

SEA KAYAKS

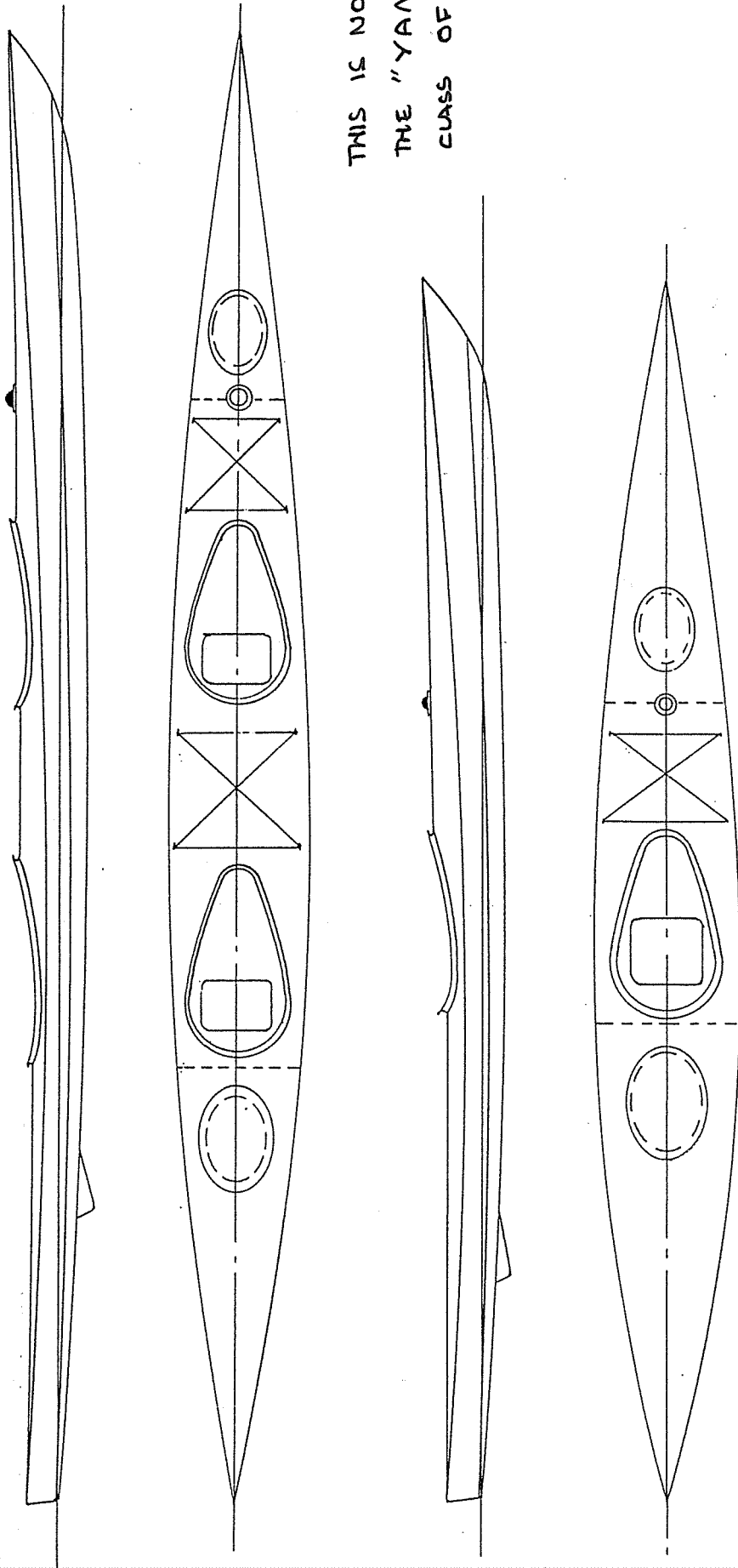
Sea kayaking is the waterborne equivalent of bicycle touring, and is growing rapidly in popularity as clubs and informal groups gather together around various coastal waterways. These boats have the ability to handle rough water which opens up many more areas to explore. Their storage capacity allows one to go on camping trips and get to places where many other boats are unable to go. The peace and quiet that goes with these boats is a major attraction, but many people also enjoy just getting a couple of hours weekend exercise in a sturdy and capable craft.

Plywood construction.

The single chine versions are built using plywood on longitudinal timbers, or as a stitch and glue project. 4mm, or 3mm ply plus 200gsm fabric is used for the hull and decks, with fibreglass tapes reinforcing the joints. Bulkheads, coamings and hatch openings are all detailed, and the boats can be customized to suit personal requirements for either long distance touring or shorter recreational paddling activities.

At 650mm beam they have excellent stability, and their buoyant shape and cambered deck offers generous storage. The single is available as a 5.5m or 4.9m hull, while the double measures 6.7m. They can be built to 20kgs or less for the singles, and about 25kgs for the double.

Plans 5.5m version: 1 lines and layout drawing, 1 mould station templates and details drawing.
4.9 and 6.7m versions: Plans as for 5.5m version plus one additional plan with revisions to suit the different length.



THIS IS NOW CALLED
THE "YAMBA"
CLASS OF SEA KAYAKS.