



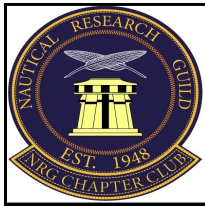
# FORECASTLE REPORT

Newsletter of the Chicago Tri-Club Association

September 2024

## ● The Benefits of Membership ●

### ANNOUNCING AN NRG SPECIAL “BACK TO THE MODELING BENCH” SALE!!!



### September 1 - September 30

The NRG Online Store is having a special “Back to the Modeling Bench” sale starting on September 1st and running to September 30th. The sale will be an across the board 20% discount on almost all the items in the store. *Wearing apparel or other items from Queensboro are NOT included in the sale.*

**NRG members can get an additional 20% discount off the sale prices by applying the Member Discount Code at the time of purchase.** The member discount also applies to non-sale items so you can still save on those items. If you have forgotten the NRG member code, it is posted on our website or you can contact our office to get it. The additional discounts will only be available for orders placed during the sale dates of September 1, 2024, through September 30, 2024.

This sale will be for existing inventory only. There will be no back orders or rain checks for items out of stock so plan on ordering early. (FYI - CD's will be discontinued as a store item once the current stock is gone.) USB Flash Drives will replace the CD's – all are already on Flash Drives.

If you have been thinking about the complete sets of the Journals or the complete sets of “Ships in Scale” on USB Flash Drives, now will be the time to order them! Check out the Practicums by Clay Feldman too. Don't forget we also have the complete collection of Model Ship Builder magazine on flash drive.

Store items not on sale include the new Mastng and Rigging kit and NRG Patches. You will still get your member discount on those items.

## September Tri-Club Meeting Schedule

### The NSD September Meeting



The September North Shore Deadeyes virtual meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 4th at 7:00 PM. The featured topic has not been chosen yet. The ZOOM invite will be sent out soon.

### The NRMS September Meeting



For September, the Nautical Research and Model Ship Society meeting will be a hybrid session. The face to face segment will be held at 237 S. Lincoln Street, Westmont, IL. Kurt

Van Dahm requests that those who plan to attend in person let him know so they can be accommodated.

For those preferring to attend the virtual version, an invite will be sent out a few days before the September 14th meeting. Proceedings start at 7:00 PM, but you will be able to log on as early 6:30 PM.

### The September MMS Meeting Making Your Own Decals



The September face to face Midwest Model Shipwright meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 18th at 7:00 PM. Club vice president, Bob Fryszak, will

share his techniques for creating his own one of a kind decals.

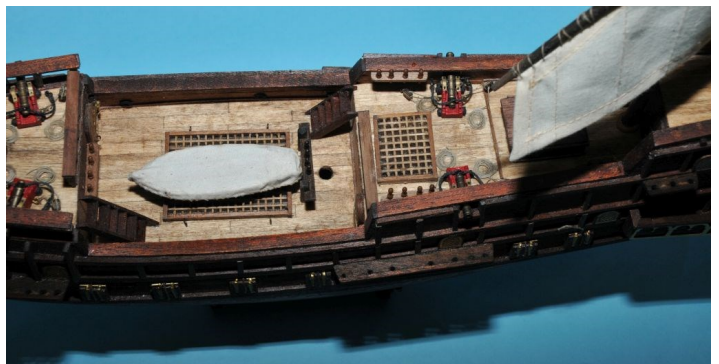
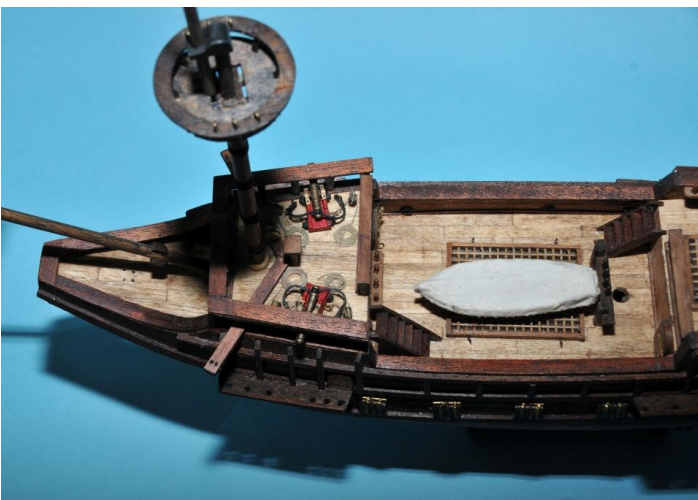
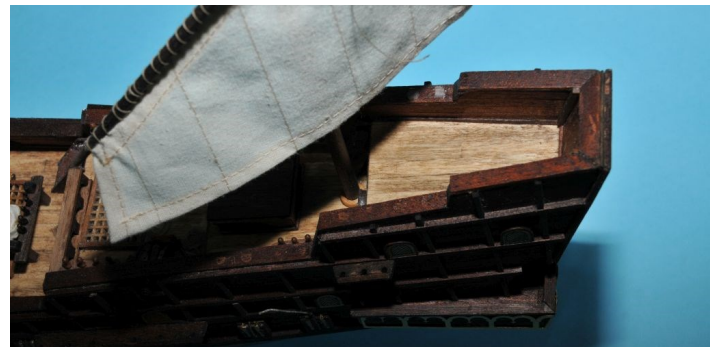
Shipwright meetings are held at the  
*The Dasom Community Church*  
501 S. Emerson Street  
Mount Prospect, IL  
Doors open at 6:30 PM.



