



MADE IN THE NORTHWEST

Glas-Ply

Glas-Ply Inc. of Marysville, Washington, entered the field of northwest boat manufacturers in September 1966. From that first month, up to today a series of growth records have been es-

tablished which have set a pace in excess of 20 percent each year.

The year 1969 established Glas-Ply as one of the major northwest boat manufacturers, with over 800 units being produced for a dollar volume that passed the \$1-1/2 million mark.

This enviable record stems from the wedding of the talents of Ken Hopen and Ken Smith and their total of 25 years in the boat field. Ken Smith brought an extensive background of design, construction, and engineering to combine with the experience in marine products marketing of Ken Hopen.

The result of this combined talent is shown in the 15-model Glas-Ply line which comes in 16, 17, 19 and 23-foot craft with a variety of power units including the popular MerCruiser I/O power plant.

A feature of the Glas-Ply line is their heavy-duty unitized construction which sees the deck and hull fitted and molded together before they come out of the molds. This Glas-Ply feature assures perfect lines and a watertight seam.

Strength is another feature that is making the Glas-Ply name so popular among northwest boaters. A full length, 2"x10" wood keel, plus 4 verticle grain premium fir stringers, which are fiberglass encased, provide a heavy duty construction which make Glas-Ply boats some of the strongest afloat.

And the Glas-Ply design, which utilizes strakes to act as shock absorbers, moving the water out to the sides of the boat instead of carrying it for its full length, makes it a boat that planes exceptionally well.

Popularity of Glas-Ply boats is evidenced by the fleet of fifteen Glas-Ply, 19-foot, stern drives, which the Washington State Fisheries Department has in use in harbors, rivers, lakes, and offshore patrol, supervising both sport and commercial fishermen.

"Boatmen who compare — choose Glas-Ply" is this company's slogan. The reason they say is because "the engineering, imagination and quality control lavished on Glas-Ply boats make them the best of all boats in their class and price field."

