

# Stabilisers for the Tinnie

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This report is a bit 'near 'n dear' to the F&B team, as it involves a product we believe should be given the widest possible publicity, over and over again. As we've noted before in the various reports we've published, a pair of slip-on Air-O-Floats advances small craft safety to an astonishing extent - especially for fishos who fish by themselves, offshore, or out on the 'Reef. Bob explains the 'how' and 'why' . . .

**B**uilding the Dory project has kept me pretty busy, but not to the exclusion of all other things boating and fishing. No indeed, one must have some balance in life, and going fishing remains high on our agenda.

My Stacer 380 is as good a 12 footer as you can get, and it is so, so much cheaper to run than my bigger boat – that's the difference in fuel costs between 15 and 90HP.

It's also very much



easier to handle and, able to run shallower water, it's better for the lake and estuary fishing we're lucky enough to be able to do so close to home on the NSW south coast. Its use isn't confined to sheltered lakes and estuaries.

It's also a very handy little boat for bay and inshore reef fishing, when we don't feel like going further out. It's great when you just feel like wetting a line for an hour or so, because getting the tinnie ready for an outing is so