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UNDER COVER AT LAKE ELIDON

THE CREW FROM SPY BOATS GATHERED THEIR RANGE – INCLUDING THE RX22 WHICH WON “SKI BOAT OF THE YEAR” AT THE 2008 AUSTRALIAN MARINE AWARDS, UP AT EILDON DURING JUNE.

Things are usually pretty slow around the Wake office in the middle of winter. Plenty of ping pong is played, tom yum soup from the local Thai takeaway is eaten by the bucket full, and there's a lot of gazing out the window at Melbourne's weather.

So, even though the place was freezing, nipping up to Lake Eildon with the crew from Spy Boats was a welcome distraction.

Spy had gathered their range of boats together to shoot photos for the new website (spyboats.com.au) as well as shoot footage for Channel 9's *Boatique* program, hosted by Glen Ridge.

It's only just over a year since Spy Boats was launched, so it was interesting to check out the range which included the TS21, the XS21, the RS22 and the 2008 Australia Ski Boat of the Year, the RX22, a fully decked out v-drive.

Glen and his production team had their work cut out, filming from 9am through till about 5pm, to get all the footage they needed for the show. The morning was foggy, and it looked as though the cloud wasn't going to lift. However, Mother Nature turned it on for the crew, throwing down a lovely and warm 18 degrees for everyone to put up with, as well as buttery smooth water as far as the eye could see.

A chopper had been organised, and Wake photographer Marlon was amped to get strapped in and hang out the door for some killer shots, but unfortunately crap weather in Melbourne kept it grounded.

But up at Eildon it was one of those days where everything was just perfect. No wind, sun was out, absolutely flat water ... it's just a pity it was in the middle of winter!

Glen even had his newly renovated houseboat for everyone to hang out on in the middle of Eildon. Just floating round, not anchored, with four Spy Boats hanging off it. It couldn't get any better if you tried.

