



San Diego Ship Modelers Guild

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Notes from September Meeting

Most of the September meeting was devoted to finishing up the loose ends in preparation for the regatta. The Langley project status: no significant progress to report.

Models Present:

Paul Lubliner	Seaview	RC Scratch
Bill Kelly Fleming	Essex	Shipways
Doug McFarland	Patty Anne	Kit RC
Dick Little	Rattlesnake	Kit
Fred Shafner (Anaheim)	1820 Contemporary	Scratch
	Packet Ship	
Bill Thorp	Sovereign of the Seas	Sergal
Bob Crawford	Bouys	Scratch

Regatta Review

After many many weeks of preparation the week of the regatta dawned with the editor diligently ploding along on bouy production, which got slightly out of hand. The bouys themselves proved so successful that plans are to have a night run next year. Thursday, Channel 8 called the shop requesting to do a live spot on the 5 o'clock Friday evening news. Some fast phone calls resulted in Val Peterson, Al L'Heureux, Doug McFarland and Bill Benson coming to the rescue and appearing at the pond Friday evening with boats in hand. The two minute interview with Bill plus brief spots at commerical breaks throughout the entire newscast added up to some fine publicity for the meet. However, in the midst of the newscast the editor realized he had forgotten to pick up the trophies and ribbons required for the meet, from the engraver whose shop had closed 45 minutes rearlier and would not re-open until the following Monday-Cops! A phone call to the engraver at his home by a pleading wife convinced the shopkeeper to open the store briefly Saturday morning allowing the wife to retrieve the prizes and make the meet. Saturday morning found the editor and his co-hort, John Woodard, at the pond paddling around trying to lay out the bouy pattern. With monitors Bill Kelly Fleming, Dick Little, Gerald Pearce we began running the obsticle course competition. We found that the course was a little bit long and probably averaged 12-14 minutes on the course per contestant. On the whole the course separated the men from the boys. Those individuals doing well on the course obviously knew their boats. The effects of the publicity of Channel 8 was evident in the size of the crowd that numbered from 800-1,000 throughout the day. After completing the obsticle course the judges John Woodard, Arthur Yeend, and myself did the static judging of the radio controled models while Bill Benson and Arthur Yeend judged the display models. The individual scoring of models was very consistant between

the judges with the variance between First, Second and Third places amounting to a matter of a very few points and the overall spread being well over one hundred. The success of the meet this year was highly evident in the response of the audience, contestants and the coverage we received with the news media. Both Channels 8 and 10 covered the event as did the morning and evening papers, front page no less! And the Winners were.....

Static Scale	Honorable Mention	Egyptian Barge	Jack Elam
	Second Prize	Tug Arapaho	Val Peterson
	First Prize	Xebec	Bill Brown
Operating Scale	Honorable Mention	Tug, James D	James Cummings
	Second Prize	USS Missouri	Al L'Heureux
	First Prize	Tug Arapaho	Val Peterson
Overall		Tug Arapaho	Val Peterson
Popular Vote		Guided Missile	
		Cruiser USS Horne	John Goldsby
Predicted Log		40' Utility Boat	Earl Schweizer

I would like to thank the Gray Whale Ship Shop, Hillcrest Hobbies, Hobby Hub, West Coast RC, Cal Hobby Distributers, and the San Diego Ship Modelers Guild, for donating prizes, gift certificates trophies and ribbons for this years event. Also many thanks to the committee Bill Benson, Al L'Heureux, Doug McFarland, John Woodard and Bob Crawford for all the hard work and effort to make this regatta the success that it was. A special thank you to all the contestants with which it would not have been possible at all to have the regatta. See you next year.

Enterants:

Battle Ship Missouri - 1:96	Al L'Heureux	Poway
Ocean going Tug - Arapaho - 1:32	Val Peterson	San Diego
Steam Launch - 1:48	Gordon Wiles	Encino
Tug Shelly Foss	Earl Schweizer	Cardiff
Schooner "Blue Nose"	Bill Brown	Fallbrook
Friendship Sloop Nefertti	Jack Elam	Fullerton
Steamer "Jhadi Sea" - 1:24	James Cummings	Rancho Palos Verdes
Monterey Fishing Boat 1:12	Thomas Fordham	Pacific Grove
Tug "Shelly Foss" 1:32	Joe Schuster	N. Hollywood
Tug "James D." 1:19	James Cummings	R. Palos Verdes
Trawler 1:35	Herb Strandt	Anaheim
Destroyer Escort HMS Active	Richard Johnson	San Diego
Spy Trawler 1:60	Victor Smith	San Diego
Guided Missile Cruiser		
USS Horne CG-30 1:76	John Goldsby	Poway
Steamer Cindy Lin	Frank Hunter	San Diego
Fireboat	Bill Brown	Fallbrook
San Francisco Bay Scow	Richard Rice	San Diego
Lumber Scow 1:12	Ray Hays	Encino
Steam Launch	Bob Herrera	Los Angeles
"Deborah Lee"	Bruce Hayes	N. Hollywood
WWII Submarine	Phil Hedley	Poway
Royal Egyptian Barge	Jack Elam	Fullerton
Patty Anne	Doug McFarland	San Diego
Norke Love	Doug McFarland	San Diego
Sultana	Dick Little	San Diego

