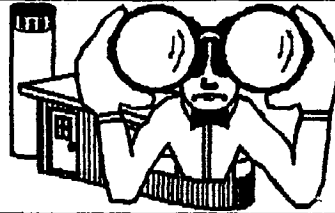


From
the
Pilothouse!



Although I'm not an officer anymore I would like to use this space to editorialize occasionally when the regular club officers don't have anything to put in here.

I know most of the HRSMS members are probably aware that I had my appendix out this week. I can assure everyone that an appendectomy should be avoided if at all possible. The actual operation wasn't too bad, I slept through that, it's pre and post-op that were memorable. I've decided that all doctors should have to undergo 3 things prior to graduating from medical school. They should all have to spend 9 hours on an ER gurney, have a tube run into their stomach through their nose and go 16 hours without water.

Again, avoid these things if at all possible, in particular the stomach tube, the shortest lived but certainly the most intense event. Thanks to everyone who called and to Jack and Jeanne Bobbitt for putting out the emergency newsletter to the club members.

Major announcement here. NASA, Langley and the US Government have lost a valued, long term employee who I am sure will be greatly missed. Bill Clarke retired last week. I noticed that every time I called before 0900 he was still in bed. I'm not quite sure what that means. It will be interesting to see what Bill can put together now for the 1996 Strawberry meeting.

Finally, as I pointed out in my intro I am no longer the First Mate, those duties have been ably taken over by Jim McCurdy. Having been an officer, I think the term limit of 3 consecutive years is just about right. In any case, thanks for the opportunity to be First Mate.

Len

Minutes



March 10, 1995

Members Present: 17
Guest(s): Bil Peach

Meeting Called to Order 2014.

Election of Officers

The nominations made at the February meeting were unanimously accepted.

Founder's Award

Secret ballots for the Founder's Award were passed out and the results were tabulated by the accounting firm of *Clarke and Tagg*. The results are to be announced April 28 at the annual banquet.

Old Business

NRG Conference-

Bill Clarke announced that he expected the banquet meal to run between \$20 and \$21. That price is likely to change before October.

Bill also announced that Bob Sumrall will not be able to speak at this years conference as he will be tied up at a Naval History Symposium in Annapolis.

All in all, preparations for the conference are progressing nicely.

Solomon's Island Meeting-

It was reported by everyone who attended that the meeting at Solomon's was great. There were 26 attendees and all of the presenters were tremendous. The general feeling among club members was that we shouldn't wait so long before we do another of these.

Annual Banquet-

The Annual Banquet is scheduled for 28 April at the James River Country Club in Newport News. (Ed. Note: see the Notice to Mariners for further details.)

New Business

Club Meeting Place-

Jack Bobbitt officially broached the subject of a meeting place for the club other than member's homes. Jack approached the Mariners Museum as a possible site but their appear to be some serious obstacles including the museum security and cost for a room. Jack is still negotiating.

A couple of other places were mentioned:

The Newport News Women's Club across from Riverside hospital

Watermen's Wharf which has opened under

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new management. Their plan is to have a model basin and an interpretive center covering the Battle of Hampton Roads.

There is a new Waterfowl Center opening in June in Virginia Beach.

Jack appointed a committee to investigate possible meeting sites and get back to the club with recommendations.

St. Michaels, Tilghman's Island-

Tom Saunders drove down to St. Michaels after the Solomon's meeting and reported that it really is a good museum and he enjoyed the whole area. He even knocked around on some beached skipjacks and got some good pictures.

NRG Journals-

The historian, Chuck Reynolds, reminded the membership to please to return any club copies of the Journal. The cupboard is bare, so to speak, when it comes to club holdings of the Journal.

Masking for Painting-

The question was raised about what is the best way to mask before spray painting to avoid paint running under the edge or pulling off the undercoat. Jack Bobbitt mentioned that he uses a 3M masking tape sold in automotive paint shops. It comes in different widths for masking stripes.

Due Due-

A reminder from Bill Clarke that the new fiscal year is starting and it is time to pay our dues. \$12 please.

Show and Tell

Monitor and Virginia-

Alan Frazer mentioned that the Mariner's Museum has refinished these models and improved the display.

