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Upcoming Events & Tech Sessions

The next meeting is;
 October 25, 7:00 PM (1900) at
 Roseland Library, Roseland,
 NJ. It is "Bring a Model Night".

The November Tech Session
 will be a presentation of the
 Mariners Museum.

National Lighthouse Museum
 Exhibit and Show. November
 15, 2022

Workshops

We are pleased to announce
 that Saturday Workshops are
 Back!

The next Saturday workshop
 will be in December. Details
 to follow.

Meeting Report: The meeting was opened at 7 PM by our President, Bill Brown. We had nineteen attending. Bill welcomed all of the attendees and those that were able to attend in person.

Tom reported on the state of our Treasury.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15.

Dues 2022 PAST DUE

About 10 members have still not paid their dues.

Yearly dues are \$20. If you joined after November 1, 2021 you are covered for this year. Dues may be paid at the June meeting or mailed to the Treasurer. Make checks to "Ship Model Society of New Jersey".

Next Tech Session

In lieu of a Tech Session the October Meeting will be 'Bring a Model' night. You can bring one or several of your models, either completed or in progress. There will be a Show and Tell of each of those models and those on our remote linkup.

OLD BUSINESS



No Old Business at this meeting.

NEW BUSINESS



Nautical Research Guild Chapter Renewal

SMSNJ is an NRG Chapter Club. It is time for us to renew. Tom proposed that we renew. It was balloted and unanimously approved that SMSNJ renew and funds were approved.

National Lighthouse Museum

Our next event will be at the National Lighthouse Museum in Staten Island on Saturday, November 12. We have exhibited at the Museum for several years and it is a very enjoyable event. Members bring models that they have completed as well as a model that they are working on. The visitors to the museum ask questions and we get to explain to them what we do. We have gotten new members from doing this event.

NRG Secretary Newsletter Announcements

A benefit of being an NRG Chapter is that the SMSNJ is entitled to put announcements of other club news into the Secretary Newsletter that the NRG distributes periodically.

Toni Levine, Chair of the NRG Board of Directors Chair was in attendance at the meeting and noted that this gives Chapter Clubs to advertise the activities of their Club to an huge international audience. It allows the Club to promote their speakers so as to allow them to attend as well. This is a benefit that is offered to all the Chapter Clubs.

BOOKS AND PUBS



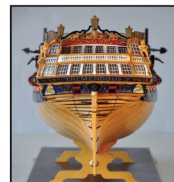
No books or pubs this meeting.

THE NAUTICAL RESEARCH GUILD

"ADVANCING SHIP MODELING THROUGH RESEARCH"

Annual membership includes our world-renowned quarterly magazine, Nautical Research Journal, which features photographs and articles on ship model building, naval architecture, merchant and naval ship construction, maritime trade, nautical and maritime history, nautical archaeology and maritime art.

Other benefits include discounts on annual conferences, ship modeling seminars, NRG products and juried model competitions which are offered exclusively to Guild members. We hope you will consider joining our ongoing celebration of model ships and maritime history.



For more information contact us at: www.thenrg.org or call 585 968 8111

SMSNJ 40th Anniversary Celebration

It was a beautiful day and the food was plentiful, and excellent. Here are a few views of the festivities.



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Saturday Morning Workshop

The latest Saturday workshop get together was at Chuck's house on October 15. Chuck's Winchelsea is completed and was displayed alongside Mike's, that is progressing nicely. Larry brought painted figures that are 3D printed. The detail on these unpainted figures is astounding and after Larry has painted them, well look at the photos. Bill and Chuck were discussing drawing via CAD. Dan was there to review the log on the repair and restoration that he is doing, and Tom Ruggiero was installing photo-etched window frames on the Promenade Deck bulkhead of a 1:350 Titanic. These workshops are a lot of fun and there are snacks as well.



Admiralty Workshop

A number of SMSNJ members attended the recent Admiralty workshop in Annapolis, Maryland.. These events are organized by David Antscherl and Greg Herbert on several modeling subjects. They were suspended during Covid, but more are planned. This one covered rigging and rope making. However, it also included a tour of Preble Hall at the Naval Academy where we were treated to a private tour by Grant Walker and Don Preul. We got to see a collection of miniatures that have not been opened to the public.



