

HAMPTON ROADS SHIP MODEL SOCIETY

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NEWSLETTER

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Eleven members were eventually present on November 8, along with Graham Horne making his second guest appearance. The meeting was called to order at 2007 by Skipper Cheevers.

The Purser's financial report was incomplete, since he had not wrapped up the accounts for the NRG Conference. The conference will leave us in the black, and we'll have a full report in December.

Old Business

"Pat on the back" letters on the conference were received from Helen Bryant, Helen Aiken, Betty Lou Tragle, Gene Larson and the Washington Ship Model Society. Thanks for the kind words, folks! We spent some time discussing the event, and then passed a vote of thanks to Bill Clarke for his great work as conference chairman. He is already planning for the next time, with one speaker lined up and the Holiday Inn reserved for October 25-27, 1996 (yep, same dates!)

Jack Bobbitt passed around a sketch for a possible logo; Len Wine followed with a bookful of others. A Logo Committee was appointed, consisting of volunteers Gene Berger, Len Wine and Alan Frazer.

John Cheevers read aloud a letter from Clayton Feldman, published in *WoodenBoat* #102, continuing (concluding?) the McCaffery brouhaha.

New Business

John Cheevers brought a long article clipped from the *Daily Press* of November 3. Picked up from the *Baltimore Sun*, it covered in detail the work of a Baltimore ship modeler. Interesting, but we had to wonder aloud why a story from Baltimore when the paper never mentioned our major gathering, in its own home town a week earlier, of nearly 200 ship modelers from as far away as California, Washington (State), New Mexico, Nova Scotia and Switzerland! A conservative estimate is that our NRG guests pumped at least \$75,000 into the local economy, and some may even have bought newspapers.

For the Common Good

Alan Frazer passed around copies of *Tributaries*, an attractive new magazine of North Carolina maritime history and archeology, and issue #3 of *Egregious Steamboat Journal*, which covers Western Rivers steamboating. The word "egregious" had surfaced earlier in the evening, used in the sense of "bad." Alan read the editor's explanation that this journal uses it in an earlier, more positive sense, to mean "outstanding."

Len Wine showed the etched brass radar array he is building from a kit by Flake Enterprises in California. Egregious!

We adjourned at 2114 to enjoy other parts of the lovely home of Heinz and Mareke Schiller and a fine spread of their hospitality.

Next Meeting

Friday, December 13, 2000 hrs., at the home of Jack and Jeanne Bobbitt, 69 Queens Court, Newport News. Phone 599-0557. Warwick Boulevard to 3rd traffic light west of Mariners' Museum entrance and J. Clyde Morris Boulevard. Turn left on Hiden Boulevard, next to Hidenwood Shopping Plaza. After it narrows (and becomes Blount Point Road), take 4th left, James Landing Drive, then first right, Queens Court. Continue to #69, 2nd house in 3rd block on right, directly opposite lake.

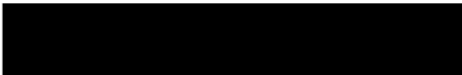
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