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t's funny how life can throw a few curveballs at you from time to time. John Patnovic, the new president and owner of Post Yachts, wound up buying the venerable boatbuilding company after a visit to the old Post plant to purchase some of its unused lumber. "The old owner of Post keeps his boat in my marina, so when I heard that they had a bunch of wood lying around, I went over to see if I could pick it up cheap," Patnovic says. "I ended up buying the whole company - my wife was thrilled."

After the purchase, Patnovic moved the operation from New Jersey to Chestertown, Maryland, where he could keep a close eye

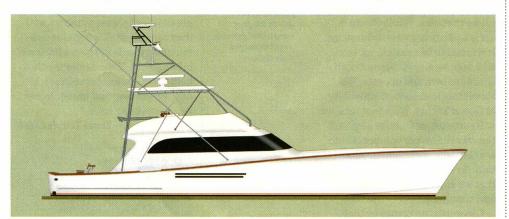
on things. Now, he's ready to start building boats. "We are all ready to go," he says.

"Post has always been a build-toorder company, and we will remain that way," he says. We can build hulls ranging from 42 to 66 feet, and we should have some coming together shortly. Our bet is that the boating industry is going to be a lot different than it was in past, and we think that a small, nimble custom manufacturer is going to have a place at the table. We can make any changes you want at a reasonable cost and will provide the finished boat at a more than reasonable cost."

Although Post is an old name, that doesn't mean it is stuck in the past when it comes to the building Post builds its boats with resininfused hulls to achieve greater range, efficiency and a nice ride.

They are reason-

ably priced as well.



process. Post boats feature resininfused hulls and a deck house with the same bottoms that made Post famous. "They were well-regarded and good sea boats, but the new ones will be a little bit lighter for more speed and bit more range. Everybody wants to go faster these days," Patnovic says.

Post will continue to service its two primary customers, sport fishermen and cruisers. "We will continue to cater to both parties. If you want a hard-core fishing boat with cockpit freezers and tuna tubes, we can build it. We now have all the boats digitized and put into 3-D CAD programs, which allows us to easily add staterooms or make any changes whatsoever. Give us 24 hours, and we will give you a photograph of your new boat," Patnovic says. "We have the ability to build a superior, proven boat at a great price. Everyone will have my personal attention because we are not going to be building a whole lot of them at once. We just want a shot at your next boat."

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