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# It Happened at the Fair



The Del Mar Fair returned and the Guild was well represented this past month with both a lively and informative display booth, complete with demo projects for kids, and a sampling of the skills of our artisans. Three of our members took home awards for their entries, and the rest of us could not be more proud! A review of our champions' work will be featured below.



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**Editor's Note:** Guild Master Guy prudently opted to fly the Yellow Jack and stay home during the monthly meeting to complete his recovery from a recent illness, so First Mate Tom Hairston conducted the physical meeting for July.

## From the Quarterdeck by the Guild Master

Greetings Guild, and it is already August! It seems just yesterday was the 4th of July, and the last day of the Del Mar Fair. The Maritime Museum/Guild “Design in Wood” demonstration booth proved again to be a fun and rewarding activity for those who volunteered to staff the booth. The model competition proved equally prizeworthy for the winners, and Guild members are encouraged to learn how to enter a model next and get in on the fun! As found in Milton Roth’s book, *Ship Modeling, Stem to Stern*, “No knows what he can do until he tries.” [Attributed to Publilius Syrus, 80-43 BC]

Though I was unable to attend, the July meeting, I understand it was entertaining and informative for all the participants. Along with the spirited discussions about ship modeling, **Chris Sullivan** stepped up to help coordinate photography, and as always, service is always appreciated!

Come to the August 9th meeting, and bring your model! The August meeting presentation will tentatively be on “Deck Planking—a Tutorial.” Bring your expertise to the meeting and chime in. Until then,

**Be well in calm seas with a fair wind,**

**Guy Lawrie**

## The Meeting of July 12, 2022

First Mate **Tom Hairston** conducted this month's session aboard the *Berkeley* and members **Don Dressel, Jay McMaster, James Pitt, Alex Roel, Chuck Seiler, Chris Sullivan, Dave Yotter, Doug Yumoto,** and Powder Monkey **Karl Zingheim** were present. We were delighted to welcome as our guest **Kent Cross**, who met our crew at Del Mar, and was looking for advice on stepping up his construction on wood ship modelling. The summer parking issue led to another discussion on locating alternate seasonal meeting venues to ensure all members would be able to attend. Karl recommended plotting member home addresses on a map to determine where the most convenient neighborhood in San Diego would be to accommodate everyone. Fortunately, the summer parking hassle will be behind us soon, so this issue will be dealt with more directly for next year. The Del Mar Fair is now over, and the Guild is proud to hail Tom's 1st Place showing, Alex's 2nd Place, **Art Arroyo's** 3rd Place, and **Jon Sanford's** 4th Place finishes with their entries. The refit of the Maritime Museum's HMS *Surprise* has produced a need for volunteer participation in getting raw lumber rendered into planks, so a call for additional hands went out. The meeting duly recessed for refreshments before reconvening to discuss our model projects.



