

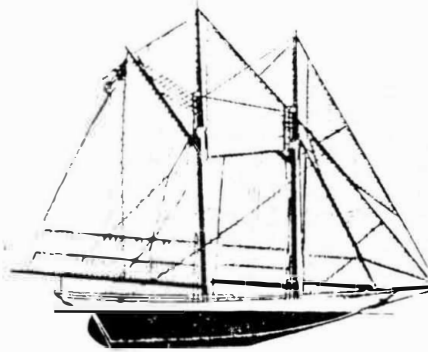


# San Diego Ship Modelers' Guild

1306 N. Harbor Drive

San Diego, CA 92101

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One road leads to London,  
One road leads to Wales,  
My road leads me seawards  
To the white dipping sails.

....John Masefield 1878-1967

### NEWSLETTER ARTICLES/IDEAS WANTED:

Got an idea you'd like to share with your other guild members?? Why not jot it down, draw it out, type it up or whatever. Our newsletter could be vastly improved with more participation. Give it a try...

### MEDEA Sails This Saturday....

Some forty SDSMG members will cruise the bay and enjoy a lunch afloat. Plan to be there by 11:30 if you signed up. Parking could be a real problem especially if you get one of those new high-priced parking tickets.

### SPECIAL THANKS go to:

Ed White (Address labels up-dated on a monthly basis...)

Bob Cornell (as Secretary, for faithfully recording each meetings minutes and timely submission.

Roy Nilson his cartoons from the past are still funny plus neat "how-to-do-it" ideas.

## SEPTEMBER

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### NEXT MEETING NIGHT

Aboard the Berkeley

7:00 PM Social Hour

7:30 Meeting Time

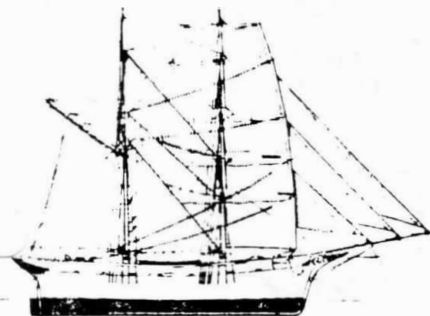
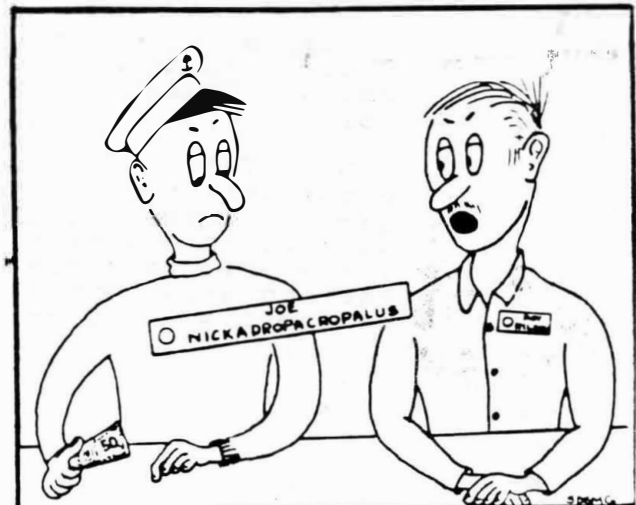
Guest Speaker:

Dave Manley

Bring a model or item of general interest for "show and tell."  
"NORMALLY A CLUB NAME TAG ONLY COSTS FIVE DOLLARS"

### SHOW & TELL

by Nilson



SAN DIEGO SHIP MODELERS GUILD

MEETING NOTES: AUGUST 19, 1993

Bob Crawford, fresh from his month's Alaskan ferry and camping trip opened the meeting with a report on his sail on the STAR. It was one of the best sails in years, the ship having reached twelve knots at one time. She doesn't tack like an Americas Cup racer so had to be helped on one tack with a boost from a tug that was accompanying her. Phil Mattson, one of the Guild guests was still atwitter with the excitement of the trip. "I'll remember it for the rest of my life" he said.

