



# Black Rhino 660 Walkaround



**Back in February #207 we introduced readers to a new brand of production plate alloy boats being built on the Gold Coast by one of the most experienced building teams in Oz. Working with designs from renowned Kiwi nav-arch Scott Robson, this new range promised a great deal . . . and now the first boat is in the water, and the 760 Hardtop is close behind. As we promised, we're going to stay with this range as it grows, starting with our first take on Boat #1.**

**A**ustralia has had a long history of production plate boats, with some very well known names – Sportsfish, Stingray, Cairns Custom Craft, JBS, Rebel, BarCrusher – to name just a few of the more obvious ones.

So when a new company is formed in these uncertain times, specifically to build production plate boats, interest is raised very quickly.

Black Rhino is the new kid on the block, although in truth, it is one of the most experienced players in this field, despite being just a few months old.

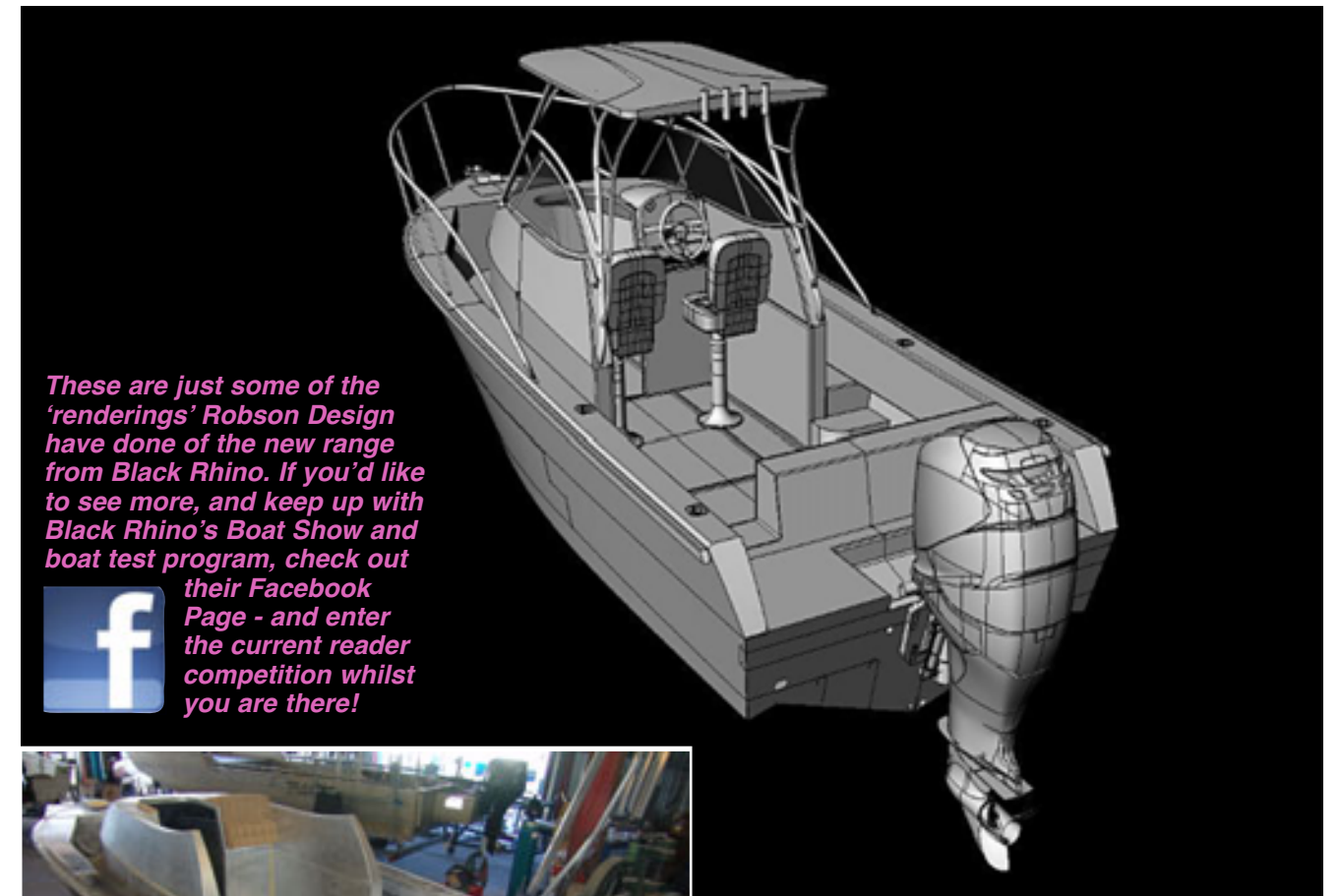
The brainchild of Tony Bramich and Paul Hughes on the Gold Coast, these two men secured the

