

HAMPTON ROADS SHIP MODEL SOCIETY

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NEWSLETTER

January 1992

Thirteen members gathered at Jack Bobbitt's home on December 13, along with guests Graham Horne and Nick Runsey. The meeting was called to order at 2013 by by Skipper John Cheevers.

The minutes were accepted as published in the Newsletter, and a treasurer's report was given and accepted. The purser hopes to have a final NRG conference report and a reconciled bank balance for January.

Graham Horne and Nick Runsey, having attended three meetings as guests, were elected to membership in the Society.

All present were asked to sign a card for Tom Abbott, who was in Riverside Hospital, recovering nicely from a heart attack.

Old Business

John Cheevers passed around the *Shipyard Bulletin's* article on Jack Bobbitt and his achievements in the Ship Model Competition. Alan Frazer mentioned another "pat on the back" letter on the NRG conference, received at The Mariners' Museum from Mr. Robert J. Klubertanz of Wisconsin.

Bill Fox proposed that our 25th Anniversary observance might include an exhibit at a local museum, possibly opening in April with a reception and dinner. Bill was asked to pursue this. There was discussion of possible dinner sites, and of including a joint meeting with the Washington Ship Model Society.

The Ship Model Workshop at the Life Saving Museum will be held on January 25; see Gene Berger if you want to take part. Gene also reported that the Logo Committee had met and worked on some refinements and variations on Len Wine's suggestions. Len passed around a few he had time to work on.

New Business

January is election month, so all should thinking about the next officers.

Bill Fox was asked to chair the Founders' Award Committee.

The purser passed around a sheet to sign up sites for the 1992 meetings.

For the Common Good

Bill Altice showed a coffee-table book, *Wooden Ships*, with photos of the *Susan Constant* and his model of her.

John Cheevers passed around a catalog from Woodcraft (210 Wood County Industrial Park, P.O. Box 1686, Parkersburg WV 26102-1686.)

Alan Frazer mentioned (1) a new Pearl Harbor exhibit, at Mariners' Museum through January, including some rarely seen models and other material; (2) a new ship model gallery at the Duck Waterfront Shops; (3) an exhibit of CSS *Alabama* material, to open in January at the Navy Museum in Washington.

Bill Clarke reported increased photographic prices at the Naval Historical Center and the National Archives.

We adjourned at 2140 to partake of Jack and Jeanne Bobbitt's fine holiday hospitality.

Next Meeting

Friday, January 10, at the home of Gene and Marilyn Berger, 105 Long Bridge Road, Hampton; phone 850-4407. Mercury Blvd. East to left turn at Fox Hill Road; go about 3/4 mile, passing Kinder-Care on right; then make left on Long Bridge; 105 is 3rd house on left after stop sign.

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