New Exhibit-

The Mariners Museum is putting together a new exhibit to open in September. They are looking for a Type VII U-Boat model and an Escort Carrier (CVE) model. (Ed. Note: I believe Alan said they were both to be in 1/8th scale. Check with Alan if you are interested.)

Recognition Models-

The museum has also acquired a set of WWII carrier recognition models. They would like to have a set built to show each of the modern classes of US carriers.

Photo-etching-

Colin Ratliff, a modelmaker at the David Taylor Model Basin, has information about a photoetching technique using a dry transfer film that can be drawn directly onto. Doing away with the need for shooting a negative and so forth.

Solomon's Photos-

Chuck Reynolds is looking for photos of the Solomon's Island weekend to add to the club scrapbook.

New Catalogs-

Bill Clarke brought along new catalogs from Loyal Hannah's, Bluejacket and A.J. Fischer.

Bismark, Tirpitz, Z32-

Henry Schekulin showed us his Bismark, Tirpitz and Z32 drawings. These plans are done by a draftsman in Germany and updated with information made available by the rennification. These are truly spectacular plans.

Battleship/Cruiser-

John Cheevers had plans of the USS Florida, 1927, and the USS Brooklyn, 1897. John found both sets at the Archives.

The meeting adjourned at 2138.

Following the meeting we all tramped upstairs to Joe McCleary's shop to see his demonstrations on casting cannons, silver soldering/brazing and making gratings. Joe's shop is another one of those places that a speck of dirt would look out of place in. After the trip up to the shop everyone enjoyed the refreshments provided by the McCleary's.



Notice to Mariners

Annual Banquet: The Annual Banquet is going to held on 28 April at the James River Country Club. The cocktail hour will start at 1900 and dinner at 2000. There is a choice of 2 entrees; Chicken with Smithfield Ham in sherry and mushroom sauce, cost \$19.70, and London Broil with Bearnaise sauce, cost 18.50. Checks made out to the HRSMS must be received by Bill Clarke by 21 April.

Directions- Take I-64 to the J. Clyde Morris West exit and proceed to Warwick Blvd. Turn right and go to the next traffic light. Turn left on to Shoe Lane and go to where Shoe Lane narrows. Turn right on to Country Club Lane and follow it to the clubhouse. The banquet will be inside the main entrance to the left.

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Sources: A couple of months ago this section featured a list of sources for kits, fittings, supplies and tools. The list was supplied by Gene Larson and the Nautical Research Guild. This month features the next 2 sections of the list:

Materials

A&M Wood Specialty Inc.
358 Eagle Street North
P.O. Box 3204
Cambridge, Ontario N3H-4S6
(519) 653-9322
(Boxwood, etc.)

Alumite Corp.
225 Parsons St.
Kalamazoo, MI 49007
(616)342-1259
(Casting products and low viscosity resins.)

American Art Clay Co.
4717 W. 16th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46222
(616) 342-1259
(Brush 'n Leaf liquid metal finishes. SASE for brochure.)

Belmont Metals, Inc.
Attn. Phil Karmel
330 Belmont Ave.
Brooklyn, NY 11207
(718) 342-4900
(Britannia metal at \$12+/lb.)

Circuit Board Supplies, Inc.
820 Maple Lane
Bensenville, IL 60106
(708) 595-7570
(Copper foil in bulk.)

Constantine
2050 Eastchester Rd.
Bronx, NY 10461
(800) 223-8087
(Specialty wood for crafts.)

Craft Woods
2101 Greenspring Drive
P.O. Box 527
Timonium, MD 21093
(800) 468-7070
(Carving woods, tools, books, etc. Free catalog.)

Eager Plastics
3701 South Halstead
Chicago, IL 60609
(312) 927-3484
(Casting materials, resins, RTV, etc.)

Edmund Scientific Co.
101 East Gloucester Pike
Barrington, NJ 08007-1380
(Gears, motors, fiber optics, etc.)

Evergreen Scale Models
12808 N.E. 125th Way
Kirkland, WA 98034
(Plastic material, sheet and formed shapes.)

Frederick J. Fawcett
1338 Ross Street
Petaluma, CA 94954-6502
(800) 289-9276
(Linen line and laid up rope.)

