

HYDE STREET PIER MODEL SHIPWRIGHTS

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Summertime with the HSPMS

Sometimes, things just get a little too crazy and this was the case in life last month, preventing our newsletter editor from carrying out his job and getting last month's issue out. So, if you didn't get your copy last month and are wondering if yours got lost in the email void. No, it just didn't go out.

With Summer upon us, we're looking at the remainder of the year. We have our annual barbecue to look forward to, as well as, potentially, another Veteran's Day cruise aboard the Potomac.



**NEXT MEETING: Saturday, July 16
9:30am aboard the Eureka**

Manning the Workshop

Our workshop aboard the Eureka is a tremendous asset that very few ship model groups are fortunate enough to have. We'd like to keep the workshop and have discussed ways to share the burden of keeping it open for the purpose of public visibility.

For the most part, Paul Reck and Tom Shea have been the public interfacing in our workshop aboard the Eureka, showing up most Saturdays to work in the shop. We've now come up with the plan of asking everyone who is within reasonable distance to put in a day a month (roughly 4 hours, give or take) if at all possible. It can be any day of the week – it doesn't matter. We're just looking to get some participation.

This doesn't have to be a burden. Maybe keep a project in the shop that you can work on when you're there. That way, you don't have to lug it back and forth from home. Work on something you don't mind leaving in the shop. Make a space for yourself where you can put your model and anything special you might need. A sealable storage tub can be handy for keeping your model and accessories protected, organized, and dust free.

There's no policing or sign-up list. Just come in and use the shop and talk to the public when they stop by.

Japanese Model Boats Display

Clare's Japanese Model Boats Display is now set up in the window of the Union Bank Community Room inside the Japan Center East Mall. The display features five models of traditional Japanese watercraft with information about the models and the boats they represent.



Traditional Japanese Boats

Models by Clare "Jiro" Hess

On display

July 1st through July 31st

Union Bank Community Room Window

Japan Center East Mall

San Francisco



June Meeting Notes

Meeting was held on Saturday, June 18, 2016, at 9:30 a.m. aboard the *Eureka*. Members present: Dan Canada, Warren Gammeter, Jerry Bellows, Leo Kane, Paul McKenzie, Paul Reck, Tom Shea, John Ferguson, and Clare Hess.

Treasurer's Report

Paul Reck reported no expenses during the past month, but we have added one new member. Current balance is now \$754.40.

Announcements and Club Business

Club BBQ

Paul Reck's offer to host the BBQ this year still stands. Exact date is still up in the air, but it looks like it may be pushed back into late Summer or early Fall this time.

Potomac Cruise

There was a discussion about having another group outing in the form of a bay cruise aboard the presidential yacht Potomac. The group did this last year and many members participated. The consensus was that we should do the Veteran's Day cruise again. Jerry will be coordinating this by email.

NRG

Leo Kane has been our club's point of contact for quite some time now and is ready to pass the torch. Clare Hess will now be the club's contact person for the NRG and other outside communications.

Show and Tell Segment

Tom Shea is working on his U.S. Brig Niagara and showed us what he has been doing on building the ship's battery of carronades. The War of 1812 Great Lakes warship had an armament of 18 24-pdr carronades and a pair of 12-pdr long guns.



Clare Hess brought the hull of the large model of HMS Victory he's been working on. The model is being built from a 1/78-scale Panart kit purchased at Ages of Sail. There are a number of modifications made to the kit build and currently he's working on lining each of the 100 gun ports.



Paul Reck brought in a model of what he calls the POS SOB. You'll have to figure out what that stands for on your own. The model is a scratch build of a 42' Grand Banks with twin screws. The 1/2" scale (1:24) model features teak decks. A pen was used to draw in plank seams.

Paul showed us the interior layout and how he used things like beads for the knob on the throttle handle.





Paul McKenzie brought a new model kit he's going to be starting, the Sakonnet Day Sailer from Midwest Models. This is a newly out of production kit (along with all other Midwest boat kits), but a classic kit with great instructions and a nice scale of $\frac{1}{2}'' = 1'$. We're all looking forward to seeing progress on this model.



Upcoming Dates to Remember

Japanese Boat Model Display –July 1 through 31
NRG Conference, San Diego – October 6,7,8

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

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Please bring your projects to share and discuss!

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