The Steering Committee discussed the dilemma of the "dues year" and decided that there will be no half year dues schedule. Anyone joining during the last month (November) might be able to count on his dues being credited to the coming year.

With several members signing up for the September 11 MEDEA cruise the list is closed. Those going should be on board- at 11:30 AM so start looking for a parking place early!

Twenty four members and guests were on hand. Guests were:  
David Belmont (Navy)

Mr. and Mrs. Balcazar (Mexico)  
Jim Hawkins reported that the Territos Regatta had about 150 entries of all shapes and sizes. With the numerour events the last one was at about 8:30 PM.

Up-coming programs scheduled as of this time:

Tonight: Ed White on preparing planking. He displayed samples of some unique woods. His emphasis on using a good table saw for cutting planking amounted to: the heart of a fine saw is its saw arbor bearings. Fred Fraas commented on the experience of trying to use discarded wood pallets for model building. It wasn't worth the grief!

September: Dan LePage (subject?)

October: Bob Cornell will give some tips on caring for and/or salvagong servos or receivers after bathing them in salt water.

November: Volunteer needed!!

December: Christmas Party

Treasurer Ed White reports a balance of \$392. with significant funds still outstanding from the Regatta and T-shirt sales. There are still a number of Guild T-shirts available.

Doug McFarland reminded us that Chula Vista's Harbor Days event deserves the participation of the Guild. The organizers promised to provide a ramp and floating launching dock to make access to the water easier than in the past. There will be space to unload our models but no special parking arrangements. Those planning to participate should be there by 8:30 AM.

*Bob Cornell*  
*Recording Secy.*

"SHOW AND TELL" AT THE LAST MEETING:

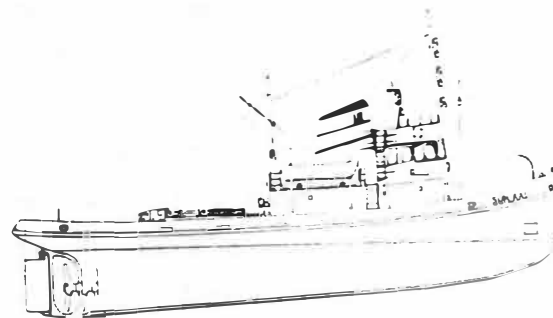
Royce Privett	(Schooner) "BLUENOSE"	1/8 scale
Tom Taylor	Megow's Model Kit "S-51"	Unknown scale
David Manley	Plans for Type II-C U Boat	1/32 scale Latest castings
Jim Hawkins	HO Trains and HO scale flags	
Fred Fraas	Liberty Ship hull and	1/16" scale two sets of plans for same

(Your name here....next issue, if you bring something to the next meeting, September 16.....)

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"WHERE TO BUY IT"....SHIP MODEL CASES:

Mark Hanna has provided cases for ship models for many years. A check of the models aboard the BERKELEY would show that he built all the cases with the exception of perhaps the largest which were built by the museum i.e. BB Missouri and CVS Yorktown. His prices are very reasonable to Guild members and he can generally give you a quote over the phone. His shop is about a mile north of Parkway Plaza. (My model of the S.S. TEXACO NEW JERSEY is one of his most recent.)



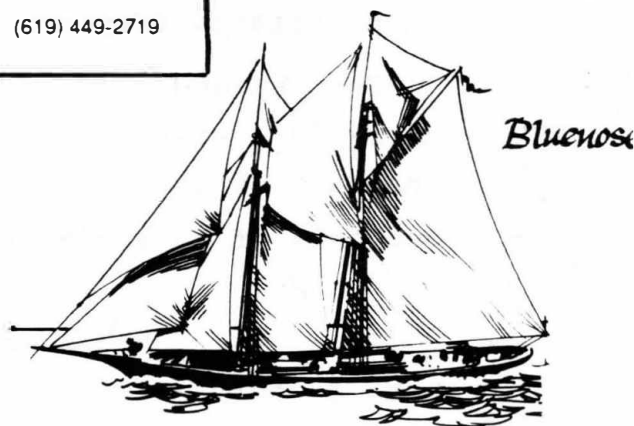
# HANNA

MANUFACTURING

CUSTOM PLASTIC FABRICATION

1478 Fayette Street  
El Cajon, CA 92020

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September 3, 1993

Dear fellow Guildmember

I am sorry to have not gotten around to this letter sooner but with our month long vacation to Alaska and the sailing of the STAR OF INDIA, this is my first real opportunity to collect by thoughts and take care of some unfinished business.

