

2 blade Varifold propeller

Dear Mr. Ramsay,

I was able to test the boat yesterday. The combination new engine + new propeller works wonderfully !!!

Under engine, just engaging forward, the boat iddles at 2 knots, and jumps as soon as you push the throttle. On flat water it reaches easily 6.7 knots at 2,600 rpm, and stays at 6 knots against the short choppy sea...

Under sail, with 12 knots of wind, even though the rig and sails are not yet tuned up (the new mainsail from Crusader Sails is 3 feet too long, so I had to roll it twice around the boom, and I could not set the battens!), we easily hit 7.2 knots close hauled and 7.5 knots (GPS) close reaching, without the whirr of the propeller...

Now of course, as expected, the problems of propwalk while in reverse are multiplied, but the Carter 33 is famous for that. Guess I'll have to adapt to it (maybe give a short burst of reverse then adjust the tiler while "coasting"-surely I will figure out something). At least now I can use reverse to stop> the boat, effectively and quickly even while cruising at 6 knots...

So, thank you very much, and best wishes,

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