

# Victorian Heritage Database Report

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## UNITY

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### Location

Sorrento Back Beach

### Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S686

### Date lost

12/07/1891

### Official number

53982

### Construction material

Wood

### Hull

Wood; square stern; carvel built; no galleries or head

### Propulsion

Sail

### Number of masts

2

### Length/Breadth/Depth

44.30 Feet / 15.50 Feet / 7.00 Feet

### Builder

Peter Tait

### Year of construction

1867

**Built port**

Geelong

**Built country**

Australia

**Registration Number**

6 of 1869

**Registration Port**

Melbourne

**Date lost**

12/07/1891

**Departure**

Apollo Bay

**Destination**

Melbourne

**Cargo**

Partly laden with sawn timber, consigned to Sharpe & Co.,

**Owner**

Peter Telford, sawmill proprietor, of Apollo Bay

**Master**

Captain Stafford

**Weather conditions**

Gale from the SW

**Cause of loss**

Was run ashore

**Number of crew**

6

**VHR history**

Was loading timber at Apollo Bay when worsening weather forced it to sail for Melbourne at 3 pm. After passing Cape Schank had to lie to. By morning too close in to beat about so master ran schooner ashore on narrow strip of beach to save life. Carried by seas right onto beach; crew waded to dryland. Two of owner's sons on board. Not insured. For many years had been in lime trade. Later, a timbercarrier from the timber camps around Lorne and Apollo Bay. A previous owner: George James. Register closed 30 Dec. 1891. Loney gave wrong date built (1876).