BJARNE AAS INTERNATIONAL ONE DESIGN GBR 7 1966/2013 - SOLD



Specification

WHISPER

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Designer	Bjarne Aas
Builder	Bjarne Aas, Frederikstad, Norway
Date	1966
Length overall	33 ft 1 in / 10.08 m
Length deck	33 ft 1 in / 10.08 m
Length waterline	21 ft 5 in / 6.53 m
Beam	6 ft 9 in / 2.06 m
Draft	5 ft 1 in / 1.55 m
Displacement	3.17 Tonnes
Construction	Carvel mahogany on laminated mahogany, and oak
Engine	Outboard motor with side bracket
Location	United Kingdom
Price	Sold

These details are provisional and may be amended

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BROKER'S COMMENTS

Described by Classic Boat as “the waterborne equivalent of a vintage Bentley”, by any standard the International One Design class - conceived in 1935 by Cornelius Shields and given life by Norwegian designer and master builder Bjarne Aas - has been a huge international success. By the class’s 75th anniversary, at least 235 of these beautiful thoroughbreds had been built with fleets in Norway, Sweden, UK, Bermuda, USA and Canada. WHISPER was the penultimate wooden IOD built by Bjarne Aas and spent most of her class racing life with the strong Scottish IOD fleet of the 1970s to 90s on the Firths of Forth and Clyde. In present ownership since 2012 WHISPER underwent a major refit at Suffolk Yacht Harbour and has been enjoyed as a successful handicap racer and weekend cruiser.

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REFIT/ RESTORATION

2022
- Replacement of 6 x timbers
- Underbody stripped, primed and antifouled

2021
- Replacement of frames at bilge

2019
- Topsides re-varnished

2012-2013
RESTORATION BY SUFFOLK YACHT HARBOUR
- New deck
- New carlins, some new deck beams, and covering boards
- Some new laminated beams and replacement planks at starboard aft counter
- Externally stripped and re-varnished
- New Harken deck gear
- New Andersen self tailing winches

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CLASS NOTES

Designed by Bjarne Aas in 1935 at the request of Cornelius “Corny” Shields Jr. - the legendary American racing yachtsman - as a slightly smaller, lighter displacement and more comfortable one-design version of the successful Bjarne Aas-designed and built 6-Meter, SAGA.

The result is a beautiful reminder of yachting’s “golden age” with traditional metre-boat long overhangs, graceful sheer, deep, narrow hull, and lofty rig. Described by Classic Boat Magazine in 1990 as “the waterborne equivalent of a vintage Bentley”, the IODs were the first class to be awarded International Classic Yacht status by the International Yacht Racing Union (now World Sailing).

Many of the great America's Cup skippers of previous years chose to race IODs, including Ted Hood, and Bus Mosbacher, Long Island’s IOD champion eight years in a row. IODs are used for the King Edward VII Gold Cup event in Bermuda, the oldest match racing event in the world; past winners include Russell Coutts, Chris Dickson, Ben Ainslie and James Spithill.

IODs are actively raced in twelve local fleets in North America and Europe, representatives of which compete annually in a World Championship, the venue of which rotates around the fleets. IODs are also sailed in classic regattas, including Cannes Regates Royales and Les Voiles de Saint-Tropez Classic Regatta, and in the British Classic Yacht Club regatta at Cowes.

While IODs can be raced competitively, they are also wonderful day-sailors even in less sheltered waters, and it is this, together with their graceful classic lines, which makes them so attractive to many owners who enjoy just sailing these thoroughbred yachts.

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HISTORY

BJARNE AAS BUILD NO. 580

Believed to be the second last wooden IOD built by Bjarne Aas, WHISPER began her sailing life in Norway, then emigrated to Cowes named WHIFFENPOOF (sail number K7) in the ownership of Don McGowan - a mainstay of the Royal Corinthian Yacht Club's IOD fleet there since the mid 1950s with KYLA (K6). But these were the final days of the south coast of England IOD fleet and by the early 1970s most boats had flitted north to the Royal Forth Yacht Club at Granton, near Edinburgh - WHIFFENPOOF initially in the ownership of Bobby Brown and Paul Wise, then Bobby Brown and Marshall Napier.

From the late 1980s into the early 90s the IOD Scottish fleet divided racing

After the 1998 Worlds the Scottish fleet disbanded with some boats reforming a fleet at St. Mawes, Cornwall. But K7 moved further south to Jersey, renamed WHISPER by Bob Hassell. WHISPER's current owner brought her to Suffolk from Jersey in 2012 and she has subsequently been maintained by Suffolk Yacht Harbour - including the major refit described above. She's been a regular entrant and three time winner at SYH Classic Regatta.

