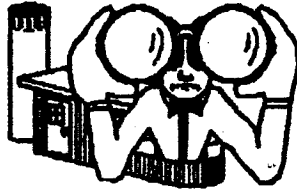


# Newsletter!

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From the  
Pilothouse



## Minutes



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I've got a couple of things I want to go over this month. First of all I would like to thank Gene Larson of the Nautical Research Guild for responding to my request for sources for modeling materials, kits, etc. Gene sent me a list of sources, compiled by the NRG, 9 pages long. I will fill in space in upcoming issues with these sources. I would still like to make up a list of local sources. Thanks a lot for reading the newsletter and responding so quickly Gene.

The second thing I would like to cover is an issue that has come up in conversation many times over the last few months. Without stealing Jack's thunder I would like to point out to the members that it may be time to start looking for a permanent meeting site. Our attendance this last year has averaged 17, and most of you have probably noticed that we are outgrowing member's homes. We're covered for 1995, except for August, but it probably isn't too soon to start thinking about 1996. My recommendation would be for a site somewhere in Newport News or in Williamsburg, to try and split the difference for our membership. Right now we stretch all the way from Suffolk to west of Richmond. I suspect our club covers more ground than most. A permanent site, with a few meetings at members homes as desired, would sure have a lot of advantages, not the least of which would be saving the newsletter editor from having to figure out directions to a new meeting place each month. But seriously, give this some thought and please express your feelings over the next few months and think about where we might be able to hold our meetings on a permanent basis in the future.

Len

21 Members present.

Guests: Ingvar Cedarblad

The meeting got underway at 2018. (Jack even rang the club bell.)

### Old Business:

NRG Conference: Jack Bobbitt has arranged to have Thomas Gilmer speak at the conference. Mr. Gilmer is a well known naval architect who designed both Pride's of Baltimore, has worked on the USS Constitution and instructed at the Naval Academy.

Bill Clarke and John Cheevers went to the Holiday Inn to try out their standard Saturday night buffet. It turned out to be very good and was substantially less than the price they quoted for our banquet. (Ed. note: I suspect the conference price will be considerably lower than the Inn originally quoted. Go get'em Bill.)

Meetings: So far we don't have a host for the August meetings.

Betty Lou Tragle: Jack has arranged with Betty Lou for the club members to view the items she wishes to sell on the 28th of January at 0930. (Ed. note: Directions to Betty Lou's home will be forthcoming.)

Club Model Project: Graham passed around a list for anyone interested in the group project to sign up. (Ed. note: I saw about 7 or 8 names on the list. Graham is planning a very simple project. It'd better be if he ever expects me to finish a spars and rigging model.)

Pond Model Schooner: As mentioned in the last

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Issue, Mary Turnbull is looking for some one to repair a pond model schooner, primarily outfit it with sails. Alan Frazer has photos of the model if anyone is interested.

### New Business:

**Club Roster:** The latest club roster was passed around at the meeting. Anyone who was not present and would like one please let the editor know.

**Tap and Clearance Chart:** Alan inquired as to the origin of the chart that appeared in the last issue. The chart the editor used came from Jack Bobbitt who compiled it from many sources. That type of information can be found in most drafting, woodworking or metalworking sources.

**Professional Caster:** Harvey Williams mentioned that he has a friend who lives in Annapolis who is a retired professional metal caster. Harvey is going to approach about making a presentation at the March Solomon's Island meeting.

### Show and Tell:

**Jack Bobbitt-** Displayed his puny which is now finished. He has added the sails and I must say it is a gorgeous model. Hope Jack intends to enter it in the Mariners Museum contest, it should do well.

Jack also passed around some wood samples from the Dromedary which he had oiled on 1/2 to show how the different types look.

Finally Jack gave everyone the opportunity to see his well appointed and extremely clean shop. Jack has several interesting gadgets up there; including a homemade table saw and a homemade thickness sander. The Chesapeake Bay schooner is progressing nicely and was in view up in the shop.

