



## Newsletter of the Washington Ship Model Society

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# LYNX EXPRESS

*All the Hottest News That Fit to be Condensed Into a Few Pages*

### SKIPPERS CORNER

We seem to have become the Island of Misfit Toys for broken ship models. About once a month I receive an e-mail, via our website, from someone with a ship model that has fallen on hard times...or the floor...or to the curious cat. And I think we can lay this state of affairs squarely at Lou's feet. His resurrection of a prisoner's model for the Lorton] Prison Museum and subsequent article in the Post seems to have put us out in front of the public's mind or near the top of Google searches for "broken" and "ship model" and "Washington".

Another way we promote ship modeling in general and WSMS in particular is supporting local modeling groups by participating in their shows or expo or display. Our next foray is fast approaching: 19 September at the National Capital Model Soldier Society show at Thomas Edison High School. We reserved 15 feet of table and I hope we have a bumper crop of models and members to fill it up. I look forward to a day with the usual suspects from WSMS but really hope to see a couple new faces and new models. So check your calendars and let John Williams (first mate) and me know what you can bring or what we can borrow and show.

### REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Saturday, August 8, 2015

#### Walter Reed National Military Medical Center

- ✿ 8901 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD Canyon Conference Room
- ✿ From the Capital Beltway, take Exit 34, Rt. 355, South, Wisconsin Ave. towards Bethesda, in left lane.
- ✿ Cross Cedar Lane, and continue to the first traffic light (Woods Road). Turn left into the Center.
- ✿ At the guard station, show ID, and inform the guard that you are attending the Washington Ship Model Society meeting.
- ✿ Park in the America Garage.
- ✿ Walk across from the garage to the America Building entrance, past the information desk and take the elevators on the right to the 4th floor. Turn right out of the elevator and look for the Canyon Conference Room on the left.

**Visitor's Always Welcome!**

Soon after that we are slated for the Maritime Model Expo at the Chesapeake Maritime Museum in St. Michaels, 3-4 October. This will be held in conjunction with the 33rd annual Mid-Atlantic Small Craft Festival. I've been to a couple of these and the boats are so salty it will make your eyes rust. I know that is two events in

quick succession, but I cannot imagine a more enthusiastic and appreciative crowd than a bunch of boat builders who favor traditional craft. Again, we are looking for attendees and models. And if you plan to attend and stay over Saturday night, you might make your hotel reservations soon.

But enough of strange venues full of strangers, where are hosts for the Focus Group meeting? It's been what,

two months now without a meeting. I really miss these informal get togethers. You guys always bring really interesting tools or models or "how do I do this" problems. And the seating is a lot more comfortable than Hollin Hall. Please, someone step forward for August! Previous hosts can testify that we're all housebroken.

## **WSMS Summer/Fall Event News**

### **TASK FORCE 50 REGATTA**

**August 19, 2007**

**Captain's meeting at 9AM first ship sails at 9:30AM  
\$8.00 first ship, additional ships \$4.00**

TF 50 is an RC model ship club based in York Pennsylvania. Every August it holds a regatta of radio-controlled boats on Lake Redman, near York PA. The club specializes in replica military ships and 1/96 scale models. The event includes static and steering competitions featuring military, civilian, work boats, sailboats, pleasure craft, tugboats, carriers, destroyers, steamers, paddle-wheelers, electric, steam and sailboats using electric motors or sails. Plaques are awarded for steering. Boat accessories and kits are awarded as prizes.

### **54TH ANNUAL NCMSS WASHINGTON SHOW**

**Saturday, 19 September 2015.**

**Thomas Edison High School, 5801 Franconia Rd., Alexandria, VA 22310**

**We are signed up for 3 tables!!**

### **THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL MARITIME MODEL EXPOSITION**

**Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum in St Michaels, Maryland  
Saturday October 3 and Sunday October 4, 2015**

## **MEMBERS NOTES**

**A column where members can contribute any notes or recommendations pertinent to ship modeling**

- ❁ **Vince McCullough** - Mr Hobby has updated their website to include English descriptions of their products. The products are really good, particularly the primers and fillers, but until now all of the information on them was in Japanese. The website is: <http://www.mr-hobby.com/en/>
  
- ❁ **Elliott Dickler** – Question on weathering “I'm making steady progress on the "Arizona". I might try some weathering/rusting wear & tear on her when I'm finished. Can you suggest some reference for reading about these techniques , necessary colors etc. so that I have a working understanding of what I want the finished project to look like?? – **Elliott**
  
- ❁ **Carl Erikson** - Took my grandson to the Smithsonian American History museum on the mall that I had not visited for some 10 years. Much to my surprise it has a new and quite large maritime transportation exhibit - very well done with lots of ship models. Well worth a trip downtown.
  
