

HAMPTON ROADS SHIP MODEL SOCIETY

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NEWSLETTER

February 1992

Seventeen members gathered at Gene Berger's home on January 10. Len Wine, taking minutes in the purser's absence, noted that this was the largest attendance in some time, but no guests are mentioned. The meeting was called to order at 2016 by Skipper John Cheevers. The purser had sent a report on the current bank balance. The club received Christmas cards from Gene Larson, for the Washington Ship Model Society, and Anne Deerman, for the Virginia Beach Lifesaving Museum. There was also a nice note from H.C. Smith of Royal Oak, Michigan, thanking us for refunding his NRG conference payments.

Old Business

Bill Fox reported on preparations for the 25th Anniversary dinner and exhibit. In summary, the Watermen's Museum is very agreeable to hosting a model exhibit, with details to be worked out; contact Bill Fox or John Cheevers about models you wish to show; the day should include a Fort Wool tour before the exhibit opening and end with dinner and a speaker at Seawell's Ordinary in Gloucester. This agenda was offered as a motion and passed unanimously.

Gene Berger showed the flyer for our January 25 seminar at the Lifesaving Museum, where eight members had signed up as presenters.

Bill Clarke again proposed a one-time donation to The Mariners' Museum, which was passed unanimously. (The official minutes note that Bill otherwise spent most of the evening making friends with the Bergers' cat.)

The logo committee passed around its current ideas for the logo; members were asked to indicate their preference, and the two favorites will be presented for a final vote in February.

New Business

The skipper accepted nominations for new officers: Bill Altice as Skipper; Len Wine as First Mate; Alan Frazer as Purser. All were unanimously elected by acclamation.

For the Common Good

John Cheevers passed around a copy of the new *Nautical Research Journal*, containing nice pats on the back for our work on the conference. The *Journal's* new format is attractive. This issue also included the renewal notice and a ballot for by-law changes. Motion was passed to renew and to vote "yes" on the bylaws.

John also passed around copies of *WoodenBoat*, containing a photo of Jack Bobbit's *Virginia*; and *ShopNotes*, a new magazine from WoodSmith. And John showed his artwork which he sent to Fotocut for photoetching. He awaits results. Bill Altice mentioned the new Franklin Titebond Type II waterproof

yellow glue; said it works great, but not how it differs from earlier version.

Not mentioned at the meeting, but important: (1) future modeler David Michael Wine, launched December 14, 1991. Displacement 8 lb. 15 oz; (2) dues are due March 1.

We adjourned at 2140 for dandy refreshments, courtesy of Gene and Marylyn.

Next Meeting

Friday, February 14, 2000 hrs., at the home of Alan and Jane Frazer, 108-G Indian Summer Drive. Contrary to mailing address, it is not in Yorktown, but in lower York County. From Hampton and east, use I-64 West to exit 262-B, "134 North/Magruder Blvd/NASA Poquoson," then 4.2 miles on 134 to 6th light; turn left at "Four Seasons" sign, onto Indian Summer Drive to last building on left; we're upstairs on right. From Williamsburg and west, use I-64 East to exit ~~256-B "Victory Blvd East/Poquoson," go 2.2 miles on Victory (becomes 171 East~~ where it crosses US-17) to 2nd light; turn right on 134 South; 2.7 miles and 3 more lights on 134; turn right at "Four Seasons" to last building on left. We may have many guests from the seminar, so please, everybody call 865-7300 by Wednesday evening if you're coming.

On the Bridge:

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