**John Cheevers-** John had several items to share: He passed around the lines for the RORO ships the shipyard is currently working on.

John also recommended using dremel scroll saw blades in a jewelers saw.

He had a set of miniature pliers from Wal-Mart that were inexpensive and pretty well made.

Finally John brought along the fire

monitor that he built for his tug project. It looked very good and was scratchbuilt from brass tubing and shapes.

**Joe McCleary-** Joe had a problem finding scale cannon balls to match the cannon caliber on a current project. Tumbling didn't work so he built a device rotating a disc of fine sandpaper over a fixed piece of paper and turned it in his drill press. The result of lapping the oversize shot was cannon balls of the correct caliber.

**Graham Horne-** Graham spoke briefly about a presentation he and Nick Rumsey attended at the Fine Arts Museum in Raleigh concerning the building of a full scale trireme in Greece. The presentation was by one of the rowers and included lots of information discovered during the research to build the ship.

**Bob Comet-** Bob displayed the model of a Bay deadrise that he started at the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Festival. Bob ended up with a very nice little model.

**Ingvar Cedarblad-** Our guest brought along a kit model of the le Hussard that he is building. Ingvar wanted help on planking the model properly and judging from the response he probably got all the help he needed.

**Alan Frazier-** Alan announced that the Addison Gallery of Art has produced a new catalog of the ship models in their collection. Alan should be able to provide details to anyone who is interested in obtaining a copy.

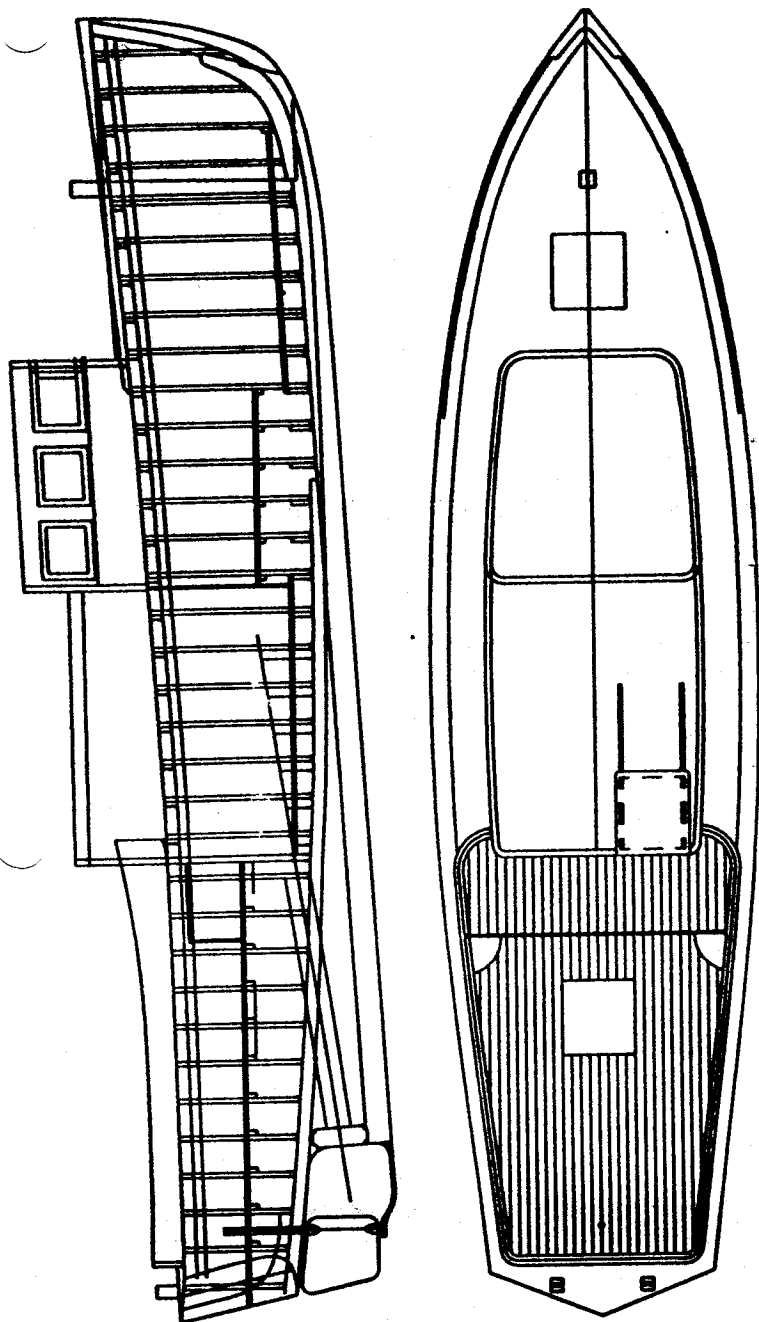
Alan also passed around 2 books he purchased from Conway in England for much less than the price through the Naval Institute; Navy Board Models and the Frigate Diana. Both appear to be very good books.

