

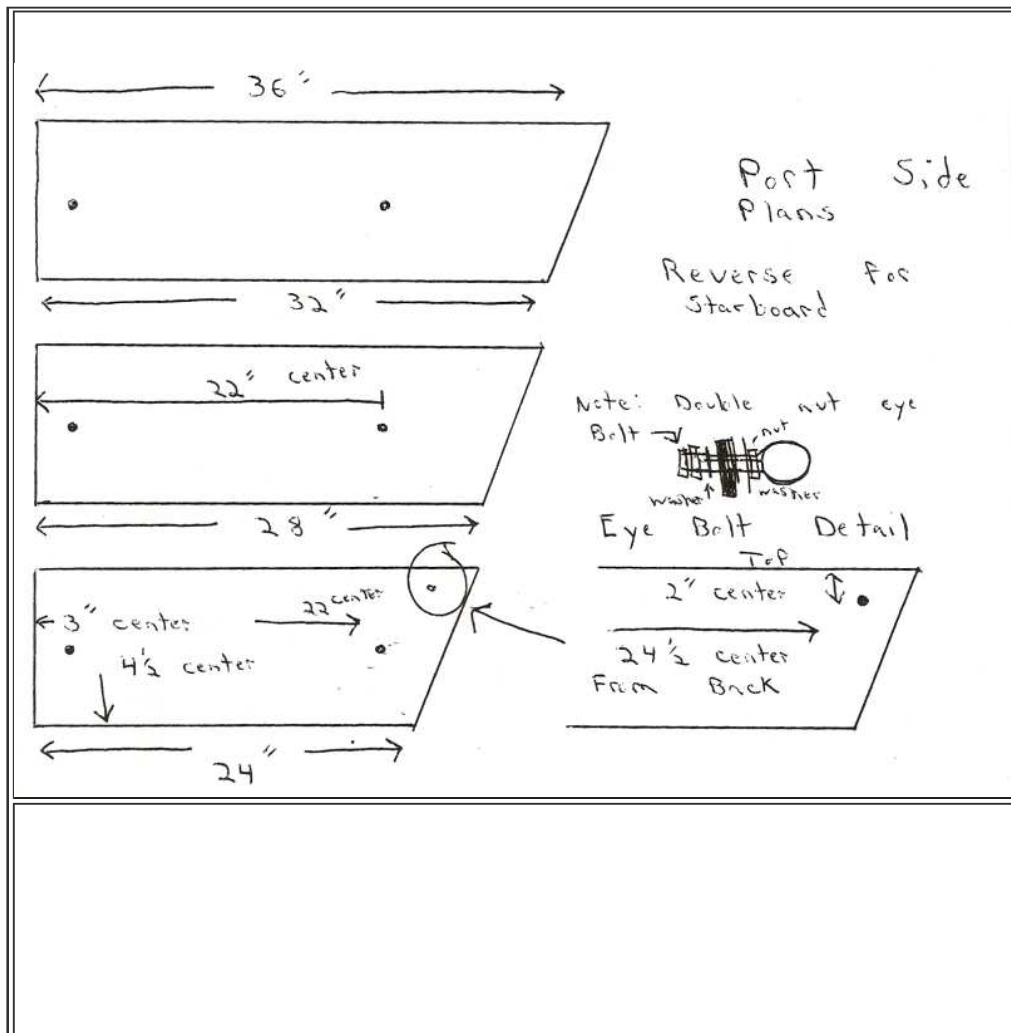
**Chesapeake Bay Planer Boards**  
 Written by Capt Frank Tuma - Down Time Charters  
 Plans provided by Skip Zinc and Walt Miller

