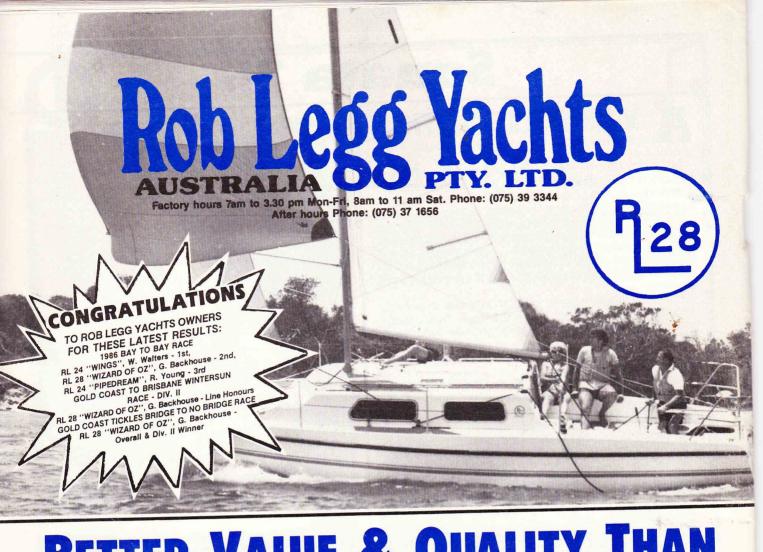
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RL24 and RL28



he RL24 first appeared in 1973 and was soon followed by the larger RL28. Designed by Southport, Queensland, designer and builder Rob Legg, both boats have sold extremely well both within Australia and overseas. Both trailer sailers have undergone constant development as the years have passed so that they have evolved to become very high performance trailable yachts.

Constructed of fibreglass the RL24 come in two models. The Mklll incorporates a swing keel, while the Mk IV has a vertical lift keel. Similarly, both models have two interior options. Both options are noted for

their roomy cabin height.

The early RL24s first appeared with the pivoting mast, but later versions now incorporate a spreader rig with backstay. This became necessary following a ruling in the early 1980s which effectively banned the pivoting mast. The change proved to be a bonus for the trailer sailer as the spreader rig was more effecient, giving the boat an increased sail area.

The swing keel RL24 is much more heavier than earlier versions owing to an increase in keel weight. The overall effect is for a much more stiffer boat that points higher than ever while running beautifully

before the wind.

The RL24 is noted as both a racing machine and an ideal cruising vessel. It can be easily handled by two people and it will accommodate four adults very comfortably on an extended cruise. The cockpit is

spacious with plenty of room along its bench seats These also have quite large stowage areas underneath them. And those crew who prefer perching up high like seagoing parrots will find the gunwhale top very comfy.

Walkabout space is excellent, with generous antiskid treatment making a slip most unlikely, even in tough conditions. Deck hardware, from jamcleats to

quides, is complete and of good quality.

The RL24 is available in basic hull stage with hull, cabin and interior moulding. The complete deluxe cruising trailer sailer includes a marine toilet, gimballed stove, upholstery, sink, side shelves, hinged teak table, pulpit and lights. The boat is also available with a fixed keel. The RL28 is also available with either a swing keel or fixed keel.

Specia	fications		
RL24/RL28			
LOA	7.3m	8.54m	
LWL	5.9m	7.2m	
Beam	2.2m	2.41m	
Draft — keel up — keel down	305mm 1.3m	406mm 1.45m	
Displacement	660kg	1360kg	
Ballast	160kg	500kg	
Sail area	20 sq m	23 sq m	

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