

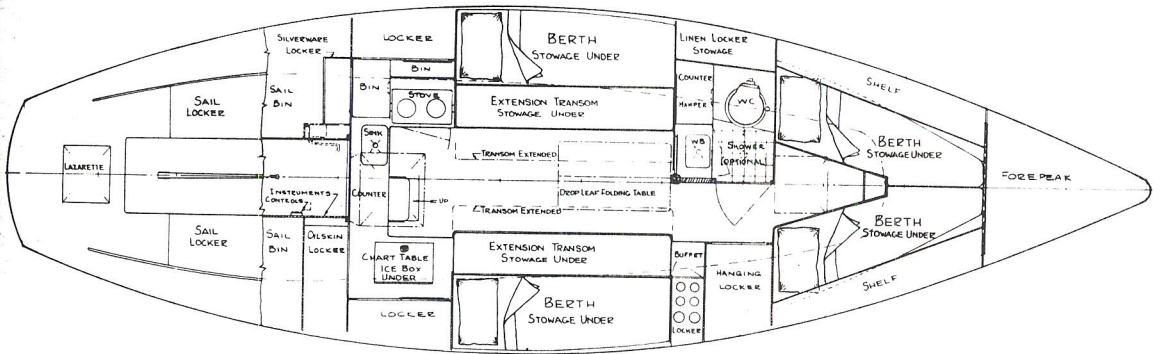
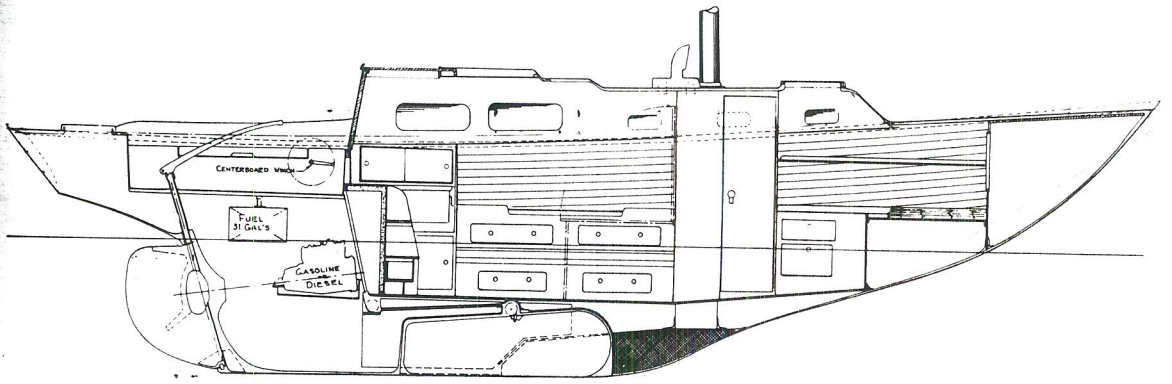
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SEABREEZE

Seabreeze IS ALSO A MOST IMPRESSIVE example of fiberglass design. A centerboarder, *Seabreeze* is longer and wider than the *Nicholson 32*, though the same on the waterline, and its draft with the board up is only 3 ft 10 in.—20 in. less than that of the *Nicholson 32*. *Seabreeze's* sloop rig is reasonable in size, and the aluminum mast is stepped on deck with its thrust taken by a plywood bulkhead that forms part of the head enclosure. The optional yawl rig would be hard to justify except for the large mizzen staysail it makes possible, together with the fact

that the centerboarders tend to have hard mouths when heeled, and a flexible sail plan helps in taming them. Even so, unless *Seabreeze* is exceptionally intractable (which is unlikely in view of the skill of her designers), I should think that the sloop rig wins the toss.

Owing to her hull form, *Seabreeze* is able to tuck away six berths, a separate head, an adequate galley, and a cockpit long enough to stretch out in, all on a waterline of 24 ft. Room has even been found for an oilskin locker, a hanging locker, a liquor locker, and a dinghy



The 35-ft SEABREEZE class of stock fiberglass sloops and yawls was designed by MacLear & Harris. (Rosenfeld)



on the cabin trunk. *Seabreeze* is a veritable little giant, able to pack in an astonishing amount in what is, after all, a hull of no great size; but this hull is not made of rubber, as six adults trying to cruise together aboard her will soon find out. With fewer in the crew, of course, cruising on *Seabreeze* would be more enjoyable, and an advantage of such shoal draft in a small boat is that it facilitates getting to shore periodically to stretch one's legs without bumping into the other sardines.

There is enough room under the cockpit for the engine, a 25-hp Gray, and a 31-gal fuel tank. And 70 gal of water can be carried in integral bilge tanks on either side of the centerboard trunk. The 400-lb bronze centerboard is operated by a winch in the cockpit. The engine can be gotten at through the sail lockers, which in a boat of this size is probably more practical than having to tear the galley and companionway apart each time a filter needs cleaning or the spark plugs need wiping.

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DESIGNER *MacLear & Harris, 366 Madison Avenue, New York City*

LOA 34 ft 6 in.

LWL 24 ft

BEAM 10 ft 3 in.

DRAFT 3 ft 10 in. board up, 6 ft 9 in. board
down

DISPLACEMENT 13,400 lb

BALLAST 4,000 lb of lead

SAIL AREA 550 ft² as sloop, 575 ft² as yawl

ENGINE Gray (25 hp)

FUEL 31 gal

WATER 70 gal

CONSTRUCTION Molded fiberglass hull; alu-
minum spars