

## A Closer Look

Optical performance in this test group was about the same; the differences were in the details. The ProMariner Watersport RC, below left, is one of three ProMariner test bins that have magenta-tinted lenses. According to the manufacturer, the tinting reduces glare. The lens caps on both the Watersport and the West Marine Tahiti, pictured together, are hinged at the bottom of each lens. The caps easily swing down and out of the way, unlike center-hinged caps—like those of the Swift Sea King, below center—which often are stiff and obstruct the user's view. One of the diopter index marks on the Pro Mariner Gulf Stream GS30 test unit, below right, was smeared, making accurate adjustment difficult. Three test bins, top right, failed to survive the drop test: from left clockwise, Pro Mariner High Seas, Fujinon Mariner II, and Celestron Oceana.

