



Life is better with a boat!

You could WIN this Boat Package worth \$22,000



Go in the draw to win this boat. Buy a full season or five year licence by 30 November 2013.

In Tasmania so much more water is accessible if you have a boat. In trout fishing a boat was once only used to get to the fishing shore – and no one fished from a boat. Boats were occasionally used for trolling – and that was usually by rowing – not motors. Clinker built timber boats were the norm, but then along came fibreglass and eventually the tinnie.

Aluminium boats, along with modern outboards revolutionised access and these boats planed at higher speeds. Suddenly instead of walking or bouncing around a lake shore in a 4WD you could zoom across it and be at your favourite shore in a few minutes.

What is the ideal boat for Tasmanian trout fishing?

It really depends on style of fishing and lakes fished, but for many it seems a boat around 4.5 metres does most things. This size aluminium boat is light and easily towed behind a medium size vehicle, does not need a lot of horsepower and is easy to manoeuvre.

Inland Fisheries Service looked at all of this when searching for a way to reward anglers in the 'Win a Boat' promotion.

The boat you could win is one of Australia's favourites – 4.4 metre Sea Jay Discovery.

Weighing not much over 500 kg including trailer the Discovery 4.4 is easy to tow to your favourite ramp. Launching is a cinch and you will soon be on the water.

Powered by the highly regarded 40HP electric start Yamaha four stroke it gets up on the plane easily and does it in an environmentally friendly way as well using four stroke technology. Fuel consumption is miserly.

Trolling, if that is your method, is delightful with this motor. Featuring fuel injection and 'troll control' you can adjust the trolling up and down by 50RPM increments at the touch of a button. This is a really useful feature – as there is always an optimum speed trolling lures. With this motor it is easy to get it right. Power trim and tilt is also a feature that makes life easy, and with a four stroke you will barely hear it running.

The boat. Sea Jay are one of Australia's premium boat builders and this is a very popular model. Length overall is 4.4 metres and with a beam of 1.9 metres it gives you heaps of room. Sides are nearly one metre deep and it is suitable for up to four people.

Painted inside and out, this model is not only protected from the marine environment, but looks impressive as well. Carpeted fully throughout with a rear casting platform that provides a high vantage point to sight fishing or casting lures. There is a plumbed live bait tank that is useful as an esky as well.

Two pedestal seats and four sockets offer great flexibility to set up the boat to suit you.

Performance with the Yamaha 40 is fantastic - from trolling to scooting across a lake or estuary to find the fish. Maybe in summer you might want to tow the kids around on a ski biscuit and there is plenty of power for that too.

It handles a good chop with ease and gives a nice dry ride. Stability at rest is superb and with two or three moving about the boat you hardly notice any rocking and rolling thanks to the hull design.

The Sea Jay Discovery will provide you with a great fishing experience and a life full of fun.

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How do you WIN?

If you're over 18 years old, **simply purchase a full season trout licence** by 30 November 2013 and you're in the running to win this amazing boat package, consisting of a 4.4m Sea Jay Discovery with a 40hp Yamaha Four Stroke engine, plus 2 x Personal Floatation Devices, Fire Extinguisher, Flare Pack, Bailer, Paddles, Anchor, Rope and Chain and Boat Registration. If you don't have a Motor Boat Licence don't worry.

A Boat Licence Course is included if required.