

# Pearls FROM THE CHEST

Some tips from members of the crew

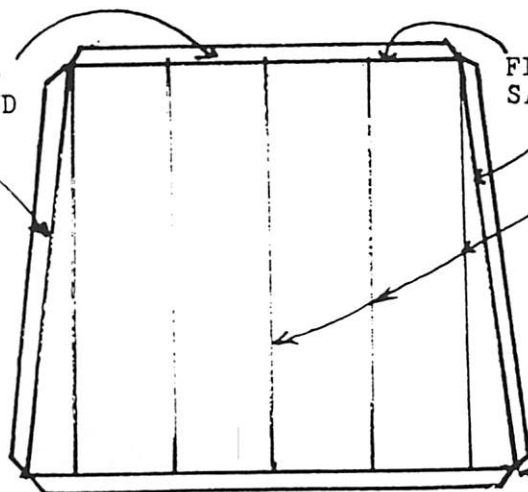


## MODEL SAIL "EDGING" OR TABELING.

Fastening a "hem" on the edges of your sail can be a chore. Here is a somewhat simple but effective method you might like to try.

1. Draw the outline of the sail on very thin paper leaving a half inch or so border. Also draw the vertical lines indicating the sail cloth strips.
2. Pin the pattern to the material with the sail cloth strip lines running parallel to the selvage.
3. Have your wife (girlfriend) set her sewing machine to stitch its finest seam. Now ask her to stitch all of the lines drawn on the pattern to the sail cloth.
4. Carefully remove the pattern from the cloth, and, allowing for the width of the sail hem, cut the cloth parallel to the stitched outline of the sail.
5. Cut notches in the four corners of the sail hem to permit it to fold over neatly. Using a flatiron, fold the edges of the sail to the stitched outline. This should form a permanent crease with the stitching right on the edge.
6. Now take a strip of 3M double sided sticky tape and press it on the cloth hem. Carefully trim the tape flush with the edge of the hem. Slowly remove the paper backing from the tape leaving the glue on the cloth. Press the glued side down on the sail forming the hem. Run over the hem a couple of times with the iron to get a nice smooth edge, and the job is done.
7. The stitched outline will be just right for fastening the bolt ropes when they are sewn to the edges of the sail, and the stitching prevents the sail edge from stretching out of shape.

APPLY 3M GLUED  
STICKY TAPE AND  
FOLD OVER



FINE STITCHING FOR OUTLINE OF  
SAIL; AND FOR SAIL CLOTH STRIPS

CUT NOTCHES IN CLOTH  
AT ALL FOUR CORNERS