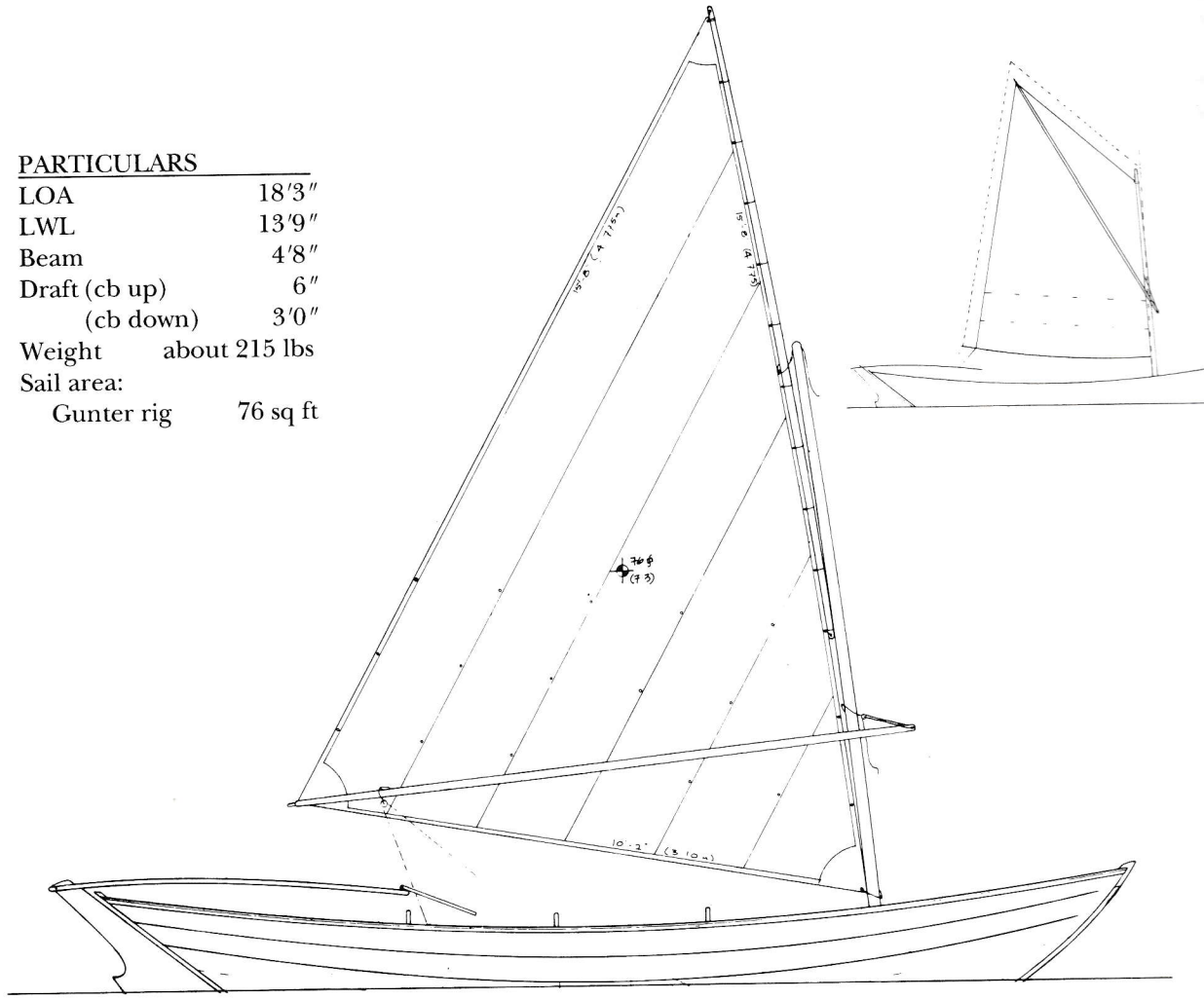
18'3" John Dory

by Iain Oughtre

PARTICULARS	
LOA	18'3"
LWL	13'9"
Beam	4'8"
Draft (cb up)	6"
(cb down)	3'0"
Weight	about 215 lbs
Sail area:	
Gunter rig	76 sq ft



Development of the Swampscott dory as a pleasure boat reaches back almost 100 years, marking this type as one of the earliest traditional small sailing craft to be converted from commercial to recreational use.

Iain Oughtred's interpretation of a Swampscott comes as a fresh and welcome addition to what is, by this time, a crowded field of published dory designs. His John Dory is distinguished not only by its fine appearance, but by the wealth of technical information contained in this single set of plans.

For example, Oughtred has provided no fewer than nine alternative sail rigs for this boat. The boat itself abounds with options—buoyancy compartments, motor-well, workboat specs—making this many vessels in one, and allowing the builder an unusual range of choices.

The John Dory can be built conventionally with solid lumber. But Oughtred favors the use of glued-seam lap-strake plywood over sawn frames; by way of encouragement and assistance, he has supplied a step-by-struction booklet, illustrating the building proce

No lofting is required; full-sized patterns are s for frames, stem, and transom. Oughtred has also up a detailed fastenings schedule and a mater both of which reduce time spent in making calc and encourage accurate, economical shopping boat.

When she's done, the John Dory makes a ligh sailer that is also a true pleasure to row; her hull exceptionally seaworthy. She's a handsome, rour boat with a narrow, flat bottom that makes her be and keeps her upright, once out of the water.

Plans are on six sheets and include lines, b construction plan and setup, full-sized patterns, tional sail plans. Construction notes, materials the 13-page illustrated monograph on building dures accompany the set. WB Plan No. 81. $100.