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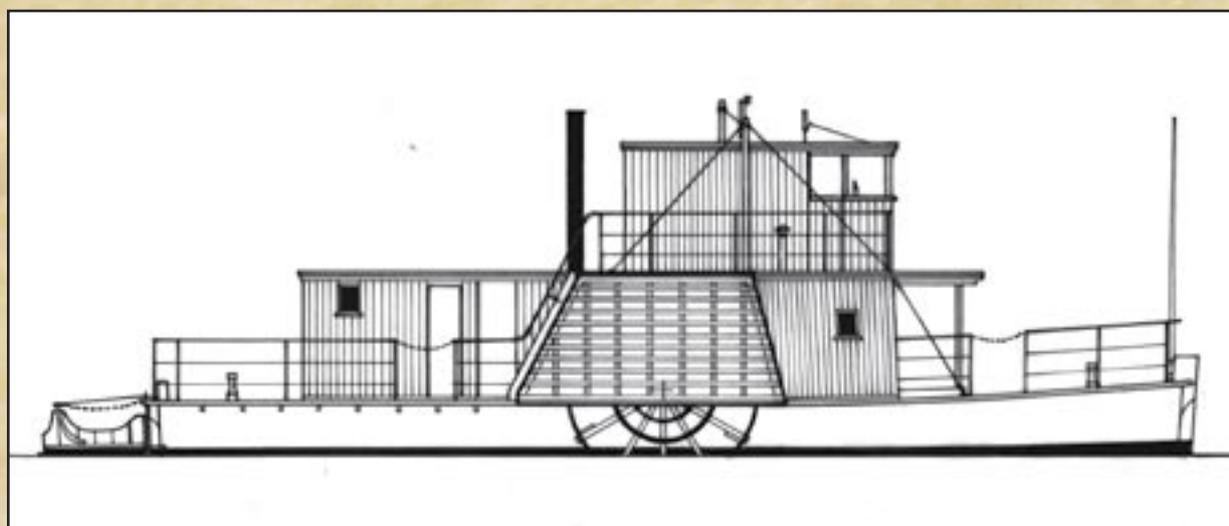
ANOTHER NEW PLAN RELEASE

Hot on the heels of last month's plan release of the Pilot Boat "Victoria" comes another in our Australian Paddle Steamer Series.

P.S. "Enterprise" started life in 1878 on the Murray River but some years ago was purchased by the National Museum of Australia in Canberra who rebuilt the vessel, and she now runs excursions on Lake Burley Griffin. I wish to express my deep appreciation to David Miles, one of the crew on Enterprise, for his great help in providing so much detail, which has resulted in a very accurate set of drawings. David is also building a fine large scale model of this vessel.

The drawings follows our normal procedure of showing all visible detail and shows the boat as she is today.

Lines and General Arrangement are presented on two large sheets at 1:24th scale. The drawing numbers are SP-308A & SP-308B and sell for \$55.00 per set plus P & P if applicable.



MASTS

For the yachting fraternity, a new batch of mast material has arrived consisting of both Groovy and plain alloy tubing. It comes in several diameters and is suitable for all the racing classes.

We also have "scale" tear drop masts with internal track which would suit the builders of scale and semi scale yachts as they resemble full size masts.



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MICRO MAGIC 1ST INTERSTATE REGATTA

Mother's day weekend in Melbourne saw the first of what is hoped to be regular interstate regattas for the Graupner Micro Magic yacht. A most successful weekend was had by all who participated. Three states were represented - Victoria, South Australia and Queensland.

It is most interesting that the early Mk 1 boats could hold their own with the Mk 2 racing version of the design and they even won some races. As always, it is the skill of the skipper and not the boat which is all important.

It is fairly obvious that this little boat is going to be very successful in Australia due to its handy size and great performance. Unfortunatley we are out of stock of these boats and are waiting on an order to arrive from Germany, however, we understand that even Graupner is out of stock, so estimated time of delivery is uncertain.



Above is a shot of part of the fleet on the Saturday afternoon. Some boats were beautifully prepared and were a credit to their owners.

On the right is Ian Jemison of the Surrey Park Club who in a most sporting way decided to handicap his boat by trailing some flotsam from the lead ballast.

