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The May meeting of the HRSMS was held at the home of Skipper Bill Clarke on May 16 and was attended by 13 members and guests. The meeting was called to order at 2020 and a motion was passed to dispense with reading the minutes of the previous meeting, as they are now carried by the Newsletter. Members were encouraged to attend the opening of the Hampton Roads Naval Museum's new permanent exhibit "The Civil War in Hampton Roads" on May 30. Comments were received on the Newsletter and have been incorporated in this issue. A progress report was given on the VPA pilot boat project. There was no new business and the business meeting was adjourned at 2040. During and after a superb feast of strawberries and trimmings, hulls were brought out to be shown and discussed. Many ship types were covered, from fishing boats to 18th century warships to nuclear carriers, and the subject of decks was chosen for the June meeting. A short slide talk by Bill Fox on Newport News ships was also part of the program.

Thirteen members and 10 spouses of the HRSMS attended the exhibit opening and reception at the Hampton Roads Naval Museum on May 30, as did former Skipper Les McLeod and his wife Barbara. This was an enjoyable outing and included an impressive Colors Ceremony at 2000 as well as the opening of the exhibit. Members who were not able to attend are urged to visit the museum, located on the Norfolk Naval Base, to view the exhibit.

The June meeting of the HRSMS will be held at the home of Paris Aiken, 481 Harwin Drive, Hampton (826-0130) on Friday, June 13. As noted above the subject will be decks, and members are requested to bring models or information on same for discussion.

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