

Work Experience: Case Study

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Learning objective:

Heritage Preservation: restoration of historic Whitstable Oyster Yawl (Gamecock).

- Increase exposure to heritage craft of traditional boat-building
- Gain wood working skills and an understanding of how these are used in traditional boat building and restoration

Learning activities:

- Understand the difference terms of the elements of the boats, and the sequence of how the shipwright has needed to address the restoration
- On-site experience to see the tools of the trade and understand their uses
- Assessment of different wood types and understanding their advantages and disadvantages in different parts of the boat
- Base wood working skills

Learning outcomes:

- Skills Development: Interviewing the Shipwright leading the Gamecock restoration and volunteers supporting this work
- Career Insight: Getting a glimpse into different career paths, eg heritage crafts and skills
- Understanding Work Ethic: The importance of punctuality, responsibility, and professionalism.

