

Winning Yachts Update

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Welcome back for 2008

We had a comfortable break and trust you did too. Presently we are farewelling our demountable 12m container cat and are particularly impressed with the ease of the dismantling process and the compactness of components. The following photos depict the progression.



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This 12m aluminium demountable container catamaran is destined for research in the Western Pacific,

Micronesia, Palau. It was built by *Wining Yachts*, Caboolture for *Coral Reef Research Foundation*, a US and Palauan non-profit marine research organisation and designed by *Mark Williamson Design*, Ashmore.

It is 4.6m wide and can be easily dismantled to fit into a 40' sea container, appropriate road transport or rail wagon. The hulls are separated with one inverted to fit into the other. Handrails, canopy and helm are able to be dismantled and folded to fit in



the container with the bulwarks nestling alongside the hulls. (Transportable dimensions are 2.3m x 12m x 2m high.)

2 people and a 1.5 tonne forklift can easily reassemble it.

Its purpose is to provide sea transport for 2 mini subs (submersibles) to and from research points. The subs are lifted on and off by A-Frame cranes which have a separate diesel hydraulic power system. Each sub is 1½ tonnes so the vessel's potential deck cargo is great in relation to its 4.2 tonnes weight. Fully laden it can reach with its 2 x 250 hp outboards a maximum speed of 25 knots.



Sea trials will be conducted in Palau next month (mid March) with the Directors of *Wining Yachts*, Peter Winn and *Coral Reef Research Foundation*, Patrick L Colin PhD.

This vessel has economic **advantages** in that it can be easily adapted for other rolls such as vehicle transport, dive tender, *Fast Response Units* etc; and that it is a **large vessel** that can be easily and **cheaply transported** anywhere in the world.



Our 8.5m Mates (*Salty & Rippa*)

Steadily these vessels are being transformed into the units their owners want them to be, a Caravan on water where you tow, launch and travel around in comfort with free parking until you berth at a marina/caravan park.



It perhaps is the bottom line vessel to enjoy a caravanning lifestyle complete with full shower, toilet, comfortable seating for 2, ample galley and outdoor bar-b-q, full canopy for sun protection and of course air-conditioning for those balmy nights in the tropics. It is decked out with automatic pilot, fish finder, GPS/Navigation, 250hp *Steyr* stern drive diesels (*Rippa*) which suit this model line for economical running and initial costs.

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