**James Pitt and Tom Hairston “roll out the backdrop” for our model photography.**

**Chuck Seiler and Alex Roel get into the Zen of this month's Guild session.**





**Our newest member Kent Cross, Dave Yotter, and Don Dressel demonstrate a profile *en echelon* formation.**

**Don describes his longboat project—more on that below!**



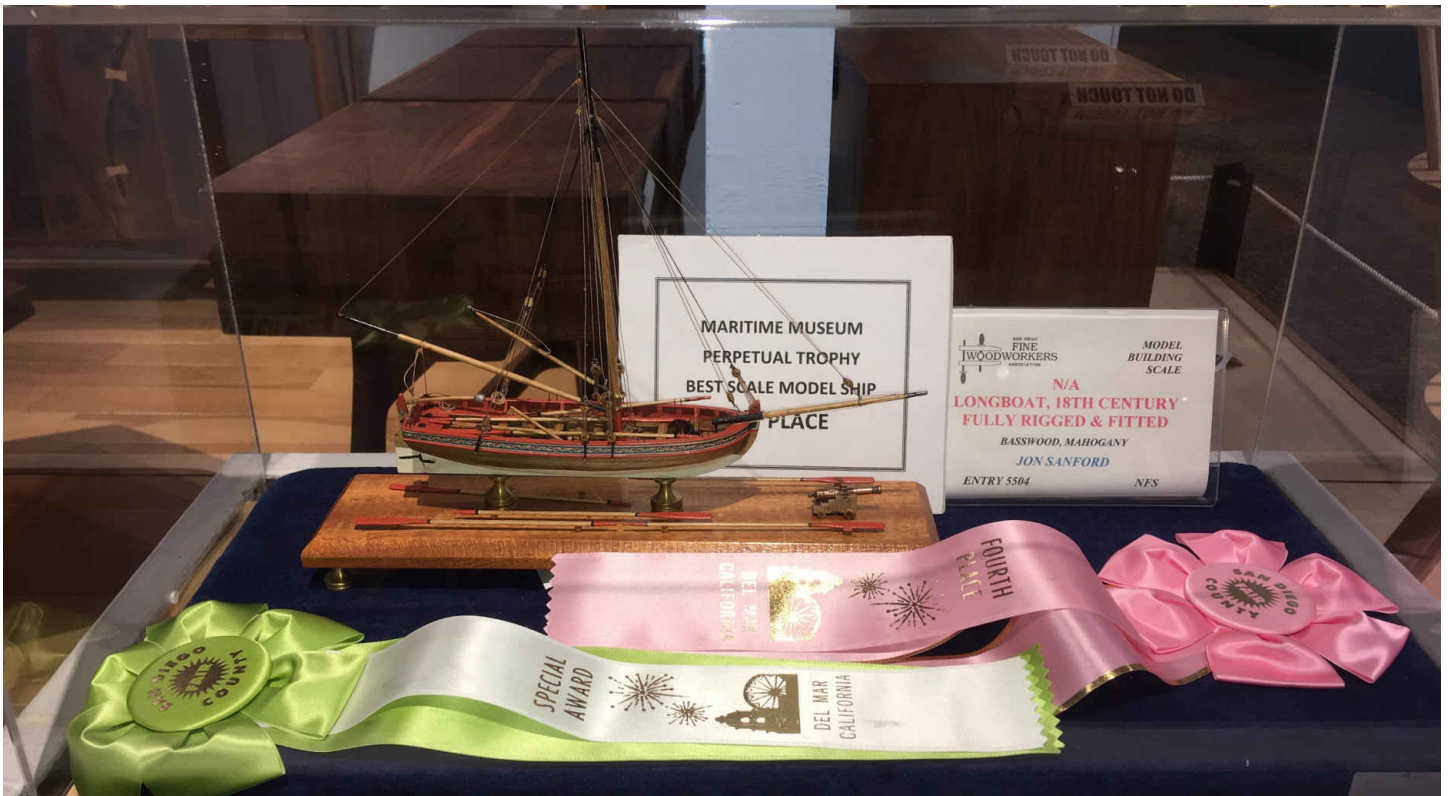
**Jay McMaster announces the next round of pints is on him!**

## SDSMG Makes a Clean Sweep at Del Mar!



Not only did our fellow Guild members showcase our wonderful pastime to the fair-going public, but **Jon Sanford, Art Arroyo, Alex Roel, and Tom Hairston** entered models that, combined, made for a four-way sweep in the woodcraft competition in their category! Please enjoy the following pass-in-review results from our triumphant Guild-mates:

### Fourth Place: Jon Sanford's Longboat



## Third Place: Art Arroyo's Tuna Boat



## Second Place: Alex Roel's *Titanic* Lifeboat



## First Place: Tom Hairston's *Californian*



## **If Jeff Foxworthy Knew Ship Modelers, He Might Observe...**

**If your building area is larger than your family room, you might be a Guild member.**

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**If you can name more wood choices than Baskin-Robbins flavors, you might be a Guild member.**

**If your supply of cigarette paper *never* goes up in smoke, you might be a Guild member.**

**If you use a knife on a small cat head—and PETA doesn't press charges, you might be a Guild member.**

**If your building area includes the living room, you're Tom Hairston.**

**If "lemonwood lung" is an occupational hazard, you might be a Guild member.**

**If you visit ship museums with a tape measure, you might be Guild member.**

**If your fluency in Italian extends only to instruction sheets, you might be a Guild member.**

**If your custom adhesive brew requires a HAZMAT registration, you might be a Guild member.**

**If "copper tone" isn't necessarily a suntan lotion, you might be a Guild member.**

**If your "junk" includes battened sails, you might be a Guild member.**

**If you know Aeropiccola is *not* a musical instrument, you might be a Guild member.**

**If your sheets have clews, you might be a Guild member.**

**If you buy silk by the centimeter, you might be a Guild member.**

**If you consider termites an existential threat, you might be a Guild member.**

**If your 18-inch clipper does not trim hedges, you might be a Guild member.**

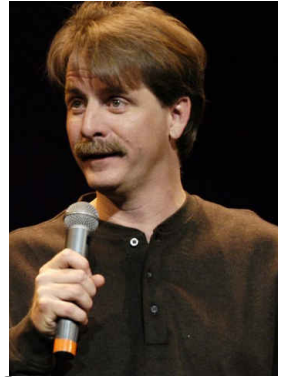
**If you believe dust bunnies are stowaways, you might be a Guild member.**

