This Week on the Sloop

March 17-24, 2016

This week we worked on fairing the frames on the starboard side, making and installing frames on the port side, making and installing the sole beams in the engine room, and preparing to build the centerboard trunk.
The new frames on the starboard side are looking very smooth. The thin strip of wood in the photo, called a batten, is used to make sure the frames are all in the same plane. Shipwrights remove high spots with power planes, hand planes, and grinders.
On the port side, the bosun's locker is beginning to take shape.

We are very excited to be almost ready to install the lowest timber of the centerboard trunk, shown here suspended above the keelson, which will be fastened to the top of the keelson.
The Kingston High Rowing Team will bring their boats back to the yard at the Maritime Museum, so it's time for us to get our wood out of there, and preferably, onto the sloop!

Follow the restoration live on Instagram!

What's Next?
In the coming weeks, we'll finish up the framing on the port side, build up the centerboard trunk, and start installing bilge stringers and ceiling planking. Oh, and we'll install hull planking, too. That's important to keep the boat afloat.

**Visiting the Sloop**

**VOLUNTEER:**
Please come help us out this weekend!
Saturday, March 26th is our volunteer day! We need help preparing the yawl boat for the season, and maintaining numerous pieces of the interior, which will eventually go back in the boat.

**Sundays are fun-days at the sloop!** We need volunteers every Sunday to help us clean up the shop after each work week. No need to register, just show up!

**Thank You!**

Thank you to our generous donors and volunteers who have helped keep the sloop afloat!

We are now just a few short months away from completing our sloop restoration and sailing with all of you once again!

Your generous donations have raised over $132,417.71 for the project so far, but we need you to keep filling in the planks and help us meet our
$250,000 goal.

We can't thank you enough for all that you do to keep the Clearwater sailing.

Contribute to Clearwater's restoration by becoming a member, volunteering, or helping us fund the project!