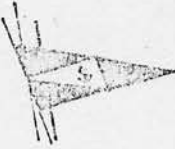


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Jeff Smith
29th July, 1985.

The Hon Evan Walker, M.L.C.
Minister for Planning & Environment,
P.O. Box 2240T
MELBOURNE. 3001.

Dear Sir,

We refer to your letter dated 9th January, 1984, and now formally seek your consent to the following amended project for development to our Leasehold Property on the Foreshore of Beaumaris Bay.

The proposal is to improve and make safer our existing launching facilities by the construction of a new launching area at the eastern end of our property, on top of and at the edge of an existing rock reef. The total area including the new launching facility is 0.6 Hectares (1.4 Acres) and is situated within the City of Mordialloc.

As you are aware our Squadron was formed in February 1959 and registered under the Co-operative Act in December 1959 and as a member-participation co-operative organisation we are proud of the unique development we have been able to achieve over the past 26 years. In July 1981 we were granted a 21 year Lease over the 2 hectares approximately, which we occupy, complete with access road, piers, launching ramps and clubhouse, all in an area away from public beaches.

Our site is always kept in top condition, lawns, shrubs and trees receive continued attention from members and the launching and public access area is kept clean. Growth on the cliffs is encouraged especially in the launching area in an attempt to stop the eroding and subsequent falling away of parts of the cliffs. Much of the credit must go to the Councils of the Cities of Mordialloc and Sandringham for their advice and assistance in the protection of the area.

We are confident that our present reclamation is not only protecting the cliffs but encouraging growth on the face of the cliffs. Our aim has always been, whilst keeping the site neat and tidy, to mould it in with the natural environment.

Over the past 6 years we have had a serious problem with the continual and ever increasing build-up of sand around our ramps and access areas. Clearing of the ramps has taken place in October 1969, August 1972, September 1976, August 1979 (\$8,983), August 1980 (\$9,320), August 1982 (\$11,428), and

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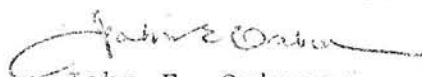
August 1984 (\$7,480), and our ramp facing south can still only be used on a high tide with a favourable wind. We are giving thought to public access to this ramp for the launching of sail boards, etc. Most of the sand, excavated by dragline, has always been from our eastern and best launching ramp. With the exception of easterly winds this ramp has good protection in the launching area but it has a dangerous access lane which is only open to the southwest. A distance of approximately 30 m. exists between the groyne and edge of the reef which is exposed at very low tide. Channel width at all times is approximately 10 m., and to safely negotiate this area local knowledge and experience is required, especially in the dark and in heavy seas. At times there could be up to 60 boats launching in the dark in the fishing season.

Originally we were of the opinion that the sand was coming from the re-nourishing of the Mentone and Parkdale beach areas, and in September 1983 we requested the Ports and Harbors Division to comment on our claim. After investigation they advised in August 1984, that we were incorrect and the sand was coming from the opposite direction. In this letter they also advised that our original project, which was submitted to your colleague, the Hon Rod Mackenzie, and to Ports & Harbors Division (September 1983) for technical advice, was deficient in several respects. This new submission is in line with their suggestions.

It is our intention to use member labour on this project which will be built in accordance with Ports & Harbors specifications. Although this is a small project, if we contracted out the total job it could cost in the vicinity of \$310,000; therefore it is our intention to construct a great proportion ourselves and spread the period over a number of years in the manner of our original reclamation in 1959. The project will protect a further 120 m. approximately of the cliff. The Beaumaris cliffs are up to 12 m. high in Black Rock Sandstone, and over the years have taken a terrific pounding from the south westerly winds, and the project must protect them from further erosion.

We ask you to consider the above development project and we look forward to your report in due course. Should on-site inspection be required please contact the writer on 584.7044 (Bus.) or 598.3097 (A.H.).