The meeting adjourned at 2137 and everyone dived into the tremendous fare provided by Jack and Jeanne Bobbitt.

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**Above-board:** above the deck and therefore open and visible; which gave rise to the term used to denote open and fair dealing.

Drawing courtesy of John Cheevers



75' Ship Chandlers Launch

10 March- Monthly Meeting

14 April- Monthly Meeting

14-15 October- Chesapeake Bay Maritime Festival

October 1995- NRG Conference

(Note- Please keep the editor informed of any upcoming events not reflected here.)

## Notice to Mariners



Thanks to Gene Larson and the NRG for the list of sources that follow:

### Kits, Fittings, Supplies and Some Tools

A.J. Fisher, Inc.  
1002 Etowah Avenue  
Royal Oak, MI 48067  
Mfg. kits, brass fittings

Air Land and Sea  
1215 King Street  
Alexandria, VA 22314  
(703) 684-5118  
Out of prod. kits

Arrow Graphics  
RR #1  
York, Ontario N0A 1R0  
416-692-4921  
Canadian flags, markings

BaD Ship Models  
P.O. Box 786  
Middle Island, NY 11953  
(516) 145-1175  
1/96 plank on frame kits

Bluewater Navy  
Div. of MB Models Inc.  
P.O. Box 8241 Festival Ctr.  
Charleston, SC 29418  
(803) 767-4209  
Mfg. WW!! warships, etc., cast resin kits

Bluejacket Shipcrafters  
P.O. Box 425  
Stockton Springs, ME 04981  
(800) 448-5567  
Mfg. wood kits, fittings, etc.  
\$2.00 catalog

Bureau of Ship Models, Inc.  
Colin Ratliff  
782 University Dr.  
Waldorf, MD 20602-3479  
(301) 645-4405  
Mfg. kits, fittings, plans, art dealer

CH Enterprises  
P.O. Box 31146  
Santa Barbara, CA 93130  
(805) 684-3673  
Kits, fittings, tools, supplies  
novice to advanced.  
\$3.00 catalog

## Upcoming Events

January											
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa					
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14					
15	16	17	18	19	20	21					
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13 January- Monthly Meeting

10 February- Monthly Meeting

4-5 March- Tri-Society Meeting.  
Solomons Island, MD

**A-cockbill:** a term used to describe an anchor when it hangs by its ring at the cathead or from the hawsehole ready for letting go.