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time between the Forth and the Clyde, with K7 racing on both Firths in Marshall Napier's ownership. She is believed participated in the IOD World Championships on the Forth in 1975 (Brown & Wise) and 1979 (Brown & Napier), and on the Clyde in 1990 (Napier), and in 1998 when owned by Gilmour Manuel.

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CONSTRUCTION

- Mahogany close seamed carvel planking
- Laminated oak stem and apron, and horn timber
- Steamed and laminated oak frames
- Screw fastened
- 2 x Steamed oak timbers between
- Copper riveted
- Oak wood keel and rudderpost
- Pine beam shelves
- Bronze fastened oak keelson under mast
- Floors of stainless steel plate and strap, and timber
- Sheathed marine plywood painted deck
- Pine deck beams
- Mahogany and sheathed painted plywood house
- Lead ballast keel; bronze bolted
- Timber rudder; bronze stock

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DECK LAYOUT, EQUIPMENT, AND GROUND TACKLE

GENERAL
- Sheathed plywood painted deck
- Mahogany covering boards

FROM AFT
- Chromed ensign staff socket
- Under deck adjustable backstay sheave
- Mooring cleat
- 2 x Sheet lead padeyes port and starboard
- Mooring fairleads port and starboard
- Sockets for boom crutch
- Harken full beam mainsheet track and car
- Car controls led to mid cockpit port and starboard

COCKPIT
- Mahogany cockpit coamings faired to house sides
- Large and deep - non self draining
- Drawer under aft deck
- 2 x Andersen stainless steel self-tailing sheet winches on s/s plinths
- Slatted raw teak sole
- Rudder head at horn timber
- Ash tiller; aluminium extension
- Raw teak helm bench
- Mainsheet block/ cleat post & foot rest
- Raw teak topped step lockers port and starboard forward
- Instrument readouts at starboard bulkhead

HOUSE
- 2 x Andersen stainless steel line winches
- Associated line jammers and leads
- Sliding raw teak laid hatch
- 2 x Chromed framed ports port and starboard

FOREDECK
- Mast Position
- Short foredeck toerails
- Mooring fairleads port and starboard
- Stemhead roller

GROUND TACKLE
Anchor with chain and warp

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BELOW

- Mahogany sole boards
- Angled mahogany benches port and starboard
- Winch handle pocket

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RIG, SAILS, AND CANVASWORK

RIG
- Anodised aluminium keel stepped mast (Selden 2020)
- Spinnaker pole track
- Windex
- Anodised aluminium boom (Z Spars 2014)
- Selden rod kicker
- Spinnaker pole.
- Stainless steel standing rigging (2020)
- Backstay (2021)

SAILS
- Regatta mainsail (North 2019)
- Regatta jib (North 2017)
- S4 Spinnaker (One Sails 2018)
- A5 Asymmetric (One Sails 2015)
- Spare set of sails (2010)

CANVASWORK

- Backstay adjuster
- Spectra running rigging (2020)
- Mainsail cover
- Boom cover
- Winter cover (2014)

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MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL

PROPULSION
- Outboard motor bracket

Either
- Torqueedo Cruise 2.0 Electric outboard motor
- Charger

Or
- Mercury 3.5 hp 4-stroke outboard motor

ELECTRICAL
- 12 V battery (2020)
- Shore power cable

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NAVIGATION

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- Nasa Clipper compass (2020)
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Nasa Clipper depth, boatspeed, log (2020)

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SAFETY

- Whale manual bilge pump
- Submersible electric bilge pump with float switch
- Lifebuoy

