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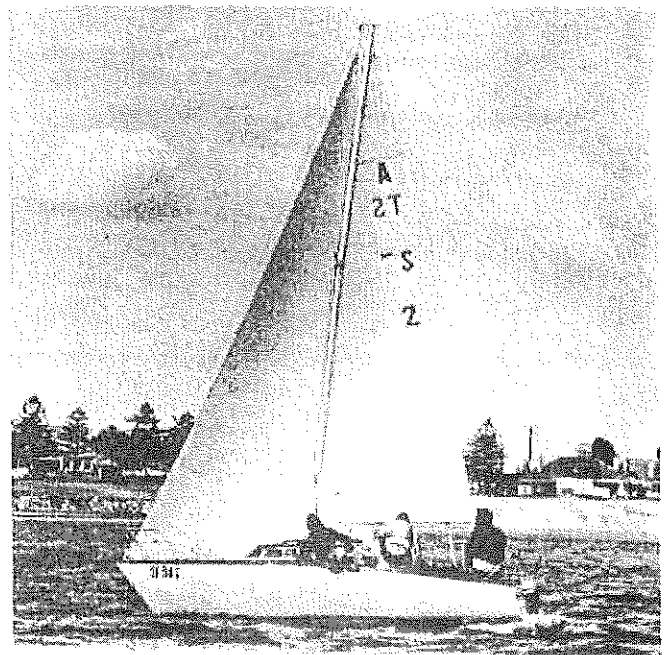
Austral 20

Hull and deck of this neat yacht are constructed using hand lay-up methods to create a hull and deck combination of exceptional strength. The hull is multi-layer with extra glass in areas of maximum strength, plus built-in buoyancy. The deck is reinforced throughout with integrally bonded Balsa-Core to give added buoyancy, strength, and insulation. All deck and working surfaces are moulded in non-skid for crew safety. Ballast is provided with 68 kilograms of lead moulded to the hull in addition to the 145.1 kilograms in the plate of the T-S version.

Standard rigging is extra heavy and uses Ronstan turnbuckles and toggles coupled to rolled swaged terminals on shrouds and stays. The extruded aluminium mast is stepped on the cabin top with mast support under. The boom has roller reefing or slab optional with central sheeting. Two Barlow winches are mounted on the coamings for easy jib and genoa sheeting. There are heavy duty stainless-steel chainplate and forestay fittings.

Accommodation is luxurious in the spacious cabin with a folding table, four large berths for comfortable sleeping, and a stove and sink console. There is a water tank and pump, provision for a marine toilet under the forward bunk, and full-length lockers under port and starboard side decks. The yacht is carpeted. The forward locker with louvre door contains sail and anchor storage.

The cockpit is self-draining, with hinged lifting seats providing two large lockers, and the finish is of extremely high standard with choice of colours.



SPECIFICATIONS

<i>LOA</i>	6.09 m
<i>Beam</i>	2.34 m
<i>Maximum draft</i>	1.52 m
<i>Minimum draft</i>	0.3 m
<i>Displacement</i>	861.8 kg
<i>Ballast</i>	204.08 kg
<i>Hull material</i>	Fibreglass
<i>Keel type</i>	Lead, 146 kg in plate
<i>Jib</i>	8.36 m <sup>2</sup>
<i>Main</i>	8.73 m <sup>2</sup>
<i>Genoa</i>	14.50 m <sup>2</sup>
<i>Spinnaker</i>	33.45 m <sup>2</sup>
<i>Berths</i>	4
<i>Motor</i>	4 hp (2.98 kW) outboard
<i>Prices (at Jan. 1977)</i>	
<i>Includes: Sails</i>	\$6,737
<i>Trailer</i>	\$645
<i>Basic moulding</i>	\$3,753
<i>Sail away</i>	\$6,737
<i>Luxury version</i>	\$7,077
<i>Manufacturer</i>	Austral Yachts Pty Ltd Graves Street Newton SA 5074

