

# HAMPTON ROADS SHIP MODEL SOCIETY

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NEWSLETTER

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The April 12 meeting, at the home of David and Karen Tagg, was presided over by the Purser in the absence of the Skipper and the Mate. There were ten members present, plus guests Scott Newell, Harvey Williams and Bruno Jachman.

Bill Clarke reviewed a completed proposal for the NRG Conference Program on October 25-27. Friday boat tour will include Elizabeth River as far as Naval Shipyard, Portsmouth. Passengers other than NRG registrants will be accepted if space is available. Free admission to Mariners' Museum for conference attendees, Friday through Monday. Help will be needed for registration. Proposed fees were reviewed and some were revised, notably the registration fee (\$25 after October 1; \$15 earlier). Program looks good, thanks to Bill.

A motion was made and passed to change bank signature card so John Cheevers or Alan Frazer can sign checks. Alan reported The Mariners' Museum will hold its "Festival in the Park" on June 2 and would again welcome HRSMS participation as last year. It appears that they may build a small dock or float to ease the launching of R/C models. Gene Berger and David Tagg will coordinate participation. There are 85 entry forms in for the Ship Model Competition. Alan also passed around new copies of *Nautical Research Journal*, *Ships in Scale*, *Model Ship Builder*, *Steamboat Bill*, *The Broadaxe* (Ship Model Society of Northern New Jersey), and a new Model Expo catalog.

Tom Hesse reminded us of the model contest for children at the Life Saving Museum in Virginia Beach, to be held April 27 or May 4. Gene Berger, David Tagg and Jim McCurdy volunteered to serve as judges. Unrelated business is that David and Jim will try to arrange a group visit to USS WISCONSIN.

It was Scott Newell's third visit, so guests were excused (after a belated introduction) and Scott was elected to membership after the usual prolonged debate. Show and Tell was incorporated into the formal meeting, with Scott, Gene Berger, Bill Clarke and David Tagg contributing. The meeting was adjourned at 2200, and our hosts shared their delicious wedding anniversary supper.

The next meeting will be advanced to Friday, **May 3, 1991**, at 2000 hours, at the home of Bill and Joanne Clarke, 196 Odd Road, Poquoson. Note change of date, and we hope the strawberries will be ripe early! Call 868-6809 for directions.

The Purser is watching! If checked here , you are one of 14 who have not paid your 1991 dues. Make checks for \$6.00 out to Hampton Roads Ship Model Society, please. With new postage rates we pay 58% of dues just for postage.

## On the Bridge:

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