

Product & industry review



Go electric with your boat!

Electric motors are quiet, clean, reliable and economical to run.

Especially for displacement vessels such as yachts and traditional timber boats it makes sense to convert to electric drive, as relatively little power is needed to bring a boat up to its 'hull speed'. A 25kg electric motor with a diameter of less than 300mm can replace a big and noisy diesel inboard giving you a quiet ride and lots of interior space in return.

Recharging batteries can be done either by plugging in to shore power or via solar panels if the boat is on a mooring.

Eco Boats Australia supplies electric inboard and hybrid motors by Mastervolt-Bellmann from Holland, ranging from 5-30Hp and electric outboards by Torqeedo from Germany, ranging from 1-10Hp.

All systems come as a complete plug-and-play package consisting of motor, controller, connection cables and display. We can also advise you on a suitable battery bank and charger.

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Fusion Electronics announces new CEO

Fusion Electronics, the award-winning Marine Electronics innovator, is proud to announce that Chris Baird will be taking over their world-wide CEO role, based in Auckland New Zealand.

Sir Peter Maire the founder of Navman, has now completed the buy-out of Fusion



Electronics and is set for a rapid growth phase, through world-leading products and service.

Chris Baird has vast experience in Marine Electronics including in his previous role as General Manager for Navman Australia, which he led to great success, plus as General Manager of Fusion Australia. Fusion Electronics is experiencing outstanding growth and Chris plans to grow the business further, through Fusion's unique Marine engineering studio and top service.

Peter Edwards is now in charge of Fusion Australia, where Fusion product sales have exceeded all expectations.

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New Simrad DSC-equipped VHF radios

Simrad has further enhanced its navigation solution product range with two new high-specification VHF radios.

The fixed-mount RS10 and RS25 have each been designed to resist the harsh marine environment and feature easy-to-use Digital Select Calling (DSC) operation.

The RS10 and RS25 incorporate all the standard features expected from a VHF radio as well as a number of special features, including full GPS co-ordinate and time display (when connected to a GPS), channel naming and adjustable keypad backlighting for easy use in low-light conditions.

The RS25 provides intercom functionality anywhere in the boat up to 100m from the base as well as a digital barometer function and 'happy fish' fishing predictor that indicates the fishing conditions. Its barometric display has large easy-to-see 24-hour histogram graphics and digital weather forecasting.

RRP from AU\$272 (RS10).

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