First of all, on behalf of all of our members, I would like to thank the San Diego Argonauts and their officers for their very enlightening program and congratulate them for their very together organization. Many of us came away from the evening with a much better understanding of a well organized group and their attraction to the hobby. It was a wonderful program to get the summer of to a great start.

Second, those of us who attended this years Regatta were very impressed with Dan LePages efforts on our behalf, in organizing this years fine event. Nearly a year of effort went into what was to be a nearly perfect weekend. The competition started shortly after 8:00 A.M. thanks to Dans effort to have the coarse set up on Friday, the earliest ever. Aside from Mr. Upshaws late arrival which prolonged awards by an hour, competition was completed by 1:30 P.M. making for a very compact event. I am told that the evening run and the following days fun run went as well and that our Regatta is considered by most, "Best in the West". Well done Dan.

Finally in the "thank you" dept., is this years first Mate and the 1994 Regatta Commodore Jim Hawkins. Not only did he stand in for me as host for the party, he also did all of the organizing of food and beverage for the event. It was another beautiful evening aboard the STAR thanks to Jim, who put a lot of effort into an otherwise unappreciated evening. Thanks Jim.

The callender of events are set now for the remainder of 1993 and early 1994 will see the installation of an new Guild Master. I hope that all of us will give some thought to whom that persom might be and get off to a good start to a new era. See you all at the next meet.