Mike Dowler, Toni Levine, Mike Ellison

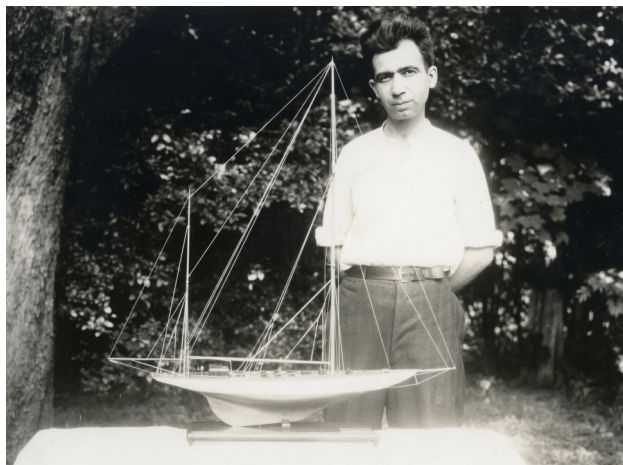


Barry Rudd, Chuck Passaro, Ryland Craze, Eric Marshall



Technical Session

**“The Herreshoff Manufacturing Company”
presented by Evelyn Ansel**



Rocco Migliori



Defender Bolles in Dry Dock

Evelyn Ansel, Curator of the Herreshoff Marine Museum / America's Cup Hall of Fame, gave a presentation on the history of the Herreshoff Manufacturing Company, active in Bristol RI from 1878 – 1945, and earlier boatbuilding activities of the Herreshoff family. During more than 60 years in operation, HMCo. produced more than 2,000 boats, including America's Cup defenders, torpedo boats for the U.S. Navy, commercial fishing vessels, one-design racing yachts, high-speed steam (and later, gasoline) launches, flying boats, dinghies, tenders, and racing schooners. The company was situated halfway between Providence – “the Beehive of Industry” and seat of the industrial revolution, and Gilded Age Newport, RI - summer playground of New York financiers and and robber barons – and HMCo.'s output spanned both aspects of Rhode Island history, both in terms of their revolutionary building techniques, and their products and clientele. At the end of the presentation, Evelyn suggested several online repositories and resources for model makers interested in Herreshoff designs, including the MIT Museum plans archive – where all of the HMCo. construction drawings reside – the Herreshoff Catalogue Raisonné, master index to all things Herreshoff, and photo repositories like the Nathaniel Stebbins Collection of Historic New England, the Detroit Publishing Collection at the Library of Congress, and the Leslie Jones Collection at the Boston Public Library. Finally, you can also always learn more at the Herreshoff Marine Museum website, <https://herreshoff.org/explore/> and visit our “virtual” Model Room exhibit at <https://herreshoff.org/model-room-tour/>



Herreshoff Museum Model Room

Thank you, Evelyn, for the great presentation as well as the information on researching online. For those who haven't visited, this is a must see.

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SHOW & TELL



Pirate Skeleton

Lindberg Kit, Scale 1:24?

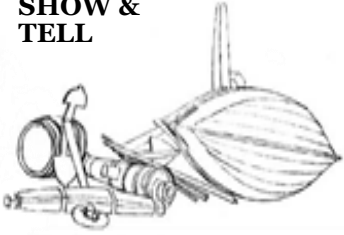
Mason Logie

Mason has been working on a series of figure models for a Halloween display. His latest project is a skeletal pirate. He has painted much of the figure and is now working on the details on the base. Those details include coins scattered about. The model also has the capability for the pirate to swing his cutlas.



