

Veteran Voyager Circles Australia In A Luxury Fleming Yacht

After three years of research and six months in the making, Graham Young finally had his Fleming Yacht, the *Redmond Ross*, delivered to him. And that's when the fun began.

The next seven months would be spent undertaking the pre-voyage preparation. If Young and his son Grant, along with four close friends, were going to have an incredible maiden voyage circling Australia, they were going to do it in comfort and style.

A boater since the age of 15, Young knew what he wanted to add to his new beauty. A modified anchor platform, fish finder, bow thruster, stabilizers, davit, spacious and nicely equipped galley, GPS, auto pilot, radios, on board computer, fire hoses watermaker, and a custom designed fly bridge is only the beginning. To say that this yacht has it all would be an understatement.

Young designed the trimmer (or Bimini) top himself with his son's help and it turned out to be an enhancement, rather than an eyesore. Tony Fleming wrote to Young, "I congratulate both you and the person whom made and installed the hardtop. Most of these things look terrible, but yours is the best I have seen on a Fleming." As seen in the picture, it surely did compliment the fly bridge while adding the extra protection that

Young was looking for. "After two mock ups, it was finally agreed upon before calling in the fabricators and trimmers. I personally checked every angle and dimension to the millimeter before the final mounting."

After completing his 3553 nautical mile journey, Young took the time to send out a comprehensive six page email to those inquiring about his trip. While at sea,

he and his crew acquainted themselves with the many components on board the *Redmond Ross*. Young was particularly complimentary towards WESMAR's RS600 roll fin stabilizer system and 13.5 hp bow thruster.

"Having never owned a boat with bow thrusters, I am impressed with both the performance and the quality of this unit. I believe WESMAR's quality is excellent and their follow up and back up has been good. Persons who have viewed the installations



Redmond Ross, a 55' Fleming Yacht, is equipped with the most impressive gear and components available. Included is a WESMAR RS600 stabilizer system and a 13.5 hp bow thruster.

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"As to ease of handling, [the stabilizers] could not be more straight forward. During our long voyage, these stabilizers were fantastic. When appropriate, they were turned on and they remained operational as long as we needed the comfort they provided."

A man of obvious taste and perfectionism, Young's yacht couldn't have turned out more beautifully. It's no wonder that he researched and installed the very best components and equipment for *Redmond Ross*. All the comforts of home, all the way around Australia. WESMAR is proud to be a part of the vessel.

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