

Victorian Heritage Database Report

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GREYHOUND

Location

Bass Strait, 15 miles south of Woolamai

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

S833

Date lost

27 Oct 1943

Construction material

Other

Hull

described as a tug in one reference

Length/Breadth/Depth

0.00 / 0.00 / 0.00

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Departure

Melbourne

Destination

Sydney

Owner

Allied Works Council (AWC)

Weather conditions

gale, heavy seas, rain squalls

Cause of loss

vessel under tow, making water, cut tow, capsized

Passenger comments

2 stowaways were on board and one was lost.
 Mr Tell (missing), stowaway lost Harry Chilcote (ex Howard Smith seaman)

Number of crew

4

Crew comments

2 members of the crew were lost.
 Lacey Lyons, AWC of 78 Napier St South Melbourne survived

VHR history

The lighter Greyhound left Melbourne being towed by tug Keera and accompanied by tug Bucra, both on hire to Army as AT440 and AT167 respectively and sailing on a set course.

 At approximately 2am the lighter Greyhound foundered. The tugs were proceeding to Sydney via Eden however AT167 (Bucra) flooded its engine room in the heavy seas, pumping was to no avail and at 6.30am the Bucra also foundered.