



MV KOKOMO – NEW FLYBRIDGE DASHBOARD 2015 – IN AWLWOOD BY RAINBOW MARINE

BRILLIANT MARINE VARNISHING

No.1 MARCH 2016

IN THIS ISSUE – GREETINGS 'N GOSS

GREETINGS AND WELCOME

by Martin Enock

Thank you for dropping by!! Shoes off at the companionway please.

This is the first Brilliant Marine Varnishing Newsletter and I would like to thank you for checking out our website, where I hope you have found some interesting, if not REALLY useful stuff !!

The website and this newsletter provide info and news which is targeted at marine varnishers. Our intention is to open up communication between us guys 'n gals all over the world, with the objective of sharing our collective knowledge, jokes, aspirations, pet hates, regional and national issues, product successes and failures, application techniques, tools and equipment issues..... and so on.

We would like to provide a forum and an ongoing resource that supports us all in our varnishing endeavours, with advice and encouragement for the newbies, specific repair techniques for the professionals and items of interest for all those who choose to dabble in this beautiful and rewarding, but steadily disappearing skill-set.

THIS IS FOR YOU.....!!! AND.....

... THIS IS HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE.

VARNISHERS

Your contributions can include and are not limited to:-

- 1) Photos of your best work.
- 2) Queries on specific repair techniques and application issues.
- 3) Contributions to items for discussion as requested in the text below.
- 4) Participation in the website blogs.

Submissions should be made on the Contacts page on the website.....

submissions@brilliantmarinevarnishing.com

VARNISH AND TOOL SUPPLIERS

Announce your news here.

Contact us at:

info@brilliantmarinevarnishing.com



How's this for a masking nightmare?

This beautiful little clinker sailing dinghy – 'Pintail' – proved to be a masking challenge, as the slats on the seat were impossible to cut in. However, the reward of crisp, clean edges in the final presentation proved to be well worth the effort.



How would you fix this?

This is a computer-cut 'S' shape scarf joint on a cap rail. The previous repairs, visible as darker timber show the true colour of the timber. The white areas are the blistered results of separation of the joint. We want an integrated repair – joint and colour sorted out. How?

Page 2

WOODEN BOAT CLUBS AND ASSOCIATIONS

Post your events, meetings, training courses and let the world see you!

Contact us at:

submissions@brilliantmarinevarnishing.com

BOATBUILDERS

Show us your latest varnish/clear coat projects. Interior/exterior is all good. Participate in product forums and reviews.

Use the BMV website Contacts page as above.

NEWS FLASHES

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH AWLBRITE SUPPLIES IN OZ?

Apparently at long last there appears to be some stability of supply of Awlbrite, but not without cost to the long-suffering users. We've been through the months of *'it's not going to be supplied any longer,'* followed by the justifiable outrage of loyal consumers. Then we had the empty shelves and intermittent availability of gallon kits only, while someone up the interminable chain of command, first Awlgrip, then International

Paints, then the lofty and distant command centre at Akzo Nobel, condescended to acknowledge the loyalty of a small but influential group of customers, who actually hold their product in high esteem.

So what did these loyal customers get?

It seems like supply is re-established but only in quart kits. What does this mean to the professional who uses a lot? Effectively it means that their cost has just increased by a whopping 39%! A quart kit without thinners costs \$215.00 and the gallon kit used to cost \$619.44 or \$154.86 per quart.

Nice one Akzo. Isn't it great to feel our business is really cherished!

Watch this space for a possible response to our open invitation to Awlgrip to explain this blatant price gouging.

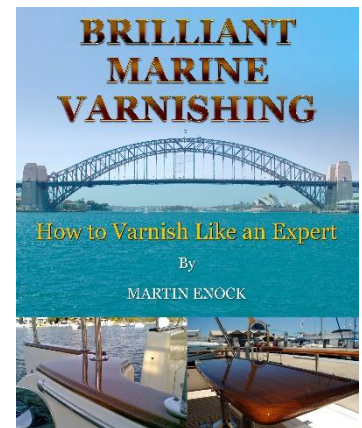
ARDON MARINE HAS OMEGA BRUSHES IN STOCK

Allen from Ardon Marine has stocks of the Omega 36mm full-style brush which many varnishers prefer for use with a thick bodied long oil varnish in particular, and also other single pack products that need a lot of material on the job to achieve flow and melt-in.

Get yours at:

www.ardonmarine.com.au

At the special price of A\$30 and tell them you saw it here for free standard shipping in Australia. Limited time only.



"BRILLIANT MARINE VARNISHING" APPROACHES PUBLICATION

At last?

Yeah ok!!

It's amazing to me how much time this stuff takes, particularly when there are 15 other jobs shouting at the same time.

Anyway.....final layout with more photos and last edit is happening now, which will be a few weeks, then ISBN and all the details with the publishers, and testing the website, should have an ETA of end April. It will be available in hard copy and PDF.

If you've been holding your breath...breathe!