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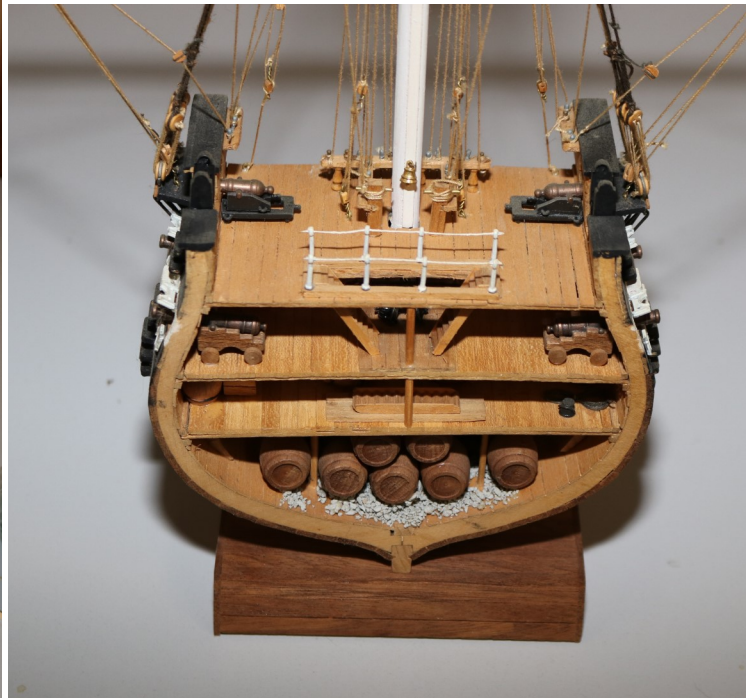
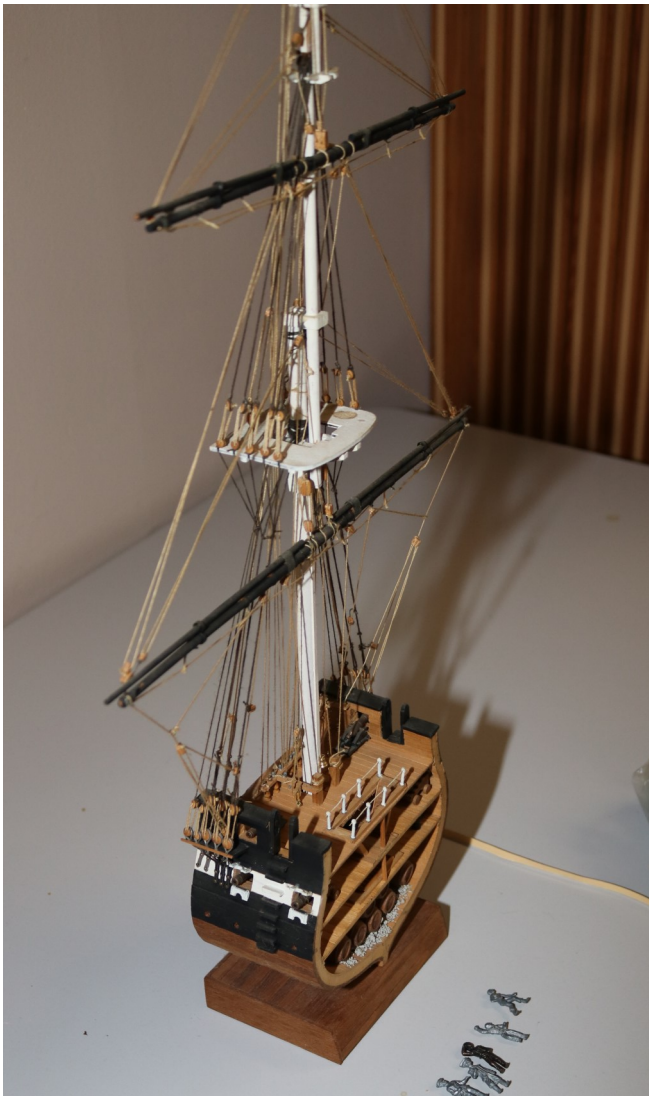


USS Constitution Cross Section

US, Kit, Scale 1:90

Chris Scornavacca

Chris brought in his completed cross section of USS Constitution. The section is taken at the Mainmast. The hull is plank and bulkhead. Chris said that the kit went together fairly easily and it was a fun build. He hasn't decided if he is going to plate the hull and what to use.



