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Minutes of 13 AUGUST 2014 Meeting

Happy Birthday to the Guild. The August Guild meeting was the annual Guild birthday party. Guild Master **Bob Riddoch** was away on family business so the meeting was conducted by First Mate **Mike Lonnecker**. The usual meeting format was supplemented with birthday cake and soft drinks. Unfortunately a huge parking problem at the museum prevented many attendees from making the meeting. Only 8 or 9 hardy folks were able to attend. **Robert Hewitt** even left initially, returning an hour or so later to make the meeting. **Jay MacMaster**, **Don Dressel** and **Robert Hewitt** all brought models. Needless to say there was plenty of cake to go around, the remainder of which was given to the museum staff.

Purser Report. Gary Seaton reported that we had \$<redacted> in the treasury as of Aug. 1.

We thank those that persevered and either got there early and beat the parking problem or made the hike to attend, and especially those that brought models. Hopefully the September meeting will not suffer the same fate. Ya'll come.



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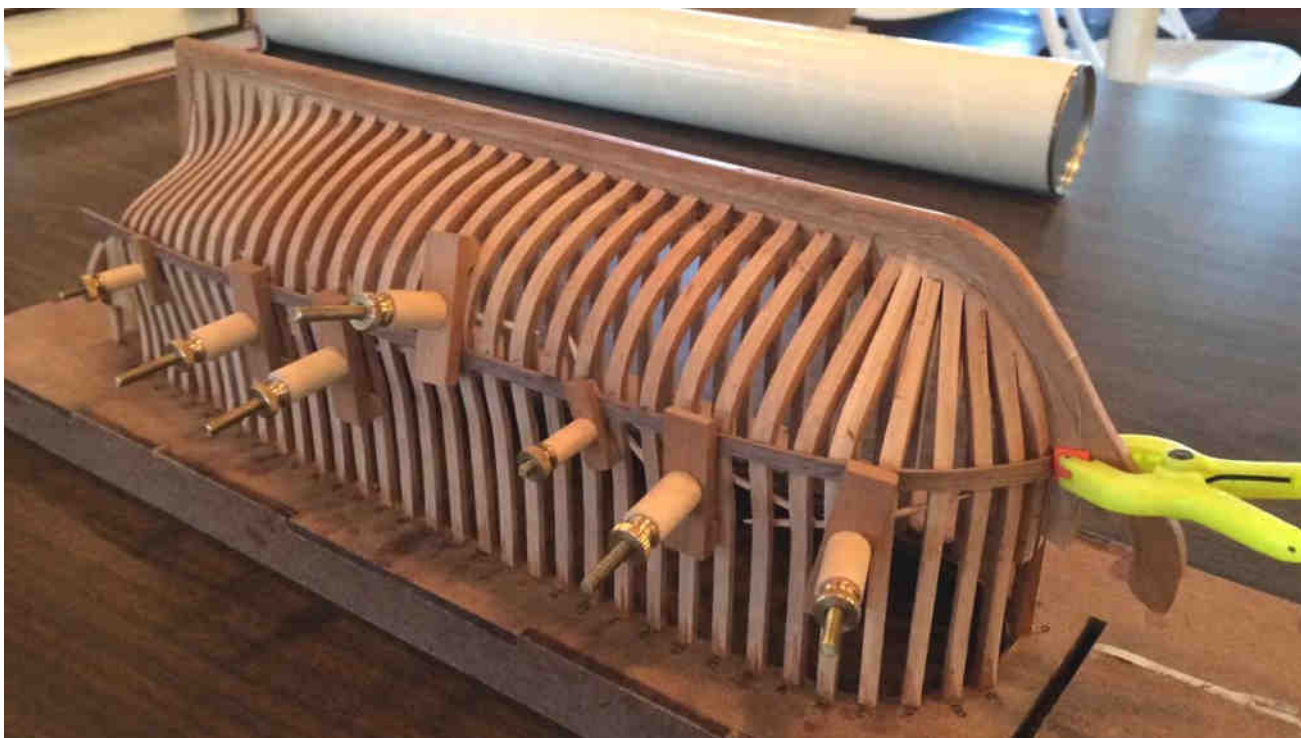
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SHOW AND TELL



HMS SURPRISE, by Jay MacMaster. Scratch built. 1/98 Scale.

