



## Pearls FROM THE CHEST

Some tips from members of the crew

### Waxing Rigging Line

from Joe Seela.

The easiest way I have found to wax rigging lines is as follows:

Take a small bottle and partially fill with cigarette lighter fluid. Cut up pieces of bees wax into the fluid. Shake occasionally and let the wax dissolve. The mixture can be made very thin to a thick pasty cream.

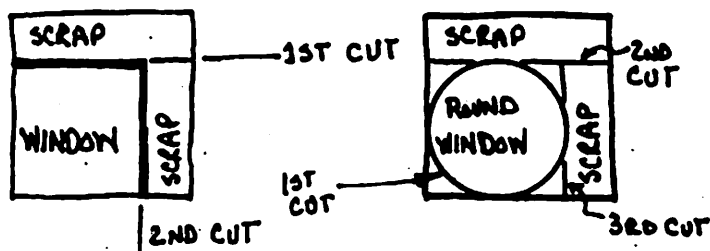
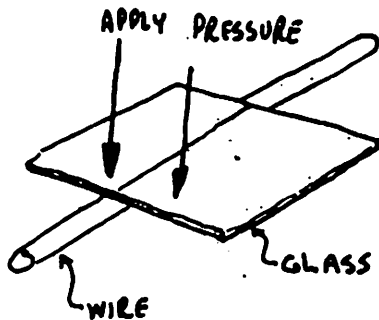
When the mixture is ready, fold the line into the mixture with a forked stick. Pull the line thru' the mixture. The fluid evaporates and leaves an even coat of wax on the line. You may also apply with a paint brush to lines on items already installed that need waxing.

The advantage is that no damage or unravelling of line is caused by the above method, and it is super easy and fast.

Editor's Note: Because of continued interest in the method of cutting real glass windows, the following is re-printed from the SMA Newsletter, Nov., 1977:-----

### Window Glazing, from Roger Van DeWalker.

Glazing windows with real glass can be done on your ship model by using slide cover glass. These may be purchased at most medical supply houses. These pieces of glass are about  $7/8$ " square and .005 to .010" thick. The trick is to cut them to size. It is not as difficult as it seems. "General" Tool Co. makes a scribe with replaceable carbide tips at about \$ 1.95. This cuts glass very nicely.



DRAW THE CIRCLE FIRST  
BUT DON'T TRY TO BREAK  
IT OUT UNTIL ALL THE  
LARGE SCRAP HAS BEEN  
REMOVED.