

HAMPTON ROADS SHIP MODEL SOCIETY

NO. 61

NEWSLETTER

July 1991

The June 14 meeting, at the home of Leonard Wine in Norfolk, was called to order at 2018 hrs. Harvey Williams arrived as a third-time guest and left as our newest member; congratulations, Harvey, and welcome! Other visitors were Bill Ashton, past president of Ship Model Society of Northern New Jersey (now living in Hickory, North Carolina), and his son-in-law, Ed Tracy. Bill was in town in connection with the Scale Ship Model Competition at The Mariners' Museum, and had his model of the revenue cutter WASHINGTON with him.

Old Business

Six members participated in "Festival in the Park" at Mariners' Museum, showing works in progress plus three operable r/c models, which some young visitors were thrilled to operate. Participants reported excellent support from the Museum, including a dock built for the occasion, but they noted that in the future we should show more variety, including rigged static models.

There was discussion of a possible 25th Anniversary exhibit of members' work, with several sites to be explored. Stay tuned.

Following first reading and discussion in May, paragraph 2c(1) of the By-Laws was amended by unanimous vote to increase dues to \$12, effective with the next fiscal year, which begins March 1, 1991. Thus the Society will complete its first 25 years with dues at the original \$6 level!

Bill Clarke read the dinner menu for the NRG Conference. Conference details will be published in the June *Nautical Research Journal*. Vendor space is not yet firm, but Bill Altice is working with about 30 potential vendors.

David Tagg is still working on a group visit to USS WISCONSIN, and will call those who expressed interest when we have a firm date.

New Business

Seaways magazine has asked for a history of the society, with photographs. Bill Fox will prepare the article.

Skipper John Cheevers had a letter from Robert Kaplan in New Jersey, wanting to buy photographs of USS WISCONSIN.

The Purser announced that Jim Hood had resigned his membership due to commitments that keep him from attending meetings.

Alan Frazer reported on results of the Mariners' Museum's Ship Model Competition, with special congratulations to Jack Bobbitt, whose model of the frigate VIRGINIA took a silver medal in Scratch-Built Sailing Ships and the Howard I. Chapelle Memorial Award, presented by the Nautical Research Guild for outstanding research! [Applause!] HRSMS members have received invitations to the opening reception on Sunday evening, June 16.

DIRECTIONS TO: William H. Hinrichs, Jr.

1. FROM NEWPORT NEWS AND EAST: I-64 west to Exit 56 (Route 143, Camp Peary/Colonial Williamsburg); turn left over I-64 to first light, Rochambeau Drive; turn right, past Bruton High School to route 645, Airport Road, on left; turn left and continue, across CSX tracks, to light at US 60 West, Richmond Road; turn right, moving to left lane before next light at route 658, Olde Towne Road; turn left about one mile to light at route 612, Longhill Road (Olde Towne shopping plaza on left); turn right about 1½ miles, looking for "Ford's Colony" signs on left; turn left into Ford's Colony Road. Continue at paragraph 3.

2. FROM RICHMOND AND WEST: I-64 east to Exit 55 (Lightfoot); turn right on route 646, Lightfoot Road, about one mile to US 60 East, Richmond Road; turn left about 100 yards to route 614, Centerville Road; turn right and continue about three miles to SOS gas station on right; turn left onto route 612, Longhill Road, about one mile, looking for "Ford's Colony" signs on right; turn right into Ford's Colony Road. Continue at paragraph 3.

3. WITHIN FORD'S COLONY: Take Ford's Colony Road to first left, John Pott Drive; turn left to Security Office. Tell officer you are attending ship model meeting at Bill Hinrichs' home, and give your name (they will have list); they will give you a token. Make U-turn around building, and return to Ford's Colony Road; turn left and continue, past Bates Court, to nameless road with sign ("St. Andrews Village") pointing to right; turn right about 200 yards to gate; put token in slot to open gate; continue another 200 yards to Alwoodley on left; turn left and then immediate right to first house on right. You have, at last, arrived! (If you haven't, call 565-4556.)

New Publications

John Cheevers brought *Guardians of the Capes*, by Bill Johnson and Alan B. Flanders, a history of Virginia Pilots Association; "nice book," reports John. He also brought a current price list of linen cordage from Frederick Fawcett.

Alan Frazer brought the first issue of *Egregious Steamboat Journal* and John Fryant's new list of steamboat plans (new catalog "in the works").

Next meeting, July 12, hosted by Bill Hinrichs at 176 Alwoodly, in Ford's Colony, west of Williamsburg. Directions to follow.

Meeting was adjourned at 2136 hours.

Post Scripts

An Outing: About thirteen members and guests made the tour of USS WISCONSIN at the Norfolk Naval Base on a scorching Saturday, June 29, guided by Lt. Raine, the ship's Public Affairs Officer. Thanks to David Tagg for arranging this with Captain Jerry E. Schill, Executive Officer of BB 64.

From the Purser: "D" on your mailing label = 1991 dues still Due.

Next Meeting

Directions on separate sheet. Problem? Call Bill Hinrichs at (1) 565-4556.

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