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Pilot 40

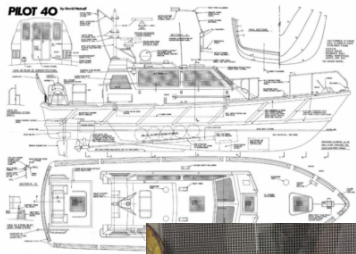
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1st Dec 2020

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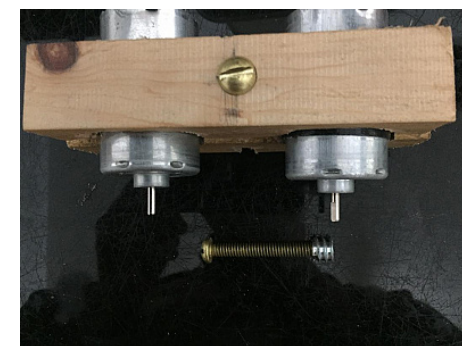
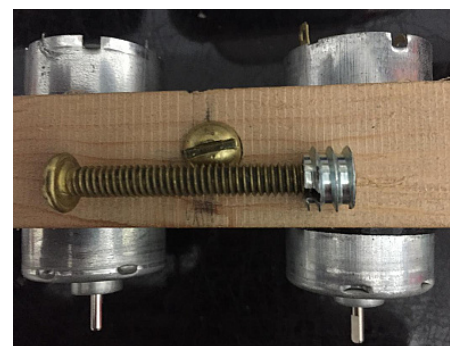
The club I'm in started a project last year before all the problem started & it's been idled & it kind off looks like Ontario Canada aren't going to have vaccines for everyone until September 2021 so to keep my sanity I will be carrying on with the Pilot 40 today made up the stand-offs for props & that was very difficult must have burnt my fingers 5 times .I know the photo of the props in the hull look a little off but it temporary . Club made the Hull now it's time to get running gear in. Cabin also needs to be built .



1st Dec 2020

Pilot 40

Worked on motor mounting I wanted to be able to remove motors if there is ever a brake down so used a 1/4-20 brass screw & a insert in the motor lower mount . I know this was a club project & I'm hoping no one gets upset with me working on the project



5th Dec 2020

Pilot 40

The last few days I've been working on motor alignment . This is a very time consuming endeavor to make sure coupling is lined up with motors & props shaft. Once that's completed the gluing is required . I used 15 minute epoxy & some Gorilla glue & now have to wait till its set .After that I'll need to epoxy prop shaft to hull another day



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19th Apr 2021

Palamos fishing boat

Rigging done & I don't know what I'll do now that my bird bath fishing boat is completed ! ?.



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16th Apr 2021

Palamos fishing boat

Lots of little stuff added now it's time for all the friggin to be installed . I know the mast isn't straight it's not glued in yet .



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14th Dec 2020

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Filled in hole where shafts go through hull and used bondo glaze & spot putty now need to sand to a smooth finish .



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16th Dec 2020

Pilot 40

Today I was waiting on the big snow fall in this area so decided to start on the cabin frames . I us wood most of the time in may builds but a lot of guys say if you start using Styrene your going to the dark side guess that's where I'm going Because the cabin on the Pilot 40 has a lot of angles



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13th Apr 2021

Palamos fishing boat

Not a lot completed today started on wheel house & the small dog house still need to add clap boards on wheel house .? Simulated lines added to the winch also .



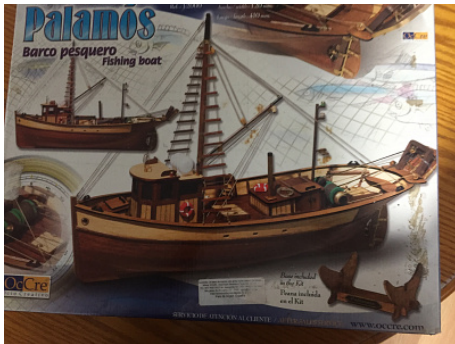
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12th Apr 2021

Palamos fishing boat

Found a wood model boat kit in the closet so because we are in a month long lock down here in Ontario Canada decided to have a go at it . It's to tiny to R/C so it will be a static model



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31st Dec 2020

Pilot 40

Happy New Years to all on Model Boats Website I think it's already a new year in Australia . Not a lot happening in Hamilton it's all virtual so Started to build the Pilot 40 cabin & started on the Vodka should be finished by the time models done !



4th Jan 2021

Pilot 40

Not a lot happening today a little snow shovelings & a little wine to warm up, so glued the roof on and I must say it took a while to build aft cabin parts lots of angles So now I'm committed once roof on must continue .



12th Mar 2021

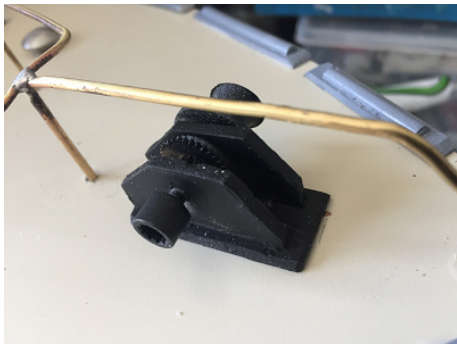
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I wasn't sure why my Sabertooth speed control wasn't working properly asked some robot experts on the internet & got info on dip switch settings so had a look & found that I had wired motors up the wrong way & I am surprised I didn't destroy the speed control . It's going to take a while to learn how to control model as speed control is very touchy . Please keep audio low as she makes some funny noises which I will sort out & if she's in the water I'm pretty sure that will also dampen the weird noises.