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OTHER EQUIPMENT

- Boom crutch
- Paddles
- 6 x Fenders with socks
- Warps
- Winter storage cradle

Disclaimer

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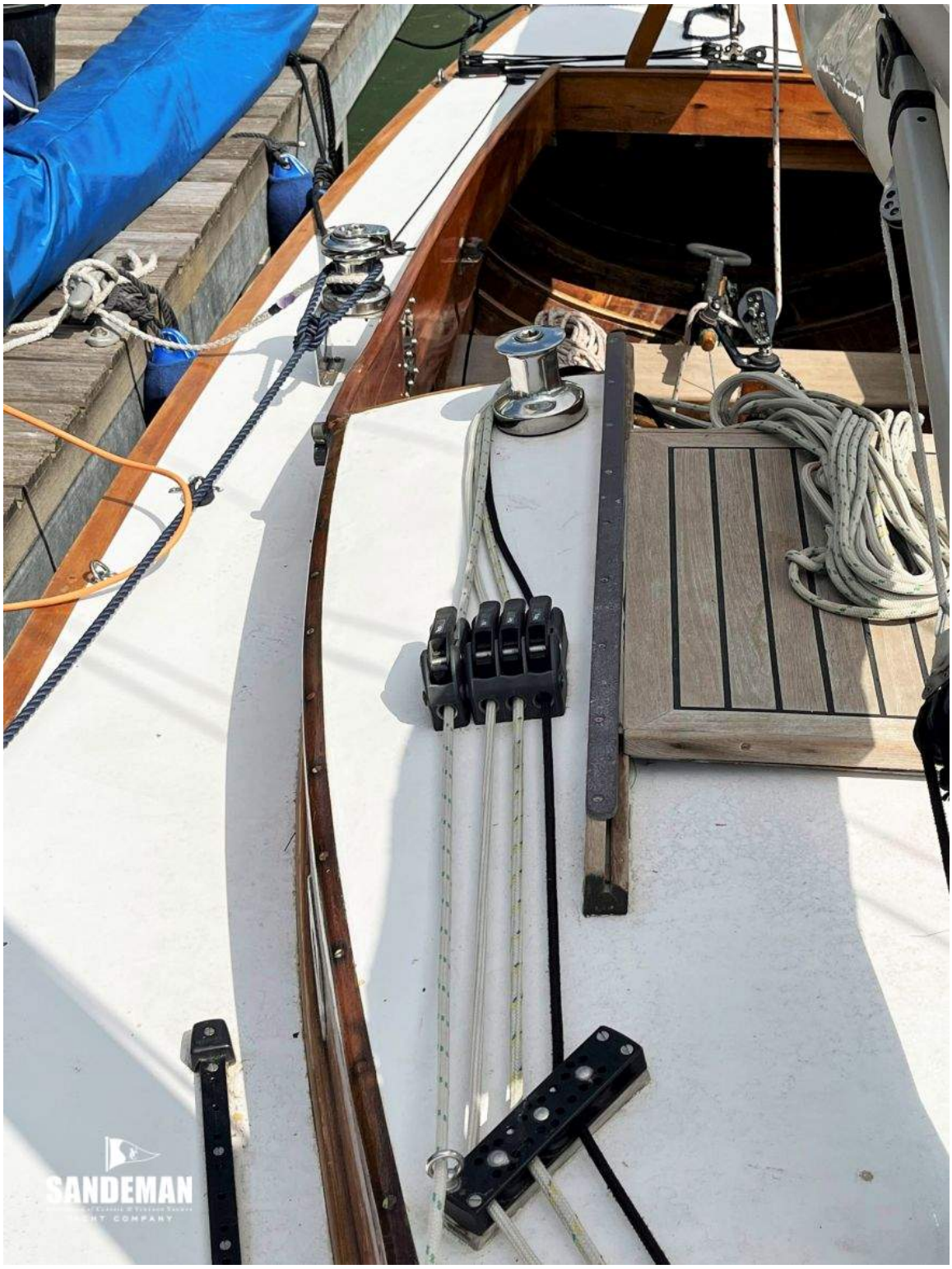
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