Bob Crawford - 1993 Guild Master

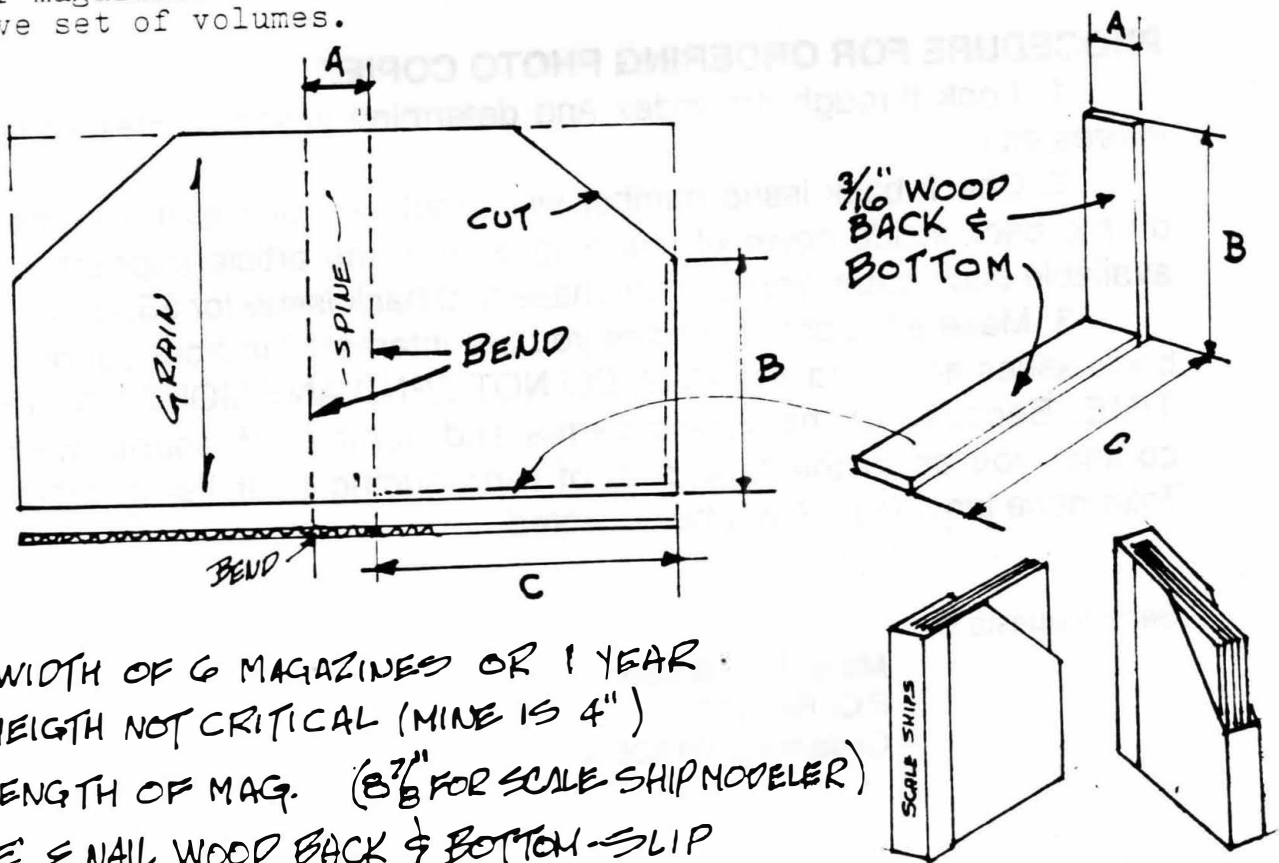
by Robert C. Cornell

Model Boaters and spectators frequently inquire about how the water level in the pond is maintained. Such questions are most common when the water level appears to be below "normal". It takes high tides, over which we have no control, to fill the pond by way of a large one-way valve. In tidal language, the optimum level of the pond is 5.5 feet. Therefore, only when the bay tide is above the current pond level will water flow in. In between the high tides when the bay is at low tide the water filters back to the bay through the sand. The water level difference can be as much as seven.

Until several years ago the pond water level was controlled by way of manually operated gate-type valve. This method required that a volunteer, usually a retiree, spend several hours to open and close the valve during periods of high tides. These filling times were often late at night. As the environment in the parks became less hospitable the City agreed that we would be well advised to go to an automatic filling system. Thus, the check valve was installed to replace the gate valve. Discussions are under way with the Parks Department Maintenance Management to establish a Preventative Maintenance Program for the valve. Only in this way can the valve be kept "healthy".

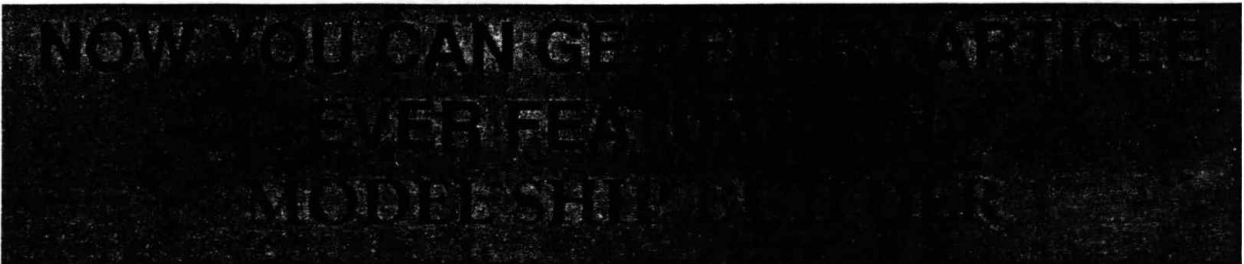
## MAGAZINE storage a problem ?

Corrugated box material and wood strips is all you need to make a neat looking book holder for your ship model magazines. I decorate the spine with wood grained or colored contact shelf paper. The name can be xeroxed on Avery labels or silkscreened, then placed on spine. Now your magazines in these holders will look like an expensive set of volumes.



- A. WIDTH OF 6 MAGAZINES OR 1 YEAR.
  - B. HEIGHT NOT CRITICAL (MINE IS 4")
  - C. LENGTH OF MAG. (8 7/8" FOR SCALE SHIP MODELER)
- GLUE & NAIL WOOD BACK & BOTTOM-SLIP INTO PRE-SENT CARDBOARD & GLUE.

R/NILSON



The following index features over 750 articles that have appeared in MSB over the past 15 years. Articles that are not available from in-print back issues can be purchased in photo-copied form.

