



March Report

President's Message

Hi Mates,
here is the latest newsletter which covers the last 3 months of meetings. It is pics and brief descriptions of models being built, repaired and completed models by our out of town members.

Seems the air is clearer in the central and western part of the state as these guys are burning up the shipways and building models. I'm sorry to say our current club members have taken to slack times and are engaging in walking the plank, looting seized vessels, and in general, just being naughty in not bringing any models or repairs to our meetings! (Me included!!)

I will give Dave Mahony credit for bring in a partially completed model of the Emma Berry, a kit produced by Sterling Models, that he will give away to a loving modeler who can finish it. Sterling has long since ceased to exist, and would make a nice model to remind us of the good ole days.

Hank Bishop will also be spared walking the plank as he brought in a beautiful half hull model of a schooner that is bread and butter construction. Hank shared that he will stop by the road if he sees a piece of wood that might have value in producing strips, or blocks of wood for a future project.

I'm walking the plank as well as I have pushed aside my building projects and have E. D. on 2 repair projects, and I am in the process of purchasing a small 32 foot Erickson sailboat to begin my last voyage of plunder on the mighty Neuse and Pamlico Rivers.

Two important items:

The E.C.P.M. Havelock Exhibit has been cancelled once again due to the conventions Covid restrictions in July. Damn the virus full speed ahead, but it won't happen again this year. Maybe a rumor, but it could happen in October. Just rumors though.

George Rockwell our 94 year old veteran has been diagnosed with Bile Duct Cancer. Lets keep George and Barbara in our prayers. I encourage our members to give him a call as it would mean a lot to him.

You all are aware of our termination of the VFW Facility meeting place. For the present I suggest we meet at my home, 4504 Gloucester Drive, Trent Woods, N.C. 28562 on May 8th at 12:00 noon. Dave Mahoney has also offered his home as a meeting place which we can agree on (for the June meeting) at our next meeting. I think this would be the best course for us at present since a lot of potential businesses are not ready to open a meeting area for the club.

Bill Mitchell has some repair projects for our viewing, and Robert Tuttle has been producing a pile of sawdust with his Malabar II which is a commission project measuring 41 inches in length, and a monster 76 inch model of a N.C. Shrimper. This was a commission model Robert did a few years back, and the owner passed away. This model is looking for a home if anybody knows of a collector who may be interested.

Hope to see you all at our next Meeting, Saturday May 8th at 12 noon.

