

January 21, 2021

7:30 to 10:00 PM

Video Meeting Minutes

Model Shipwrights of Western NY

Meeting Agenda:

- I had sent out the invite to the Hudson River Maritime Museum in December with 2 alternatives for joining us. I have not heard from them. It is likely I will have to re-contact for a future time.
- Greeting and Introductions 5 min
Mike has invited a guest who will join us via his smart phone.
In attendance: Jim O., Bill E., Chuck B., Mike K., Don M., Bob D. Joe L. Tim H.
The guest did not show
- The Famous USS Missouri: Chuck B. 15 min
Chuck is discovering that there is substantial detail missing from his newly acquired model. He is having some luck finding parts, 3D printed, to fulfill his need. Then again he has not been encouraged by the lack of responses to his multiple attempts of contact. Shapeways has been his best source so far.
- The WWII Army Tug: Bill E. 20 min
Bill continues the work on the WWII Army tug he has shared with us earlier. His recent progress has been in the detail of the pilot house, the railings, deckhouse detail of external conduits and piping that look quite realistic. He has even detailed the pilot house with a ship wheel, map of the English Channel and even books. He hand-made his deck railings, running lights, search lights and other detail elements espousing again how silver soldering techniques he has learned has made the job so much neater and easier. It is going to be a handsome model Bill!





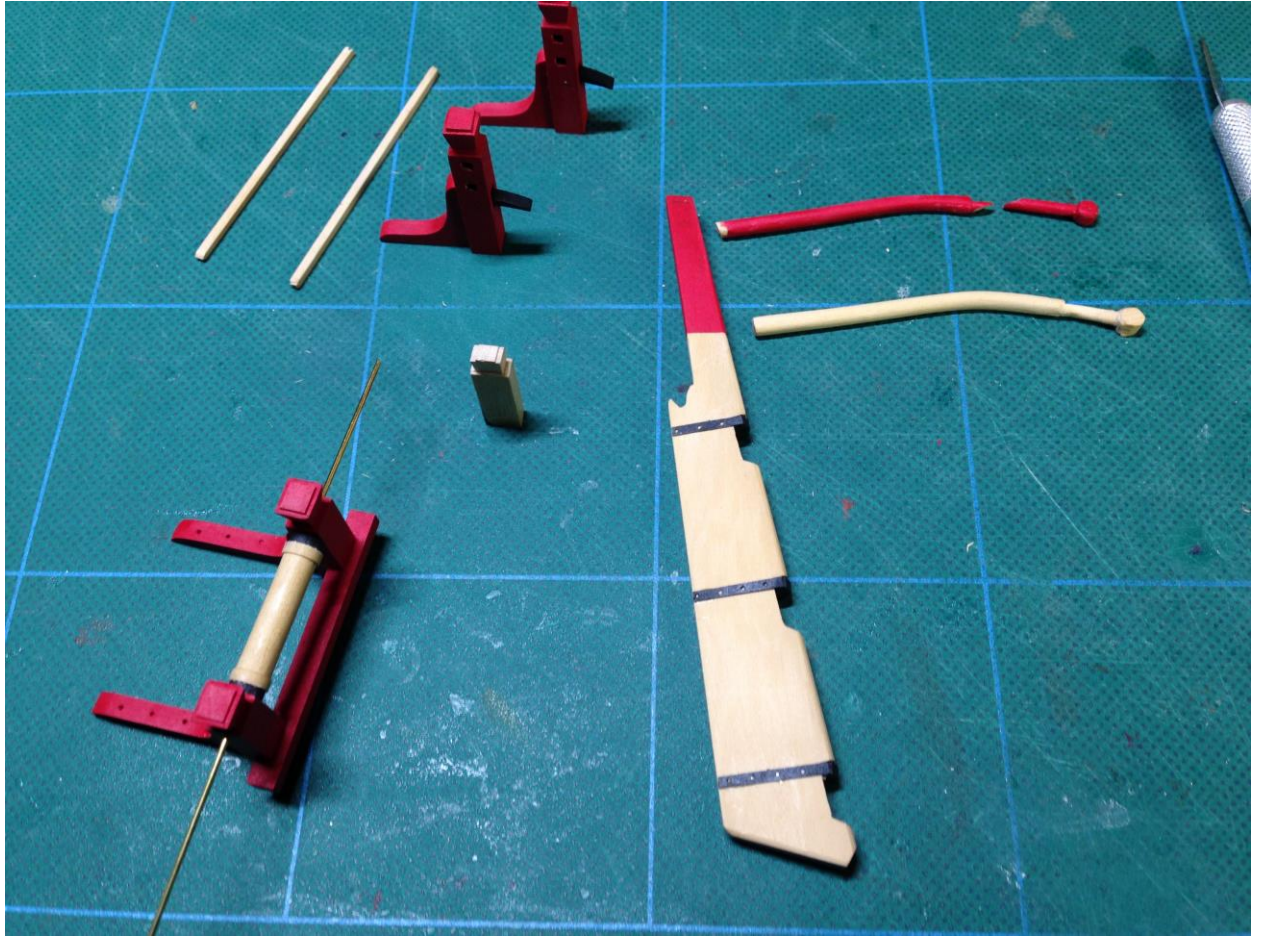
- The works of Rusty: Rusty J. 30min

Rusty has started the Vanguard Duchess of Kingston in his "idle" time while he waits for Chapter 5 from Syren for his semi-scratch Winchelsea. He was to have taken us through his build. That did not happen because of his duties at the NYS Fairgrounds Covid vaccine distribution center. He will return in February to do so.

- Cheerful Progress: Joe L. 15min

Joe displayed some of his Cheerful deck works and explained how he utilized his Sherline End Mill to add the detail to timberheads, winch and windlass.

*He also covered his technique for turning masts and bow sprits on his newly acquired lathe. This will be added to our web site in the **Shop Notes** section for interested readers. He did forget to mention in that presentation how he utilizes a "story stick" to address the final stages of turning. That is now included in the Shop Note.*



- Exploring a Possible Future Project: Joe L. 20 min

Joe closed out the meeting by sharing an investigation into the history and formation of the US Coast Guard Service. This was a prequel to his coverage of the USCG MLB (motorized life boat) 36500 we all know. He is thinking of building this special but now obsolete rescue craft that will live on in history for its daring rescue of 31 seamen off the Pendelton in 1952. An MSW member lent him his drawings of this vintage craft.

*That presentation is now in our **Items of Interest** section on our web page.*



- Next Meeting 5min

I have been asked when we may have meetings in person once again. If I were to project, from my perspective, it is not likely until the fall at the earliest. It all depends on the vaccination rollout. I think for our distant members we should continue to have the video linkage available. When we do meet Mike has generously offered his office conference room which should facilitate what we are planning.

As for the agenda and timing lets shoot for the 3rd Thursday in February and hopefully we can have our guests from the Hudson River region join us.