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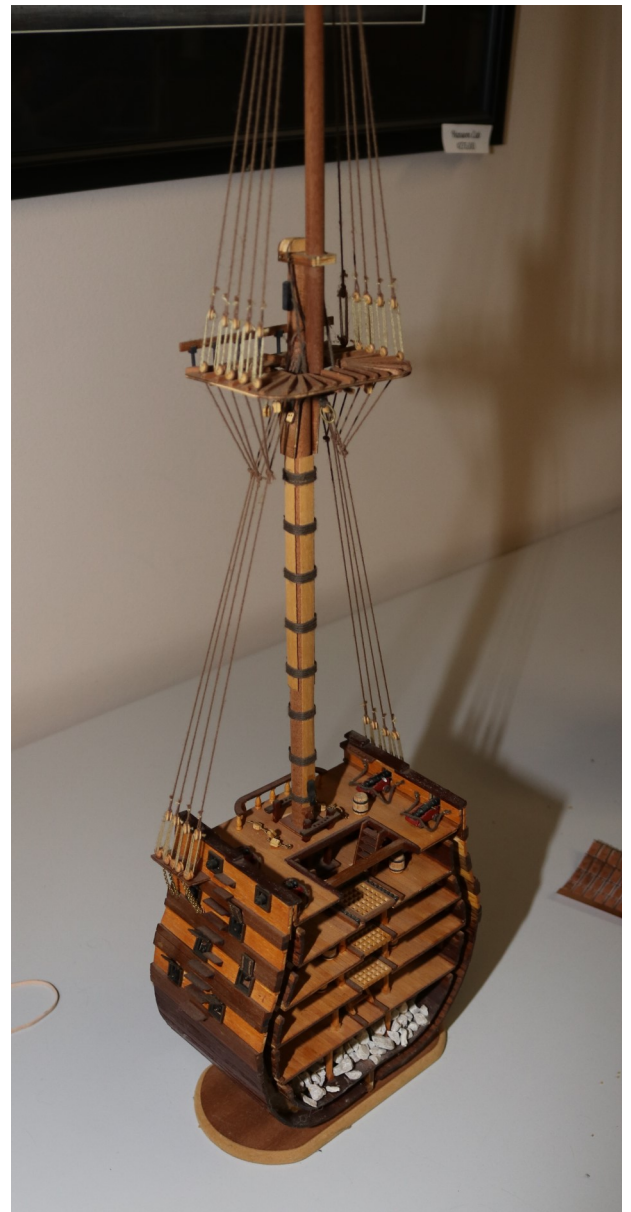
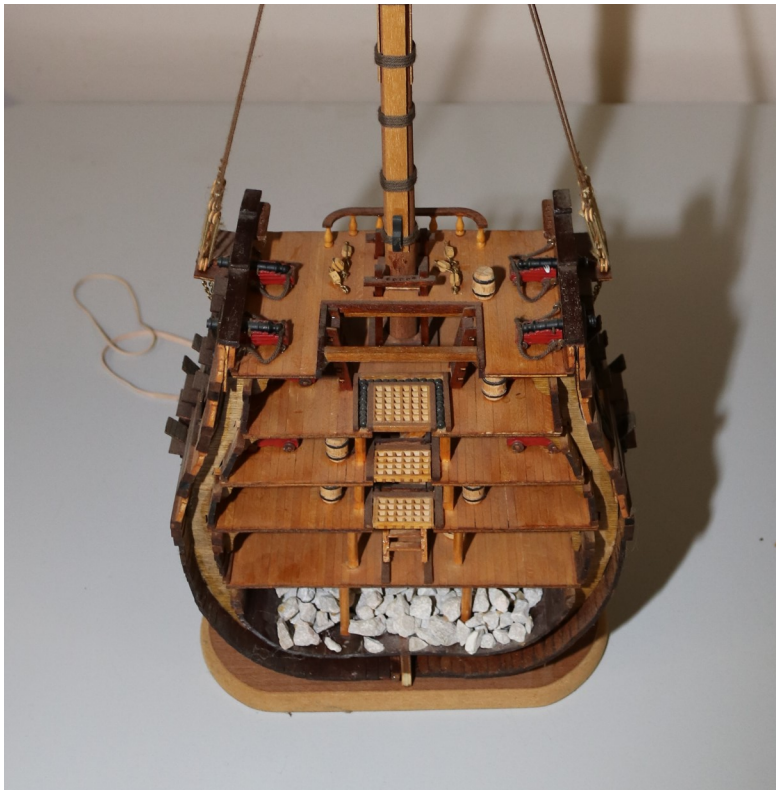


Ship of the Line Cross Section

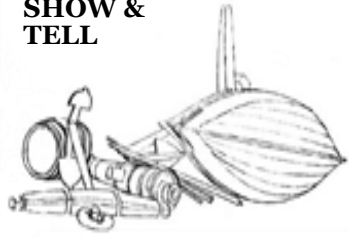
Spanish, Kit, Scale 1:90

Chris Scornavacca

Chris brought in his completed cross section of a SOL. The section is taken at the Mainmast. The hull is plank and bulk-head. Again, the kit went together well.



