BRASS RING FABRICATION



Mayflower Group

Approximately 15 people met at John Bakker's house on Sunday, June 23 at 1 p m. Nine people have decided to make a model of the Privateer Rattlesnake using Harold Hahn's plans. Most had already received copies of the drawings from Mr. Hahn. The material of choice for the hull framing is maple, to be obtained from Lloyd Warner. Bill Wicks will get cost estimates from Lloyd.

Most of the meeting was devoted to demonstrations by Bill Wicks of the critical steps involved in making frames for a plank on frame model. For example, he sawed out one complete frame using a scroll saw.

There is still time to join the Rattlesnake project, but call Bill at (714)891-8228 as soon as you can.

Making Brass Rings by Bob Graham

From time to time, a thin-walled precise brass ring is needed for a model. An example would be a brass ring to fit snugly around a mast. Bob Graham has developed a technique for doing this. It is illustrated in this newsletter. A source for small-diameter nested brass tubing with 0.006" and 0.014" wall thickness is:

Special Shapes Co. 1356 Naperville Drive Romeoville, IL 60446-0487 1-800-51-SHAPE

Making Frames

At the latest Mayflower group meeting, Bill Wicks went through the process for making frames for one of Harold Hahn's in great detail. Since there are many new members in the club who were not at that meeting, I have taken the liberty of reproducing a drawing on the process

prepared by Jack Moffett several years ago. It looks difficult, but it is not. It looks time consuming, and it certainly is.

-Editor

