Boom

The boom is assembled upside-down.

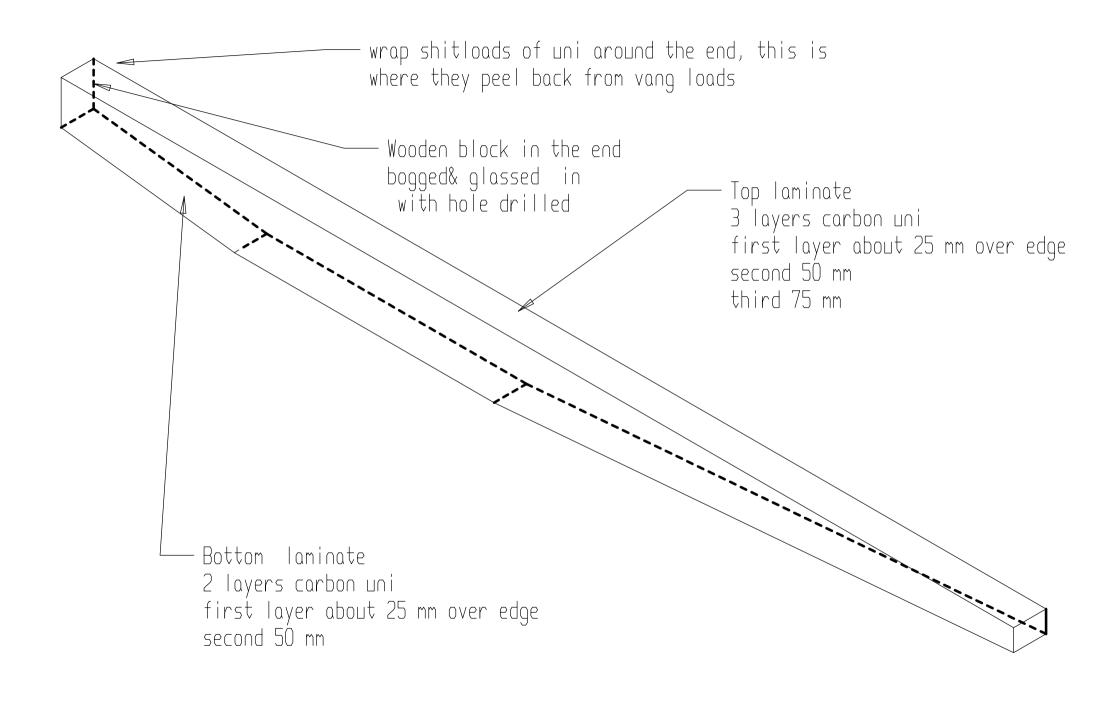
- 1. Laminate a 500x 2200 piece of 5 mm foam one side with 160 carbon matt cloth
- 2. Place template over top and cut out with Stanley knife
- 3. Place top on bench and glue sides to top in U shape, support sides with blocks, laminate is on inside
- 4. Fillet & Cove inside of boom with bog and glass
- 5. Glue three bottom pieces on top laminate is on inside

