

# SHIPWRECKS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

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**Fact Sheet No. 29**

## Unidentified wooden pontoon

### Jervois Basin Ships' Graveyard

**An unidentified wooden pontoon lies in the south-eastern section of the Ethelton Log Pool. The largely intact vessel is approximately 49 feet (15m) length and 24 feet (7.5m) breadth with the upper deck exposed only during low tides.**

Although its origin is unknown, fittings and other structure suggest that the pontoon was possibly a platform for one of the floating cranes which moved about the Port.

It is unknown when the pontoon sank, but it was no longer afloat in 2002.

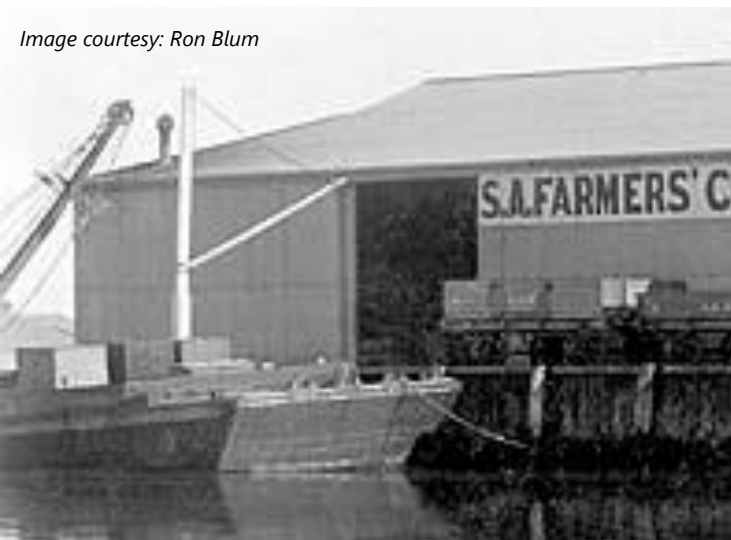
Today it lies on the muddy bottom of Jervois Basin, below low tide, in the same position as shown in the photo at right.



*Image: DEW Files*

*The unidentified wooden pontoon at Jervois Basin, date unknown*

*Image courtesy: Ron Blum*



*A similar pontoon in Portland Canal, c.1910*

### More information

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