

E.L. Thumper

Owner: Jack & Kathy Bedeck

Home Port: Millvale, PA (Near Pittsburgh), Allegheny River Mile Marker 3.3

Hull Type: Model Bow

Hull Material: 7 GA Steel

Length: 55'

Width: 16'

Draft: 30"

Wheel Diameter: 15'

Wheel Width: 8'

of Buckets: 12

Engine Type/Size: Ford 460 Cubic inch gasoline

Drive Train Type: Automatic Transmission. Drive shaft to a rearend, chains to a jackshaft and chains to the wheel.

Built By: Jack Bedeck and Friends

Built at: Jack Bedecks driveway

Date: 1979

Past Names (oldest to newest): E.L. Thumper

Description and History: This is the fourth of a series of E.L. Thumper's built by the owner and friends. The hull was built 12' wide. Widened to 16' wide in 1983, adding a skylight. The Thumper has a trim tab at the rear edge of the hull and a spud thru the bow to aid overnight docking. The Thumper was dry docked in 1995 and in 2007. She carries 800 gallons of gasoline and 250 gallons of water. She is not a live aboard, but built for trips long and short. The Thumper sleeps 9 adults off the floor.