**PROCEDURE FOR ORDERING PHOTO COPIES:**

1. Look through the index and determine which articles you are interested in.
2. Check back issue number with available back issues in the ad on the back inside cover of this magazine. If the article appears in an available back issue, you can purchase that back issue for \$5.75.
3. Make a list of the articles you are interested in from out of print back issues and send it to MSB. **DO NOT SEND ANY MONEY AT THIS TIME.** Because of the varied pages and number of issues, we will contact you as to the total cost of reproducing your list of articles. Telephone inquiries will not be accepted

Send requests to:

Model Ship Builder  
P.O. Box 128  
Cedarburg, WI 53012

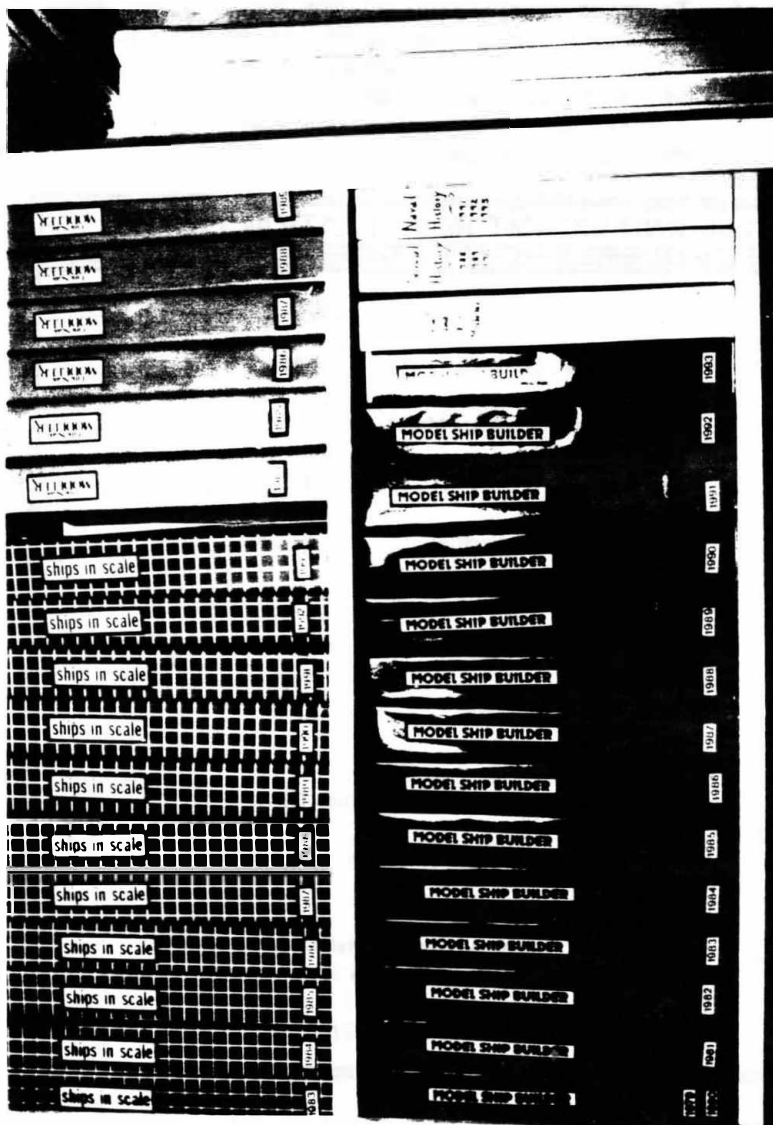
SHIP MODEL RESEARCHING....It just got easier!

The ad on the opposite page appeared in the latest MODEL SHIP BUILDER magazine. Also listed were the 750 articles on ten pages which were published over the past fifteen years. The index by itself is indeed impressive. Considering that one popular magazine dwells mainly on pictures and short texts with no indexes, and another has printed theirs only annually, this is an accomplishment.