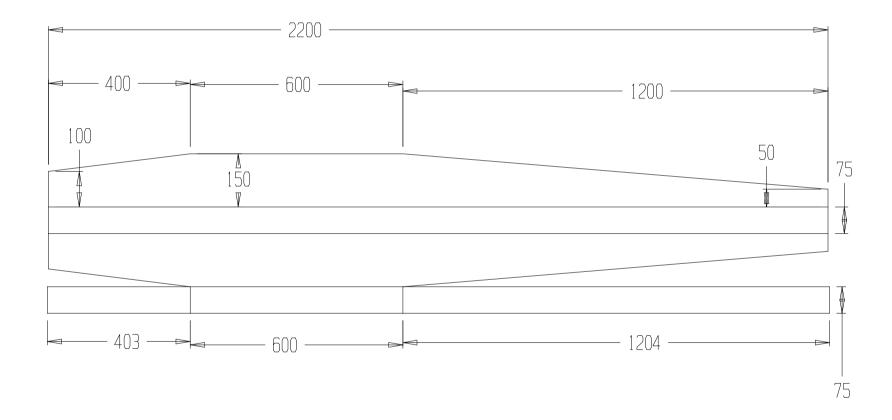
Now roll over

- 1. If you don't Add a strop at the end for the clew, you have to chisel out the foam and bog in a strip bit of high density foam for saddles for the clew.
- 2. Round the corners to a nice radius
- 3. Laminate 3 layers of carbon uni on top of boom, gradually extending them down the sides
- 4. Laminate 2 layers of uni on bottom gradually extending up the sides
- 5. Make sure the final layers of uni overlap and alternate between top and bottom
- 6. Wrap shitloads of carbon uni and matt around the front as there is heaps of peeling moment in this area.
- 7. Shape and fit block of wood into front for gooseneck, bog a laminate it in.
- 8. Wrap shitloads of uni and matt around the back
- 9. Add kevlar uni along sides to handle shroud crashing
- 10. Add carbon uni aligned with vang for vang loads
- 11. I added 3 small round bits of carbon plate and glassed them on so I could tap bolts into them for the vang, & mainsheet strops
- 12. Add a strop at the end for the clew

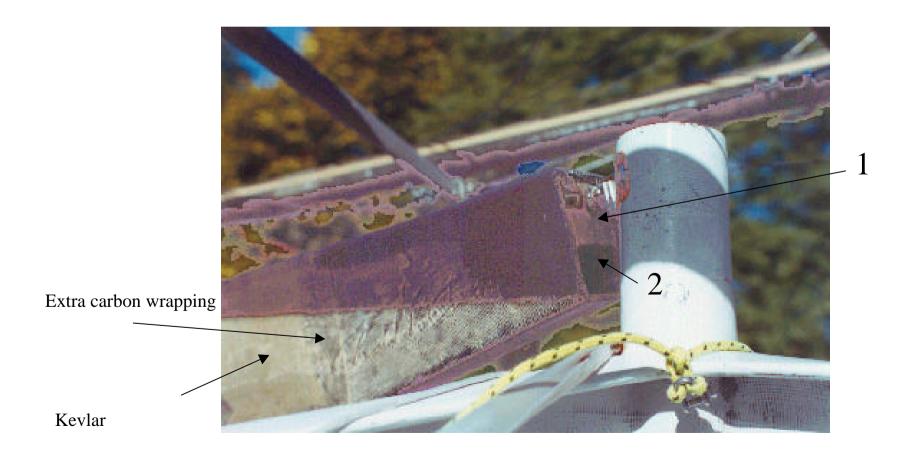
Kiss and thank wife

Should weigh about 2 kgs (not the wife)





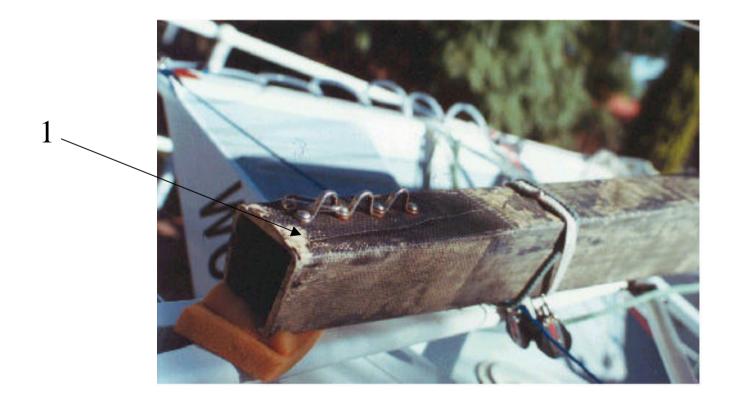
- This is the front of the boom. You can see the wooden block in the front (1), with a hole drilled for the gooseneck, it is also laminated underneath to hold in place (2).
- Also this is the highest load in the up direction so wrap plenty of carbon around the boom and an extra 2 layers 2" back
- The picture is a bit funny as it had a shadow on it



• This is a shot of the back of the boom, out of focus (Sorry) You can see the carbon plate button glassed on with a 3/16 bolt tapped in to take the webbing strap for the blocks



- Another shot of the back, showing the 3 saddles for the main. You should be able to get away with one
- Also extra wrapping around the boom for reinforcing and the area where the faom was cut out and high density foam added (1) before glassing



- Side on shot of boom, showing kevlar reinfocing along side (1) and carbon reinforcing in line with van loads (2)
- Vang strap is held on with 2 1/4 bolts tapped into a carbon plate on top (3)
- Carbon uni runs for and aft along the boom (4) and is put on before the all the other reinforcing