**NOTAM Cont.-**

**Classic Warships**  
P.O. Box 57591  
Tucson, AZ 85732  
Mfg. rare WWI and WWII ships

**D&E Miniatures**  
835 Holly Hedge Avenue  
Virginia Beach, VA 23452  
(804) 468-4687  
cast resin subs

**Dromedary Ship Modeler's Center**  
5324 Belton Drive  
El Paso, TX 79912  
(915) 584-2445  
Dealer kits, fittings, etc.  
\$6.00 catalog

**Dynamic Models**  
Drawer C  
Port Jefferson Station, NY 11776  
Mfg. kits and fittings

**Glencoe Models, Inc.**  
P.O. Box 846  
Northboro, MA 01532  
(508) 869-6877  
Plastic 20th cent. ships

**Hartman Fibreglass RC**  
P.O. Box 86  
Argenta, IL 62501  
(217) 795-2275  
Mfg. kits

**Hobby Lobby**  
5614 Franklin Pike Circle  
Brentwood, TN 37027  
Mail order hobby shop

**H-R Products**  
P.O. Box 67  
McHenry, IL 60051  
Mfg. cast naval fittings

**The Laughing Whale**  
174 Front Street  
Bath, ME 04530-2609  
(207) 443-5723  
Mfg. small wooden boat kits

**Lone Star Models**  
1230 Barrowgate  
Sugarland, TX 77478  
1/92 Civil War ironclads  
\$2.00 catalog

**Coast Guard Models**  
110 Essex Road  
Blk Grove Village, IL 60007  
(708) 437-1367  
Hulls and semi-kits.

**Dragon Model & Pattern**  
231 Hull Road  
Grays River, WA 98621  
(206) 465-2427  
1/200 resin subs  
\$1.00 list

**Dumas**  
909 E. 17th Street  
Tucson, AZ 85719  
(602) 623-3742  
Mfg. static & RC wood & fiberglass kits

**Flagship Models**  
2204 Summer Way Lane  
Edmond, OK 73013  
1/700 photoetch warship fittings

**Great Planes Model Dist. Co.**  
P.O. Box 9021  
Champaign, IL 61826-9021  
(217) 398-3630  
RC kit distributor

**Hobby House's Quaterdeck**  
5622 Hwy 153  
Chattanooga, TN 37343  
Dist. of US & foreign kits  
\$2.50 catalog

**Howard Enterprises**  
P.O. Box 1387  
Torrance, CA 90505  
1/20 Higgins & ELCO PT kits

**International Marine Exchange Kits**  
215 Philmont Ave.  
Feasterville, PA 19047  
(215) 357-2163

**Lindberg**  
328 N. Westwood Ave.  
Toledo, OH 43607  
Plastic kit mfg.  
32 page catalog

**Maritime Museum Models**  
Los Angeles Maritime Museum  
P.O. Box 1147  
San Pedro, CA 90731  
(310) 548-7618  
Fibreglass hulls of warships and commercial ships

**Masterpieces in Miniature**  
P.O. Box 387  
Medford, MA 02155  
Photoetched brass

**Model Boats Unlimited**  
P.O. Box 1135  
Haddonfield, NJ 08033  
(609) 783-9163  
Warships & pleasure boats

**Naval Works**  
1963 Federal Avenue  
Costa Mesa, CA 92627  
(714) 646-6746  
1/700 resin kits

**North River Scale Models**  
Jim Roberts  
P.O. Box 426  
Dover, NJ 07802  
(201) 328-3833  
Mfg. wooden kits & fittings  
\$3.00 catalog

**Pleasant Cove Models**  
17 Potter Road  
Framingham, MA 01701  
Mfg. small craft kits  
\$1.00 catalog

**Scale Shipyard**  
5866 Orange Avenue, #3  
Long Beach, CA 90805-4146  
Fibreglass hulls

**The Ship Model Shop**  
Deerfield Lane  
P.O. Box 356  
Eastham, MA 02642  
(508) 255-3575  
Mfg. modern warship kits

**Slagel Models, Inc.**  
P.O. Box 1639  
Longview, WA 98632-7791  
Mfg. nuclear sub resin kits

**Thoroughbred Figures**  
3833 Buckhorn Place  
Virginia Beach, VA 23456  
1/600 white metal Civil War ironclads and ships