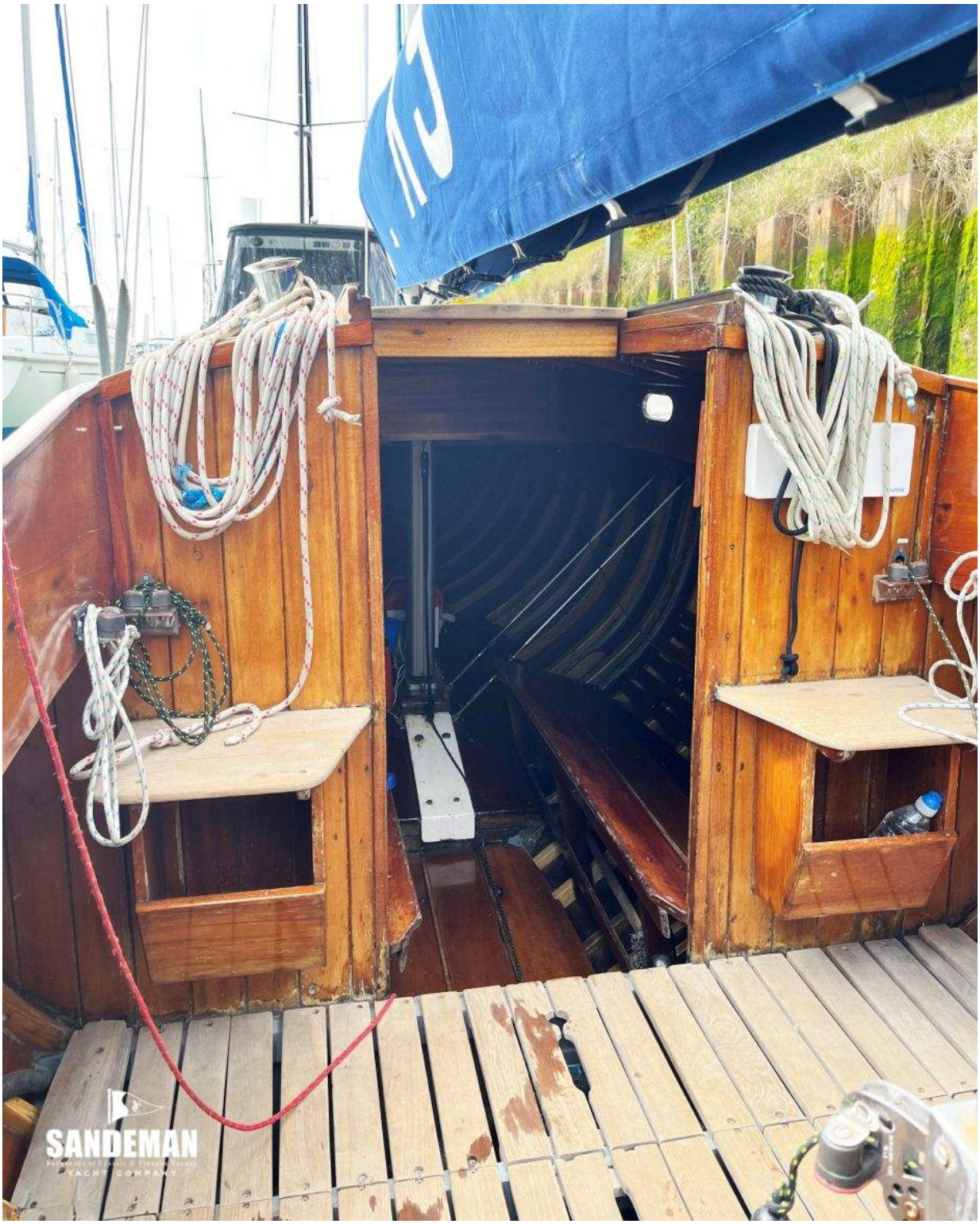
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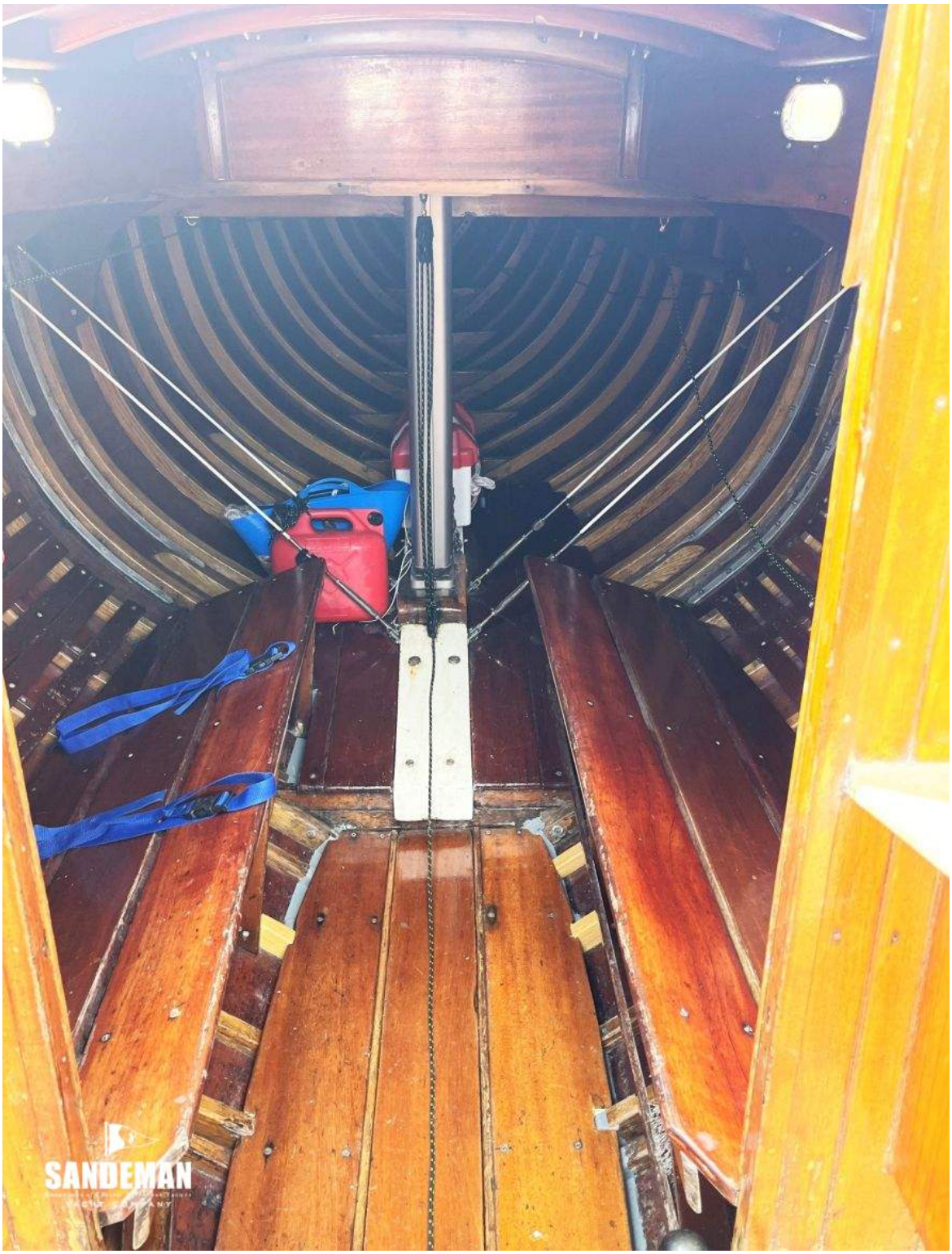
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