Measured Mile

Cindy Lin	Frank Hunter	37.6 sec.	*
S.F. Bay Scow	Richard Rice	28.3 sec.	*
Steamer Launch	Bob Herrera	66.0 sec.	3.6 mph
Spy Trawler	Victor Smith	68.8 sec.	7.6 mph
HMS Active	Richard Johnson	27.5 sec.	30 mph
Trawler	Herb Strandt	42.3 sec.	9.5 mph
Tug "James D."	James Cummings	*	7.6 mph
Tug "Shelly Foss"	Joe Schuster	49.9 sec.	7.7 mph
Monterey Fishing boat	Thomas Fordham	*	7.3 mph
Steamer "Jhadi Sea"	James Cummings	34.9 sec.	8.5 mph
Tug "shelly Foss"	Earl Schweizer	*	12 mph
Steam Launch	Gordon Wiles	34.8 sec.	12 mph
Tug Arapaho	Val Peterson	29.6 sec.	13.3 mph
Battleship Missouri	Al L'Heureux	38.9 sec.	33. mph
CG-30 USS Horne	John Goldsby	26.5 sec.	25 mph

* = in time column is lack of written time but calculation of speed correct
* = in speed column is lack of scale preventing calculation of proto-type speed
The above lists were boats offically entered, however, many others were present.

Regatta Preview - 1980

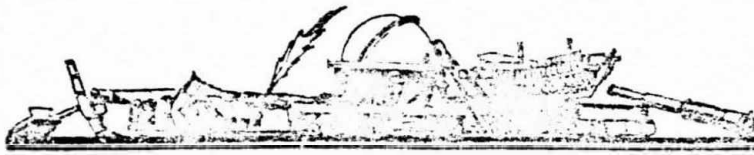
The 1979 regatta committee met this past weekend for a critique of this years event and to forulate some recomendations for next year. A few of ideas are to have a two day event with the second day being for fun events; have a night run; more divisions; and many more ideas yet to be refined. There will be a brief explanation at fridays meeting.

October meeting

Mike Rivera will be bringing a film clip from Walt Disney's 20,000 leagues under the Sea dealing with the Nautilus and he will have a kit of the submarine produced back east. Also as a feature, John Woodard will present a slide show on the lost was proccess of casting. If you have every been confronted with the problem of mass producing a part for a model not available from a comercial outlet you may find John's presentation informitive and useful.

Editorial

It was the consensus opinion of the regatta committee that enough emphasis has been placed on R/c models and activities that many of us have lost sight of the reason for being the San Diego Ship Modelers Guild. The club was founded on the basic premis that many individuals in San Diego were building ship models, operating and static desplay, and those people should have a forum in which to share ideas, skills, tips, and experience. Bob Wright and Russ Merrill began the club nearly ten years ago and held the meetings in the captains cabin aboard the Star of India. The meetings were casual and warm and friendly. Those conditions persist to this day although the meeting sight has change a couple of times and we have a few semi-organize activities, our basic purpose is still to learn, share, teach, exchange ideas and enjoy the fellowship of other model builders. Our meetings are still, and I hope always will be, a friendly, imformative, and always enjoyable friday evening of modeling, and You're the people that make it happen. Thank you all. Bob Crawford



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SHIP MODELER'S SHOP NOTES



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SMSN Comes From The Press Mid-October '79

The *Ship Modeler's Shop Notes* has been completed and will shortly go to the printer for reproduction. Members who desire to reserve a copy are requested to complete the form below and return it to us at their earliest convenience.

Prepublication cost is \$12.00 per copy. Postage will be paid for those who enclose a check or money order with the attached form. Others who reserve a copy without payment, will be billed the prepublication cost plus a postage and handling charge of \$1.00. After publication, the *Ship Modeler's Shop Notes* will retail for \$14.00 plus postage.

The volume contains material based on out-of-print *Journals*, assembled into eighteen chapters which discuss many aspects of ship model construction, and includes tools, materials, hull construction, deck furniture, ordnance, finish, masts and spars, blocks, rigging, belaying as well as stands and cases. Illustrated with line drawings, photographs and plans, the ship modeler will find the book extremely informative, helpful, and a handy reference on the art of ship model building, both in kit form and from scratch.

Authors include Howard I. Chapelle, Thomas Hornsby, John J. Flynn, Winthrop Pratt, Jr., Michael Costagliola, Harold M. Hahn, Gordon Grant, as well as many other respected model builders and marine historians, Guild members all.

With 216 pages of text and over 260 illustrations, members of the Guild will find the book a valuable addition to their nautical library. No book on model making includes as much useful model construction data as this one.