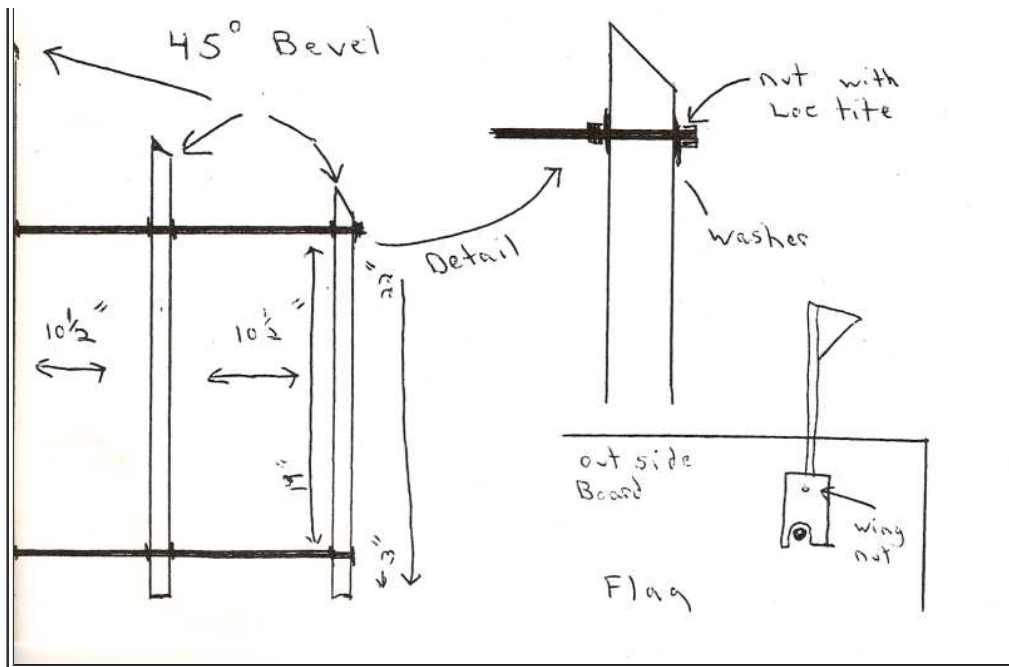


Planer boards used in the Chesapeake need to provide a carrying capacity of 3 to 5 lures pulling substantial weight including large umbrella rigs.

These plans and ideas are meant only as a reference. Each set I have made seem to have its own quirks and dimensions. Have fun and enjoy.

**Plans for 3 Board Planner – Rough Draft below**





### **MATERIAL LIST FOR ONE SET**

- (2) 8 foot 1" x 10" #1 Pine - no big knots, try to find straight boards
- (30) 3/8" x 16" stainless steel nuts (to fit all-thread rods)
- (28) 3/8" x 1 W' stainless steel fender washers (to fit all-thread rods)
- (2) eye bolts stainless steel 3/8" - 2 W' - 3" long
- (4) 2' long 3/8" x 16" stainless steel all thread (may have to purchase (2) 6' pieces) or  
**Alternative: Use pre-cut 3/8" x 24" "All Thread" from Home Depot or local Hardware stores – easier and cheaper than stainless.**
- (2) bike flags with bracket or US Flags
- (1) Lok Tite thread sealer (small tube)
- (1) quart orange paint - oil base is best  
**Alternative: paint with white house paint and spray paint with Florescent red**
- FOR FLAG - buy separate at Home Depot or Lowes's (2) 1/4" x 1 W' stainless steel bolt
- (2) W' stainless steel wing nut
- (2) W' stainless steel washer

*NOTE: stainless steel hardware available in lots of qty (100) at Leonard Jed Company 1301 Covington Street, Baltimore, MD 410-685-1482. By purchasing in this large quantity the cost is approximately one third the price at a home discount center or marine store.*

**Alternative: Use galvanized Bolts, nuts and washers - will last 5 to 10 years at half the price and easy to get at any hardware store!**

## **Tips and Tricks**



Connecting reel line to running line is easy with a Scotty Clip setup.  
Alternative is to use thin rubber bands to connect to rod line and D-Rings for easy connect to the running line.



Note Planer Running line Should run to top or highest and out to Planer

Electric line winder used for keeping running line coiled properly and easy storage



Available at h/w stores for around \$7

Weed Whacker/Trimmer line used for Running  
.095 or .105 (preferred) Trimmer Line



Use 100-150 foot on each side with boards running about 75-125 foot (with bow in line)