Photo by Gary Seaton



HMS HALIFX by DonDressel Scale: 1/48
Lauck Street Shipyard Semi kit/Scratch detail
Framed using Harold Hahn method. Using planking clamps designed by Ed Tosti.

HMS *Halifax* was a schooner built for merchant service at Halifax, Nova Scotia in 1765 and purchased in 1768 by the British Royal Navy for coastal patrol in North America in the years just prior to the American Revolution. She is one of the best documented schooners from early North America.

Photo by Gary Seaton



HMS JANUS
by Robert Hewitt
Scale: 1"= 40'

HMS *Janus* was a 44-gun fifth rate frigate launched in 1778. She was renamed HMS *Dromedary* later that year, and was wrecked in 1800 on the Parasol Rocks in Trinidad.

Photos by Gary Seaton



The framing consists of 20 bulkheads attached to the keel. The ship has been planked with .02" x .025" thick holly planks below the wale. The wale and the black stripes above the wale are ebony. All other planking above the wale is pear. The figurehead is carved from boxwood.

San Salvador, Almost There

Thanks to John Wickman for providing these updates on the Museum's SAN SALVADOR build. Since I received this after the snail-mail newsletter went to press, this is only in the electronic version of the newsletter. Enjoy. All photos and commentary by John Wickman.

These pictures were taken on Aug 30th. Caulking below the water line will result in a smooth surface, where as above the water line caulking appears to leave a slight indentation. Apparently the date for launch is October, All masts and spars are shaped and many appear to be complete, less any rigging. Both crow's nests appear ready for installation, less rigging. The rudder is nearing completion. I thought the craftsmanship to excellent, and the shipwrights should be proud of their work.