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Yacht America

Repair, Scale 1:96

Bill Brown

Bill is completing this model for a women in South Jersey. Her father passed away and the kit was unfinished. He wanted to add the sails. It also got damaged in the transfer from his house to her house. While Bill wanted to go with silk span sails, Chuck brought up the very good point that he would have used to kit material.



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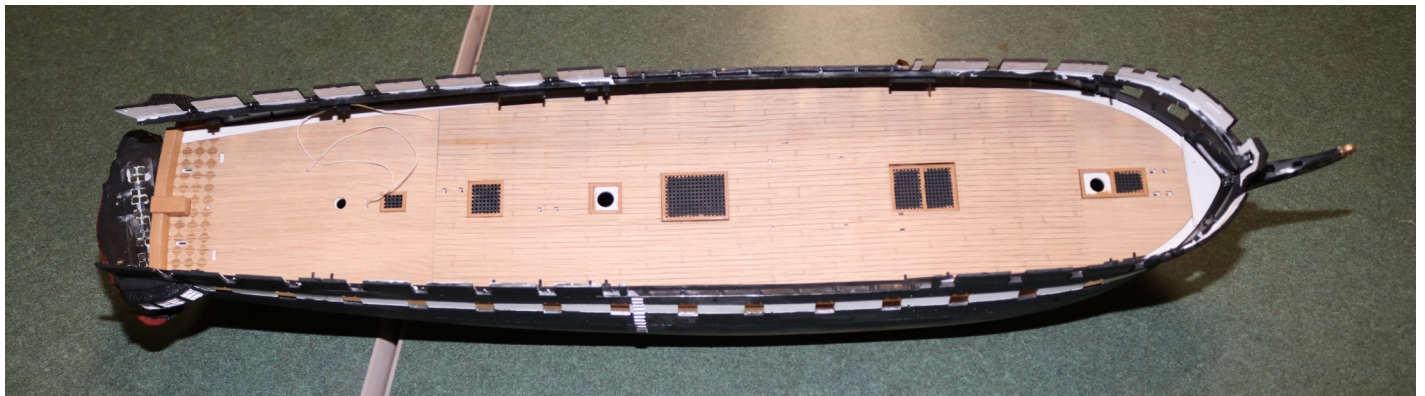


USS Constitution

US, Revell Kit, Scale 1:96

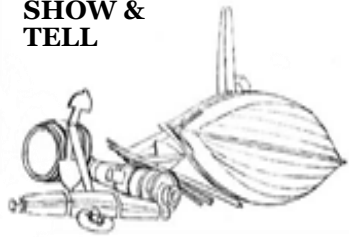
Nicholas Kruse

Nicholas is making great progress on his Constitution. He got this kit as part of a recent estate sale. This is the first release of this popular kit in 1964. For that reason, the casting of the hull looks terrific. Nicholas has upgraded the kit by adding the aftermarket wood veneer. It looks very good and is quite an improvement over the kit plastic, especially because there is no seam piecing the two kit parts together. It looks great Nicholas.



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De 13 Søskende (The 13 Siblings) 1814 Fishing Trawler/Dredge Denmark, Scratch, Scale 1:24