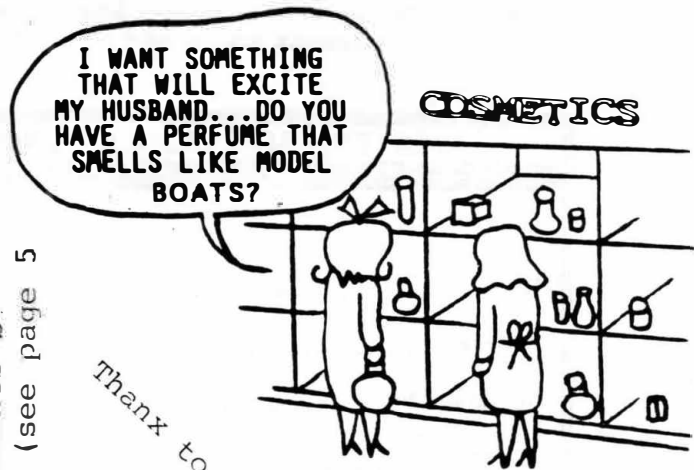
Since only a limited number of back issues of MSB are available, the reprint service has to be also unique. It could prove to be a real time-saver on your next model project. Why try to reinvent the wheel if another modeler has not only completed the same model, but wrote of his experiences as well? As a subscriber to the three main US ship model magazines, one of my pet peeves is the continued and repeated articles of how to built the kits of USS MISSOURI and PT-109.

As a suggestion, if you are not a current subscriber, you may wish to purchase this issue (Sept/Oct) at a cost of \$5.75. If there is enough interest, we could seek permission to run this index in our newsletter over a couple months time. In the meantime, a copy could be made available in the Modelers' Shop aboard the BERKELEY.

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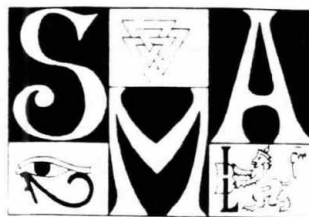
Organizing your model magazines by the "Roy T. Nilson method" (see page 5)



Thank to "Maritime Modelers N/ltr"

FROM WRIGHT (BOB THAT IS!)

SHIP MODELERS  
*Association*



## WESTERN SHIP MODEL CONFERENCE AND EXHIBIT

The first WESTERN SHIP MODEL CONFERENCE AND EXHIBIT will be held on-board the R.M.S. Queen Mary at Long Beach, California on March 25, 26, and 27, 1994. The conference is being hosted by the Ship Modelers Association.

The conference will begin with a reception on Friday evening, March 25, in the Queen Mary Exhibition Hall, where static displays of period and modern ship models, as well as scale radio control ship models can be viewed. Participants are invited to show their models during the conference. Models are requested to arrive any time on Thursday, March 24, but will also be accepted on Friday.

Prominent speakers will address various subjects of interest to model makers and maritime enthusiasts on Saturday, March 26. That evening, there will be a banquet dinner in the Queen Salon. Informal round table discussions will be held on Sunday.

Vendors of books, supplies, and tools will be present all three days to show, discuss, and sell their products.

Participants and their families will have the opportunity of staying on-board the Queen Mary at reduced rates for up to three days before and three days after the conference. The rooms are the original first class state rooms which are largely unchanged except for modernized plumbing. Outside activities such as trips to Disneyland, Knott's Berry Farm, and other points of interest will be available to families. Additional details will be found in the information packet.

To make reservations on the Hotel Queen Mary, participants should call (310) 435-3511. Rates are:  
 \$59 single/double (Inside)  
 \$69 single/double (Land View)  
 \$79 single/double (Harbor View)  
 Plus 12% local tax.

