

Hampton Roads Ship Model Society

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The January meeting of the HRSMS was held at the home of Tom Tragle on the 16th and was attended by 11 members and by guests Gerald Bouchard and John Broadwater.

The meeting was called to order by Skipper Bill Clarke at 2014. Under old business, John Cheevers reported on plans for the 20th Anniversary celebration. Plans discussed include a reception and members' model display on Friday, March 16, a visit to the Yorktown Ships Project collection on Saturday afternoon, and a dinner at the James River Country Club on Saturday evening. (The reception and model exhibit were originally planned for the Mariners' Museum, but those arrangements have since fallen through and the location is now undetermined). Twenty-four models were offered for exhibit by the membership. An update on the Virginia Pilot Boats project followed the discussion about the anniversary.

Under new business, Gerald Bouchard was voted in as the newest member of the HRSMS and received the congratulations of all present. Several inquiries from persons looking for modelers to restore sticks and strings models were read, but there were no takers. The meeting was adjourned at 2103, but was reconvened at 2104 for the re-election of the current slate of officers for another term. Some discussion ensued regarding the club scrapbook and plan files, then the meeting was again adjourned at 2110.

After all this, a patient John Broadwater presented an interesting illustrated talk about recent discoveries by the Yorktown Ships Project team. He also pointed out that the project is languishing from lack of public support and the lack of a suitable place to display artifacts. After the presentation, John was presented with a \$100.00 donation to the project from the HRSMS. He invited club members and guests to the Project's Williamsburg offices to view artifacts, and his offer was quickly accepted.

The February meeting of the HRSMS will be held at the home of Bill Fox, 112 Colonel's Way, Williamsburg (253-0310) on Friday, February 20 (not on the 13th as originally planned) at 2000. Final plans for our anniversary will be gelled up at that time, and you are urged to attend: Please bring models and nautical gear to share.

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