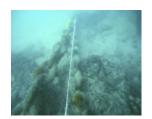
## Victorian Heritage Database Report

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# **RUBICON**



S588 Rubicon WaratahBay Chain



S588 Rubicon WaratahBay TopView



S588 Rubicon WaratahBay SideView



S588 Rubicon WaratahBay WreckSite

#### Location

Waratah Bay, Wilson Promontory

### Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S588

#### **Date lost**

10/10/1887

#### Official number

61055

#### **Construction material**

Wood

#### Hull

Number of masts
2
Length/Breadth/Depth
74.90 Feet / 19.60 Feet / 8.60 Feet
Builder
S. Griffiths
Year of construction
1872
Built port
Port Sorell, Tasmania
Built country
Australia
Registration Port
Melbourne
Date lost
10/10/1887
Cargo
Lime
Owner
1878-79: J & S Griffiths
Master
Captain John Cameron
Weather conditions
Heavy ground swell
Cause of loss

Date of Survey: 1882, Jan, Melbourne; 1882, June, Adelaide.

**Propulsion** 

Sail

The Rubicon whilst loading lime from the Jetty at Walkerville encountered a heavy ground swell and hauled off the jetty mid load to safety at anchor was struck by a severe squall and wind shifted suddenly the Captain deployed another<br/>
br /> anchor the cables parted and the vessel was forced onto the rocks.

#### **VHR** history

The schooner RUBICON was loading lime for Melbourne at the jetty at Walkerville when a heavy swell set in. The vessel was hauled off from the jetty to the safety of the anchorage. Shortly afterwards, the wind shifted and the ship parted from its cables and drove onto the rocks to become a total wreck. The Victorian Steam Navigation Board investigated the circumstances attending the wrecking of the vessel and found that the wreck was caused by stress of weather and no claim could be attached to master or crew.