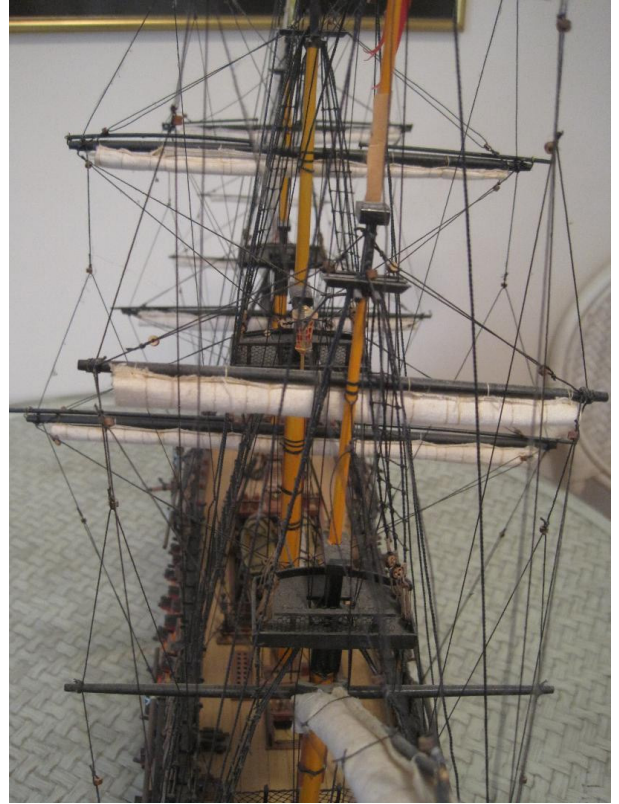


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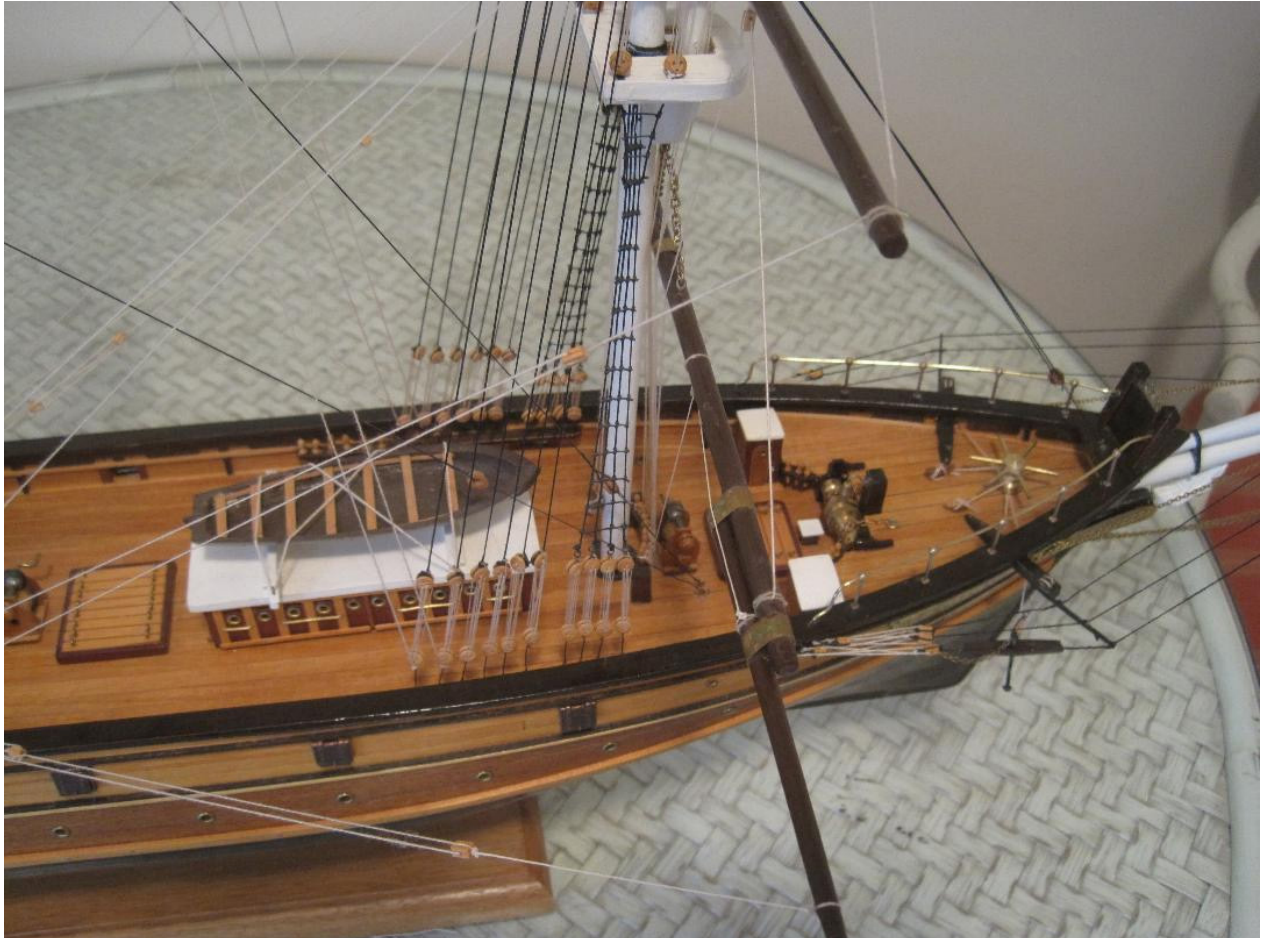
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Bill Mitchell in Winston Salem has repaired a model of the HMS Victory which comprised of cleaning, new sails, and new rigging. Bill used Silk Span as his sail material, (our old covering for plane models from years past) and new rigging. You can still find silk span if anyone is interested in trying this for sails.



