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Sparkling, exhilarating and speedy.

Break over the waves in the STREAKER, a new lively design by Zock Holt. The tremendous surge for sailing single handed and the rapidly rising costs of completed boats being the most outstanding current change in small boats. For the STREAKER kit building, exciting lightness and having a hull which is so simple to make it can't break in such a design. The criteria chosen, 12'0" in length, sail area a modest 70 sq. ft. with a 100lb. hull, giving an all up target weight of 120lb for assembly. This is the same as the 10'6" Cheetah, the 12'0" Laser and the 14' Laser, fitting the average person better than the extremes. In these hard times to save a few £s. means the difference between a new boat or not, so to have a new boat with tremendous potential we've made the STREAKER in wood parts, with all fittings, spars and sails, alternative a finished hull ready for painting and varnishing plus mast, boom and sail.

For its surprisingly small size, it gives a good performance on all points of sailing and gives the smooth fastest sail. It's a boat for sea as though it were a powerboat. Yet it is extremely light so it is easy for two to carry it fully rigged down to the beach to launch and for putting it on a trailer or launching from a trolley, it truly is a single handed boat.



It planes fast and furiously, knocking the spray out flat. Sure you will get wet from the spray but it's much more of a boat than other fun boats. It is very sporty and nimpy, spins round at a touch of the helm, truly remarkable.

For Dads who love to keep their son sailing in a good fast reaction sporty boat — the STREAKER is it.

For youngsters who want to be helmsmen and not crew, also to just satisfy their demand for a bigger boat, solve these problems with this racing boat. The cost is not expensive compared with one of the two man racing Classes.

The single sail smooths out to suit a loose foot boom and also with a CHEETAH mast with a luff groove, it gives a good clean and efficient sail with a relatively light boom. The mast is made of plywood quality, shape, best materials and craftsmanship with the added advantage of being able to hoist or lower the sail.

It is extremely comfortable to sail with its cradle shaped side deck, survival gear and a large cockpit area. The lifting board gives in a definite chance to plane so as it is slightly off the wind and in our trials, it was debatable which was best, to sail as close as possible to the wind, ease off a fraction and plane to windward.

Building one's own boat has fascinated and given great satisfaction to so many people; it becomes a really personal thing when finished and in use. The finish, neatness and strength are put in by the owner as part of his hobby; the design of course, is controlled by the accuracy of the kit parts.

This kit is so constructed with the bulkheads and side tank fronts dotted together leaving for the owner to add, ready to add the actual sides of the boat and the four side strakes, then glass tape and resin sealing and bonding it permanently together.

Plywood with resin and glass tape is a really simple but completely effective method of construction. Yet it is extremely light in weight for the strength required.

Being individually made, such items as toe-straps position, main sheet lead are optional to the Builder's choice but a Class boat the shape of every section, length, centre board shape and rudder are definitely One Design.

The spars and sails are completely One Design in all respects. The planing part of the boat is only good requiring a certain amount of lifting. Any alteration to their shape will not put the boat out of the One Design but make for difficult building. Plywood seems still to be more than holding it's own in boats of weight if less for the same rigidity. Plywood is a good material for the STREAKER because of the fact that ply is probably the simplest to use for the novice or amateur, the result is really good. No special tools are required and only a reasonable level of carpentry is needed.

It may seem a big undertaking to build one from a kit, and as it is built taken step by step, piece by pieces, it is well within the capabilities of anyone who can use a saw, chisel, plane, spoke shave etc. How long to build? Well, that's up to you but 80 to 100 hours are not an unreasonable guess, depending on your skill and time, so that you can choose your own special shade. All the other items to finish are supplied from the large panels to the list.

With the younger ex-CADET or MIRRO II helmsman or helmswoman being considered, it is a direct inexpensive step before joining the 470 or 505 Fleet.

Considering that it must give a good performance and excitement to keep the imagination and skill of the lighter younger crews, the design is such that it has good stability so that it suits a wide range of people and it doesn't need a big tough crew to be successful or handle in or out of the water.

So why not streak over the waves in a STREAKER?

