



San Diego¹ Ship Modelers' Guild

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and supports the Maritime Museum of San Diego.



Guild Meeting Report: 11 July 2012

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Robert Riddoch opened the meeting. There were no guests or new members present. The purser, Ron Hollod, gave his report. The balance as of June 30, 2012 was \$<redacted>.

The newsletter editor, Katherine Pogue was not present. Contact her at <redacted>

Dr. Sheehan provided a museum update. He discussed the paper model project of SAN SALVADOR. The current version is still too complicated for the modelers anticipated. The current version does provide an excellent depiction of SAN SALVADOR but a version with less parts (five to eight pieces) is being developed. Dr. Sheehan also discussed the FESTIVAL OF SAIL. It is scheduled for Labor Day weekend and volunteers are requested for the model shop during this event.

The annual party will be held during the August Meeting. Details for the party were discussed at the July meeting. As usual, all guild members and their guests are invited to this annual event. Brian Davies has volunteered to purchase soft drinks, food platters, plates and utensils. This event will not be a pot luck.

The Community Build Project was discussed. Model Shipways Long Boat (MS1457) has been chosen for the project. Eleven people have signed up. If you would like to join, the kit costs \$48.00 plus shipping. The group will meet the third Saturday of each month starting this Fall.

There was an auction held at the July meeting. Several kits were auctioned off as well as numerous books. Proceeds either went to the consigner of the item or to the Guild.

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VIRGINIA Chuck Seiler

Scale: 1/64 3/16"=1' Scratch built. I was able to get a lot of work done at the Fair. Not as much shows as I would like due to the slowness of the planking process, particularly around the bluff bow. I am having problems with the planking above the deck level--the bulwark planking. That planking is relatively thin, 1 inch or 1/64" in scale. This, combined with the row ports and four inch gap between the deck and most of the upper planking for water drainage, results in a VERY frail upperworks. I suspect strength will improve once I get the inner bulwark stanchions installed.



ROYAL NAVY ARMED LAUNCH Jon Sanford

Scale 1:16, kit by Mantua, Panart. Launch was used for river and coastal patrol, and armed escort and landing troops. It was last shown in the newsletter in 2011.



LOBSTER SMACK Brian Davies

19th Century Muscoughs Bay lobster smack. Scale 1:24, Mid West Kits. Parts are laser cut with detailed instructions. Manned by two lobstermen.



COMMUNITY BUILD: LONGBOAT



The subject for the first ever San Diego Ship Modelers' Guild community build is Model Shipways 18th Century 26 Foot Longboat. Designed by Chuck Passaro, this true plank-on-frame 1/4" scale models offers a little bit of everything to the builder.

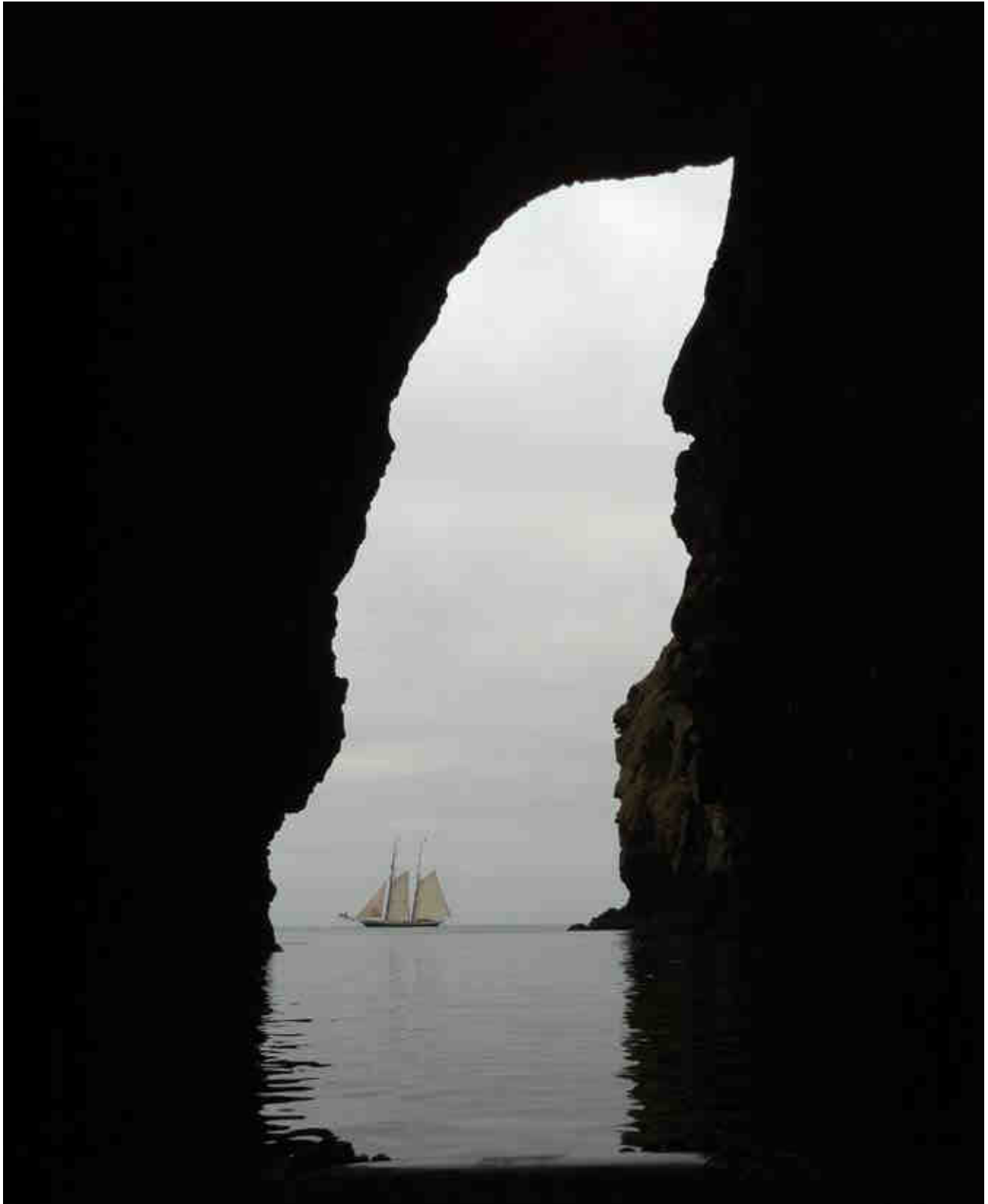
The longboat was the largest boat aboard an 18th Century ship. The ship's principal lifeboat, it was also used for coming and going to the ship to transport supplies and take empty water casks ashore to be filled with fresh water. Longboats were kept fully provisioned at all times in case of an emergency.

Longboats were carvel built with the planks meeting flush at the seams rather than overlapping. A full bow, high sides and fine aft lines made it fairly seaworthy in heavy winds and steep waves. The interior was fitted with thwarts to accommodate eight to ten oarsmen. Many longboats were equipped with a removable mast and sails to allow for more extended voyages. A ship's gun could also be mounted in the bow.

There is still time to join the Community Build. If you would like to get involved, let Bob Riddoch know and we can still get you a kit at a discounted price.

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from Painted Cave, Santa Cruz Island, July 2012.





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The next meeting will be
Wednesday, 8 August 2012
aboard the *Berkeley* at 7:00pm.



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