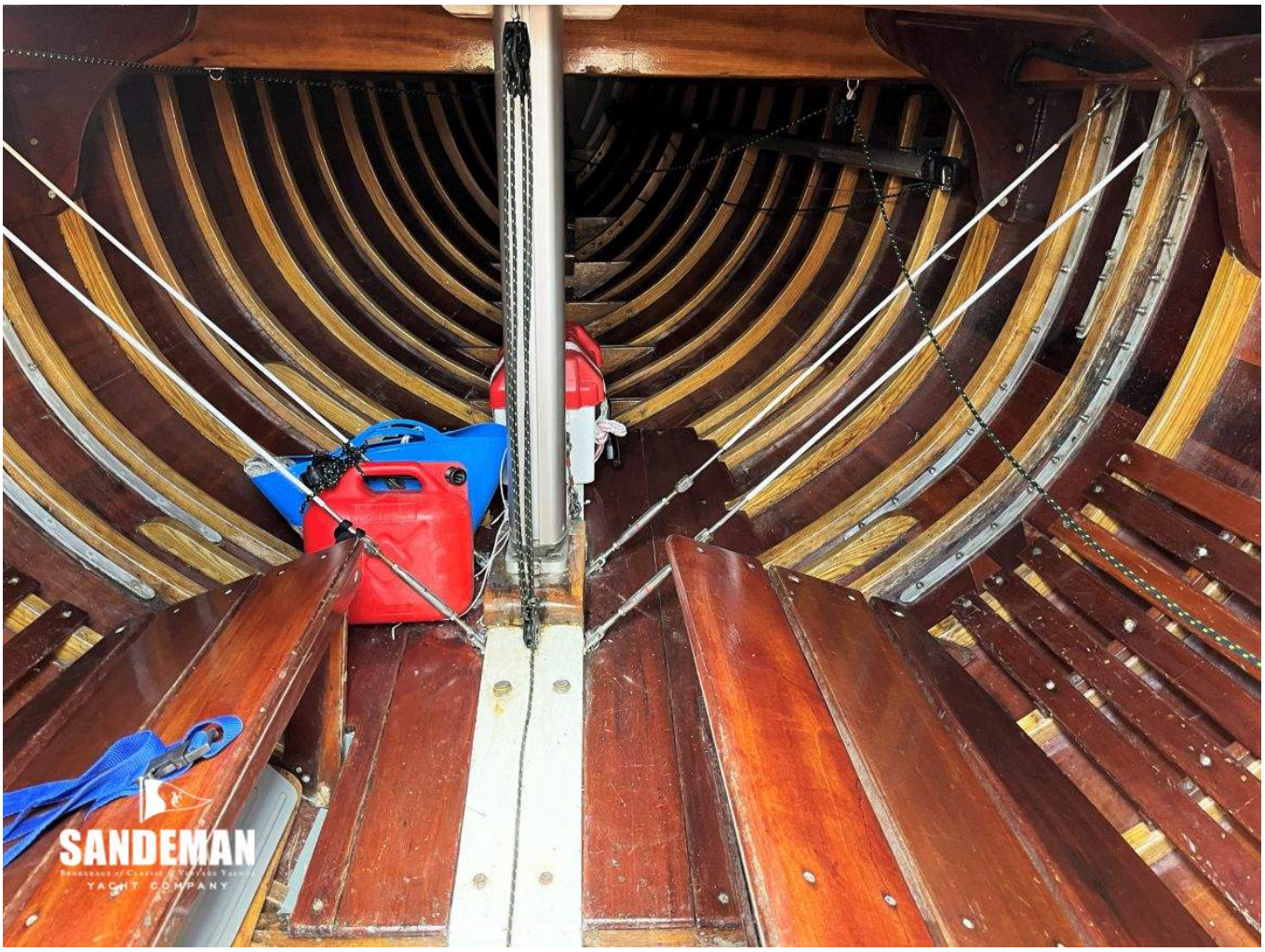
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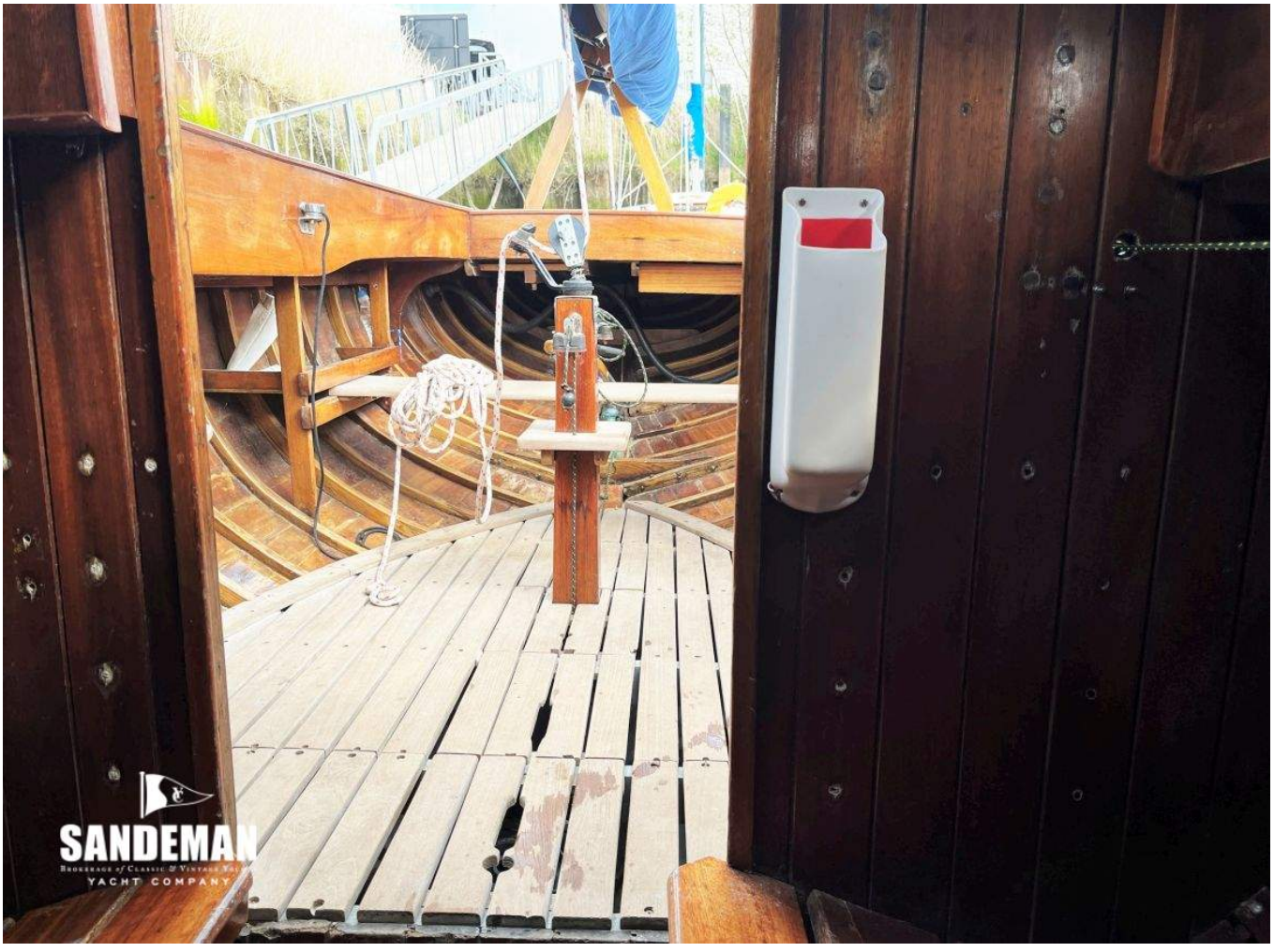
