



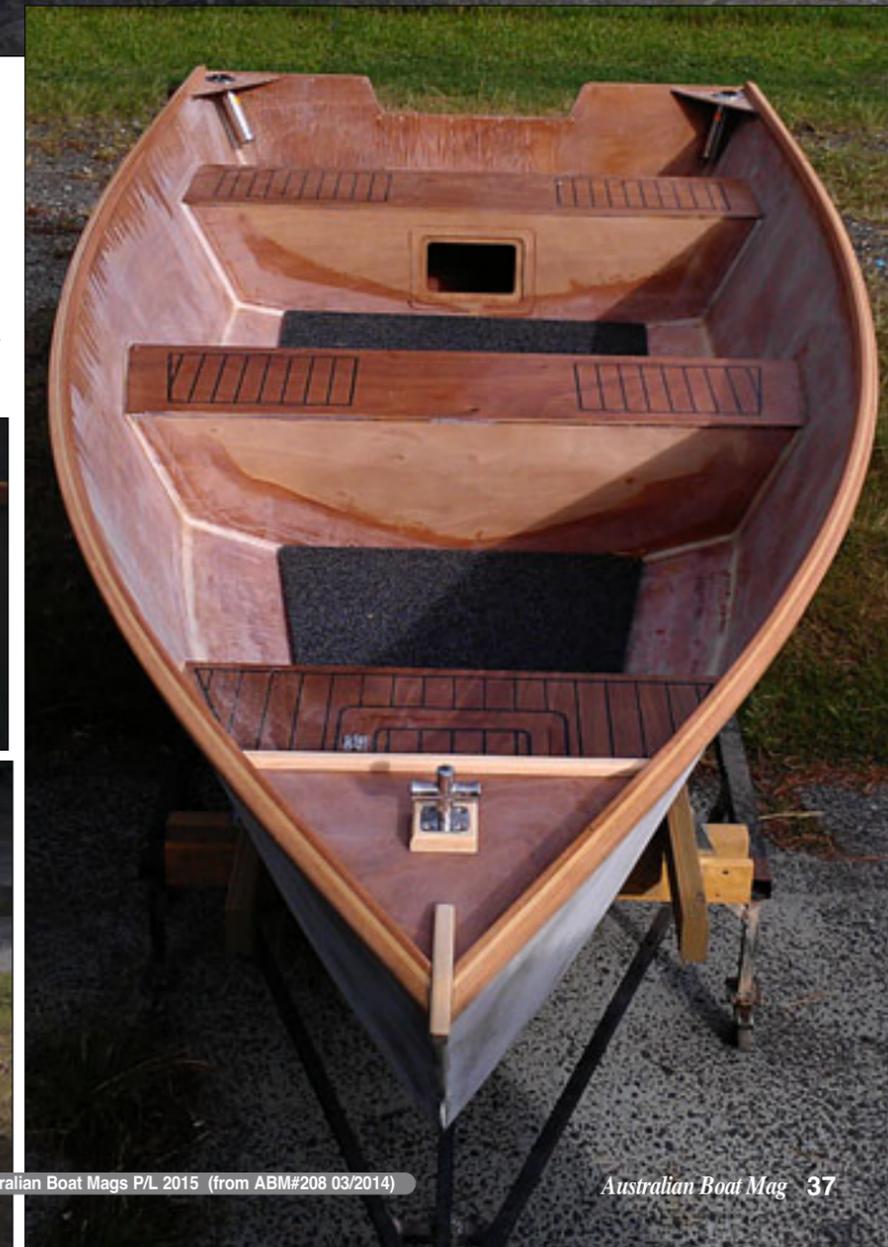
**Adam McClain Sea Strike 16, Sydney, NSW**

Adam has done a beautiful job on this Sea Strike 16 that has already attracted interest Sydney Harbour and offshore where he's regularly seen fishing for kings, albacore and table fish of the snapper kind. It's hard to believe that the complete hull kit for this boat, including the 70L Sant Marine fuel tank was around \$3,700 plus paint – keep in mind that paint is invariably kept out of the cost equations because there are so many ways of doing it, but normally in a boat of this size, the material cost is only \$150-\$200, plus your labour.



