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# AUSTRALIAN NOTICES TO MARINERS

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*Bearings are referred to the true compass and are reckoned clockwise from 000° (North) to 359°: those relating to lights are given as seen by an observer from seaward. The range quoted for a light is its nominal range. Fog signals are sounded only during thick or foggy weather, unless otherwise stated Depths are with reference to the chart datum of each chart. Heights are above mean high water springs or mean higher high water, as appropriate.*

*The capital letter (P) or (T) after the number of any notice denotes a preliminary or temporary notice respectively, which are contained separately at the end of the permanent notices. A star (\*) adjacent to the number of a notice indicates that the notice is based on original information.*

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**708\*     AUSTRALIA - NEW SOUTH WALES - Port Jackson - Wentworth Point - Leading lights; harbour works.**  
Waterways plan (AH 65/78,50)

**Aus 200 (Inset, Paramatta River) [683/97]**  
Insert       accompanying block

33° 49'.5 S       151° 04'.4 E

**Aus 203 [144/97]**  
Insert       accompanying block

33° 49'.5 S       151° 04'.4 E



**709\* AUSTRALIA - QUEENSLAND - Great Sandy Strait - Light buoy.**  
DOTQ Notice 378/97 (97/8493). (*AH 58/80*)

**Aus 241** [499/97]

Insert west cardinal cylindrical light buoy, Q(9) 15s

25° 17'.23 S

152° 55'.28 E

**710\* AUSTRALIA - QUEENSLAND - Waining Reef - Wreck; depths.**MHQAUST Warning 101/97 (97/7627); NM 338/91. The wreck is the FV *Pleasure* (AH 57/150,126)**Aus 373 [602/97]**

Insert	wreck	14° 28'.4 S	145° 09'.4 E
	depths, <i>in upright figures</i> , enclosed by broken contours as follows:		
	4 <sub>1</sub> fm	14° 28'.4 S	145° 14'.0 E
	8fm	14° 27'.8 S	145° 15'.0 E
		14° 27'.1 S	145° 16'.0 E
	8 <sub>3</sub> fm	14° 26'.8 S	145° 17'.6 E
		14° 26'.0 S	145° 09'.0 E
	6 <sub>5</sub> fm	14° 26'.0 S	145° 15'.0 E
	9 <sub>1</sub> fm	14° 27'.0 S	145° 13'.0 E
	7 <sub>3</sub> fm	14° 28'.7 S	145° 12'.0 E
Delete	legend Foul ground centred on	14° 27'.7 S	145° 11'.0 E
	the six dangerous rocks with enclosing danger line in		
	approx position	14° 27'.0 S	145° 15'.5 E
	dangerous rocks	14° 25'.9 S	145° 17'.2 E
		14° 25'.1 S	145° 17'.7 E
	danger line between	14° 25'.0 S	145° 18'.6 E
		14° 25'.0 S	145° 17'.5 E

**Aus 374 [179/97]**

Insert	wreck	14° 28'.4 S	145° 09'.4 E
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**Aus 832 [573/97]**

Insert	wreck	14° 28'.4 S	145° 09'.4 E
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**711 PAPUA NEW GUINEA - Port Moresby - Paga Point - Depth southward.**HMAS *Benalla* (97/8086). (AH 92/126)**Aus 379** [163/96]

Insert depth, 18m, enclosed by contour

9° 30'.26 S

147° 08'.45 E

**Aus 380** [252/94]Insert depth, 9<sub>5</sub> fm,, enclosed by contour

9° 30'.26 S

147° 08'.46 E

**Aus 505** [295/96]Insert depth, 9<sub>5</sub> fm, enclosed by contour

9° 30'.30 S

147° 08'.08 E

**Aus 621** [NC 08/03/96]

Insert depth, 18m, enclosed by contour

9° 30'.169 S

147° 08'.520 E

Delete depth 24m

9° 30'.20 S

147° 08'.54 E

**712\* WESTERN AUSTRALIA - Geraldton - Rock.**  
RAN Hydrographic Office (97/8079). (AH 68/126)

**Aus 81 (plan, Port of Geraldton) [NE 30/05/97]**  
Delete rock

28° 45'.93 S 114° 36'.08 E

**713\* WESTERN AUSTRALIA - Hopetoun - Light.**

RAN Hydrographic Service Notices 577&696/97 refer (AH 68/78)

**Aus 337 [609/96]**

Substitute	light , <i>Dir F. WRG. 56m 8/6M &amp; Fl. 2s 15M</i> , for beacon (a)	33° 56'.1 S	120° 08'.2 E
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Insert	a pecked line from light at (a) in a direction 160° for 1.5nm, thence a firm line for 5.5nm with legend 340°
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Delete	beacon leading line from light at (a) extending in direction 163° 35'	33° 56'.7 S	120° 08'.4 E
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**714\* AUSTRALIA - TASMANIA - Little Oyster Cove - Amendment to light; marina established.***Former Notice - 360(T)/95 is cancelled*

