The weed cutter rescue

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These photos were submitted by Gary Hopping, taken by his mother Margaret in 1986.

While attempting to cross the lake with the weed cutter, the whitecaps came over the front of the boat and in a matter of minutes the entire weed cutter sunk.

The incident occurred near the Noka Sippi Resort in about 12 feet of water.

The photographs chronicle the rescue of the sunken weed cutter. A diver was hired to tie on the inner tubes and hook on the tow cable. The inner tubes were filled with air to help float the boat while dragging it in with the tow winch.