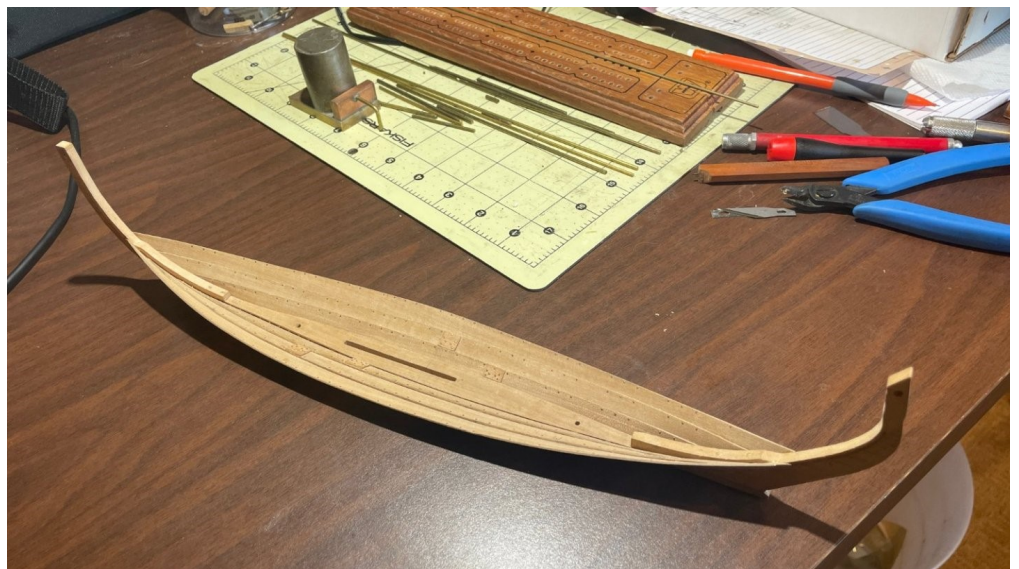


Greg Harrington

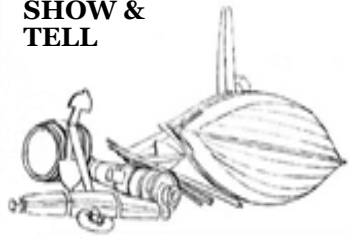
De 13 Søskende¹ (The 13 Siblings) was an *åledrøkvase*¹ (eel sailing drifter), a side-trawling fishing boat specialized for catching eels in the waters surrounded by the Danish Islands of Zealand, Falster, and Lolland. While living in Odense, Denmark for 10 months, I was introduced to the book *Wooden Boat Designs*², which contains plans and descriptions of 41 traditional Danish boat types. When it became available some years later, I purchased a CD contain high-resolution scans of all the drawings. Greg explains research, features, and model construction on the Hampton Roads SMS website;

<https://www.hrsms.org/>

Greg picked this as a subject



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Subchaser

US Navy 1916

US, Dumas Kit, Scale 1:24

Josh Fichman

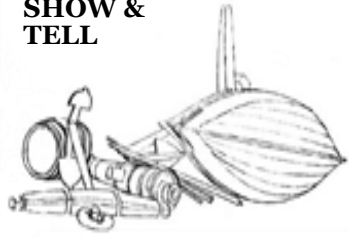
Jim McEntire, a member of the PSMS, recently passed away. He had been working on this Subchaser when he passed. The model was a group project by the Philadelphia club and had been worked on by several of their members. Joe Jordan is mentoring Josh on this as it is his first RC model. It was already prepped for one prop and two more need to be added.