**If white metal is not a music genre to you, you might be a Guild member.**

**If you can win a ribbon for your pinkie entry, you might be a Guild member.**

**If your wooden cog don't dance, you might be a Guild member.**

**If you exchange Christmas cards with the Greenwich archivist, you might be a Guild member.**



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## **If Jeff Foxworthy Knew Ship Modelers, continued...**

**If you own more dental tools than “4 out of 5” dentists, you might be a Guild member.**

**If “block & tackle” is way more than football moves to you, you might be a Guild member.**

**If you spend as much time picking parts out of the carpet as you do at the building table, you might be a Guild member.**

**If the sound of a Priac table saw makes you wistful, you might be a Guild member.**

**If you’ve mistaken wood glue for pastry icing at breakfast, you might be a Guild member.**

**If building an airtight case is *not* a legal matter, you might be a Guild member.**

**If your “rig” does not haul furniture across state lines, you might be a Guild member.**

**If your poop deck project does not stink, you might be a Guild member.**

**If you can change out a No. 11 blade in your sleep, you might be a Guild member.**

**If “deadeye” isn’t exactly a sharp shooter to you, you might be a Guild member.**

**If building a ratline does not involve jailhouse snitches, you might be a Guild member.**

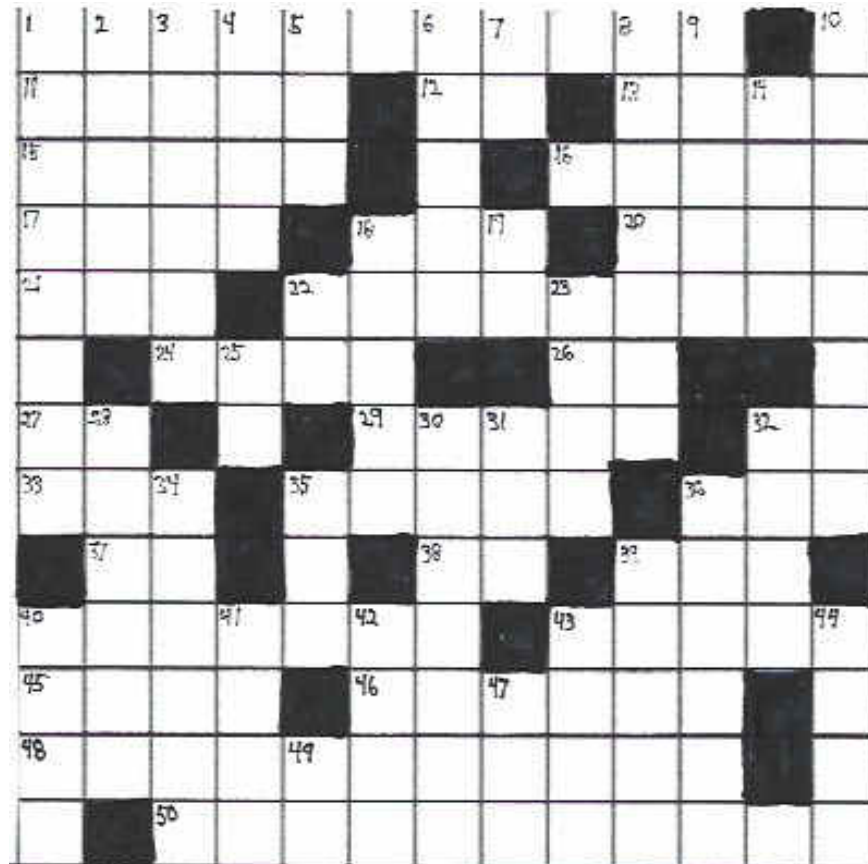
**If a little Cutty Sark does not require a shot glass, you might be a Guild member.**

**If “community build” doesn’t call for block parties, you might be a Guild member.**

**If “planking” does not require abdominal tension for you, you might be a Guild member.**



# This Month's SDSMG Crossword



## Across

1. The Museum's cutter
11. "Come \_\_\_\_\_," to reverse helm
12. Navy oiler hull designator
13. Assistant on board.
15. "Kick'd"
16. What *rien* means in London
17. The HMS *Surprise's* maiden name
18. A cost for services
20. A prank, in olde England
21. A "likable" president
22. The *Medea's nom de guerre*
24. U.S.-born queen of Jordan
26. "90" in ancient Rome
27. O-3 in the U.S.N.
29. The Museum's steam yacht
32. "of" in Dijon
33. Code name for the airport in Vincennes, IN
35. Plural for Japanese cargo vessel names
36. Place for weapons, or ill crewmen
37. Hull designator for destroyer escort
38. Number, abbr.
39. "Why Can't We Be Friends" group
40. The *Star's* maiden name
43. What the tall ships in San Diego and Galveston comprise
45. Female relative
46. "Drunk as \_\_\_\_\_!"
48. Format for travel
50. Juan's ride to San Diego

