



# DENNIS YACHTS P/L

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Also manufacturers of:-

TS 500

TS 550

TS 600

Designed to be towed  
by 4-cylinder cars.



The TS 500 class has a very active association which caters for a variety of tastes, with regular cruises, races and social activities. Because of the safe nature of the boat, the association has a high proportion of young family members, and many of the association activities are programmed with this in mind. However, there is plenty of scope for members with other interests.

With this boat there is no need to leave the family at home or on the beach. Cruises, social get-togethers, and races are an excellent occasion for the family to get together with a common interest. Many crews are father-son teams, comprising husband, wife and children. Over 70% of the boats attending association events have only one or two ladies in the crew. Members enjoy the opportunity to meet socially with other owners, to compare boats, and are always willing to help and advise newcomers.



#### Not much sailing experience?

The TS 500 is safe and easy to handle, the basic boat having only a jib, sheet, main sheet, centreboard and rudder to control.

The Association will:-

- Help you learn to rig and care for your boat.
- Give any advice about gear, fitting out, etc.
- Advise on safety gear and procedures.
- Put you in touch with other members willing to help.

The best way to learn to sail is to join in with the other members on cruises and races, then you can compare your boat's performance with other boats. Remember, all TS 500 boats are similar, the main difference in performance depending on the crew!

#### So you want to race?

If you wish to join in regular club races, and at the same time have a good, roomy, trailerable yacht, then you should consider the TS 500. The boat can be raced with a crew of two, and class rules permit the use of a spinnaker. Several members regularly race with yacht clubs, including a fleet at Camus Sailing Club every second Sunday.

The Association is affiliated with the Victorian Yachting Council, and is represented at:

- The Marley Point overnight race.
  - The Hazelwood "Sauna-Sail" race.
  - The Geelong-Queenscliff race.
  - The Rye-Cape Sound race,
- and most other trailerable yacht regattas.



#### Is it safe?

When tested by the Association, the boat easily passed the soil righting test recommended by the V.Y.C. 1 trailerable Yacht Sub-Committee. This, combined with foam built into the deck and a large buoyancy tank, ensures that the boat is as safe as possible. In addition, the Association encourages members to carry safety gear as listed by the Victorian Yachting Council.

The TS 500 is an easy to handle and roomy trailerable yacht (trailer sailer). Five metres (16'5") long, it is easily towed behind a family car, and with a draft of only 10" (plate up), it can be launched almost anywhere with trailer access into the water. The full length cabin floor has sufficient space for four adult size bunks (maximum crew is six adults), and there is room for fitting out with cupboards, etc. The spacious deck area is ideal for wives and daughters to sunbake on, while Dad and the boys fish from the roomy cockpit.



#### Specifications:

L.O.A.	5 m (16'5")
Beam	2.10 m (7'1")
Draft, plate up	0.25 m (10")
Draft, plate down	1 m (39")
Drop keel	72.5 kg (160 lb)
Ballast (internal)	45.4 kg (100 lb)
Complete weight	362.9 kg (800 lb)
Ballast ratio	30%
Sail area (jib)	4.9 m <sup>2</sup> (53 ft <sup>2</sup> )
Main sail	8.2 m <sup>2</sup> (88 ft <sup>2</sup> )
Spinnaker	1.11 m <sup>2</sup> (13.1 m <sup>2</sup> )
Crews	65 ft <sup>2</sup> (6.04 m <sup>2</sup> )
Mast (above deck)	6.75 m (22 ft)

An auxiliary outboard of up to 10 hp can be fitted. 5 hp is ideal.

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