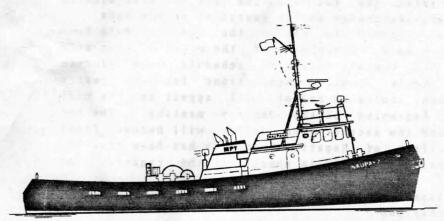


San Diego Ship Modelers Guild

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This profile of the Naupaka shows the tug's shape. The vessel was designed by MARCO and named after a delicate Hawaiian flower.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

FROM THE SAN DIEGO SHIP MODELERS GUILD

Have a safe and peaceful holiday.

DECEMBER 16. 1983 8:00 PM 'Tween Decks of the STAR OF INDIA ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

Bring your favorite christmas hors d'oeuvres or goodie to share. Beverages will be provided with a kitty to offset costs.

On behalf of our Guild Master and Mate, I want to wish all of you a happy heliday season ... Happy Hanukkah, a warm winter, Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year. For those of you who keep a religious holiday, may you find a blessing in the celebration of these special days. I hope you will also keep a safe holiday, especially on the road. And finally, may your model fleet increase in 1984!

TRIVIA QUIZ: What well known Saint who is celebrated in December is also the patron saint of seafarers? The answer is somewhere in this issue!

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LOG OF THE NOVEMBER MEETING

Guild Master Fred Fraas called us to order for general business. He announced that a Mainsail Haul issue in the near future will include an article he has written about our guild. He further announced that we are now accepting dues for 1984. The new membership form will help us compile a list of models worked on by our membership.

Under Old Business, a few members still have not picked up their name tags. Bob Wright has a tape he made of the August Crabtree Lecture and of the interview he conducted with him after the lecture. The tape has been donated to the Guild and Logkeeper Bill was designated as the custodian of the tape.

Under New Business, it was proposed to change the regatta date from September to the first Saturday in June. Concerns over the weather, open pond dates prior to the regatta, and overall planning schedule were factors discussed. The issue was tabled until January. Nominations for next year's officers were taken. Under current rules, a ballot will appear in the next issue, to be turned in by the beginning of the January meeting. The top finisher will be the Master, and the second vote getter will become First Mate/Purser. This year a new office of Regatta Commodore has been created. This person will head up a committee to be in charge of the regatta. The nominees are (in order nominated):

GUILDMASTER:

Roy Nilson Doug McFarland Fred Fraas Gordon Jones

REGATTA COMMODORE: Albert L'heureux

Phil Headlev

LOGKEEPER:

Bill Kelly-Fleming

We were reminded of the work of the Nautical Research Guild whose dues are \$13 a year.

The Lookeeper read two communications from ship model suppliers. One was from Repla-tech plans service who sent a limited number of their out-going cateloos good until December 31, 1983. After that date most items will be increased in price. One set of catelogs is being ket by Bill with the Guild files for reference. The other communication regarded indexes to MODEL SHIP BUILDER and QUEDAH MERCHANT. (The texts of both communications appear elsewhere in this issue. I will try to bring the file copies to the party on the 16th. -Ed.)

We had a fairly lively auction with most of the 27 present taking part. Charles Coskery brought a large number of tools which took in over \$31, of which all but \$15 was donated to our treasury. In all the Guild netted \$52.37. Several items went for a very low price. Les Gibbon got the best deal of the night, picking up a Billings NORSKE LOVE kit and fittings for only \$25. There are still some ebony strips available at \$.50 a strip, or \$.25 for a small block.

There were a good number of models present for the mix and mingle session, including:

Bob Ross 41' Coast Guard Utility, and R?C model at 3/8" = 1', length of 15 1/2". This is a scratch added kit and is 30% complete.

Russ Lloyd Ship in bottles -- CONSTITUTION in one quart bottle, and DILIGENCE also in a quart bottle.

Lew Harmeling

FIDDLEHEAD, a planked hull gaff schooner at 1 1/2" = 1'. prototype is 31'5" long, the model is 47 1/2". Lew brougth the line drawings and keel. The boat is an original and experimental project.

Doug McFarland

HOTSPUR, the 20 gun sloop of war of Capt. Hornblower, in 1:60 scale from a POF kit. The hull is now 90% complete.

Bill Kelly-Fleming Spanish Galleon from McCann plans. This is a restoration of a 50+ year old scratch built solid hull display model. The original model was built to the original plans as the appeared in POPULAR SCIENCE and in the later book SHIP MODEL MAKING. The resoration used the later to maintain as much of the original technique as possible. The restoration has included cleaning, total repainting, new suit of sails (with ornamentation), and total re-rigging.



Last menth the CALIFORNIAN reached the half way point in her construction. The deck planking has been going on using 400 year old Douglas Fir on Santa Maria wood deck beams. In the past few weeks the railing has been started. On her transom the words CALIFORNIAN -- SACRAMENTO have been penciled in place. Other signs of progress include a completely shaped bowsprit ready for shipping.

The CALIFORNIAN has been officially named to lead the Olympic Tall Ship Parade on July 4. In addition she has been selected by the American Sail Training Association to be its representative for this region.