# Ships on Deck



## *Golden Hind 1:48* by Keith Zeilenga



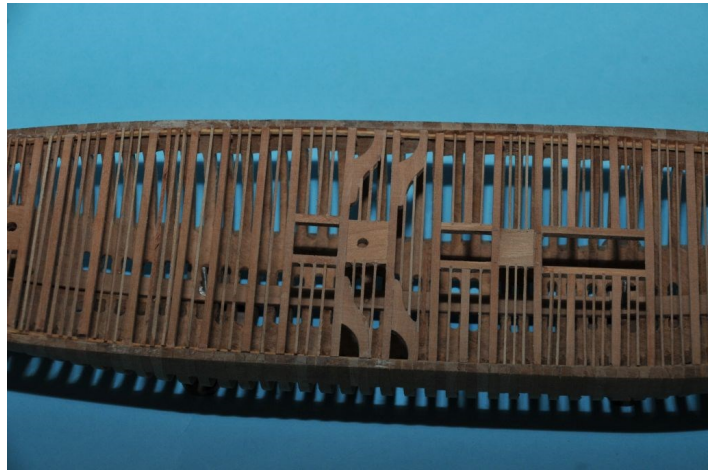
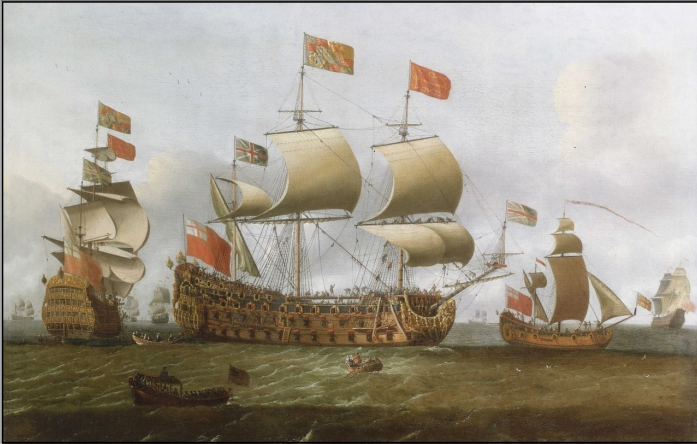


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## *Britannia* by Gus Agustin

Over the past two months, Gus Agustin has shared some of his techniques for building a model of the 100 gun Ship of the Line, *Britannia*. Here are some photos of his remarkable work that speaks for itself. ENJOY!

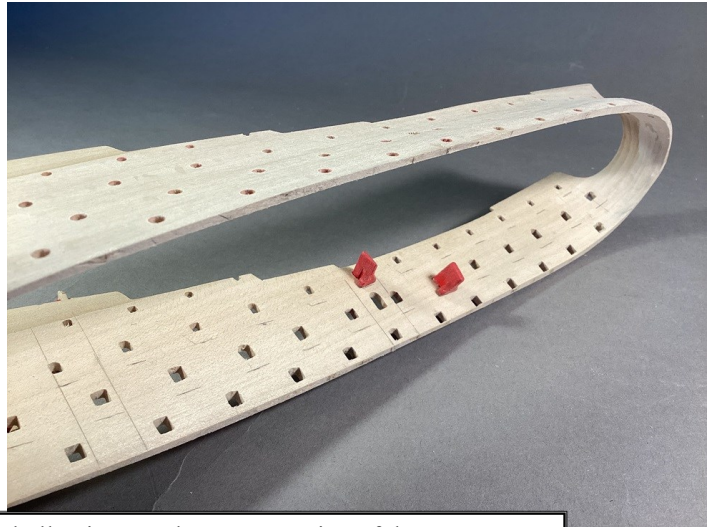
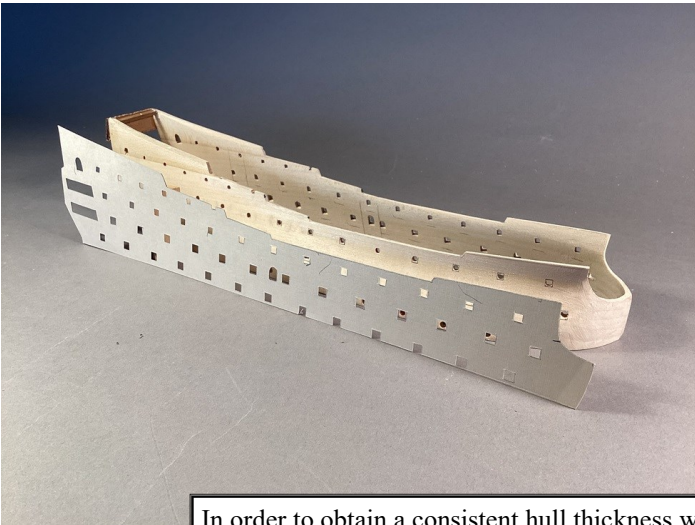
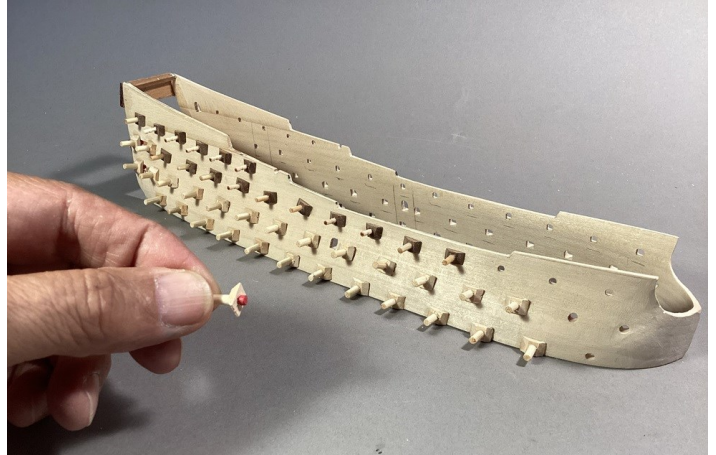




