

Hyde Street Pier Model Shipwrights

August News, 2016



Festival of the Sea at Hyde Street Pier

Those of you who have been keeping up on your emails and on club news know that our upcoming meeting coincides with the Park's Festival of the Sea. This year's festival celebrates the 100th anniversary of the National Park Service and honors the 1895 National Historic Landmark schooner C.A. Thayer.

It is scheduled to be a full day of music and demonstrations, including us ship modeling! Lunch is provided for all volunteers. Just remember not to sign your hours into our logbook that day, but check in at Shipwright Shop instead and pick up your festival ID.



**NEXT MEETING: Saturday, August 20
9:30am aboard the Eureka**

NRG Conference, October 6th, 7th and 8th

The 2016 Nautical Research Guild Conference takes place in San Diego this year. Registration forms are available as a download from the NRG website at <http://www.thenrg.org>. The conference is being held at the Doubletree Hilton, which is about a 15 minute walk down to the Maritime Museum.

The NRG is encouraging west coast ship modelers to bring models this year with room for about 75 models. There is apparently plenty of openings yet, so if you can bring something, make sure to fill out the model registration form, also available on the NRG website, and send it in.

It will probably be a few years before we see a west coast conference again, so now is the time to go.

July Meeting Notes

Meeting was held on Saturday, July 16, 2016, at 9:30 a.m. aboard the *Eureka*. Member Warren Gammeter filled in for Clare Hess as note taker.

Treasurer's Report

Paul reported that we have \$778.40 in our treasury.

Announcements and Club Business

Japan Research Trip

Clare Hess is making a research trip to Japan in early September and is doing some fundraising for it. The group passed a motion to donate \$50 toward his trip to Japan.

Club BBQ

Paul said he and Nancy were open to any weekend in September for our annual BBQ. Saturday Sept. 17, our regular third Saturday of the month was selected. We will have a Pot Luck similar to last year and Paul we e-mail the details.

Potomac Group Cruise

Jerry said that we should not dally too long as tickets for the Nov 11, Potomac Labor Day cruise are going fast. We have not had as many expressed interest as last year and may not be able to get the group rate. The regular rates are Veterans \$40, under 12 \$35 and everyone else \$55.

Jerry has since informed us by email that there was not enough interest this year, so the cruise as a group is off. However, individuals interested in sailing aboard the Potomac can still purchase tickets at the regular rates.

Show and Tell Segment

Leo Kane:

The annual Nautical Research Council conference will be at the Double Tree in San Diego September 6 – 10. Leo brought the pair of cat's heads he has completed for his Essex model. In this picture you can't see the working bronze sheaves in the slots but the assembly detail is quite precise.



Dan Canada:

Dan related an E-Bay experience he had related to his antique pipe hobby and problems with foreign buyers.

Mark Rosenbush:

We had a very interesting discussion on Mark's ideas and concerns panking his Bluenose model. The first challenge Mark was concerned about was seating the aft end of the planks where they meet the keel and several ideas were exchanged. Mark was also interested in finishing the model with the planks being visible. The consensus was that glue will inevitably fill most of the gaps which will all show if painted. A natural wood look with a light stain might work best but be very careful as any glue on the plank surfaces will prevent any stain from penetrating evenly.



Mark showed us a Phantom Pilot boat model that was given to his brother back in the 1970's. He plans to use it as a shop project.

Bob Stark:

Bob said that he has learned that Midwest Products line of models have been acquired by another company and will again be available. He said he hasn't done much as he took the whole family to Hawaii to celebrate him and his wife's 50th. Anniversary.

Warren Gammeter:

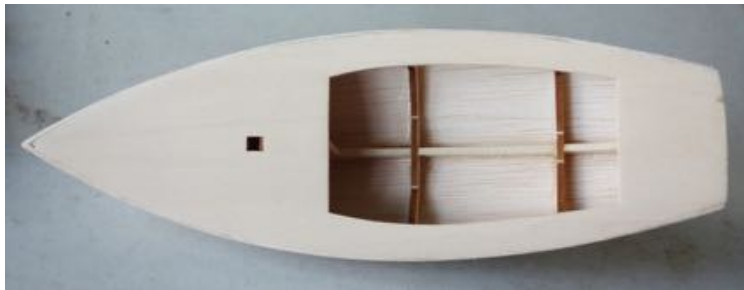
Warren has been working in making whaleboats for a 1/8" = 1 foot model of the Whaleship California. He has had good luck using a 1 1/2" drum sander in his drill press to do the exterior shaping. He is also going to try the small Dremel sander in the drill press to shape the inside openings in a 5 lift buildup. Both sanders are aligned to spin in a hold drilled into the work surface a little bit bigger than the sander that sands a nice perpendicular edge.



Paul McKenzie:

Paul brought a model Sakonnet Daysailer he is building from a Midwest Products kit. He asked for a recommendation of what filler to use to smooth the hull. Paul Reck recommended "ZAR".





Paul told us about several of the model boat events at Speckles Lake. He suggested the best one to see is the “wooden boats on parade” which will be on Sept. 25th this year, 9:00am – 4:00pm. For more information go to the club’s website at <http://www.sfmvc.org>.

Paul Reck:

Paul is still working on his model of the Grand Banks 42. Getting the windscreen right has been challenging. His customer wants the boat's bimini included which was custom made after the boat was built and for which there are no plans. Matching the stainless steel life lines is also going to be very difficult. All in all not one of his most enjoyable projects.

Paul also said he had acquired a radio controlled model of a WWII Corsair.

Upcoming Dates to Remember

NRG Conference, San Diego – October 6,7,8

HSPMS Club BBQ – Saturday, September 17 (in lieu of our regular meeting)

Did I miss anything? Let me know at catopower@mac.com.

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9:30 am Aboard the Eureka**

Please bring your projects to share and discuss!

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