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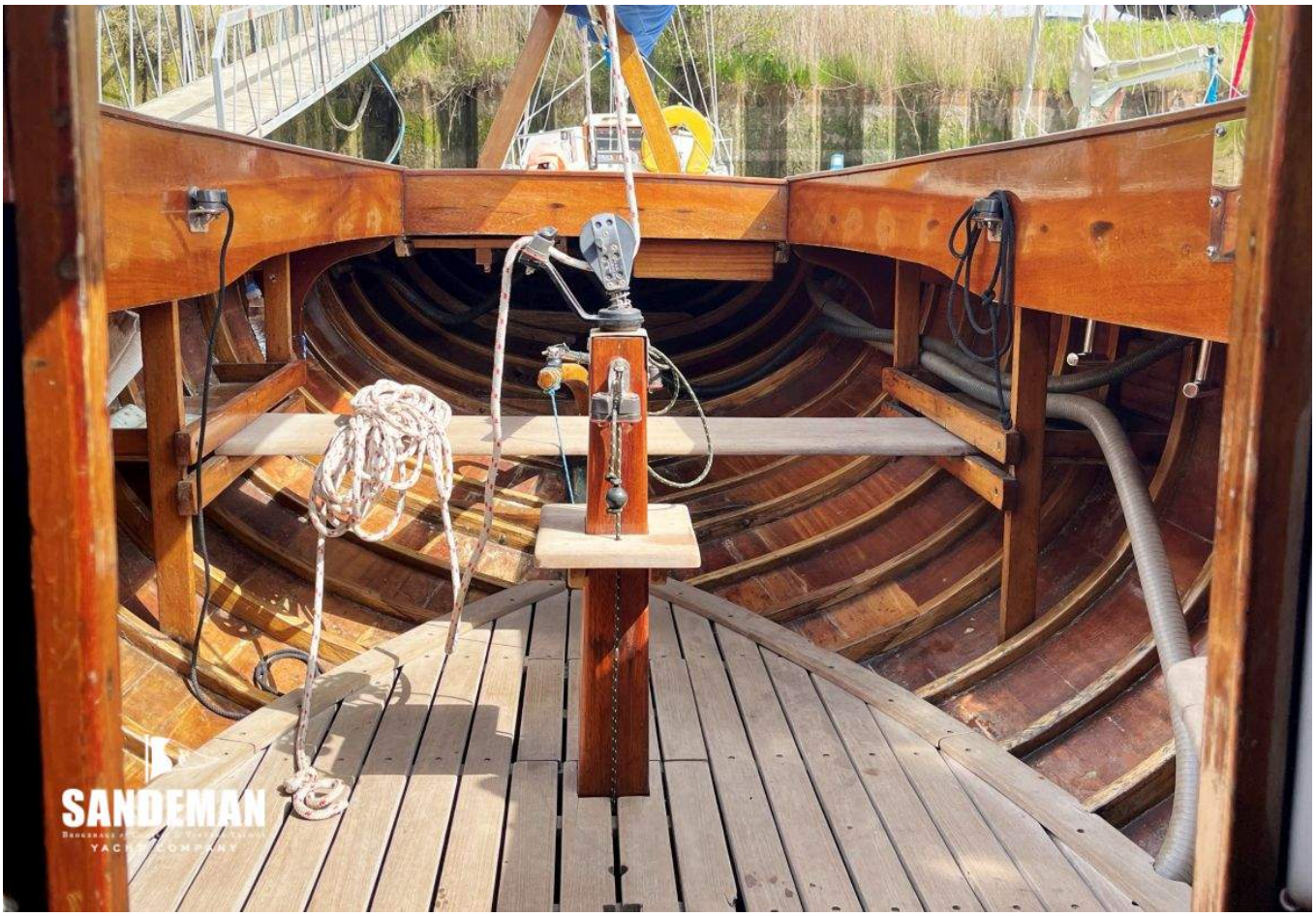
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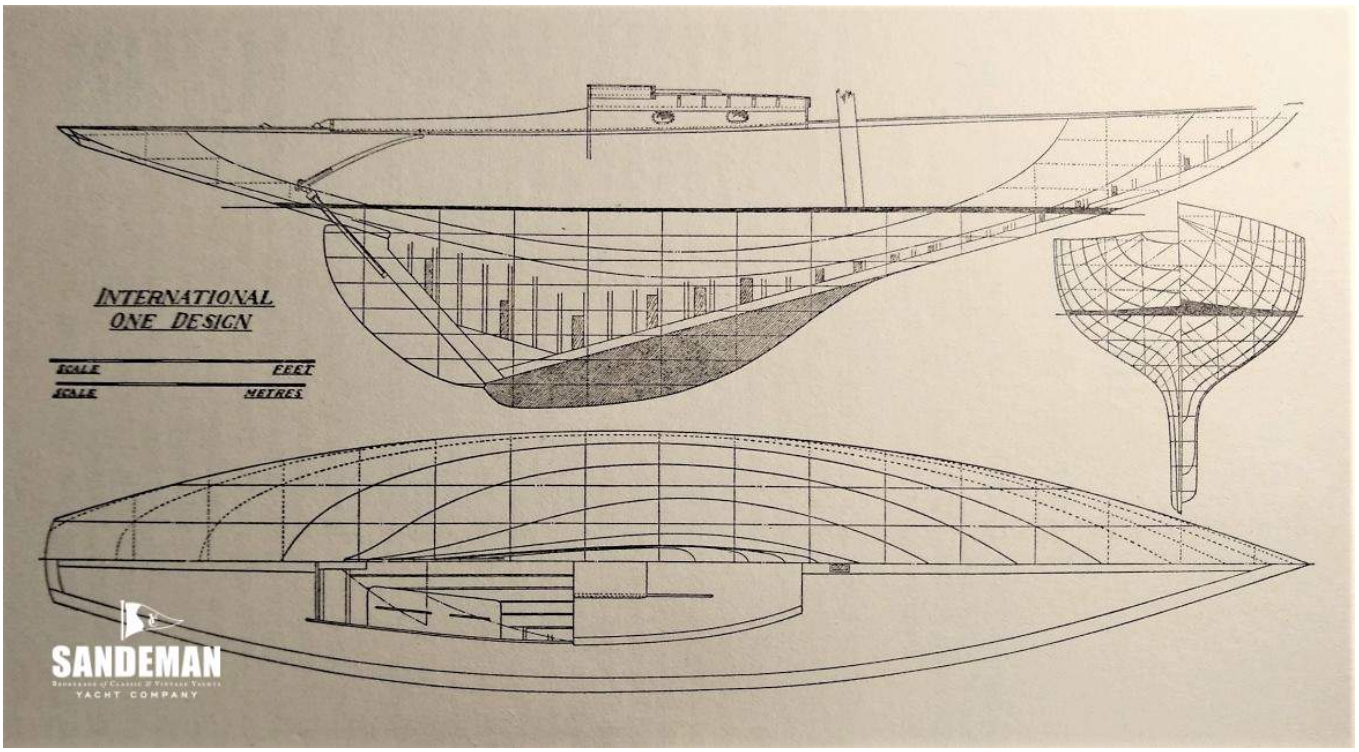