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Addresses Needed

I am trying to compile a list of shops, manufactures and distributors of tools, fittings, Kits, plans, etc., useful to modelers. If you have any favorite source or out of the way shop that you have had success with will you please forward the information so that I might put it in the January news letter. I am going to try and contact as many places as possible so as to establish a library of catalogs for membership use.

Dave Bash

The following was recieved last month the day of the newsletter mailing:

To:

The San Diego Ship Modelers -

We would like to thank all of you for your thoughtful donation to the Roseville Ferry which Bill Benson is going to build in David's memory.

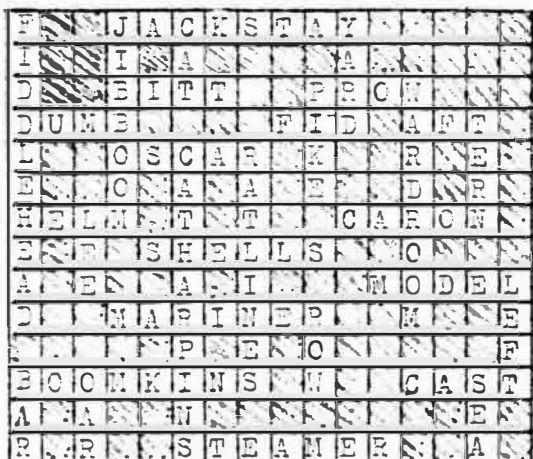
Dave would be so proud, not only to have his name on a ship model displayed in the Maritime Museum, but to know he had so many caring friends.

How nice for us to know that thousands will enjoy viewing the little ferry for years to come.

Sincerely,
John & Cindy Bash

Bill Benson has just finished the Ferry Roseville to be added to the Maritime Museums collection in Dave's Memory. Thanks for your contributions.

Nautical Crossword Answers



I don't know if many of you tried the puzzle last month, but those of you who did let me know if I should try another.

Auction

A proposal for the November meeting was submitted by Ed White to have an auction of used tools and materials you may have around the shop gathering dust that some other member may have a use for. Let it gather dust at his place. Bring the item to the November meeting with an asking price marked. It will be auctioned off with anything above the asking price going to the club Kitty for some future activity.

Forgot to put this in last months letter Dept.

CALIFORNIA CRUISE
by Doug McFarland

Once again the weather cooperated to make the August 11th dinner cruise aboard the barkentine CALIFORNIA a huge success. Departing the Sheraton Harbor Island Hotel dock shortly after 6 PM, the skipper, Capt. George SMITH, piloted us through the Commercial Basin then up harbor past North Island for a close-up look at the guided missile cruiser LONG BEACH and the giant aircraft carrier CONSTELLATION. From there we passed under the Coronado bridge and cruised along the 32nd St. Naval Base to view the numerous ships there. We were also able to glimpse the CREE, the tugboat that was mistakenly bombed by Naval aircraft (ours) during target practice. We returned to the dock at 9 PM to bring to a close another almost perfect evening. Only two things kept the evening from being absolutely perfect: the fact that the overcast prevented a beautiful San Diego sunset, and that the ship's Master, Capt. George FALKESGAARD, was unable to be present. However, the Captain's lovely wife Lil, our hostess, sent along his apologies and presented the Club with a beautiful poster of the CALIFORNIA which was given to Cmdr. BENSON for display aboard the BERKELY.

I would like to thank once again everyone for supplying a most delicious dinner; your efforts were greatly appreciated. Also, I have received a letter from Lil FALKESGAARD stating that as a result of our cruise a check in the amount of \$110.00 has been sent jointly from the CALIFORNIA and the Club to the Maritime Museum Assn.

One final note--if anyone ended up with an extra serving spoon please let me know and I will see that it gets returned to its rightful owner.

SAN DIEGO SHIP MODELERS GUILD
Elected officers

MASTER: Bill Benson redacted

LOCKKEEPER Bob Crawford redacted

FURSER: Dave Smith redacted

STEERING COMMITTEE: Bob Brady - Doug McFarland - Andy Anderson

MEETINGS: 3rd Friday of each month a 8:00 PM aboard Star of India - Orlop deck.

MEMBERSHIP \$6.00 per year for members of the Maritime Museum

DUES: Association of San Diego; \$12.00 for all non-members.

Out-of-state residents may join for \$6.00.

Founded in 1971 by Bob Wright and the late Russ Merrill

Have a friend or neighbor who is interested in the Guild?
Here's a spare application.

SAN DIEGO SHIP MODELERS GUILD

1978 Membership Application

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing address: _____

Models completed;	Models building:
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Please list any areas of modeling you feel you have reasonable expertise.

Please indicate your interest in the following by YES/NO/MAYBE:

General; Kit _____? Scratch _____? or both _____?

Hulls: Solid _____? Plank on frame _____? Fiberglass _____?

U Use: Static display _____? Operating _____?

P Propulsion: Period sailing _____? Type of rig _____?

Engine powered _____ Steam _____ Electric _____?

Other _____?

Are you a member of the Maritime Museum Association?? _____