**Adam Thorn, Mushulu 14, Evans Head NSW.**

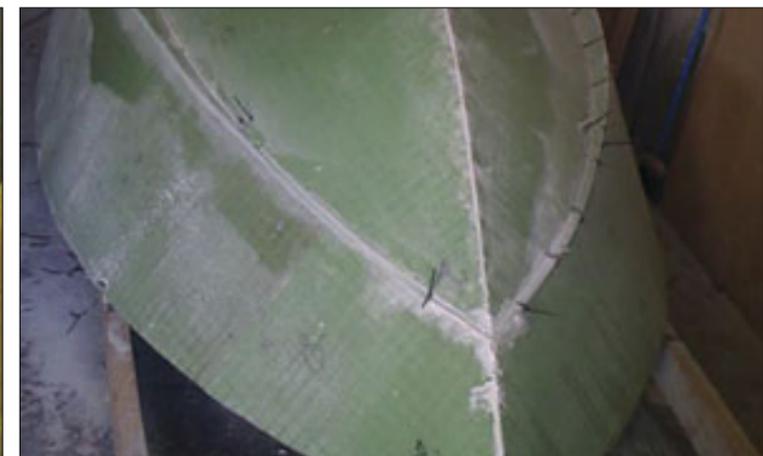
Isn't this pretty? Adam Thorne's very special Mushulu built in northern NSW with a great deal of TLC. Attention to detail is meticulous and it has a totally professional standard of building. With flat floors, foam filled thwarts and a lovely hull shape, this is a superb estuary fisherman for a retiring couple, and/or grand-dad and a couple of yougsters.





**Alan Croft, Magnum 12+1=13 and (modified) Mushulu 14, Port Stephens, NSW** Great shot of Alan demonstrating the advantage of composite GRPs weight savings - try this with a 13' tinnie! This was his first build - shown completed in the main pic. His latest project, the wonderfully modified and built Mushulu 14 (bottom right) that's just been launched, sets a very high standard for small fishing boats.

**Stephen's Sea Strike 16, Mackay QLD** The Sea Strike 16 you'll notice is consistently one of the most popular models in this supplement - and for a very obvious reason - what a cracker of a boat! Love this size. Take it anywhere, fish everything, have fun with the kids, take the rellos for a barby up the river - all with a 60-70hp outboard and a single axle (braked) trailer. Nice work, Steve.



**Alexandre Dangas, Edgetracker 426, Brazil.**

This is interesting - an ET 426 under construction in Brazil, built completely out of Divinycell. Awesome material, this rig will last forever, be amazingly light, incredibly strong and as you can see, scrubs up with a beautiful finish just like any other core material with a quality urethane finish.

Of note, Alexandre has built it completely with the plywood loftings, just substituting the Divinycell for the plywood specs i.e 6mm ply became 6mm Divinycell - and it all came together perfectly.

So . . if you're looking for an ever-lasting build material that is durable, strong, light, easy to work, ain't never gonna rot - this is the way to go . . . but it will cost bucket loads more to build this way in Australia.





**Anthony Nyberg, Flat Chat 16, Port Macquarie NSW.** Okay, this fisho wasn't going to sit around waiting for the tide to turn, was he? The stunning Flat Chat 16 puts a whole different perspective on inshore tournament fishing boats! There will not be too many faster fishin' boats on the water. This is a spectacular, one of a kind tournament fisherman.

**Bruce (the "Goose"), Mushulu 12, Biggenden QLD** Bruce has actually built several BMD composite craft, but the Mushulu 12 is another fine example of this very popular estuary and lake fishing boat. Easily built in any garage and within the scope of a complete novice/handyman, the Mushulu 12 Kit is only about \$890 (excluding the paint). How good is that?



**Andy's Pro Tournament 21, Gosnell W.A.**

Wow, this is nice, isn't it? Currently under construction in WA, Andy is doing a superb job on the Pro Tournament 21. Lots to study here, including the foam placement in the hull, bearing in mind that the core material is of itself unsinkable, this adds an enormous level of inherent safety to the craft, but it will also make it stronger, quieter underway, and no doubt will contribute to a quieter echo from within the boat – this is not a furphy, the Hawaiians (in particular) are passionate about the noise we make when we're fishing in terms of scaring the quarry away. This is going





**Dan Maresse, Tropic 12, Gladstone, QLD** Check out the grin - Dan is one happy bloke up there in Gladstone and he's just about ready to kiss the water with his new Tropic 12 that he's doing a really nice job of completing. Clever boat choice for that area, too, because it will work easily in the harbours and in the surrounding dams for the wide variety of fish that's available in the Gladstone region. 'Onya Dan - tight lines, mate, it's going to be a nice rig!

