

COMMERCIAL BULLETIN

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Aid to Navigation Servicing

MAST's Aids to Navigation contractors have recently completed servicing all aids at Dunalley, the Tasman Peninsula and along the east coast.

Planning is now underway for the annual servicing program for aids in the Duck River at Smithton and surrounding areas, including Montagu and Robbins Island.

Preventative maintenance is carried out on all structures, along with scheduled corrective works where required. Major works to reinstate the cardinal mark at Fulham Island, Dunalley have also been completed.



Fulham Island Cardinal Mark

Bicheno Jetty Fendering

Recent remedial works have been completed at Bicheno, including the replacement of a number of damaged fenders and two new ladders.

Display of Label

Upon payment of the Annual Infrastructure Administration fee, MAST will issue a label that must be prominently displayed on your vessel. Failure to display this label may result in an infringement notice being issued.

Denison Canal and Marion Narrows

MAST recently carried out a site inspection of the navigation channel through the Marion Narrows, Blackman Bay and Denison Canal.

During the inspection, soundings were taken at several established datum points commonly used to assess depths and compare with previous surveys. This data is then used to update the chartlet and transit information available on the MAST website.

The updated information outlines the recommended route through the Narrows, along with the minimum depths in both the eastern and western approaches to the Canal.

To view the latest soundings, go to: mast.tas.gov.au/safe-navigation/denison-canal



Binalong Bay Gulch Rock Removal

MAST contractors recently removed a number of large rocks from the navigation channel at the entrance to the Binalong Bay gulch. These rocks had dislodged from the breakwater and posed a hazard to vessels transiting to and from the boat ramp into Binalong Bay.



Margate Jetty Electrical Upgrades

Upgrades to the electrical system at the Margate Jetty are currently underway. The works include the installation of stronger, vandal-resistant power boxes, new switchboards and outlets and the addition of extra three-phase outlets to support improved functionality at the site.

Jetty Biofouling Removal and Fender Cleaning

MAST contractors recently carried out biofouling removal at the Nubeena and Pirates Bay Jetties.

The work focused on fenders and ladders, where oyster growth can pose a risk of injury and cause damage to inflatable vessel fenders.

An annual removal program will now be established for all MAST-owned facilities, with additional sites scheduled for cleaning in early 2026.

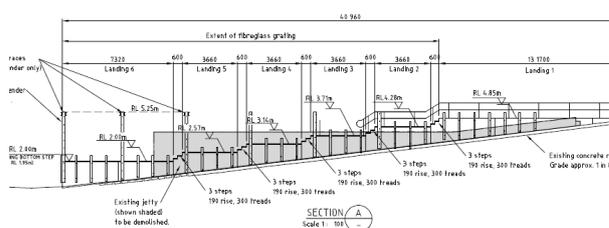
Sisters Beach Boat Ramp Upgrade

Tenders have recently closed for the construction of a new landing stage adjacent to the Sisters Beach boat ramp. The existing landing stage is nearing the end of its service life, with its limited length and height creating access challenges at low tide.

The new structure will be constructed from precast concrete and will feature a stepped deck to provide safe, convenient access at all tide levels. Construction is expected to commence in Spring 2026.



A typical stepped concrete landing stage



A section of the new Sisters Beach Landing Stage, with the existing structure shaded for comparison.

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