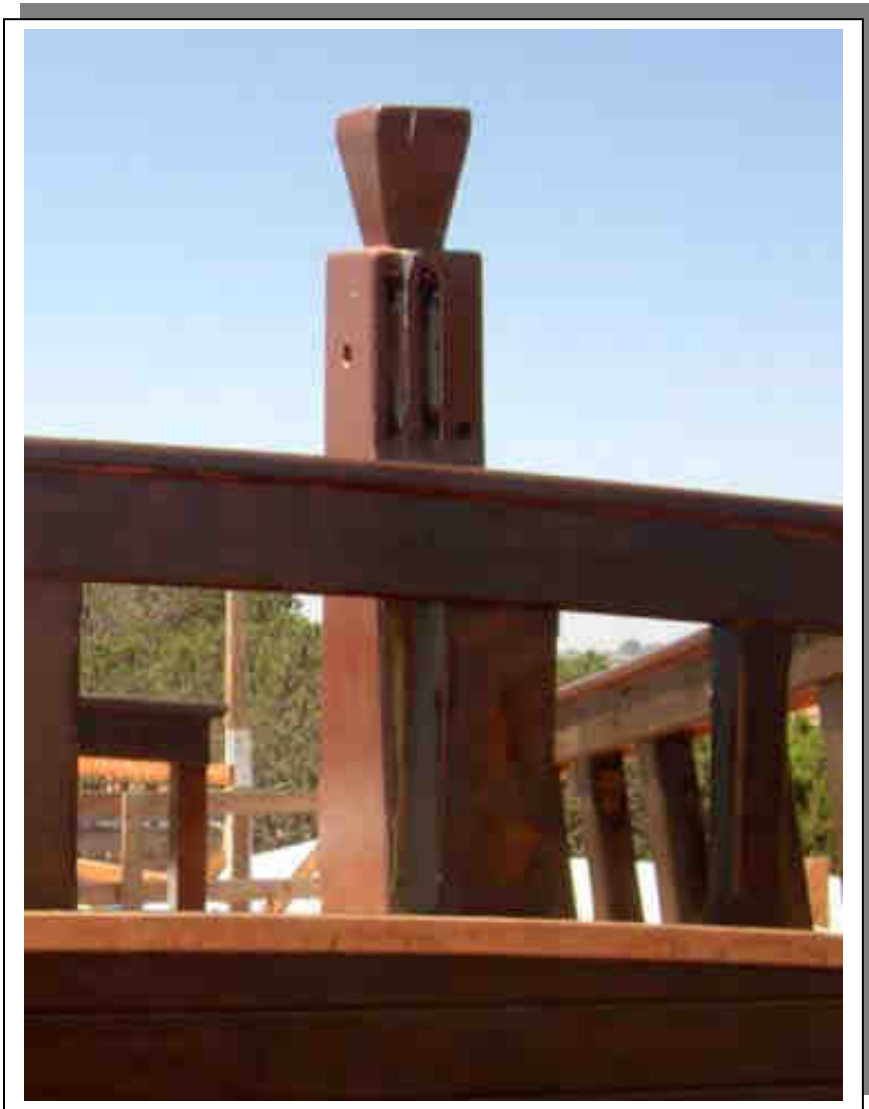
Starboard aft quarter



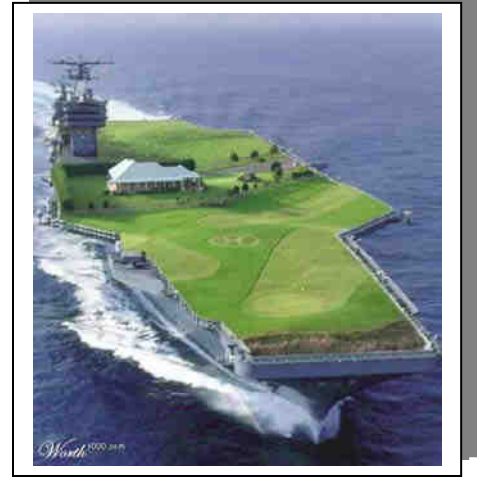
Stern, without rudder or ports



Crew quarters below
main deck hatch



Foremast knights head



New Prototype Air Force Carrier
(CVAF-1)

Main mast Crows Nest





Guild Master's Corner

Greetings all,

I want to apologize for missing the last meeting and the last two Community Build Meetings. Sometimes it just seems that work and family matters get in the way of the hobby. I understand the last meeting was a parking nightmare and poorly attended, so I don't feel THAT guilty.

There is great news in the world of Model Shipbuilding. Have you heard the news that the Nautical Research Guild has acquired the popular website Model Ship World? This is huge for our hobby and a huge benefit for all of us. I will be asking Mike Lonnecker to expand on what this means to the everyday modeler during our next meeting. In the meantime I would suggest you check out the website at www.modelshipworld.com. It is free to join and you will not be disappointed by the contents no matter what level of modeler you are.

I have not given up on our own Community Build Program. We still are looking for a project and I am asking everyone to please provide me your input. Over the next few weeks I will be sending all members a personnel email asking what direction you would like to see the Community Build Program go.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our next meeting which will be held on Wednesday 10 September at 6:00 pm onboard the Ferry Berkeley. The next Community Build get together will be on Saturday 13 September at 10:00 am at Mike Lonnecker's house.

Bob Riddoch

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August Community Build Meeting

by Mike Lonnecker

The August Community Build Meeting was held at the usual time and place. In attendance were **Jay McMaster, Gary Seaton, Chuck Seiler, and Mike Lonnecker.**

Jay discussed progress on his Model of the Surprise and told us of his plans for the future.

Chuck brought his next in a long line of Philadelphia models. This one is twice the size of his fair entry and will be kit built rather than scratch built like the smaller one. He is progressing nicely.

Gary brought his Naiad. This is a huge project where unfortunately some of the most difficult work must be done first. Gary was still having some problems making the hawse timbers. Gary and Mike decided that this problem needed more time than allotted at the meeting. They met on a later day and spent several hours successfully making some mockups to prove out the methodology.

A continuing talk of what new project to do next was held. No one project could be agreed on. Nor was anyone enthusiastic about promoting one. Everybody seems involved in their own project and are reluctant to start something new. It was decided for the time being to continue to let the Community Build meetings be a place to get help and show progress on members current project along with the occasional demonstration. We are still open to suggestions for a new project.

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Next meeting is
WEDNESDAY
10 SEPTEMBER 2014
5:30 PM- Social.
6:00PM Meeting

Bring a model

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