

HYDE STREET PIER MODEL SHIPWRIGHTS

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New Plan Set from the NRG – The Oyster Sharpie

Generic Oyster Sharpie - The Nautical Research Guild recently released its newest plan set and monograph, A 19th Century Generic East Coast Oyster Sharpie. The plans are for the construction of a $\frac{3}{4}$ " = 1' scale model and were developed by Bill Strachan and executed by Al Saubermann.



The plans consist of 11 large sheets, and are available direct from the NRG's online store for \$80 plus shipping. NRG members save \$15 by contact the main office for a coupon. The 277-page illustrated monograph is free to download directly from the NRG website. Visit <http://www.thenrg.org>.

**NEXT MEETING: Saturday, May 19
9:30am aboard the Eureka**



April Meeting Notes

Our February meeting took place as usual on Saturday, April 21, at 9:30 a.m. aboard the *Eureka*. It was lightly attended with only 6 hearty souls in attendance

Announcements and Club Business

Treasurer's Report

Paul Reck reported that after collecting dues for 2018, and with few expenses, we now have a healthy \$980.30 in our treasury.

Web Report

Clare Hess reported that March saw 102 visitors to our website, www.hspms.org, with the largest number of page views from the USA, followed by Switzerland, Japan and Romania. About 312 people are following us on Facebook, as of the beginning of April.

As always, we are looking for interesting things to post on our website and for members to post their own ship modeling related photos, like visits to museums and such.

Annual Barbecue

The subject of the annual barbecue was brought up, with a lot of discussion on some alternatives. Among the idea were another luncheon, like last Fall, possibly at the St. Francis Yacht Club, or possibly the San Francisco Yacht Club, which is in Marin. Another idea floated was to have an outing at Angel Island, or some other similar location.

The timing we all decided to shoot for was the last week of August or first couple of weeks in September.

Tools / Workshop

Our new bandsaw is now in place and set up to use. Tom Shea has been tasked with reviewing the tools in the shop and to determine what we need.

Show and Tell Segment

While there was a lot of non-ship modeling talk at our meeting last month, there were some interesting things presented.

Paul Reck showed us his nearly completed Anchor Hoy. This is a solid-hull scratch-built model of an early 1800's U.S. Navy anchor hoy based on plans and details provided in V.R. Grimwood's book *American Ship Models and How to Build Them*. Paul's model is being built at $\frac{1}{4}$ " scale or 1:48.

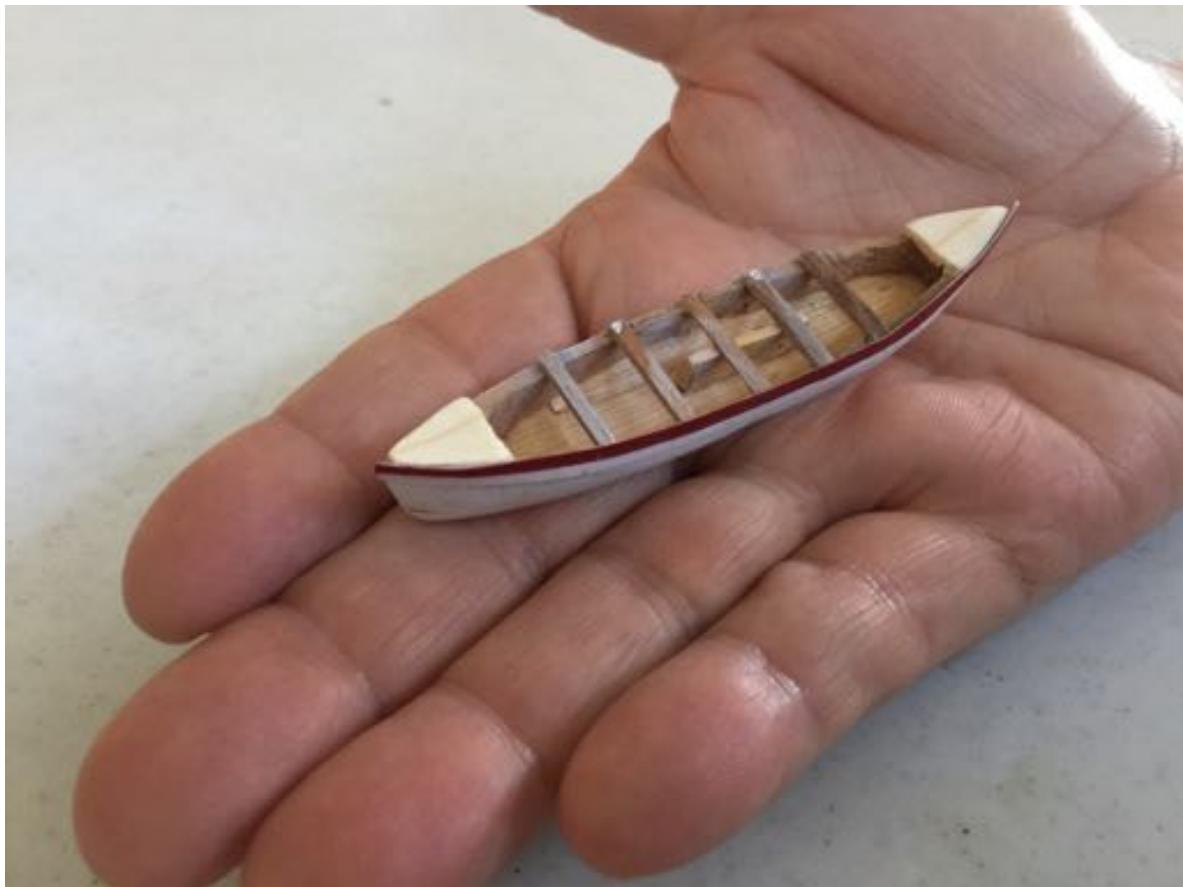




Jerry Bellows showed us some photos of his recent trip to Berline and Portugal. He will be posting these photos on our website in the near future.

Warren Gammeter also showed some of his own photos from a museum in Portugal, but he also showed us the progress he made in his experiments with building a whaleboat using card stock planking. This is for a 1/8" scale model of the whaleship Californian that he's planning on building. He also talked a bit about his ongoing model of the clipper ship Sovereign of the Seas.





Dan Canada, though focusing on fountain pens these days, brought in a boat-themed rocking ink blotter that he made, complete with deck house and fittings.



Clare Hess brought his model of a Swedish gunboat, based on an Amati kit. The model was built as part of a group build, by a group of ship modelers that periodically meet at the Vallejo Naval and Historical Museum. The model is roughly 1:48-scale, and represents a small one-gun vessel that was built for the Swedish Army in 1777, for their Archipelago Fleet, which was tasked with coastal defense.



Clare also brought model of a Kamakura period trade boat, a Japanese vessel from the late 13th and early 14th centuries. The model is an ongoing project scratch built to a scale of 1:50.



Any corrections? Let me know at catopower@mac.com.

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Please bring your projects to share and discuss**

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