

# GK24

*Produced by* WESTERLY MARINE

*Designed by* Laurent Giles & Chris Hawkins

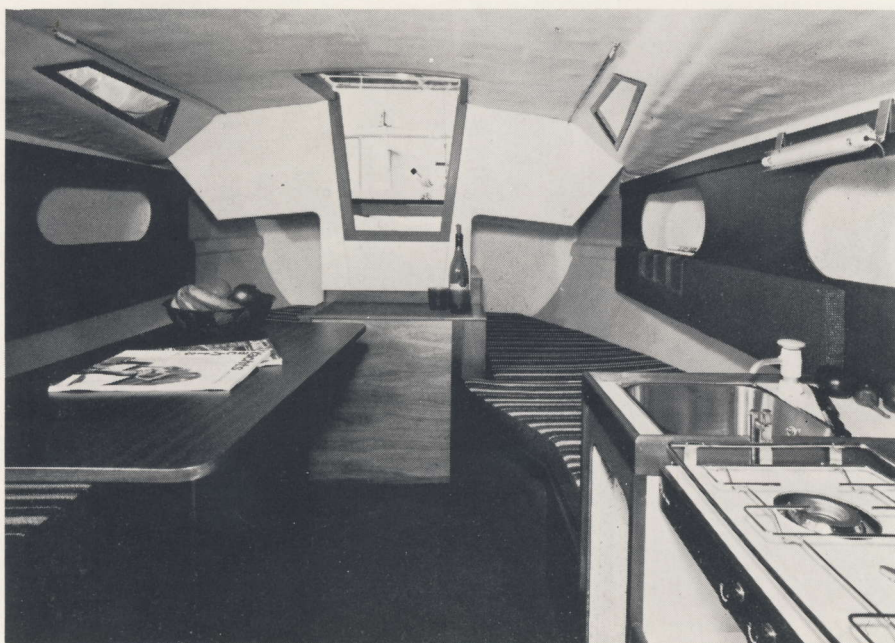
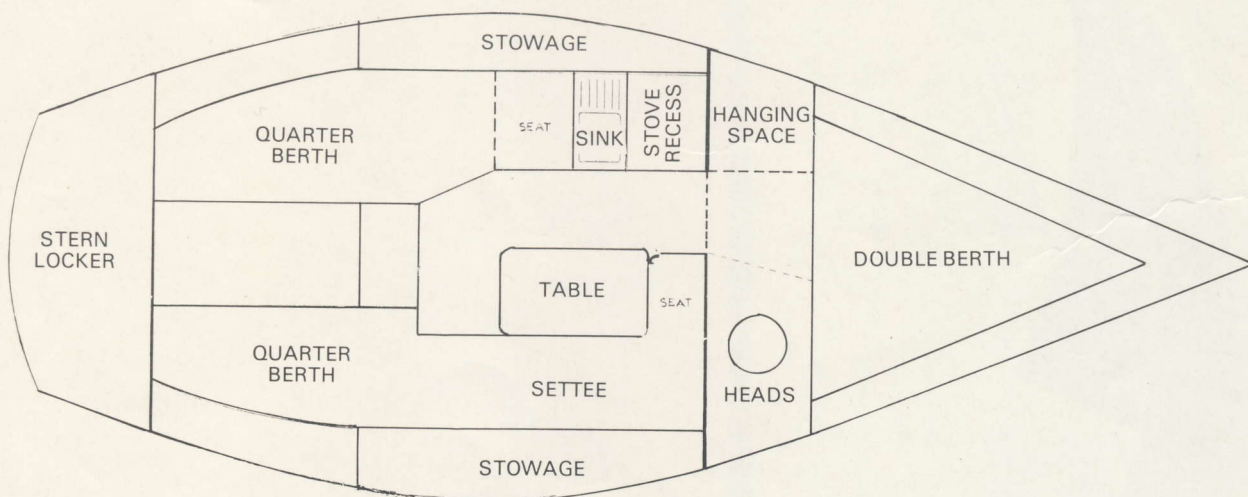






*The saloon from the cockpit hatch*

The saloon of the GK24 is surprisingly spacious having a beam of 9.26 ft. To starboard there is an L-shaped dinette which can be used as a child's berth if required. Aft of the dinette there is a full sized quarter berth. To port is the galley with its sink and piped water supply from a 5 gallon water container in the forepeak. Aft is another large quarter berth. Ample shelf and berth lockers provide full inventory stowage space.