7th Mar 2021

Pilot 40

Yesterday was a bit to chilly outside so decided to make a winch from stuff in the junk drawer & some left over plastic winch is a drawer handle modified to look like a winch thingy .Found some bollards in same drawer so painted & will install later



10th Jan 2021

Pilot 40

Well before long this may be finished just kidding worked on the rear cabin entrance took a while & a little finger glue but got it made just some body filler to go . I have to confess when ever I build from plans I always see a little fault in my construction , a panel that's not the same length than it's opposite side is. But I'm not a master builder & it's not noticed at a distance so I'm just happy to get it done .One other think I'd better slow down because it looks like Canada will still be in a semi lock down until September because of slow vaccinations .



16th Jan 2021

Pilot 40

Was a little bored today so made two captain seats for the cabin cockpit per plans used some scrap wood and they maybe a little hard to sit on .



5th Mar 2021

Pilot 40

Update -Fenders added, Railings installed, PILOT logo installed , bathtub check completed , waiting on 3 hatch covers ordered online yet to arrive & when they get delivered my wife Debbie will say it's Christmas time again.I need to thank a fellow club member for the PILOT letters he had also . P/S getting near time to clean up workbench too.

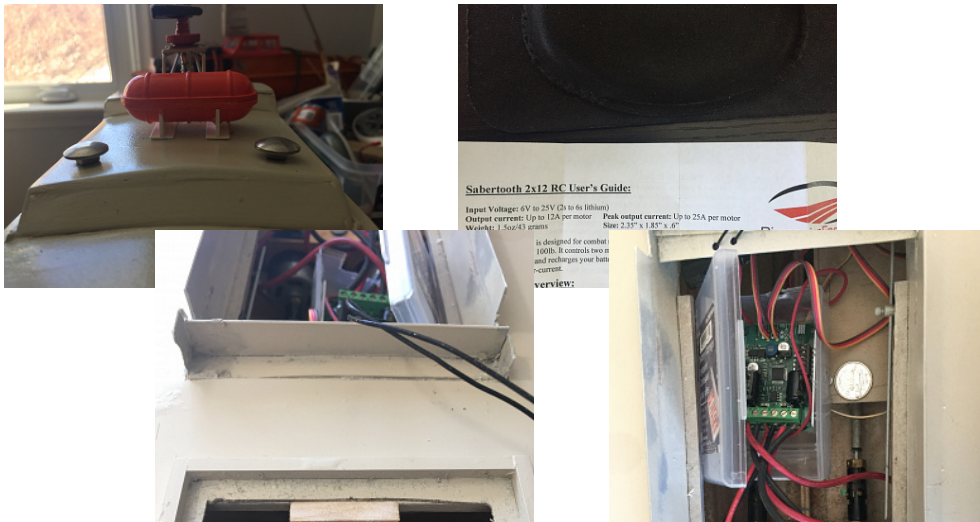


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26th Feb 2021

Pilot 40

Finally got my speed control & installed . I wanted a speed control for two brushed motors which this controller was for unfortunately this speed controller is for a tank set up & the left - right on a boat is with a rudder this controller is for treads not rudders But it still will run forward & reverse which is O/K . Print called for Mushroom vents from Calder Craft & I couldn't find them so used 1/2 inch carriage bolts which look fine for me . I also found out that speed controller has no on-off & if I shut off transmitter motors take off so put a on off in the battery circuit. Waiting on spring weather & open ponds for sea trials . that's a 2019 I use to put pennies with the year boat was started in Canada no pennies so use nickels now .



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21st Jan 2021

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There's always a hatch to get into the model to repair rudder linkage or maybe locate a water leak so here's my method #1 mark hatch dimensions #2 Make first cut with sharp Knife on the styrene #3 put a bandage on finger before going to step#4 cut plywood under styrene #5 check to see if you can get to the rudder shafts.



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31st Jan 2021

Pilot 40

I guest I've been procrastinating for a while because rudder servo set up can be a bit of a challenge but it's to cold out so did the deed this will be my first dual rudder model .P/S made the hatch & added a pilot too . I like to have a man in control so if I mess up I can blame him .

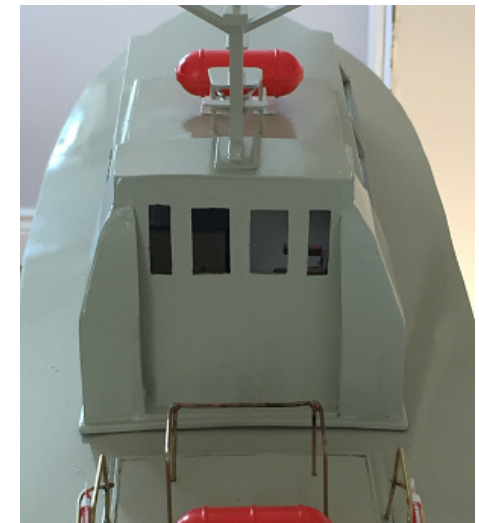


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11th Feb 2021

Pilot 40

Well I just thought I'd put a little paint on the model & added a few more details like life raft canisters & some 1/16 rod hand rails . Waiting on a speed control called a Sabertooth Dual 2x12 controller from Robotshop.com . I tried white paint on cabin and I could see all the tiny flaws so had a can off almond and that seem to help hide miner flaws . I also need to figure out how to waterproof the speed controller maybe use Z-Poxy finishing epoxy on the electronics .



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