His repair of the Cutty Sark was cleaning and rigging repair. Bills' attention to detail is much appreciated as the photos of the Victory and the Cutty Sark will show.





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Bill Mitchell's Cutty Sark

John Pask, a new member from Winston Salem also has a new model under construction of the 'World Discover', and the completed model of the 'Liverpool Pilot'. (see next page)



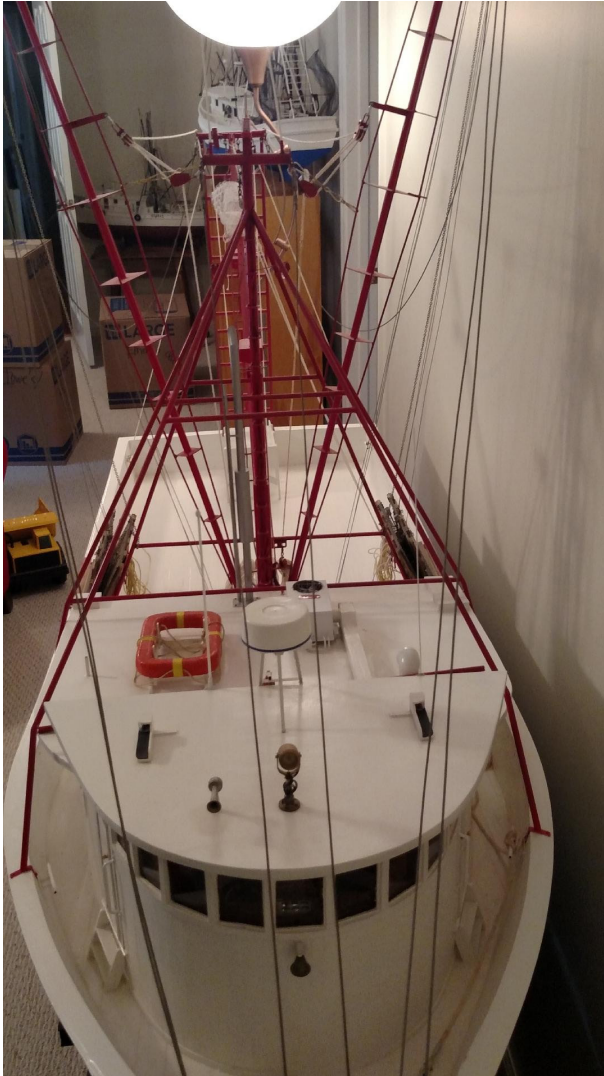


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(Below) Robert Tuttle of Clemmons, N.C. displays a 76 inch, (1to1) scale of a N.C. Shrimp Boat, made for a client in Raleigh, N.C. Sadly, the owner has passed away at an early age and his parents are looking for a home for their son's model. Robert stated that the outriggers stand a whopping 4 ft. tall from the deck.



(Right) Robert Tuttle's Malabar II, 41 inch commission Schooner. Robert is installing tree nails. Look closely at lower left.



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Robert is also busy in a commissioned model of the Malabar II, a wooden schooner which measures 41 inches long. It's interesting to point out that he is using tree nails for the hull as shown in the smaller pic (previous page). Robert is also known for attention to detail, and will go to any length to obtain the proper plans for his models. He states his plans for the Malabar II came from MIT of all places, and he is one of our members who also creates CAD drawings to build his models.



Hope you enjoyed the pics. Now lets all get renewed ambition and start building.

See you guys soon! Best Wishes

Jim Gower.

The next meeting of the Beaufort Model Club
will be held
Saturday, April 24th at 2:00 P.M.
Lets all support this club.