**Valley Plaza Hobbies**  
2211 Mouton Drive  
Carson City, NV 89706  
(702) 887-1131  
Mail order hobby shop

**Midwest Products Co.**  
P.O. Box 564  
Hobart, IN 46342  
(219) 842-1134  
Mfg. small craft kits

**Model Expo, Inc.**  
P.O. Box 1000  
Industrial Park Drive, #10  
Mt. Pocono, PA 18344  
(800) 222-3876  
Mfg. & dealer, mail order, kits, fittings, tools  
\$3.00 catalog

**The Naval Base**  
558 Willow Avenue  
Cedarhurst, NY 11516  
(516) 293-9525  
Dealer plastic warships

**Pacific Front Hobbies**  
11804 NE 138th  
Kirkland, WA 98034  
(206) 821-2564  
Dist. 1/700 resin kits by Naval Works  
\$8.00 catalog

**Preston**  
Main Street Wharf  
Greenport, LI, NY 11944  
(516) 477-1990  
Dealer nautical items

**Select Hobby Supplies**  
P.O. Box 723  
Glastonbury, CT 06033  
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Dealer kits & fittings

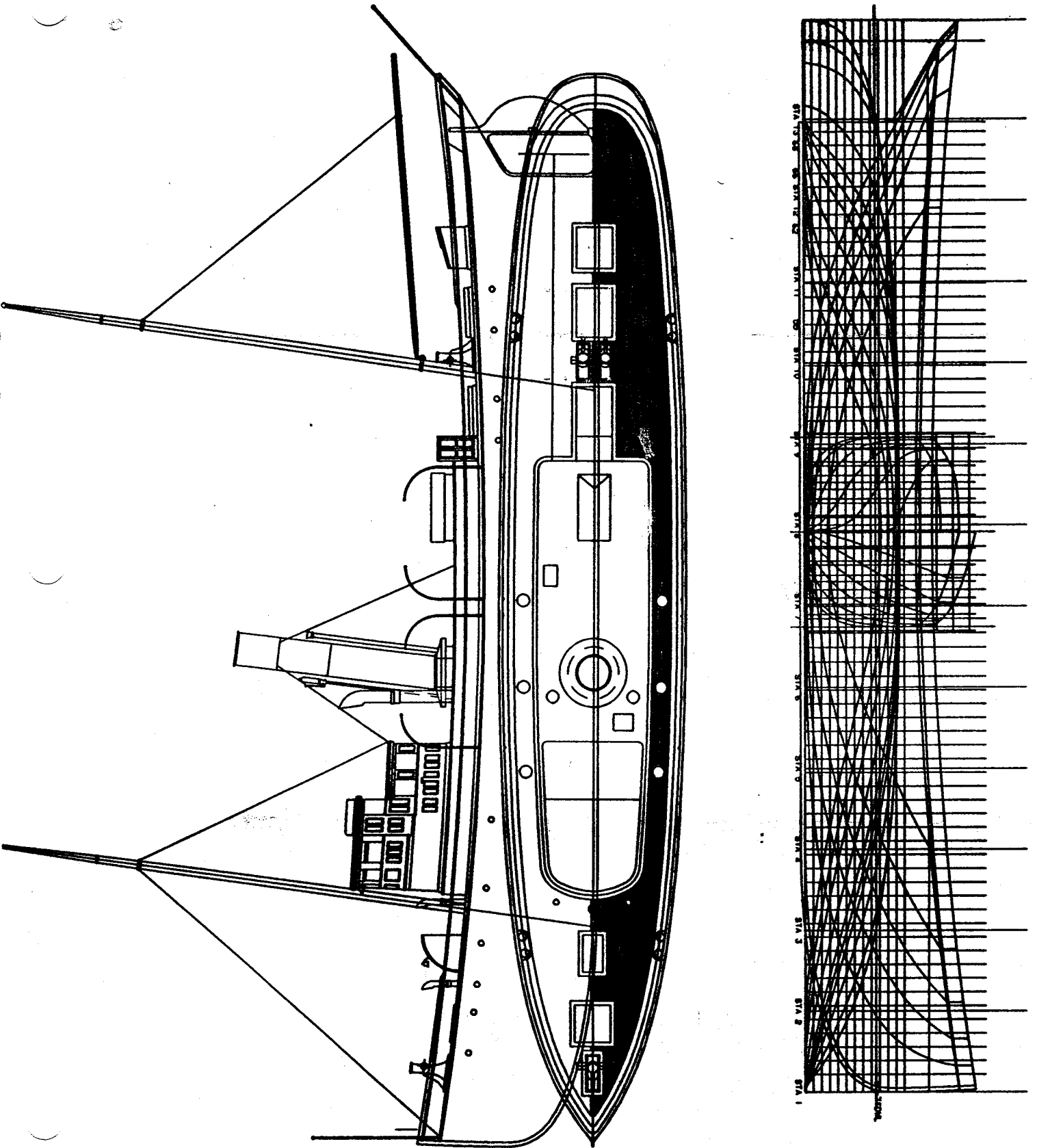
**Ships N' Things**  
P.O. Box 605  
Somerville, NJ 08876  
(908) 722-0075  
RC & static