Joe's completed Model



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Subchaser

US Navy 1916

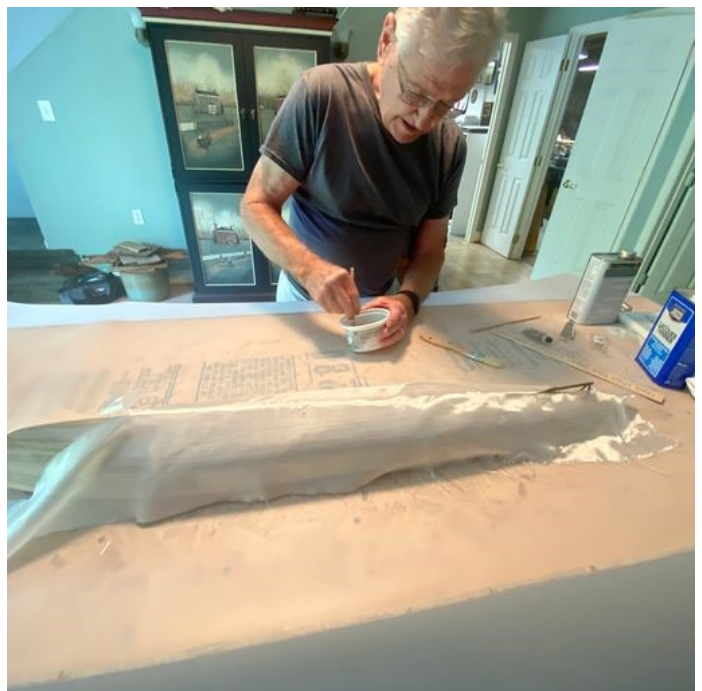
US, Dumas Kit, Scale 1:24

Josh Fichman

Josh is using Joe Jordan's model as an aid to completing his model. Joes model is set up with a switch so that when the rudder is hard over the inboard motor shuts off. There is a website dedicated to Subchasers. They were ordered by FDR in 1916 and were intended to be built in small commercial yards. There were over 400 of them. Joe and Josh has fiber glassed the hull of the model and it is looking very good.



Comparing the two models



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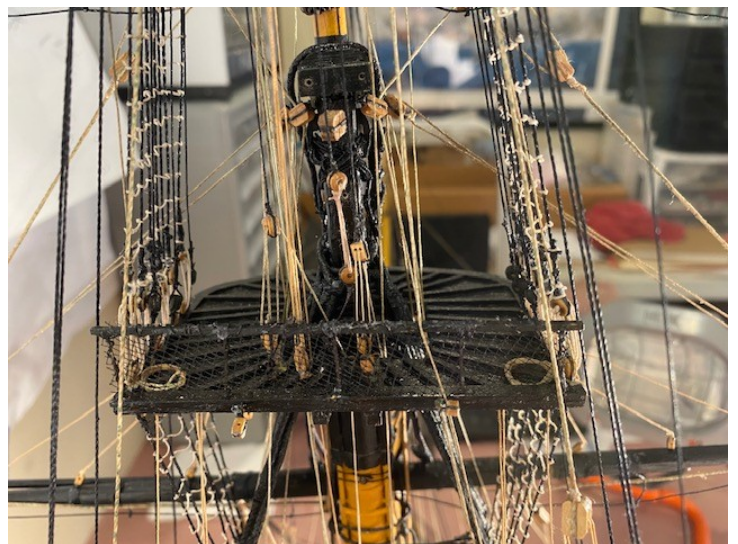
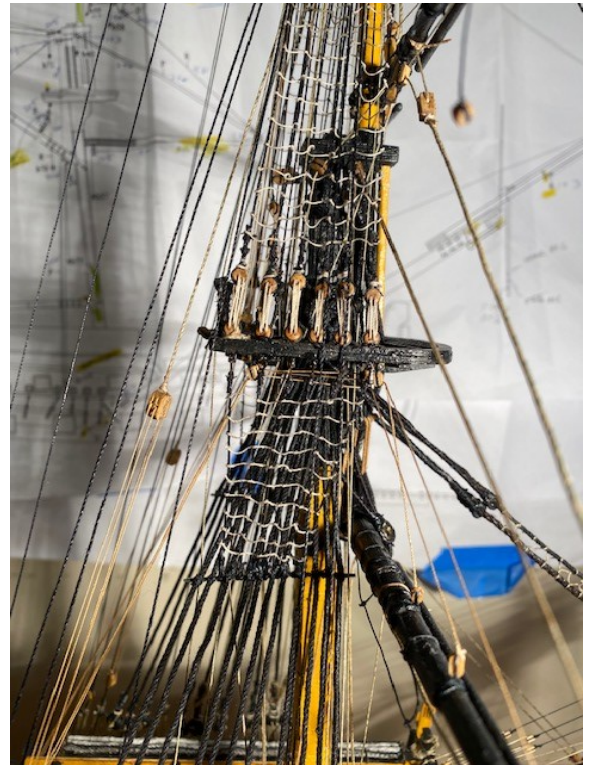
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HMS Victory, English 1st Rate,
Scale 1:72, Modified Caldercraft Kit
(54 x 21 x 37 inches)

- Mort Stoll

Mort is moving along with Victory The fore mast and foretop mast are stepped with the halyards, lifts, sheets and buntlines mounted. The foretop and foremast mounted and rigged. Still a bunch to do, but getting close to completion.



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Contributions to *The Broadaxe* are always welcome, and SMSNJ members are encouraged to participate. Articles, shop hints and news items may be submitted directly to the Editor as typed manuscript or electronic files, either on discs or by email. Handwritten notes or other materials will be considered depending on the amount of editing and preparation involved.

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