The ports of call for her maiden voyage have been determined, according to the SAN DIEGO LOG. This voyage will start in Sacramento, sailing down the Sacramento River to Rio Vista and Vallejo, then down to Sausalito. On her way to San Francisco, She'll sail under the Golden Gate Bridge and come about. On her trip south, the revenue cutter replica will stop at Half Moon Bay, Monterey, Port San Luis, Santa Barbara, Marina Del Rey, San Pedro, Long Beach, Newbort Beach, Avalon, Dana Point, and concluding back here in San Diego.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL REMINDER: Don't forget to renew you membership Already about half of the members have renewed. Return the form from last month's newsletter to either Bill Kelly-Fleming or to Roy Nilson.

**** R/C OPERATORS PLEASE NOTE **** In January we will be featuring R/C frequency articles, including who is using what channels. If you have not signed in on our roster, or have added or changed frequencies, please fill out the form below and include it with your renewal. Thanks.

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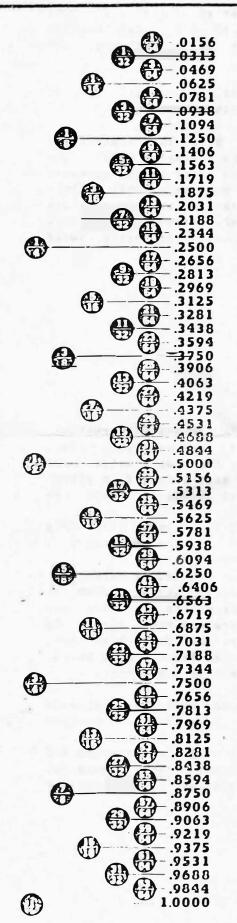
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CAMPBELL SCALE MODELS



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COM		Cabo II	M TABLES	
Prototype	M	240	53	0
Dimensions	SCALE'	SCALE	SCALE	SCALE
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4"	.0250	.0459	.0625	.0833
5"	.0313	.0574	.0781	.1042
6"	.0375	.0689	.0938	.1250
7"	.0438	.0804	.1094	.1458
8"	.0500	.0919	.1250	.1667
9"	.0563	.1033	.1406	.1875
10"	.0625	.1148	.1563	.2083
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2'	.1500	.2756	.3750	.5000
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20'	1.5000	2.7560	3.7500	5.0000
25′	1.8750	3.4450	4.6875	6.2500
30′	2.2500	4.1340	5.6250	7.5000
35′	2.6250	4.8230	6.5625	8.7500
40'	3.0000	5.5120	7.5000	10.0000
45'	3.3750	6.2010	8.4375	11.2500
50'	3.7500	6.8900	9.3750	12.5000
55′	4.1250	7.5790	10.3125	13.7500
60'	4.5000	8.2680	11.2500	15.0000
65'	4.8750	8.9570	12.1875	16.2500
70'	5.2500	9.6460	13.1250	17.5000
75'	5.6250	10.3350	14.0625	18.7500
80'	6.0000	11.0240	15.0000	20.0000
85'	6.3750	11.7130	15.9375	21.2500
90'	6.7500	12.4020	16.8750	22.5000
95′	7.1250	13.0910	17.8125	23.7500
100'	7.5000	13.7800	18,7500	25.0000
125'	9.3750	17.2250	23.4375	31.2590
150′	11.2500	20.6700	28.1250	37.5000
175'	13.1250	24.1150	32.8125	43.7500
200'	15.0000"	27.5600"	37.5000"	50.0000
1/4 mi.	8.2500′	15.1580′	23.1250′	27.5000
½ mi.	16.5000′	30.3160′	46.2500'	55,0000′
3/4 mi.	24.7500′	45.4740′	69.3750'	82.5000
1 mi.	33.0000′	60.6350'	92.5000′	110.0000

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THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS A Nautical Visit From St. Nick

by Pat Day

T'was the night before Christmas, when all through the boat Not a halyard was rattling; all peaceful afloat. The seaboots were hung by the galley with care, In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there; The children were nestled all snug in their bunks, With visions of Big Macs and ice cream and junk; And I in my T-shirt and Pa in his shorts, Had just settled our brains with two spicy rum snorts; When out on the deck, there arose such a patter, I sprang from my berth to see what was the matter. Away to the porthole, I flew like a flash, To see the rain, cascading down with a splash. Soon the moon on the breast of the tide's timeless flow, Again gave a lustre to objects below; When, what to my wondering eyes should appear, But a painted red dinghy whose course did not veer; With a little old helmsman, so lively and quick, I knew in a moment, it must be St. Nick. More rapid than seagulls, his heroes he named, And he whistled and hooted and then he proclaimed, "Now Hiscock, now Slocum, now Smeeton," he shouted; the same of the same of the same "On Turner, on Hasler and Barton!" he touted. "From the base of the keel, to the top of the mast, Now sail away! sail away! sail away fast!" As huge waves that before the wild hurricane fly, When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky; So on toward the transom the dinghy it blew, With a boat full of toys, and St. Nicholas, too. And then in a twinkling, alongside the rail, He head-up to wind and dropped the small sail. As I drew in my head and was turning around. Up, up to the coachroof, he sprang with a bound. He was dressed all in oilskins, from his head to his toe, And they glistened with salt spray, a bright-yellow glow; A sailbag of toys he had flung on his back, And he looked like a crewman just opening his pack. His eves -- how they squinted! His dimples, how merry! His cheeks were all windburned, his nose like a cherry! His face, from the sun, was all weathered and tanned, And the beard of his chin as white as the sand. A dripping sou'wester was jammed on his head. As he quietly down the companionway sped; He had a broad face and a little round tummy, And a droll little mouth with a smile, bright and sunny!