- ❁ **Bruce D. Buchner** – Checkout this website story- “Mapping the Ghost Fleet of Iron Bottom Sound” <https://www.oceannews.com/feature-story/2015/06/01/may-feature-story>
  
- ❁ **Bill Kay** - I enjoyed being with y'all at the meeting (June) ... lots of interesting stuff and folks! Per your request for pics that I passed around on my SYLVIA II, those were photos I had picked for the Ship Modeling Forum's last model competition ... it hit me that all of what you probably want is included in that package *on the below website* ... under the first photo are the close-ups (which can be enlarged on that site): <http://shipmodeling.net/photopost/contest/2013/1016/>  
<http://shipmodeling.net/photopost/contest/2013/1016/>

**Send your comments to:**

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## CLASSIFIEDS

### FOR SALE

#### MODEL REPAIR SERVICES WANTED

I have a client who asked me to find a suitable model maker who may be interested in taking on a restoration of a model located in the Washington, DC area. The owner has great sentimental attachment to this scratch built model of his family owned schooner. The model is 5" wide X 23" long X 20" high. Below are pictures of the model. - Stan Sinowitz [FiddlersGreenModellShips@hotmail.com](mailto:FiddlersGreenModellShips@hotmail.com)



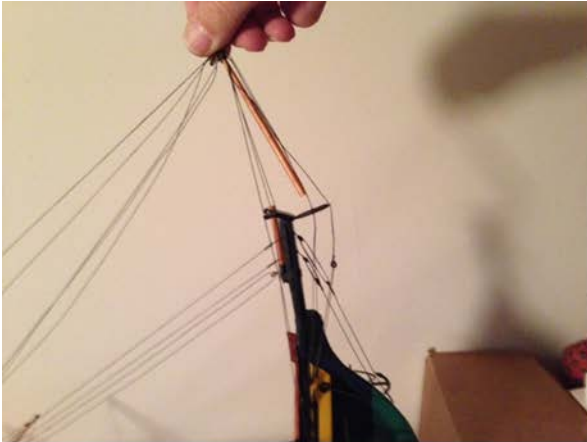
**Note:**

*More pictures available  
from....*

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-----NEXT MODEL REPAIR REQUEST-----

The model is about 30" from the end of the bowsprit to the end of the aft boom. Hopefully, my hand in the picture provides some sense of the length of the bowsprit until I can get an actual measurement.



Contact Mr. Chuck Thompson, at [Chuck\\_Thompson@troweprice.com](mailto:Chuck_Thompson@troweprice.com)

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## **Woods Hole Model Boat Show**

Reminder: The 10<sup>th</sup> Biennial Woods Hole Model Boat Show is the weekend of April 18-19. The show hours are 9am – 4pm on Saturday, and 9am - 3pm on Sunday. If you're interested in going, and want to exhibit a model, you need to send in your registration form. Be sure to note on the form that you are part of the Marine Modelers Club, and that you'll be exhibiting on the club table. We are in the Community Center, which most people feel is the best location.

The show officially runs Saturday and Sunday. The show is a lot of fun-- the models are on exhibit in the lobby of several buildings along the main street through the center of Woods Hole. Also, the RC sailboaters are running races on Eel pond by the drawbridge. If you don't mind running in Salt water, you can run your boat there as well.

## **The Scale Ship Modelers Association of North America, Inc., (SSMA)**

is a nonprofit organization founded in 1988. Our purpose is to promote the hobby of radio control and static ship modeling. We encourage all types of model boating in electric, sail, and steam power as well as the building of plastic and wooden static models. SSMA is comprised of clubs and individuals throughout North America and acts as a clearing house for information concerning the modeling industry. SSMA works with the modeling industry to address the needs of the modeling community.

## **Queen Mary in Long Beach**

They have announced the opening of a Model Gallery on February 5th. The gallery will feature the newly acquired Queen Mary builders model, 1:48 models of the Atlantic liners Titanic, Lusitania, Normandy, and several others. Some of these are ½ models showing much interior detail.

## THE NAUTICAL RESEARCH GUILD

“ADVANCING SHIP MODELING THROUGH RESEARCH”

Annual membership includes our world-renowned quarterly magazine, Nautical Research Journal, which features photographs and articles on ship model building, naval architecture, merchant and naval ship construction, maritime trade, nautical and maritime history, nautical archaeology and maritime art.

Other benefits include discounts on annual conferences, ship modeling seminars, NRG products and juried model competitions which are offered exclusively to Guild members. We hope you will consider joining our ongoing celebration of model ships and maritime history.



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