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Dear Doc:

On the basis of my knowledge of racing shells, I advise the purchase of the three-ply eight-oar shell by Pocock of Seattle.

Although the Garofalo shell purports to be an authentic copy of the Pocock shell, it has not been my experience that the Garofalo shell performs as well. This certainly has been the sad experience of the Shrewsbury High School crew with their purchase of a Garofalo of several years ago. Although there is not a great deal of trading in used shells, I believe that because of the great vogue which Pocock shells enjoy, the greater cost which the Pocock shell demands delivered will be absorbed by its reduced depreciation rate.

I strongly believe that any attempt to "save" \$300 to \$450 by the purchase of a Garofalo eight-oar shell is of the nature of a gamble.

Sincerely yours,



Arthur B. Lee, Jr.