MBH (AH 69/78,50)

**Aus 171 [397/97]**

Delete	leading line, with legend 270 °, from light depth 3 <sub>3</sub> m	(a)	43° 07'.71 S 43° 07'.6 S	147° 15'.32 E 147° 15'.0 E
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Insert	pecked line from light at (a) in a direction 069° for 300 metres, thence a firm line for 1500 metres, with legend 249° marina symbol		43° 07'.6 S	147° 15'.0 E
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**Aus 173 [246/97]**

Delete	leading line, with legend 270 °, from light depth 6 <sub>4</sub> m	(a)	43° 07'.71 S 43° 07'.65 S	147° 15'.32 E 147° 15'.10 E
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Insert	pecked line from light at (a) in a direction 069° for 300 metres, thence a firm line for 1500 metres, with legend 249° marina symbol		43° 07'.6 S	147° 15'.0 E
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**715\* AUSTRALIA - VICTORIA - Port Phillip - Point Gellibrand - Depths.**

VCA plan 28041 (Feb-Apr 97). (AH 66/126)

**Aus 154** [656/97]

Insert	depth, <i>17</i> m, enclosed by contour	(a)	37° 52'.011 S	144° 54'.968 E
	depth, <i>16</i> m, enclosed by contour	(b)	37° 51'.938 S	144° 55'.004 E
Amend	5m contour, enclosing depths at (a) & (b), between		37° 52'.065 S 37° 51'.893 S	144° 54'.920 E 144° 55'.010 E

**716\* AUSTRALIA - VICTORIA - Port Phillip - River Yarra - Leading lines.**

RAN Hydrographic Office (97/8079). (AH 66/78)

**Aus 154 [715/97]**

Insert	pecked line from the light in a direction $088^{\circ} 40'$ for 100 metres, thence a firm line for 400 metres, with legend $268^{\circ} 40'$ (a)	$37^{\circ} 51'.557$ S	$144^{\circ} 54'.326$ E
Amend	legend $155^{\circ}$ to $146^{\circ} 30'$	$37^{\circ} 49'.29$ S	$144^{\circ} 54'.41$ E
Delete	leading line close N of the line at (a) with legend $269^{\circ}$		

**717(T)/97            AUSTRALIA - NEW SOUTH WALES - Botany Bay - Dolls Point - Buoy.**

*Date* - Until further notice

Waterways (97/7754) (AH 65/8)

A green buoy has been temporarily established in approx position 33° 59'.67 S 151° 09'.16 E. (Chart Aus 198 position 33°59'.76 S 151° 09'.10 E).

**Chart temporarily affected - Aus 198 - Aus 199.**

**718(T)/97     AUSTRALIA - NEW SOUTH WALES - Botany Bay - Ramsgate - Waverecorder removed.**

*Former Notice - 46(T)/97 is cancelled*

Sydney Ports (AH 61/80)

Cancel this notice on receipt.

**Chart formerly affected - Aus 199**

**719 (T)/97 AUSTRALIA - QUEENSLAND - Bundaberg - Long Reach - Cable ferry operations completed.**

*Former Notice - 366(T)/97 is cancelled.*

DOTQ Notices 384&389/97 (97/8492) (AH 58/107)

Cancel this notice on receipt.

**Chart formerly affected - Aus 243**

**720 (T)/97 AUSTRALIA - QUEENSLAND - Gladstone - Auckland Inlet - Dredging operations completed.**

*Former Notice - 531(T)/97 is cancelled*

DOTQ Notice 279/97 (AH 58/22)

Cancel this notice on receipt.

**Chart formerly affected - Aus 245**

**721(T)/97 AUSTRALIA - QUEENSLAND - Townsville - Depth information.**

*Former Notice - 403(T)/97 is cancelled*

DOTQ Notice 393/97 (97/8584) (AH 58/22)

Available depth of berth and channels as at 2 December 1997:

	<i>Metres</i>
* Sea Channel	11.6
* Platypus Channel	11.7
* Harbour	11.7

**Berths:**

* No 1	12.2
* No 2	12.2
* No 3	12.2
* No 4	10.6
* No 7	11.0
* No 8	10.2
No 9	12.2
* No 10	9.7
Between No7 and No8	11.1
* Between No9 and No10	10.1
Ross River Channel	1.9
Ross River	1.5
* Ross Creek	1.8

\*Indicates new or revised entry.

**Chart temporarily affected - Aus 256 - Aus 257.**



**722(T)/97 AUSTRALIA - QUEENSLAND - Cairns - Light beacon destroyed; light buoy.**

*Date* - Until further notice

DOTQ Notices 374&394/97 (97/8584) (AH 57/78,80)

C1 east cardinal light beacon (16° 50'.05 S 145° 49'.74 E approx) has been destroyed and temporarily replaced by an east cardinal light buoy VQ(3)5s.

