

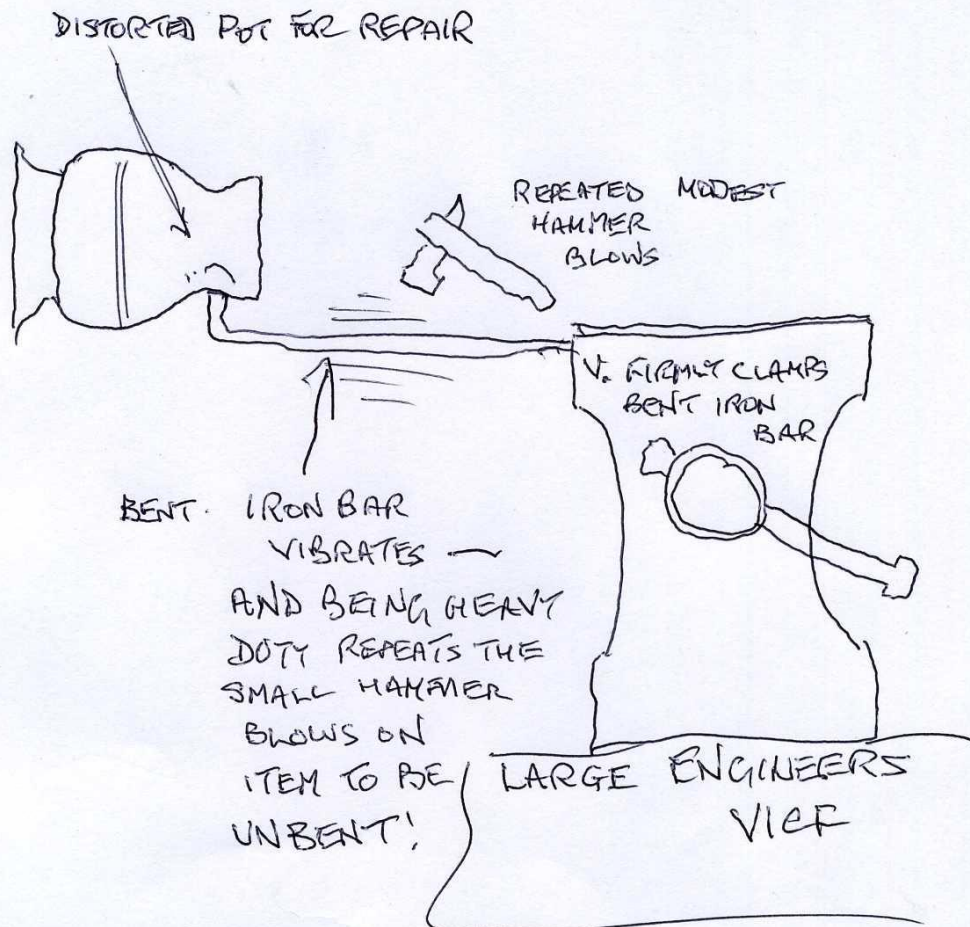
## REMOVING DENTS IN OLD PEWTER MUGS AND MEASURES ETC

This website asked a very experienced old pewter collector and restorer, how this might be done at home. The following are extracts from three replies but should give the general idea for those wondering what to try.

A method of restoring the bent rim is with a foot or more long, double angled flat iron bar, bent in the form of an “L” at each end, held firmly in the vice and with the bottom of the “L” pressed up against the inside of the bend. By continually striking the centre of the iron bar, which resonates, the end makes a series of small hammer blows just where needed to gently restore the right outline without risk to the vessel. Pewter is soft and continual gentle taps like this will do very little damaged to the body but ease it back into shape.

Here untidily sketched below is the system I use for removing dents from inaccessible places in metal objects and hope it is fairly self-explanatory. It works virtually every time and different sized “L” shaped bars can be used for different sized objects. The great advantage is that it fits INSIDE small baluster measures etc.,

(kindly remember – this website only supplies clues – those trying any suggestions on this website do so ENTIRELY at their own risk.)



THE "L" SHAPED BAR