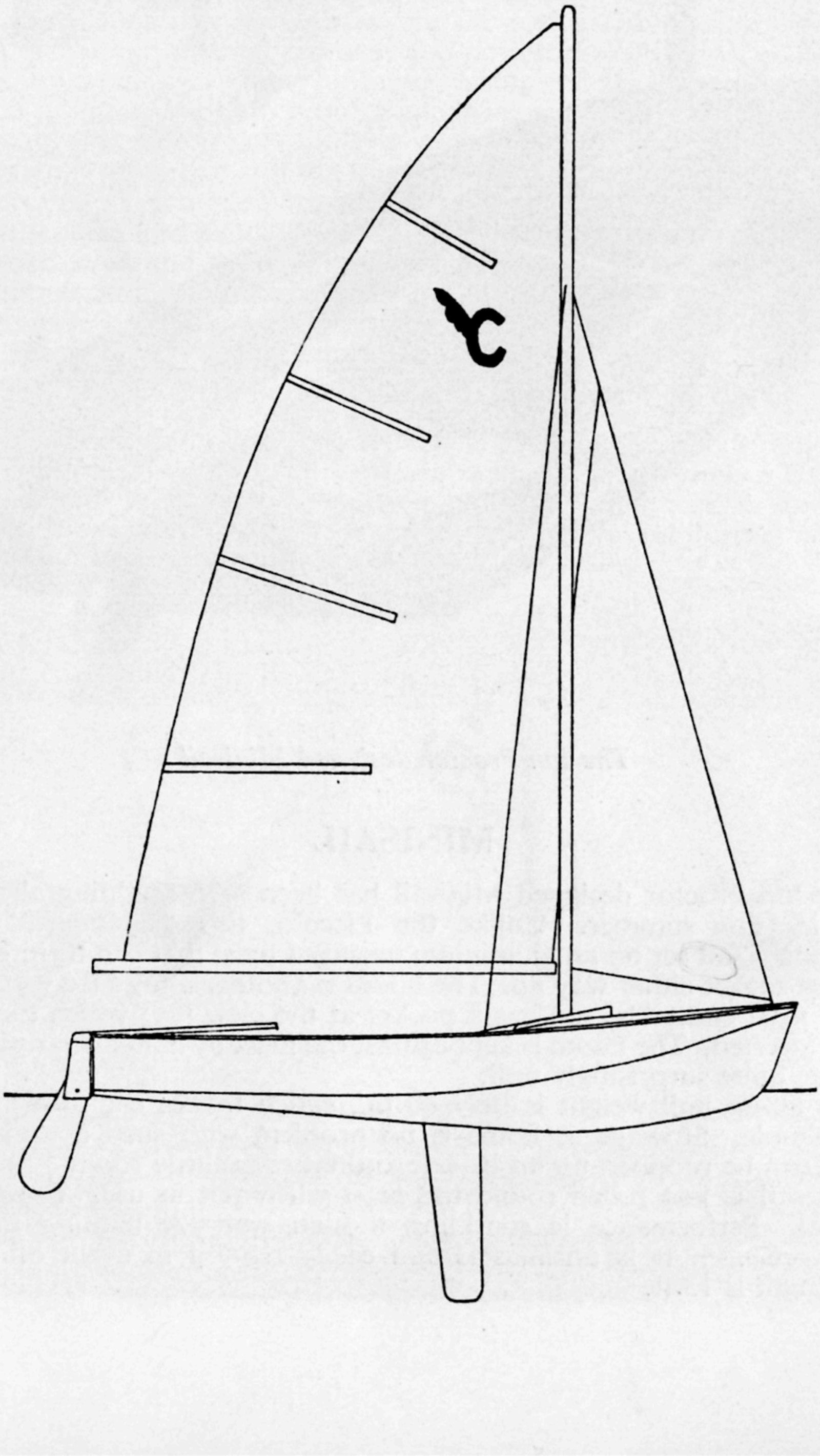
SEAFLY CLASS

Designers and Builders: South Devon Boatbuilders,
Dawlish, South Devon

L.O.A.: 14 ft. 9 in. *Beam:* 5 ft. 8 in.
L.W.L.: 14 ft. *Sail area:* 120 sq. ft.

The Seafly has been developed in response to continued demand for a larger version of the Mayfly O.D., which has established a reputation for stability with performance and as a superb "sea" boat.



The Seafly is good on all points of sailing, particularly in the stronger wind conditions when the exceptional stability enables lightweight crews to maintain maximum performance with a minimum of effort in comparison with other comparable classes. This feature is obviously a great attraction when selecting a class boat which must be a practical proposition for both expert and novice alike.

Windward ability is excellent and the hull design produces early, fast planing, with astonishing acceleration, which the more experienced helmsm-n can use to attain really high speeds.