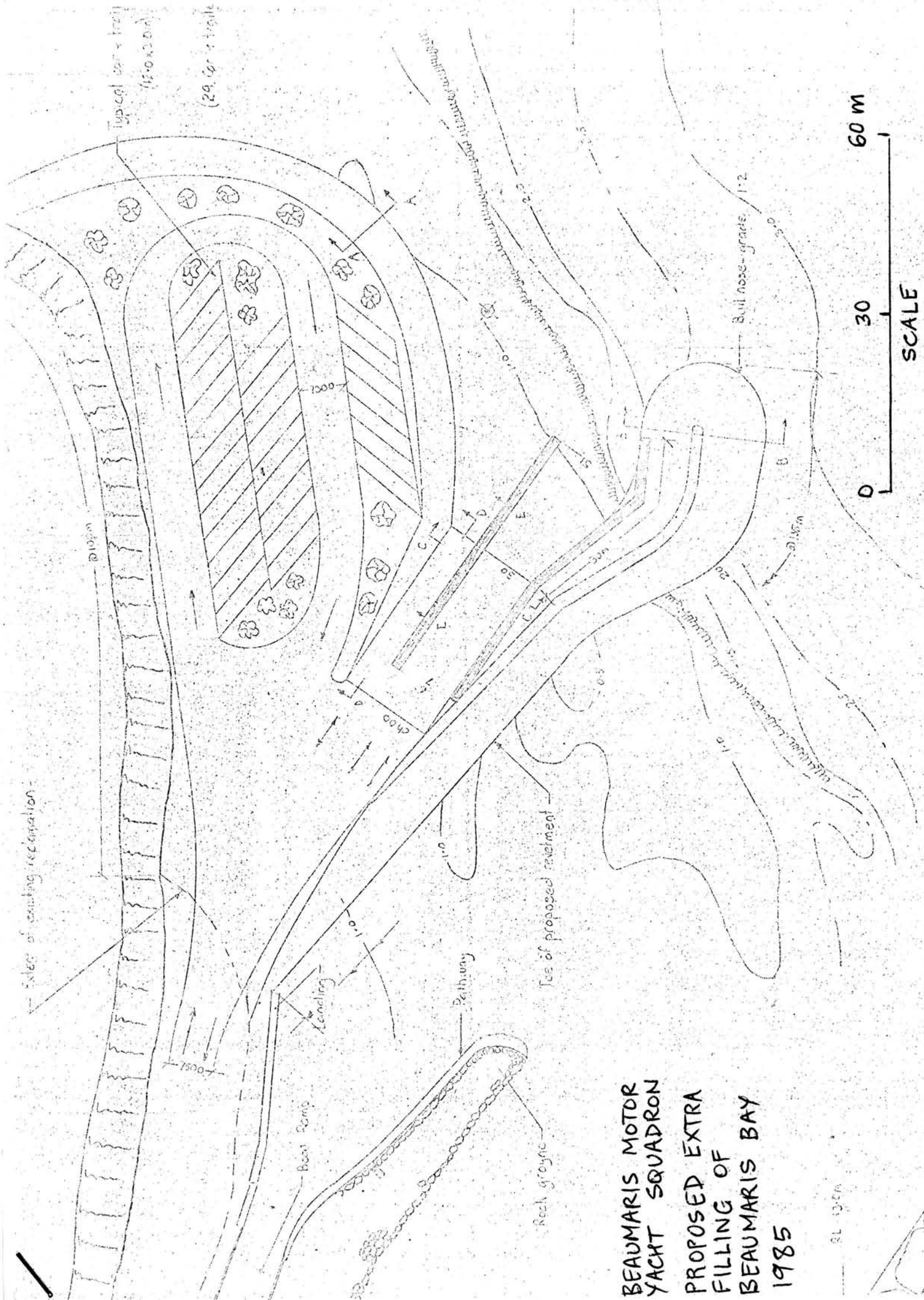
Yours faithfully,



John E. Osborne

IMMEDIATE PAST COMMODORE.

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