Australian rights to build all the production plate boats designed by renowned Kiwi designer, Scott Robson.

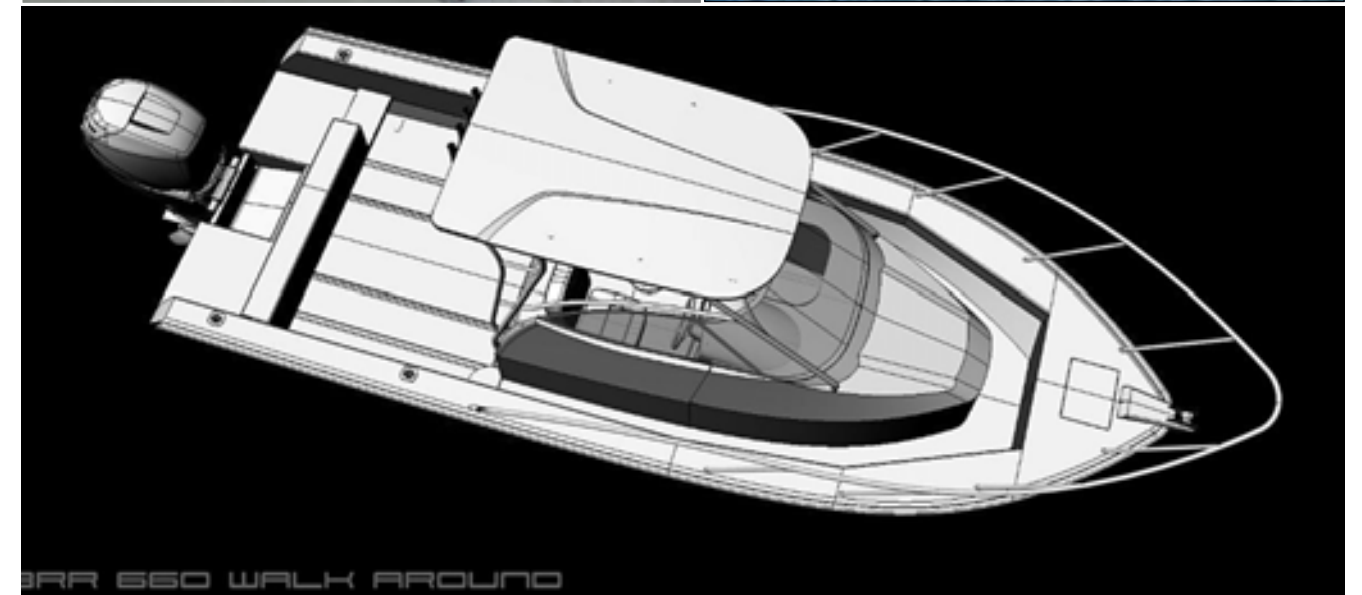
This is a clever move, because Robson is one of New Zealand's most experienced boat designers, well remembered in Australia for his highly original work with the Ocean Cylinders for the Queensland Ships organisation some years ago.

Here, his talent has been harnessed and focussed on trailer boats (essentially) although obviously the team is capable of building larger craft if they are warranted.

On the building front, it is also very clever, as Tony



*These are just some of the 'renderings' Robson Design have done of the new range from Black Rhino. If you'd like to see more, and keep up with Black Rhino's Boat Show and boat test program, check out their Facebook Page - and enter the current reader competition whilst you are there!*



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