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## *Britannia* by Gus Agustin



In order to obtain a consistent hull thickness while hollowing out the upper portion of the *Britannia's* hull, Gus uses small spacers that he inserts into the hull where the gunports will be. When he reaches the tip of the red painted insert, he knows he has reached the desired thickness for the bulwark.





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## Ore Boat Hatch Cover Crane

By Paul Pollowy



If it wasn't for this photo of Paul holding his miniature hatch cover crane, it would be impossible to tell how small this piece is. Amazing work!



## • The IPMS Regional •

**2024 IPMS Region 5 Regional Show & Competition**  
Sponsored by the Butch O'Hare Model Club



**Saturday, November 2nd, 2024**  
Wheatland Salem Church  
1852 95th Street, Naperville, IL



## • The NRG Rigging Kit Group Build •

As the previous group build was held on alternate Saturday's and it was found to be a good fit we will follow the same format for this group build. The build is scheduled for 4 or 5 sessions depending on class progress. The workshops will be held in Kurt Van Dahm's shop and will run from 9:00 AM till noon – with instructions starting promptly at 9:00 AM. The start date will be determined once interest is judged to be adequate to start a group build.



There is an NRG 20% discount for NRG members. Member Price: \$103.20 - with IL Sales tax: \$110.94 with shipping: \$120.94 Non-member: \$129.00 - with IL sales tax: \$138.68 with shipping: \$148.68. The shipping cost can be saved by picking up the models at Kurt's house. Join the NRG now and get the member price on this and everything in the NRG Store.

There must be a minimum of six participants to hold the build sessions and a maximum of eight participants due to table/bench spots. Participants will be determined by the order of their responses to this announcement. To secure a slot on the participant list, send an email to Kurt at [mod-elshipyard237@gmail.com](mailto:mod-elshipyard237@gmail.com) with the earliest times received getting the reserved slots.

## • Tri-Club Anti-Piracy Policy •



Here is a list of banned companies that have been pirating and duplicating kits, books, and plans from reputable manufacturers.

Quite often these disreputable companies offer their products at what appear to be reasonable prices, but these items are often poor in quality. Many of them do not have websites. They market their illegal products via the Internet on sites such as eBay.

If you are contemplating your next project, please check this list. If you are not sure, discuss it with Kurt Van Dahm before you commit to a purchase. For easy reference, this information will appear in all future issues of the *Forecastle Report*.

**DryDock Models and Parts (Canada) selling for companies that pirate.**

<b>CN</b>	<b>ZHL</b>
<b>CF</b>	<b>RealTS</b>
<b>shi hai</b>	<b>Snail Model</b>
<b>4H Model</b>	<b>XinFeng</b>
<b>Moxing</b>	<b>Crown JD Model</b>
<b>Microcosm</b>	<b>JD Model LHQK</b>
<b>WN</b>	<b>Huasong</b>
<b>Jaocdoen</b>	<b>Shi Cheng</b>
<b>SC</b>	<b>woodenkit (Russian MFG)</b>
<b>DUJIAOSHOU</b>	<b>YengFan</b>
<b>LHQK</b>	<b>Unicorn Model</b>
<b>Master</b>	<b>YQ (YaunQing</b>
	<b>Modelship Dockyard (China)</b>



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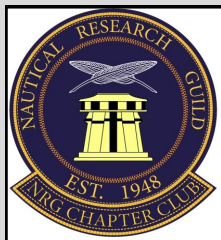
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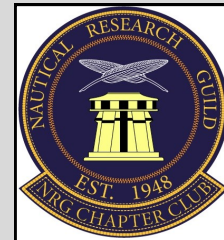
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