*looking aft from the forecabin*

The forward cabin which, in the Club Racing version, can be shut off from the main saloon by the folding door to the heads (marine WC) has a large 6 ft. double berth. Opposite the heads is a hanging space for clothing. The wood faced bulkheads and the extensive use of wood for fitting out, coupled with the perspex main and forward hatches and portlights, give a bright, airy and warm appearance to the interior of the GK24.



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Three years ago Westerly decided to experiment with a different type of boat from their usual — and highly successful — family cruising craft. They commissioned Laurent Giles and Chris Hawkins to design an uncompromising sailing boat with a performance good enough to attract racing enthusiasts at a price which would make it accessible to as many of them as possible. The resulting prototype — Ebblake IV — has sailed for three seasons now and in the light of that experience the final design has been developed. The outcome, the GK24 is a true racing boat with superb speed and handling.

The boat is available in three versions: —

**GK24 Budget Boat** is stripped out and with no unnecessary weight in the furnishings. This is a boat that enables the owner to go afloat at the least possible cost and to race. The owner will have to provide some of the equipment himself and it allows him to choose the least expensive. The addition of the "Sailaway Package" brings the specification of the Budget Boat to a Sailaway condition. This package provides all the necessary sailing gear and interior comforts at an outstandingly competitive price.

**GK24 IOR Racer** This version is fully equipped with gear and sails to race the day the boat is launched. The boat will rate 18ft. and will have the deck layout, gear and sails necessary for top performance. It has a small inboard petrol/gasoline engine. In the interests of weight saving, few concessions are made to decoration; the interior is practical.

**GK24 Club Racer** for racing on a club level basis and cruising when required this version makes more concessions to comfort and the interior is fitted out to the standards of other Westerlys. There is a small inboard diesel engine. The boat is fully equipped for cruising and, of course, also has an exciting performance, as expected of a boat based on a racing design. The standard keel will give a draft of 5 feet (1.52 metres). A shoal draft keel is available giving a draft of 4 feet (1.22 metres).

**Performance** The GK24 is considered to be the ideal answer for those requiring a sea worthy yacht with  $\frac{1}{4}$  ton class sailing qualities. She has a light and responsive helm and the small skeg gives a very stable downwind performance.

**Engines.** The following are recommended.

*Budget Sailaway:* — A suitable longshaft outboard in the 8 to 15 HP range.

*Club Racer:* — the Volvo Penta MD5A/110S  $7\frac{1}{2}$  HP diesel with the Sail Drive unit. The Petter Mini-Six, 6.6 HP diesel with racing stern gear is recommended for those who wish to rate this version favourably under IOR.

*I.O.R. Racer:* — The Vire 7 HP water cooled petrol engine with a two bladed folding propellor.

**Trailability** The GK24 can be trailed using a suitable 4 wheeled trailer, but with an all up weight of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  tons, it is recommended that a specialised towing vehicle such as a Range Rover is used.