He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old salt,

Then, alongside the mainmast he came to a halt;

And doffing his hat, he gave me a quick wink,

And opened his duffle before I could think.

Toys spilled out on the sole; he went straight to his job,

And fill'd all the seaboots, then ducked with a bob;

And laying his finger aside of his nose,

And giving a nod, up the hatchway he rose;

He sprang to his dink, and flew off like a missle,

With a cheery "toot toot" of his small bosun's whistle;

But I heard him exclaim, as he sailed out of sight,

"Happy Christmas to all and to all a goodnight."

FROM THE MAILBAG:

From RELA-TECH International, 48500 McKenzie Hwy., Vida, Oregon 97488.

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"REPLA-TECH is shipping its remaing 1983 sales literature to various model boat clubs throughout the country for dissemination to their members.

Reason: It is planned dto release new 1984 catagos at the end of December with increased prices in some instances. Shipping out this literature not only makes room in the warehouse for the 1984 sales literature not only makes room in the warehouse for the 1984 sales literature, but also gives the club member a final chance to purchase items at the lower 1983 prices. The deadline for the receipt of orders is DECEMBER 31, 1983.

We are sorry we have had to increase our prices for 1984, but new printing volumes a present-day printing costs have made it necessary. Our prices to the customer have been very reasonable in the past and still will be, because we print in large quantities.

We hope your members will take advantage of this final 1983 offer. If your club is interested in receiving free sales literature on new items from time-to-time, please let us know. Thank you.

Yours truly,
/s/ Robert C. Morrison

Also this item:

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I finally have some information on the route of the Tall ships Parade on July 4. It will be from Santa Monica to Angeles Gate, past Huntington Beach Pier, then to the oil platforms off Long Beach. Apparently there will be a fireworks show from the platforms that evening. About 80 ships and 11,000 spectator vessels are expected.

In the news the other day it was announced that the ferryboat SAN DIEGO is on its way back to our bay from Canada. It has been purchased for about \$200,000 and will be drydocked near the Hotel Del Coronado to become a dinner theatre.

She of course was one of the ferries used between San Diego and Coronado before the bridge was built.

For you America's Cup followers, an announcement has been made that the winged keel is acceptable on 12 meter boats. This wing cannot exceed 3.6 meters, the minimum allowed for the beam.

The Bark GLORIA arrived three days late either late on Dec. 7 or early on the 8th. This 212 foot training vessel for the Columbian Navy was well decked out in flags and night lights. It is unknown whether her stay will be extended because of her late arrival. She last visited in 1980, when Doug McFarland and I had the priviledge of being on the CALIFORNIA while excepting her to the dock on arrival.

Who is the patron saint of seafarers? St. Nicholas, whose day is celebrated on December 6th. Nicholas was the reluctant bishop of Myra until his death in 342 AD. He was known as one who was particularly caring for the outcasts in society, giving gifts to them and helping to provide the necessities of life. Among these outcasts were the lowly seafarers, sailors, and children. We have come to know him for his gifts to children. Dutch colonists in New York recalled that giving tradition, and from them we developed Santa Claus. In some Orthodox traditions the large molasses like Nicholas cookie is made, impinted with the name and image of Nicholas, and is handed out to children and friends. Because sailors are often among the outcasts of society, they continue to see Nicholas as their Patron.

FOR YOUR CALENDAR -- BOAT PARADE OF LIGHTS: Mission Bay Saturday, Dec. 17th 7:00 PM San Diego Bay Sunday, Dec. 18th 6:00 PM

Thanks to Bob Wright for submitting the Scale Conversion charts, and to Bob Ross for the Christmas poem. Bob Wright has submitted other items for future issies as well. I appreciate your help in obtaining articles. Some people have submitted other articles and cartoons. The problem is that I really should obtain copyright clearances before printing any of these, especially cartoons. If you submit something printed elsewhere, please provide the name of the source, the editorial address, the issue and page it is taken from so I can write for permission to reproduce it.

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MEETINGS: 3rd Friday of each month, 8:00 p.m. aboard the Bark STAR OF INDIA, on the Orlop Deck.

MEMPERSHIP: Dues for Members of the San Diego Maritime Museum*
and anyone living outside of San Diego County - *
\$7.50. Non-Museum Members - \$15.00. After July *

the dues are 1/2 for the remainder of the year.