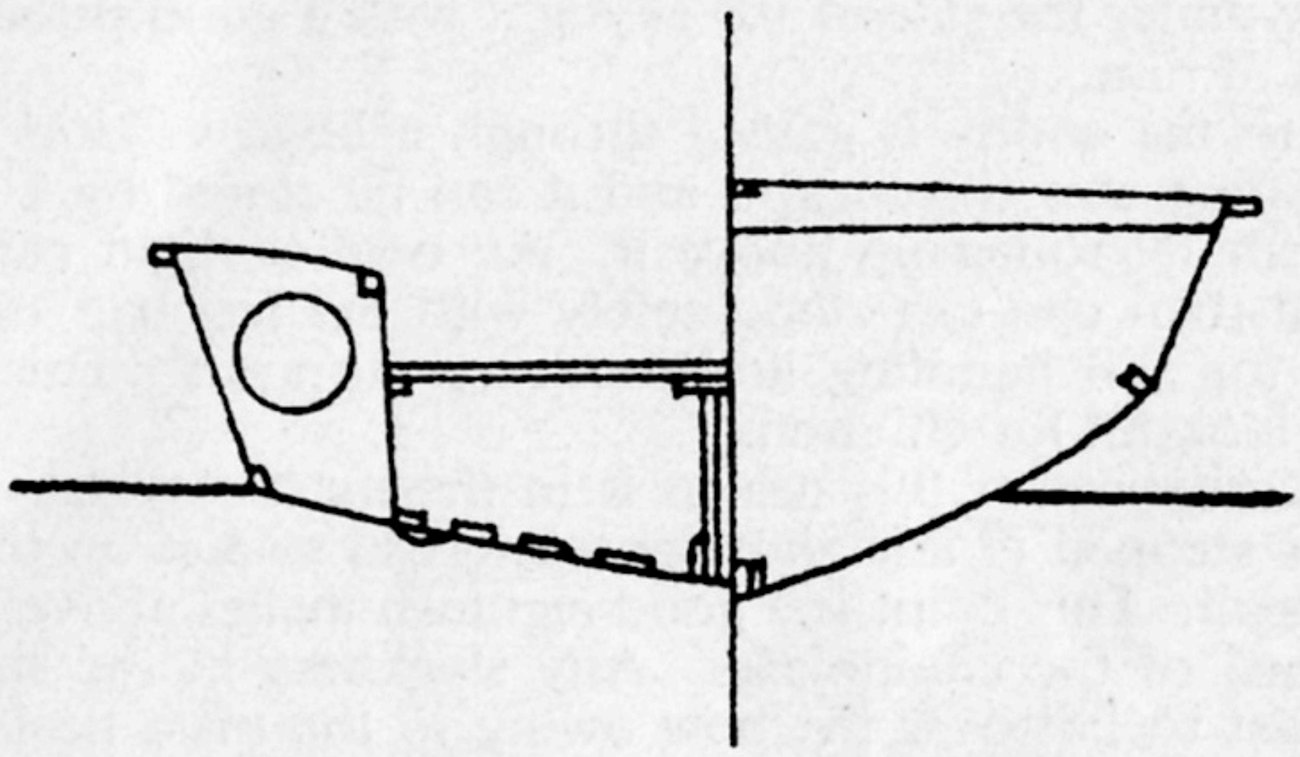
The d nghy is well balanced and does not appear to have any vices. Gybes are simply carried out without the usual hazards of rolling, etc., and crew weight is not a vital factor.

Careful consideration has been given to invited suggestions concerning the general layout of decking, interior, buoyancy, fittings, etc., in order to produce the ideal 14-15 ft. boat that is equally suitable for exciting racing as a One Design or cruising, both on inland and coastal waters.

The few possible requirements omitted from the specification are available as low priced extras. This has enabled the builders to produce a standard boat economically and within the reach of all, from the "do-it-yourself" full kit to the part built and completed boat.

Hulls are jig-built by experienced boatbuilders, specialists in the production of lightweight class racing dinghies.

The keel from stem to transom knee and including the centre box is vertically laminated in one unit using $1\frac{1}{8}$ in. mahogany core, the whole being 2-3 in. wide to form an exceptionally strong "backbone." Three-quarter length floorboards (2 in. by $\frac{1}{2}$ in.) are (glued) integral with bottom panels, which are strengthened by side deck panels, bilge rubbers and centre box knee.



The single chines are upswept to dissolve before meeting at the steamhead (similar to Mayfly) and the finer "clean entry" bow is developed by moulding the plywood forward panels in the same manner—producing a rounded fore-foot and a large planing section aft. The side deck is fully enclosed, sealed for permanent, positive buoyancy, and although an after deck is fitted, this can be modified as required.

A hollow spruce mast is supplied, stepped on deck with simple rigging.