Floquil-Polly S Color Corp.
4715 State Hwy. 30
Amsterdam, NY 12010-9204
(Model ship scale colors.)

FOTOCUT, F. Hultberg
Box 120
Erieville, NY 13061
(315) 662-3356
(Photo-etching from your camera ready copy.)

Gold Medal Models
12332 Chapman Avenue #81
Garden Grove, CA 92640
(Photo-etched fittings for ships.)

K&S Engineering
6917 W. 59th Street
Chicago, IL 60638
(312) 586-8556
(Sheet and formed metal shapes, drills, taps, files, etc. Cat. \$1.00.)

The Lumber Yard
6908 Stadium Drive
Brecksville, OH 44141
(216) 526-2173
(Bulk woods for modelmakers, laser cut frames. Cat. \$2.00.)

Northeastern Scale Models
P.O. Box 727
Methuen, MA 01844
(508) 688-6019
(Milled scale wood for modelmakers. Cat. \$1.00.)

Pelican Wire Co., Inc.
6266 Taylor Road
Naples, FL 33942
(813) 597-8555
(Nichrome wire for laying up wire rope.)

Plastruct
1020 S. Wallace Place
City of Industry, CA 91748
(800) 666-7015
(Sheet and shaped plastic.)

Precision Scale Model Engineering
33 Harding Street
Milford, MA 01757
(508) 478-3148
(Tools, gears.)

Small Parts, Inc.
13980 N.W. 58th Court
P.O. Box 4650
Miami Lakes, FL 33014-0650
(800) 423-9009
(Gears, couplings, parts, etc.)

Special Shapes Co.
P.O. Box 487
Romeoville, IL 60441
(Small brass structural shapes. Cat. \$1.00.)

Ron Stetkewicz
Miniaturist
HCR-1 Box 61B
Cairo, NY 12413
(518) 622-8311
(Photo-etching from your camera ready copy.)

Stock Drive Products
2101 Jericho Turnpike
Box 5416
New Hyde Park, NY 11042
(516) 328-3300
(Belt drives, gears, shafts, couplings, etc.)

Warner Woods West
P.O. Box 5173
Torrence, CA 90510
(310) 326-5177
(Milled and bulk imported and domestic woods.)

Plans

Capt. Pete Culler's Plans
George "S" Kelley
20 Lookout Lane
Hyannis, MA 02601
(508) 775-2679
(Schooners, contemporary designs. List \$1.00.)

Computer Lofting
470 Hillcrest Place #5
Friday Harbor, WA 98250

Floating Drydock
c/o General Delivery
Kresgeville, PA 18333
(Plans, photos and books. Primarily warships of WWIL)

G.W. Blunt White Library
Dept. of Ships Plans and Charts
Mystic Seaport Museum
Mystic, CT 06355
(General archival plans.)

Harold M. Hahn
1212 Gordon Road
Lyndhurst, OH 44124
(Proprietary plans of American Revolutionary vessels.)

Hart Nautical Collections
The MIT Museum
265 Massachusetts Ave.
Cambridge, MA 02139
(617) 253-5942
(General archival plans.)

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July Meeting: 14 July, 2000 Hrs., Host: David Tagg

August Meeting: 11 August, 2000 Hrs.,
Hosts: Jim McCurdy, Harvey Williams, Len Wine

September Meeting: 8 September, 2000 Hrs.,
Host: Chuck Reynolds

October Meeting: 13 October, 2000 Hrs.,
Host: Graham Horne

NRG Conference: 27-29 October, Coliseum Mall
Holiday Inn, Hampton, VA

November Meeting: 10 November, 2000 Hrs.,
Host: Heinz Schiller

December Meeting: 8 December, 2000 Hrs.,
Host: Jack Bobbitt

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Upcoming Events!

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April Meeting: 14 April, 2000 Hrs., Host: Bob Sanderson

Mid-Atlantic Maritime Festival: 21-23 April, Easton, MD

Annual Banquet: 28 April, 1830 Cocktails, 1930 Dinner,
James River Country Club

May Meeting: 19 May, 2000 Hrs., Host: Bill Clarke

June Meeting: 9 June, 2000 Hrs., Host: Ulrich Guenther



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