

# FUN

Sailing around The world





# FUN...An international one-design racing class.



FUN is the name of Ranger Yachts' newest idea of how to have real sailing fun at your own club's races, or at international regattas. Here, and in Canada, Europe and even Australia.

FUN is the concept of the French sportsman Alain Forgeot: a race boat with the thrills and excitement of Formula One auto racing. Acceleration, nimble handling and all-out power on the straightaways are the result of this concept development. Hence, the name Formula Un, or FUN for short.

From its start-up in France, fleets of FUN have sped across the continent. FUN sailing is now in France, Italy, Switzerland, Greece, Norway, West Germany, Sweden and across the Straits of Gibraltar into Morocco. FUN is currently being built in America by Ranger Yachts, a division of Bangor Punta Marine, builders of Cal and O'Day boats and yachts.

## FUN...How do you define it?

Is it level racing against a fleet of identical boats? Is it midget ocean racing in a PHRF fleet, where you're pitting your boat and skill against other types of boats and crews? Or, is it taking off with your crew on a high-speed cruise with your camping gear aboard? Whatever you like, that's FUN.

*Perfectly matched machines:  
racing with equal weapons.*

A serious description of FUN: a high performance, fractionally-rigged sloop with a light displacement hull featuring a removable rudder and swing lift keel for easy trailerability. FUN includes full and complete racing equipment.

Even for the most sophisticated racer there is *nothing* to add.

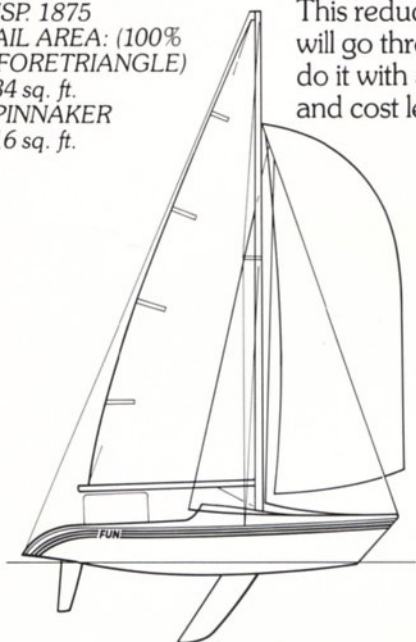
*Large cockpit for a crew of three or four:  
fast hands and movable ballast.*





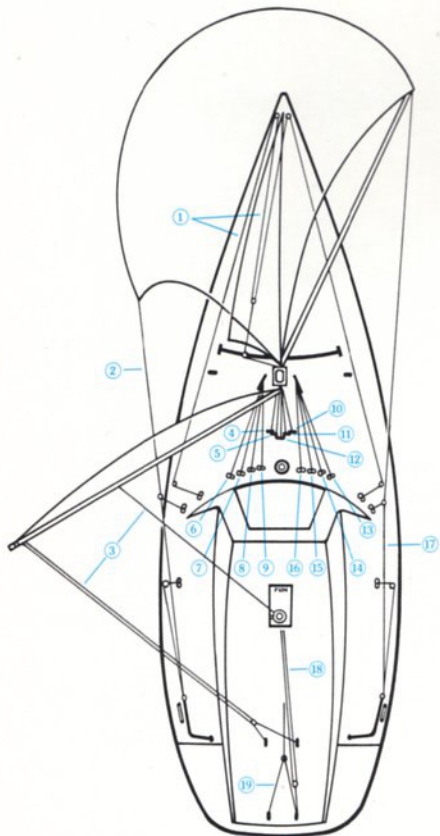
# FUN...The sailplan of an Olympian

LOA 23' 4"  
LWL 17' 11"  
BEAM 8' 0"  
DRAFT 2' 4" up  
5' 3" down  
DISP. 1875  
SAIL AREA: (100%  
FORETRIANGLE)  
234 sq. ft.  
SPINNAKER  
416 sq. ft.



Rig and sail measurements of FUN are identical to those of the Olympic Soling Class with the addition of a 148% Genoa. But, the displacement FUN is just 1900 lbs. and the wetted surface is lower than the Soling's. This reduction in weight and drag means that the boat will go through (or over) the water faster than a Soling, do it with a lighter weight rig (reducing heeling moment) and cost less to build. FUN has a bendy, tapered mast with running backstays and an adjustable, permanent backstay; sophisticated gear such as spinnaker Barber Hauls, all Harken blocks and every piece of gear to make your FUN just as good as the next one without a race with someone else's check-book winning. Sailmakers can use Soling computer programs to design FUN sails, since the learning curve for the rig is well-developed. There is a four sail limit for FUN racing: main, jib, spinnaker, and Genoa. The spinnaker on FUN makes the boat perform to Formula Un standards reaching and running. Planning speeds can exceed 12 knots in moderate winds.

*FUN is fun,  
but not alone!*



- 1-JIB SHEET
- 2-SPINNAKER SHEET
- 3-MAINSAIL SHEET
- 4-MAINSAIL FOOT
- 5-JIB HALYARD
- 6-KICKING STRAP  
(BOOM VANG)
- 7-FIRST REEF
- 8-OPTIONAL FITTING
- 9-CUNNINGHAM HOLE
- 10-JIB TRAVELLER  
CONTROL
- 11-SPINNAKER  
HALYARD
- 12-MAINSAIL HALYARD
- 13-KICKING STRAP  
(BOOM VANG)
- 14-SECOND REEF
- 15-SPINNAKER BOOM  
UPHAUL
- 16-SPINNAKER BOOM  
DOWNHAUL
- 17-SPINNAKER SHEET  
(GUY)
- 18-BACKSTAY  
TENSIONING TACKLE
- 19-BACKSTAY BRIDLE

## FUN...Construction that takes the worry out

Unlike so many racing boats and classes, FUN is the product of a "Fortune 500" company. Bangor Punta Corporation, Bangor Punta Marine and Ranger's parent, provides the management and financial stability to assure you that the FUN boat you buy is built to high construction standards and with the integrity to adhere to one-design standards.



Bangor Punta Marine has built over 60,000 sailboats. Group purchasing with the other companies in the Marine Group delivers raw materials to us at the best price. And, the skill that comes from building that many boats—large and small—is in evidence in every detail of construction.

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## **FUN...**It'll follow you wherever you go

FUN was designed with the automobiles of the 1980's in mind. You can trailer FUN to regattas from sea to shining sea. The stainless-steel worm-drive lifting mechanism for the fin keel and a removable inboard rudder quickly reduce the boat's underwater dimension to just 24," meaning a much lower center of gravity for the trailer load and reduced twisting load on the trailer hitch. The 1900 lb. weight is easily managed behind almost any European-sized car or small truck. Launching is done on a ramp, just like a daysailer. The deck-stepped mast can be raised or lowered by just two people and without a crane. (There is additional support for the mast step below deck to take up the strain of high rigging loads and mast compression.)



*Boat, gear and trailer are less than 2400 lbs.*



*Every piece of raceboat hardware shown here is standard.*

## **FUN...**A class act worldwide

The international FUN Class organization is based in Paris, with Ranger Yachts serving as headquarters for the U.S., Canadian and Mexican fleets. As the class grows in North America, owners will be encouraged to take over the Class organization here. Ranger Yachts will make a contribution to the Class Association of one year's dues for the new owner each time a new FUN is purchased.

# Ranger Yachts

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