**Squadron Mail Order**  
1115 Crowley Drive  
Carrollton, TX 75011-5010  
Dealer plastic kits

**Tower Hobbies**  
P.O. Box 9078  
Champaign, IL 61826-9078  
(800) 637-4989  
Mail order hobby shop

**32nd Parallel**  
P.O. Box 804  
Pismo Beach, CA 93448  
(408) 481-3170  
Mfg. RC subs

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Newport News Shipyard Hull No. 12, 1893  
Tug John H. Estill

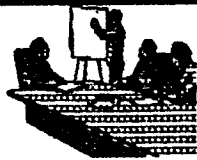
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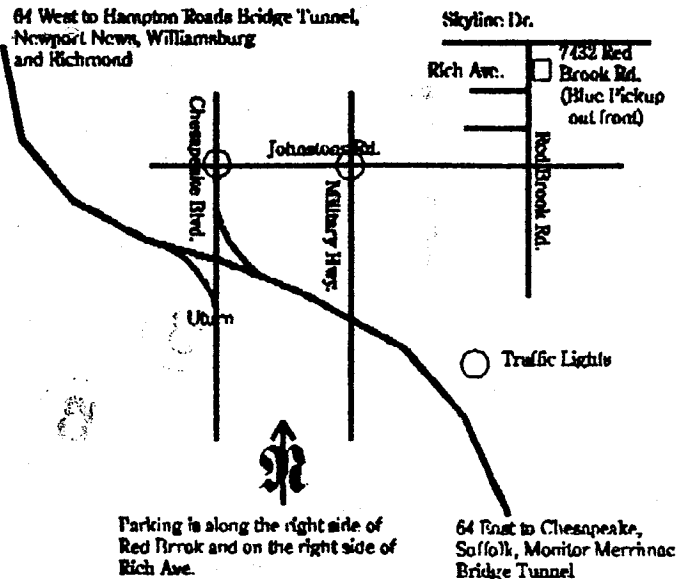
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548-0842  
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is done I will talk about that but everyone plan on bringing stuff for show and tell anyway. Please give me a call by Wednesday or Thursday night so I know how many chairs to find or else bring a cushion because you'll be on the floor. Phone number (804) 588-5831. A map showing how to get here follows. Watch out for the Chesapeake Ave. exit, depending on the direction you come you may have to do an immediate U-turn after getting off of the freeway.

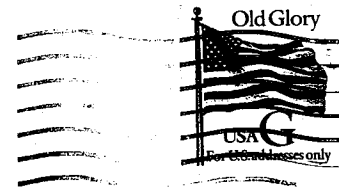
# Next Meeting ~~CANCELLED~~



The next meeting will be at the home of yours truly, the HRSMS Newsletter editor, Len Wine. Lois gave me permission, so with a little furniture rearranging I hope to get everyone in. Don't expect to see my spectacular shop, the dirty garage doesn't count. If my new gearbox



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AA: Dues paid. AD: Dues due.

Jan. mtg. cancelled