



BILL O'BRIEN
8 metre
cruising
catamaran

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"B.O.B" 8 metre catamaran

HER PURPOSE

The B.O.B.S. metre Catamaran is designed as a safe, non-heeling, ultra comfortable, sea going Family Cruiser. She is the outcome of six years' concentrated experiment and trial, and has proved herself fully seaworthy in the severest conditions, including wind over tide conditions in the "Needles Race", which the designer considers "the ideal test bed".

Suited to the requirements of both expert and beginner, she accommodates five people on extended passage and up to a dozen, comfortably, day sailing.

HANDLING

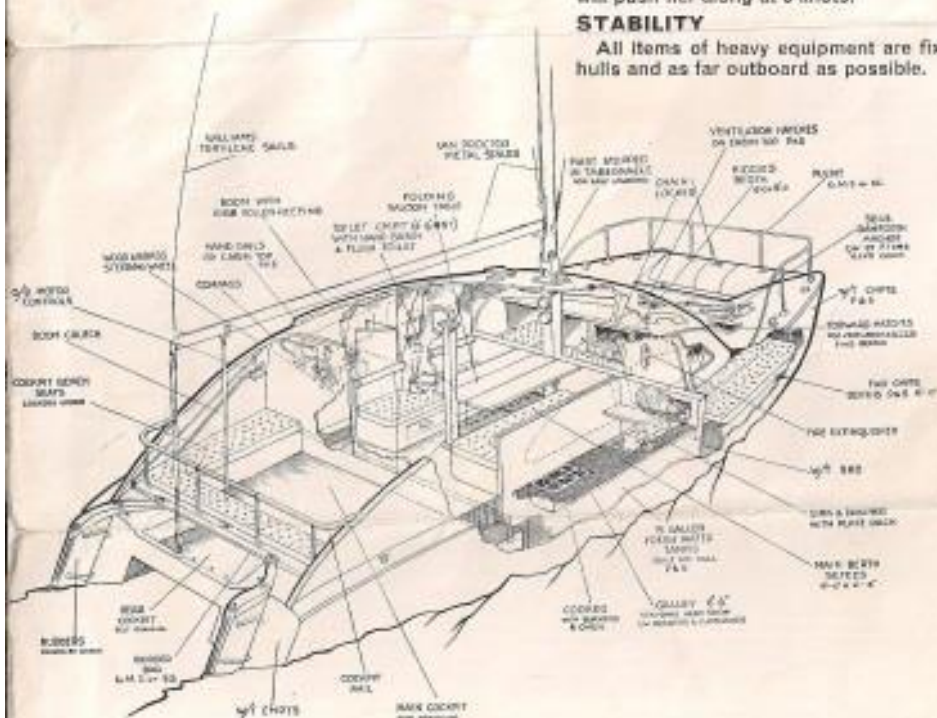
The sail plan and general sheeting arrangement is intended for single-handed sailing even by the inexperienced. Shallow draught allows for beaching or ditch-crawling with ease. The twin hulls make the use of mud berths practicable and enable the craft to take the ground upright and in safety.

PERFORMANCE

Though speed is limited by strength and safety considerations, the B.O.B. 8 metre has shown a good average speed on long passages under sail, and will reach at 15 knots when driven hard. An 18 h.p. Evinrude will push her along at 8 knots.

STABILITY

All items of heavy equipment are fixed low in the hulls and as far outboard as possible.



ACCOMMODATION

- ★ Berths. Four 6'3" x 2'3", and One 5'0" x 3'0". Two as main berth settees and two in separate "cabins" forward. All with 4" foam rubber mattresses, vinylide covered.
- ★ Saloon. Main berth settees and folding table to seat six. Immediate accessibility to galley in starboard hull, all round $\frac{1}{4}$ " Perspex windows give excellent natural light throughout.
- ★ Hulls. 6'6" standing headroom in both port and starboard.
 - Port side. Enclosed toilet compartment with flush W.C. and wash hand basin, with pump to 15 gal. fresh water tank.
 - Starboard side. Spacious galley, 7'6" long, with remarkable storage room in drawers and cupboards. Also Junior Star cooker (Oven, Griller and Burner); Sink and drainer, with rocker pump to 15 gal. fresh water tank.
- ★ Cockpit. Bench type lockers with generous stowage, seat 12 in comfort. The cockpit is self draining and is surrounded by a mahogany capped safety guard rail.
- ★ Foredeck. Broad expanse forward with full width pulpit, houses anchor, spinnaker boom and boat hook, and makes crewing a pleasure.
- ★ Stowage. Remarkable room for all gear throughout.



EQUIPMENT

- ★ Spars by Ian Proctor Metal Masts Ltd. with Gibb roller reefing gear and spinnaker track.
- ★ Rigging in stainless steel.
- ★ Halyards and sheets in Terylene.
- ★ Sails in Terylene by Williams of Hamble, Main and headsail c/w trade mark B.O.B.B. with numbers and battens.
- ★ Fittings by Mike Gibb Ltd. include two No. 587 sheet winches.
- ★ Electrics. c/w 12 volt heavy duty battery with Navigation lights and seven interior cabin lights.
- ★ Anchor. 30 lb. Danforth c/w 25 fms $\frac{1}{4}$ " glvd. chain.
- ★ Ancillary equipment includes mooring warps, fenders, boat hook, lifebuoy, distress flares, fire extinguisher, etc. enabling boat to be put to sea immediately.



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