Mariners are advised to navigate with caution in the area.

**Chart temporarily affected - Aus 262 - Aus 830.**

**723(T)/97 AUSTRALIA - TASMANIA - Hobart - Sullivans Cove - Harbour works; lights.**

*Date* - Until 02 February 1998

Hobart Ports Corporation Notice 4/97 (97/8074) (AH 69/50,78)

Construction work is being carried out on a new marina breakwater, in the vicinity of Kings Pier, Elizabeth Street Pier and Macquarie No1 Wharf.

A light, *Fl. G*, has been established in position 42°53'.120 S 147°20'.050 E. The light marks the southern extremity of the new King Street marina breakwater. A light, *Fl. R*, in position 42°53'.135 S 147°20'.025 E, marks the northern extremity of the breakwater.

Mariners are advised to navigate with caution in the vicinity.

**Chart temporarily affected - Aus 172.**

**724(T)/97     AUSTRALIA - VICTORIA - Port Phillip - Port Melbourne - Appleton Dock - Depths restored.**

*Former Notice - 286(T)/97 is cancelled*

Victorian Notices to Mariners No 95/97 (97/8413) (AH 66/22)

Cancel this notice on receipt.

**Chart formerly affected - Aus 154**

**725(T)/97     AUSTRALIA - Ocean yacht races.**

*Former Notice - 427(T)/97 is cancelled*

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Cancel this notice on receipt. (AH 56/151)

### III NAVIGATION WARNINGS

The following radio messages have been received during the period to 5 December 1997. Signal copies of these messages may be destroyed. It is recommended that the reprint of Navigational Warnings should be kept in a file or a book divided into areas. Cancellation should be made on receipt of signals and reprints.  
Rigs on location other than those listed in the latest Section III summary are the subject of Radio Navigational Warnings. Rigs in transit will not be the subject of Warnings.

#### AUSCOAST WARNINGS

- 303 NW Coast. Seismic survey vessel *Acadian Searcher* towing 2.5 NM cable in area 18° 10' S to 19° 30' S and 116° 00' E to 117° 45' E.  
304 Cancelled.  
305 Cancelled.  
306 Cancelled.  
307 Cancelled.  
308 NW Coast. Seismic survey vessel *Odin Explorer* towing 3.5 NM cable in area 16° 00' S to 19° 00' S and 115° 00' E 120° 00' E.  
309 Cancelled  
310 NW Coast. Drill Rig *Ron Tappmeyer* in position 21° 41'.0 S 114° 33'.3 E; 2.5 NM clearance requested.  
311 NW Coast. Seismic survey vessel *Ramform Challenger* towing 2.7 NM cable within 20NM of 14° 30' S 121° 40' E  
312 NW Coast. Seismic survey vessel *Sea Challenger* towing 1.5 NM cable in area 20° 30' S to 21° 30' S and 113° 45' E to 114° 45' E. Wide berth requested.  
313 NW Coast. Drill Rig *Sedco 703* in position 10° 35'.5 S 125° 59'.2 E; 2.5 NM clearance requested.

#### NAVAREA X WARNINGS

- 027 PNG. Rossel Island. Adele Island light K3450.5 (11°26'.8 S 154°24'.00 E) unlit.  
028 Coral Sea. Frederick Reef light K3016 (20° 56'.2 S 154° 25'.0 E) unlit.

**Navigational warnings in force as at 041400UTC DEC 97.**

#### Auscoast

234 236 239 240 243 244 246 247 273 276 278 280 293 294 295 303 308 310 311 312 313.

#### Navarea X

001 009 011 015 018 021 022 027 028.

#### Summary of mobile drilling rigs as at 041400UTC DEC 97.

Name	Position
Ocean Epoch	10° 10'.1 S 127° 06'.7 E
Sedco 703	10° 35'.5 S 125° 59'.2 E
Ocean Bounty	12° 29'.9 S 124° 25'.2 E
Sedco 702	18° 59'.0 S 116° 19'.2 E
Ensco 56	19° 41'.7 S 116° 43'.2 E
Vicksburg	21° 07'.6 S 115° 17'.2 E
Ron Tappmeyer	21° 41'.0 S 114° 33'.3 E

#### NAVAREA XIV WARNINGS

- 200 Cancelled.  
201 Cancelled.  
202 Cancelled.  
203 Iles de la Societe. Tetiaroa light K4968.17 (17° 03'.2 S 149° 32'.7 W) unlit.  
204 Cancelled.

**Navarea XIV warnings in force as at 040001UTC DEC 97.**

196 203.

IV

HYDROGRAPHIC REPORTS

<i>Locality</i>	<i>Report</i>	<i>Ship/Authority</i>	<i>Observer</i>
VANUATU- Luganville	Buoy	Ports & Marine Dept	
QLD- Thursday Island	Topmarks	HMAS <i>Gladstone</i>	