## Down

1. Discoverer of our region
2. Saucy comeback in Riyadh
3. Discharge or let go
4. Jute in Leghorn
5. The delivery people
6. What the *America* was
7. Bond's treacherous Dr.
8. "A Horse with No Name" group
9. Distinctive citrus type
10. Our favorite clubhouse on the water
14. A shade of green
18. *Pro* \_\_\_\_\_: official process
19. "In" in Reims
22. Deadly gas
23. More than one former mate
25. Beast of burden
28. Exceedingly pricey in Amsterdam
30. A "serious" name for a baby girl
31. A pair
32. "Wine \_\_\_\_\_ Sea"
34. Belonging to a certain medical insurance company
35. Shot for common childhood afflictions
36. Noise the pooch made
39. *Wicked* \_\_\_\_\_: saucy cartoon series
40. What a corrosive acid does
41. Volatile Sicilian mount
42. "Country" in Amiens
43. "To burn," in Iu Mien
44. Motto for the Roman republic, abbr.
47. Computer program for topography, abbr.
49. 50th element

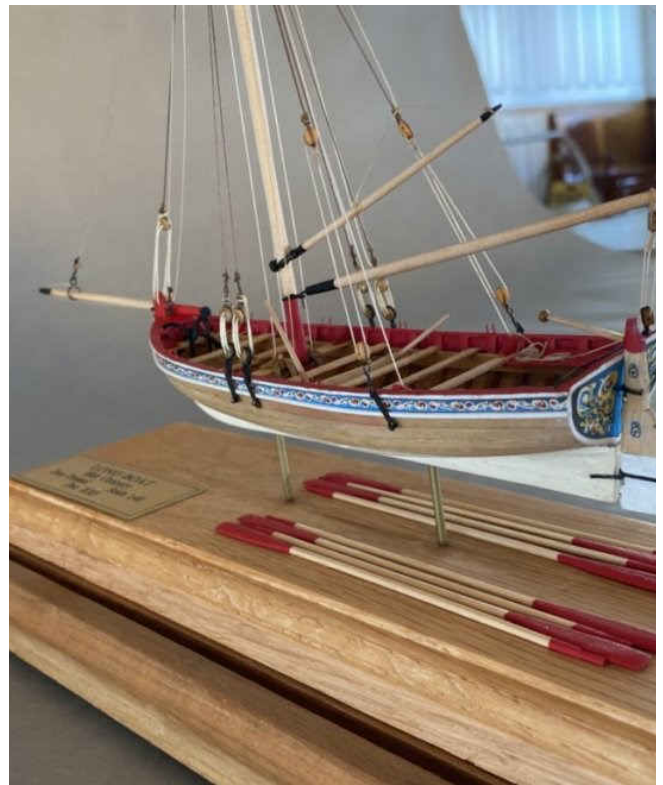
# Last Month's SDSMG Crossword



## July's Monthly Models



**Don Dressel brought in his spectacular Model Shipways 1:48 Longboat. Part of a community build from 2015, the kit featured plank-on-frame construction with a removable bulkhead system to produce the open interior.**





**James Pitt presented a freestyle project—a pirate junk! Inspired by pirate vessels of East Asia, James is converting a junk trawler into an adapted piracy vessel, much like actual types that operated in those waters. Since this model is not based on any specific example, he is free to develop the design and install details as he sees fit.**



**Chris Sullivan shared his 1:700 Hasegawa kit of the “helicopter-destroyer” *Izumo* of the Japanese Maritime Self-Defense Force. To depict the embarked aircraft, Chris turned to his spares box to include helicopters as well as V-22 Osprey tilt rotors. The yellow gear flight deck equipment also came from spares. The kit is depicted as a waterline model since the lower hull was badly warped!**



An old build of Karl Zingheim's from a dozen years ago surfaced in the form of a diorama of the USS *Tirante* running out of the Japanese harbor of Ha Shima on the surface after sinking a merchantman pierside on 12 June 1945. The boat's bow planes would not retract when on the surface, which caused a great deal of turbulence as the submarine tried to dash out to sea, chased by fire from shore batteries. The kit is a slightly modified 1:144 Trumpeter Gato kit, with White Ensign deck guns, including a pair of 40mm Bofors, and a 5-inch 25-calibre gun. Crew figures are modified Preiser model railroad figures. The water base is textured modeling paste.

