

A CLOSER LOOK

Rings and Things

1. The pitted metal eyes on the West Marine HP-V 350 stained easily after only a brief exposure to saltwater.

2. The West Marine HP-V 350 has a rugged hand grip for the pilot. Placement could be moved forward.

3. The oarlocks on the Zodiac FR340 allowed the oar to easily slide in and out and to be feathered.

4. Opened with a lever, the drain in the Zodiac FR340 has a screen to prevent clogging. The large gap between the floor and transom tends to trap debris.