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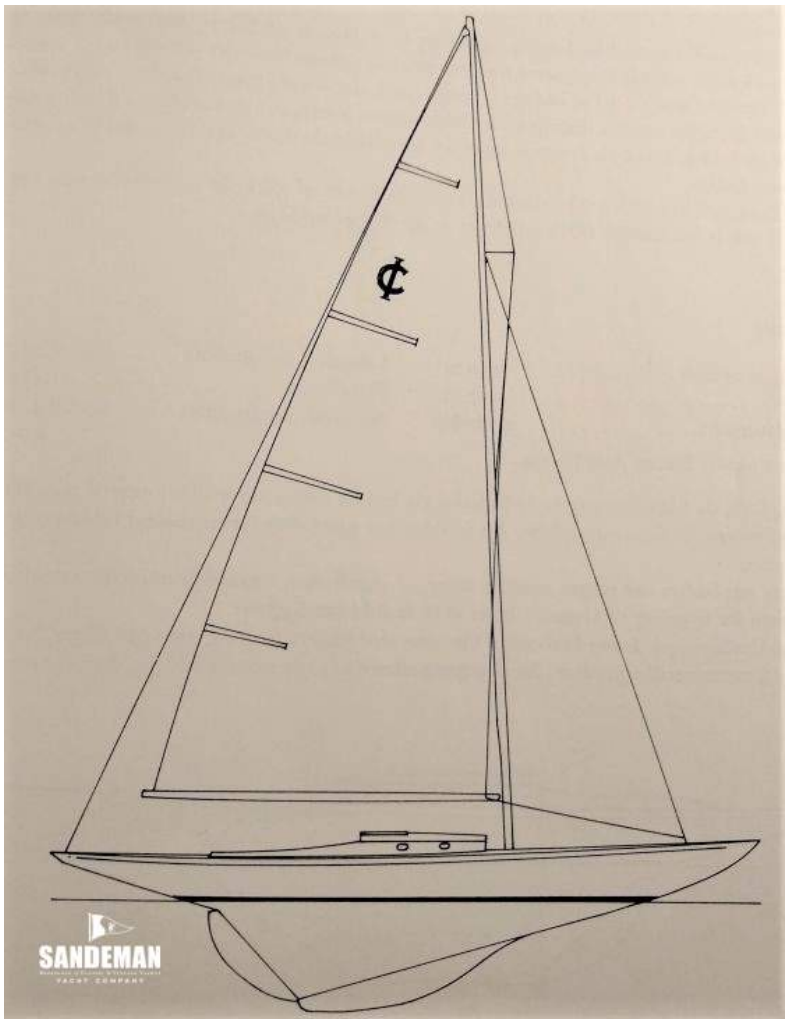
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