

INTERESTING ITEMS FROM THE NORFOLK ISLAND MUSEUM

QUALITY ROWE MODELS IN THE R.E.O. THANKS TO STEFAN BARANOWSKYJ

Stefan Barannowskyj is a hobbyist who creates impressive building models by taking photos of the target building and by utilizing corresponding measurements, he creates plans and elevations of each building in HO Scale.



When Stefan saw Number 10 Quality Row on a recent trip to Norfolk he determined that this house had to be one of his projects. Bethany Holland was very helpful and sent through the corresponding measurements and a copy of the original floor plans. By also utilizing previous photos, Stefan was able to come up with something that looked like the real thing, only smaller. Not only did Stefan complete the house but the gardens and landscape also. The Number 10 model is made from styrene plastic, clear plastic for the window glazing and fabric for the latticework. The shingle roof is made from paper ordered from the USA.

Stefan also managed to get hold of the plans for number 11 Quality Row and he fortunately had a number of photos that he'd taken on his first visit to Norfolk. Styrene plastic was again used for around 99% of the model. The first row of shingles on the veranda roof took around 20 minutes to complete – which gives an indication of the total time spent constructing the entire roof.

Stefan then went on to complete a number of Quality Rowe buildings including the duplex, number 2 and 3 Quality Rowe. Now that they are completed, Stefan plans to create more buildings from the second settlement - preferably buildings that are in ruins or partial ruins

and try to make them reflect their original appearance. Stefan's understandable belief is that it is better for the visitor to see what a building may have looked like in 3D rather than seeing a sign stating that this particular building was here on this site.

Stefan mentions his only hope is that he can do justice to the buildings he models. From all accounts from the models on display at the R.E.O. he's more than achieved this and Norfolk is very much the beneficiary of his exceptional skills.



Stefan and Tom studying plans for one of Stefan's next models.

Do come down and view these models in the R.E.O.

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