

COMMERCIAL BULLETIN

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Aids to Navigation

MAST's network of aids to navigation is critical to commercial vessel operators and a very thorough service regime exists to ensure they are reliable.

Recent routine maintenance has been completed in all corners of the State. Contractors have been to the north-west where Bluff Hill Point, Sandy Cape and Hunter Island lights were all serviced. Other areas to be serviced have included the north-east including the Furneaux Islands, Bridport and Musselroe Bay and the south-west including Low Rocky Point, Port Davey, Actaeon Island and Fisher Point.



Low Rocky Point

Works completed included battery and solar panel replacements, replacement of top marks and mooring systems on some buoys and vegetation removal to ensure that land-based lead lights remain visible.



Actaeon Island

Margate Jetty

Works to repair undermining of the concrete abutment of the Margate Jetty have recently been completed. The repair consisted of an insitu concrete pour around the front of the abutment. This work will ensure that the abutment remains structurally sound and the 30-tonne vehicle limit on the jetty is maintained.

Bicheno Landing Stage

The Bicheno Landing Stage provides short term access for vessels to unload catch and undertake minor maintenance.

Recent remedial repairs have been undertaken to extend the life of the facility. This work included crack repairs of concrete piles, petrolatum and fibreglass wrapping of steel piles and painting of steel beams and crossheads.



Bicheno Landing Stage - Coating

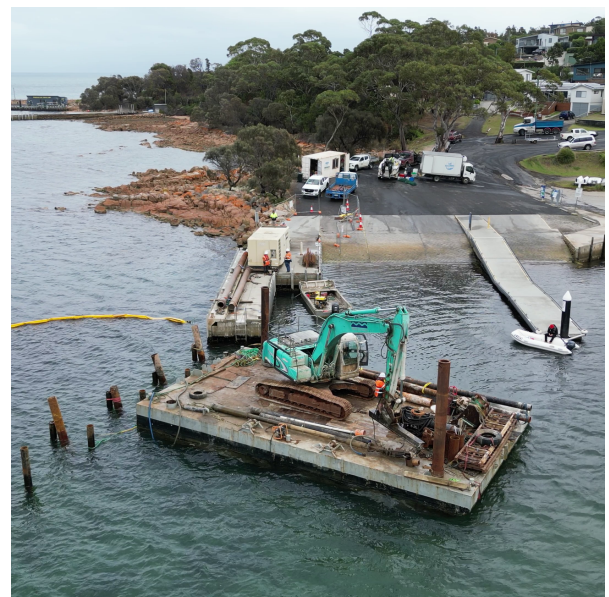
FREEMANS JETTY, COLES BAY

The extension of Freemans Jetty at Coles Bay is nearing completion. The extension is designed to reduce commercial, tourism and recreational vessel congestion at the jetty by providing more berthing space. The increase in temporary berthing will allow boat owners to retrieve cars parked some distance away without blocking the boat ramps and will provide space for smaller tourism vessels to pick up passengers.

The 17.0 metre extension is built from the same materials as the existing jetty, with steel piles, concrete decks and plastic fendering. Steel piles have been drilled into the hard rock and headstocks have been concreted in position. The concrete decks, wave screen panels, fendering and bollards will also be installed by mid-June 2024.



Coles Bay Jetty Extension - Pile Drilling



Coles Bay Jetty Extension - Site Set-up