**David Smith, 5.2m Cruise Control, Gympie QLD** Here's a new Cruise Control under construction up at Gympie, as one of the growing number of Cruise Controls being built around Australia, where many boatowners have welcomed this classic Cuddy or Half Cab version to the family. In fact, David's boat has been lengthened slightly, and that's the sort of thing you can do in consultation with BMD, but they're always keen to assist and incorporate owner's requirements to the extent they can within the checks and balances of the original design.



**Duncan Clausen, Edgetracker 426, Wellington NZ.** It's easy to see why the Edge Tracker is so popular with families isn't it? It's a lovely hull shape, and very soft riding for mum and the kids and a fantastic fishing platform for Dad. It's easily driven with a 30-40hp outboard, and only requires a single axle, unbraked trailer. The best part is that all of the construction materials that you need can be purchased for around \$3,100 - you supply the labour. Good deal, hey!

**Garry Sainsbury, Sea Strike 16, Sydney NSW** The reason for this photograph from Garry was mainly to demonstrate again that you don't need a formal garage or workshop structure for something that you might only have to cover for 2-3 months before it can be worked on in the open. Here, even the local councils will go along with this type of arrangement for a couple of months it's a genuinely "temporary" situation and the owner is clearly making every effort to get things sorted as quickly as possible.



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## Gavin Kelly's Sea Strike 16, Brisbane QLD

This is good. **Below**, we have Gavin and Annes' stunning black Sea Strike 16 in its finished form, and **Above**, we have the very happy video of the day it was launched. This is inspirational stuff because it shows families in action in real time in a local boating environment – especially when you realise that Gavin is not a boat builder, he's a city-based accountant and had never built a boat before. Isn't that great?



**Geoff Draper, Tropic 14, Benalla VIC** Geoff's had a lot of boats over the years, and he's built several of them recently, but this Tropic 14 is an excellent set-up and with the electric on the bow it's a very clever multi-purpose fishing boat that can deal with a whole range of fishing options be it fresh water or salt. That's the idea behind the Tropic 14 and it's interesting to note that the total kit of plywood, 'glass, resin (everything but the paint) for this boat is only \$1,900.

**Graham Harvey Sportsmaster 19, Sunshine Coast, QLD** Love this boat – it's such a classic North Carolina style fishing boat with a beautiful sheer line, gently curved chine and a really professional fishing boat "look" - but it is as modern as tomorrow with an awesome layout for fishing, and vast deck space for a party of blokes who could practically play b-ball in the cockpit! One of the best craft in the BMD range, that's for sure. For the record, the plywood, fibreglass and Paulownia, plus a 200L tank for this excellent craft are available for around \$6,000 – and that's for a big, roomy 19 footer.





**Greg Hoffman 5.2m Cruise Control, Maryborough, Qld.** Here's another one of our favourites and one of the most popular craft in the BMD range – the 5.2m Cruise Control that Greg is building in central Qld, and doing a mighty fine job on it, too. Check the awesome hull shape – this is going to be a very special boat Greg, and we can see you running out to the islands and checking out the big reddies off the 'Reef in the very near future. Roomy, deep cockpit, terrific freeboard - this is a big gutsy boat for bluewater fishing.

**Guy Holcroft Sea Strike 16, Redland Bay, Brisbane, QLD** You've got to love this age old stitch and glue technique that first achieved international fame with Jack Holt's famous Mirror dinghy project back in 1962 in the UK. In 2014, Bowdidge has taken it to a new level with the clever use of cable ties as the stitching methodology which of course is very fast, very cheap and very strong. The cable ties are there purely to position the sheets prior and during the gluing process, but this is such a simple way of boat building, any competent young son or daughter can effectively help Dad with the construction process and help build the family's new boat.



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