

## **240-Acre Marina at World's Fair Here to Accommodate 800 Assorted Craft**

### **MANY FACILITIES TO BE AVAILABLE**

**A Floating Fiber-Glass Fuel  
Station and a Boat-Rental  
Service Are Scheduled**

Headquarters for boatmen at the New York World's Fair will be the World's Fair Marina, now being completed on Flushing Bay within walking distance of the Fair's main gate.

The marina will be the largest on the Eastern Seaboard, accommodating 800 boats in its 240 acres of land and water facilities. Networks of fiber-glass floating slips ranging from 24 feet to 42 feet will accommodate 250 boats up to 50 feet, and sheltered moorings can take care of 550 additional craft of all sizes. Evinrude and Johnson boat-water taxis will serve the moorings.

The marina's facilities will include a floating fiber-glass Sinclair fuel station, a floating dry dock that will service boats up to 50 feet long, a boat rental service, a 300-seat restaurant, a food-vending service, a laundromat, showers, dressing rooms, lavatories and complete marine fuel, supply, accessories and electronic equipment sales and service.

#### **Message Center Planned**

The Evinrude Motors division of Outboard Marine Corporation will operate a mail port and message center, where boatmen visiting the Fair can meet and communicate with each other. O.M.C.'s Johnson Motors division will operate a waterways U.S.A. boat travel information center that will provide information about cruising waters and boating facilities throughout the world. The Evinrude and Johnson centers will be housed in fiber-glass dome structures built by Owens-Corning Fiberglas.

The World's Fair Marina, sponsored by Outboard Marine Corporation, Owens-Corning Fiberglas and Sinclair Oil Company, is the first of several modern boating facilities planned by Marinas of the Future, according to William C. Crane Jr., the group's president.

The restaurant, in the marina administration building, will have a dining room, cocktail lounge, outdoor cafe, coffee shop and take-out food service. Vending machines dispensing everything from ice cubes to frozen dinners will make provisions available 24 hours a day.

The floating dry dock, especially constructed for the marina, is believed to be the only one available in a marina.

The Olympic Racing Committee of the International Yacht Racing Association will have a display of the marina, and arrangement for other displays are now being made.

#### **A Year-Round Facility**

The marina's Avis Rent-A-Boat fleet will include 17-foot Johnson Sea Sport boats and 28-foot steel-hulled American cruisers.

Crane said that the marina, which will open formally on April 1, would be a permanent, year-round facility and that ice-free, in-the-water winter storage would be available. He said reservations for more than 45 per cent of the slips and moorings for the 1964 season already had been logged, but that daily, monthly and seasonal facilities were still available for boatmen planning to visit the Fair this year. He said a limited number of berths and moorings were ready for immediate occupancy.

The marina, on an arm of the East River, is accessible to boatmen cruising to the Fair via the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, the Great Lakes, New York State Barge Canal, Hudson River and Long Island Sound.

Hydrofoils and excursion boats will provide water transportation to the Fair from Battery Park, West 26th Street and West 42d Street in Manhattan; Classon Point in the Bronx, Playland Pier at Rye, N. Y.; Port Washington, L. I., and Atlantic Highlands, Port Newark and Edgewater, N. J.

World's Fair tickets will be sold at the marina. Boatmen will be permitted to leave the Fair and return the same day without paying a second admission fee. Continuous shuttle but service will be provided to and from the Fair.

World's Fair Marina has its executive offices on Northern Boulevard, Corona, Queens.