# SPECIFICATION

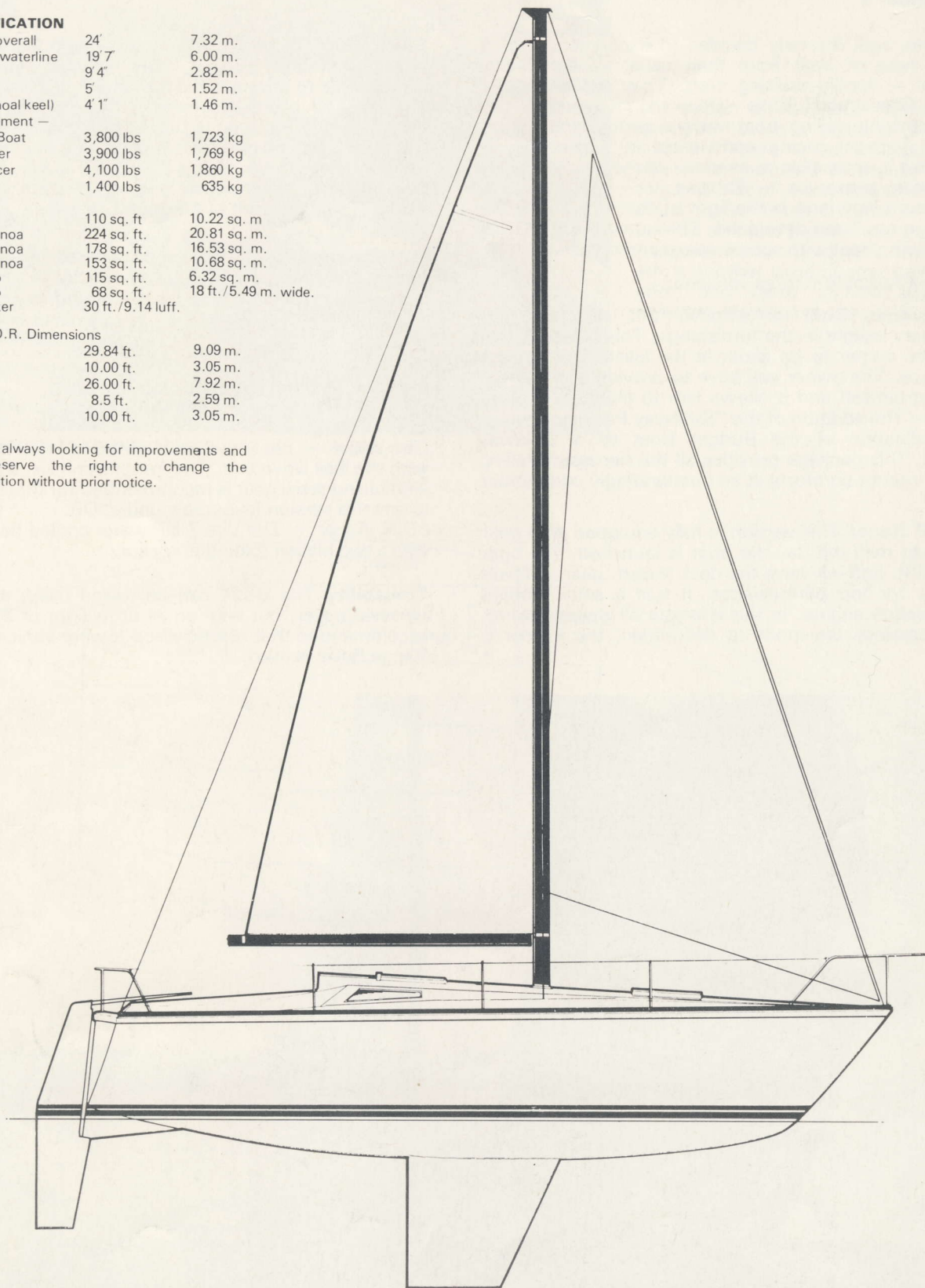
Length overall	24'	7.32 m.
Length, waterline	19' 7"	6.00 m.
Beam	9' 4"	2.82 m.
Draft	5'	1.52 m.
Draft (shoal keel)	4' 1"	1.46 m.
Displacement —		
Budget Boat	3,800 lbs	1,723 kg
IOR Racer	3,900 lbs	1,769 kg
Club Racer	4,100 lbs	1,860 kg
Ballast	1,400 lbs	635 kg

Mainsail	110 sq. ft.	10.22 sq. m.
No 1 Genoa	224 sq. ft.	20.81 sq. m.
No 2 Genoa	178 sq. ft.	16.53 sq. m.
No 3 Genoa	153 sq. ft.	10.68 sq. m.
No 1 Jib	115 sq. ft.	6.32 sq. m.
No 2 Jib	68 sq. ft.	18 ft./5.49 m. wide.
Spinnaker	30 ft./9.14 luff.	

## Basic I.O.R. Dimensions

I	29.84 ft.	9.09 m.
J	10.00 ft.	3.05 m.
P	26.00 ft.	7.92 m.
E	8.5 ft.	2.59 m.
SPL	10.00 ft.	3.05 m.

We are always looking for improvements and thus reserve the right to change the specification without prior notice.



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# ERRATUM

## GK24 - Sail Areas

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