### WESTERN SHIP MODEL CONFERENCE AND EXHIBIT REGISTRATION FORM

		<u>Each</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Total</u>
Name _____	Conference Registration	\$20	_____	_____
Address _____	Late Registration, After March 10	\$25	_____	_____
City, State, Zip _____	Friday Evening Reception	\$20	_____	_____
Country _____	Saturday Evening Banquet	\$32.50	_____	_____
Telephone _____	Sliced Sirloin of Beef		_____	_____
Affiliation _____	Filet of Sea Bass		_____	_____
Will you bring a ship model to display?	Pasta Primavera		_____	_____
Yes _____ No _____	Total		_____	_____
Model(s) size L. W. H _____	Payable to Ship Modelers Association Conference			
Others in party _____	Sorry, no guarantee of refund after March 10, 1994.			
_____	Send Form to: Allan S. Ambruso			
	Western Ship Modelers Conference			
	16956 Sierra Vista Way			
	Cerritos, CA 90701			
	Telephone (310) 926-8376			



**SHIP MODELERS ASSOCIATION**

**March 24-27, 1994**

**Hotel Queen Mary, Long Beach, California**

**HOTEL RESERVATION FORM**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Check-In Time is 4:00 p.m.; Check-Out Time is 12:00 noon**

**HOTEL QUEEN MARY**

ACCOMMODATIONS REQUESTED: Rate: \$59.00 single/double (Inside)  
(12% tax not included) \$69.00 single/double (Landview)  
\$79.00 single/double (Harborview)

I WILL BE SHARING THE ROOM WITH: \_\_\_\_\_

Group rates do apply for three nights pre and post and a limited number of rooms have been set aside. Please be sure to complete form with any early arrival dates or late departure dates.

Children under the age of 14 are free when occupying a stateroom with an adult.

Guided tours are available for a nominal fee.

Reservations must be received by February 24, 1994 in order to be sure that your room request is filled. Reservations received after that date will be on a space available basis and Regular/Rack rates of \$75 - \$160 + tax may apply. Guarantee your reservation by credit card or a deposit for the first night's room rate. Deposits are refundable if your reservation is canceled at least 48 hours prior to arrival.

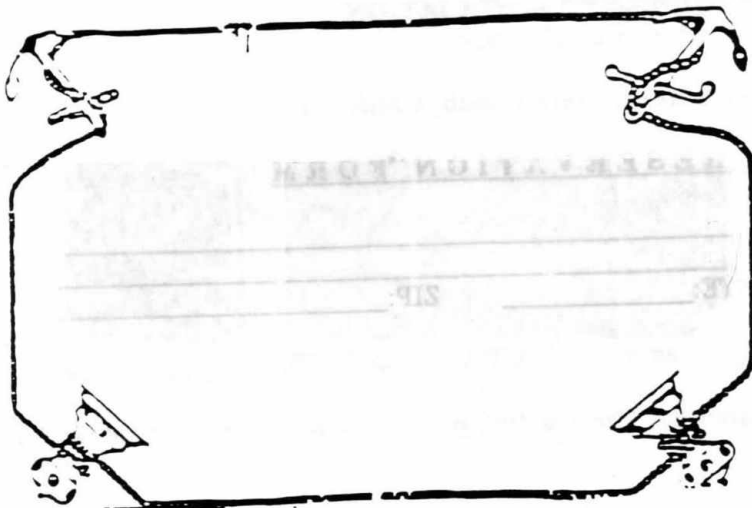
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PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM BY \_\_\_\_\_ (30 days prior to function date):

**HOTEL QUEEN MARY**

1126 Queens Highway  
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**ATTN: Reservations**  
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or fax to (310) 437-4531



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Maritime Museum Assoc. of SD

San Diego Ship Modelers Guild  
Officers for 1993

Master  
First Mate  
Purser  
Logkeeper/Secretary  
Newsletter Editors

Steering Committee

Regatta Commodore

Schedule of Activities:

Meetings --Third Thursday of the month  
7:00PM Social; 07:30PM Meeting

Static Workshops -- (discontinued)

R/C Operations --Saturday mornings at the  
Model Yacht Pond. (Mission Bay)

Annual Regatta-- Third weekend in June  
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Bob Crawford  
Jim Hawkins  
Ed White  
Bob Cornell  
Fred Fraas  
Gordon Jones  
Bob Wright  
Ed White  
Bob O'Brien

Jim Hawkins 282-9008

Membership:

Dues are \$15 annually  
(\$7.50 after July 1st)

We strongly encourage  
all to join the San Diego  
Maritime Museum as express-  
ion of appreciation for  
the facilities they pro-  
vide for our benefit.