

## ConQuest Sails

The Quest engineering team put their combined heads together to build and sail a 5 metre boat made entirely from milk cartons (bar a couple kilos of wood).

The skipper & chief designer was Task Walkabout champion, Garth Terrell.



The first race at Adelaide's Milk Carton Regatta, the boys and girl got off to a fantastic start with ConQuest leading 100 metres in. However, the speed through the water caused some unexpected stresses on the front of the boat, which blew apart and began to sink.

The resulting 3-metre wide boom made finishing the race a major task, but due to exceptional fitness of the crew, a credible third place was registered.

After 2 hours in dry dock for some hasty repairs, the straws were drawn as to who sits at the front and the boat was re-launched for the finals.

Within 2 minutes of the start it was obvious that we would be lucky to stay afloat, let alone win. Several on board decided to ram a couple of the pace setters. We are pleased to report this was achieved with great success (although we did lose some crew and sustained major structural damage to the boat).



It was a sensational piece of nautical engineering and of the seven punters on board only three (Daniel, Sharon & Alan) ended in the drink.