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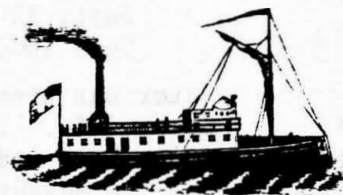


REGATTA SCHEDULE

0800 - 0930	R/C REGISTRATION
1000	FIRST RUN
1300 - 1400	STATIC REGISTRATION
1400 - 1600	STATIC JUDGING
1500	"FAVORITE" BALLOT CLOSES
1600 (approx.)	AWARDS ANNOUNCED
1700 (approx.)	POTLUCK PICNIC (Grills provided)
2000	NIGHT RUN-PARADE OF LIGHTS at Hotel center pond

FOR INFORMATION CALL REGATTA COMMODORE DOUG MCFARLAND (/redacted/)

This year's Regatta will be a very special one. Vacation Village is now known as the Princess Resort and is owned by Princess Cruise Line. The regatta will feature the official debut of Al L'Heureux's PACIFIC PRINCESS, much to the delight of the resorts management. PACIFIC PRINCESS will lead off our night Parade of Lights.

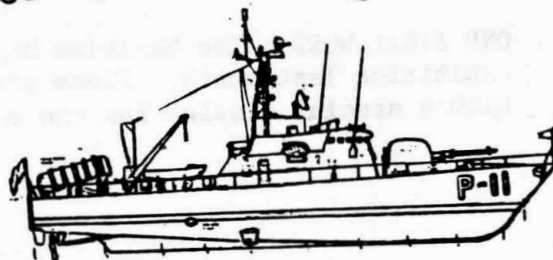
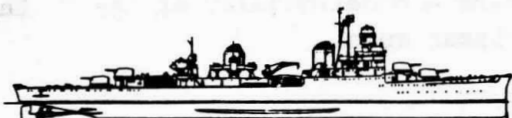


JUNE MEETING

June 19, 1987 8:00 p.m.

STAR OF INDIA

PRESENTATION: "SOFT AND SILVER SOLDERING"
with Bob Cornell





BY BILL KELLY-FLEMING

"SAILS HO! ABAFT" (looking back a few weeks.)
 "LOOKS LIKE ABOUT 14 SCHOONERS ENTERING THE BAY"

Aye mates, that was quite a site on Sunday of Memorial Weekend as 14 schooners under full and reaching sail in a brisk breeze entered San Diego Bay at the conclusion of their race from Mission Bay. It was a scene out of yesteryear! I had the good fortune to have dinner with my good friends while awaiting the official results, and b'golly their schooner RUSSAMEE won first place on corrected time, by 17 seconds over the favored KELPIE.

MORE SAILS HO ABEAM!

Many of the same schooners in the above mentioned Billy Bones Race will also be racing in the Ancient Mariners Race on San Diego Bay on Saturday June 13.

"DECK THERE. WE HAVE A BAY FULL OF SAILS, LEAD SAIL IS SLOOP RIG, GUNSMOKE BLUE HULL."

STARS AND STRIPES '86 will head up a boat parade as part of the big waterfront festival on June 21. If you aren't too worn out by our regatta on the 20th, you might want to head down to the embarcadero (along with 100,000 other folk) and join in the day long festivities.

"ON DECK, (a little hoarse this time) VERY LARGE SCHOONER OFF OUR STARBOARD BOW! On June 26 at 0800, the four masted, 440' schooner WINDSONG will sail into the bay for a two day port of call. Anyone for going aloft? Her masts are a mere 188' above deck!

Looking east, I picked up a brief signal from Ray Agee (with a little help of the telephone. He is still working on the National Association, just bogged down in various red tape. Ray hopes to have a statement for us soon on the progress. He will also be at our regatta and can answer any questions directly.

(BACK ON DECK NOW) In going through the mail bag, I have some regatta schedules and operation times for Maritime Modelers. Out of Town dates I have at hand include:

August 9, Burnaby Assoc of Marine Modelers Regatta (near Vancouver)
 Sept. 12-13 San Francisco MYC Golden Gate Scale Cocours
 Oct. 16-18 Nautical Research Guild in Philadelphia

After our presentation on finishes, I've learned of a new interest in acrylic paints for models. There are apparently four brands available, and the one I've heard the most about and have found locally is PACTRA. These are water based paints, which has the advantage of no potentially hazardous fumes, and ease of clean up, since water or alcohol can be used as thinner and cleaning agent. The Pactra need no thinning for airbrushing according to the vendor, or if need be just a few drops of water. Another beauty of the Pactra is that it comes in bottles which fit directly onto most airbrushes! A report on these paints in the current FINE SCALE MODELER rates the Pactra as economical, "Very Good" in performance for hand brushing and air brushing, good adhesion and excellent color accuracy. Right now they do have a limited color range. I found them at Command Post (next to West Coast Hobbies). Most of the reports have dealt with plastic models. While it is supposed to work well with wood, I'll have to run a few tests and compare my notes with others around the country, as they write their reviews in newsletters. The other brands are Badger Air-Opaque (poor adhesion), Gunze Sangyo (hard to find and expensive but excellent range of color), Polly S (questionable color accuracy and difficult to airbrush) and Tamiya (limited range but easier to find).

ONE FINAL WORD...The Maritime Museum is still expressing appreciation for our excellent exhibition last month. Plans are underway for featuring a Model/Modeler of the Month with a special display for the model. Details will appear soon.

SAN DIEGO SHIP MODELER'S GUILD
Annual Scale Regatta and Picnic
Mission Bay Park Model Yacht Basin

Saturday, June ~~27~~, 198~~6~~⁷
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R.C. Operating Models - Competition Rules

Registration Fee: \$3.00 (per model)
Registration Time: 8:00 to 9:30 AM
Starting Time: 10:00 AM

1. Sail, electric or steam-powered only.
2. Model should be a scale version of an actual ship or boat.
3. Models must be radio-controlled and may be operated only by the builder. No substitute skippers please.
4. Judging will be performed by a three judge panel.
5. Models will be judged from a distance of 5 feet. (stand-off scale)
6. The decisions of the judges will be final.
7. Judging criteria -- 100 points maximum.
 - a. Accuracy to scale 30 points
 - b. Scale operation in the water 30 points
 - c. Finish and overall appearance 30 points
 - d. Misc. - extra functions, etc. 10 points

Scale operation course rules

1. Judging will be based on a 30 point scale.
2. Within the course, there will be a "measured mile". The judges will use their judgment for scale speeds.
3. No points will be awarded if a contestant fails to complete the course, but a second chance will be given.
4. A 2 point penalty will be assessed for each buoy hit or not rounded, and also for hitting another boat.

Non-Operating or Static Competition Rules

Registration Fee: \$2.00
Registration Time: 1:00 to 2:00 PM
Judging: 2:00 to 4:00 PM

1. Model must be displayed by the builder.
2. Judging will be performed by a three judge panel.
3. The decisions of the judges will be final.
4. Judging criteria for static models:
 - a. Accuracy to scale 50 points
 - b. Finish and overall appearance 50 points

Awards

1. Trophies and ribbons will be awarded as follows:

Spectator's Favorite
Modeler's Favorite
Junior Modeler (under 21)
Best of Show

R/C Operation

Submarine
Steam
Sail
Tug
Electric - Military
Electric - Civilian
Salvage/Workboat

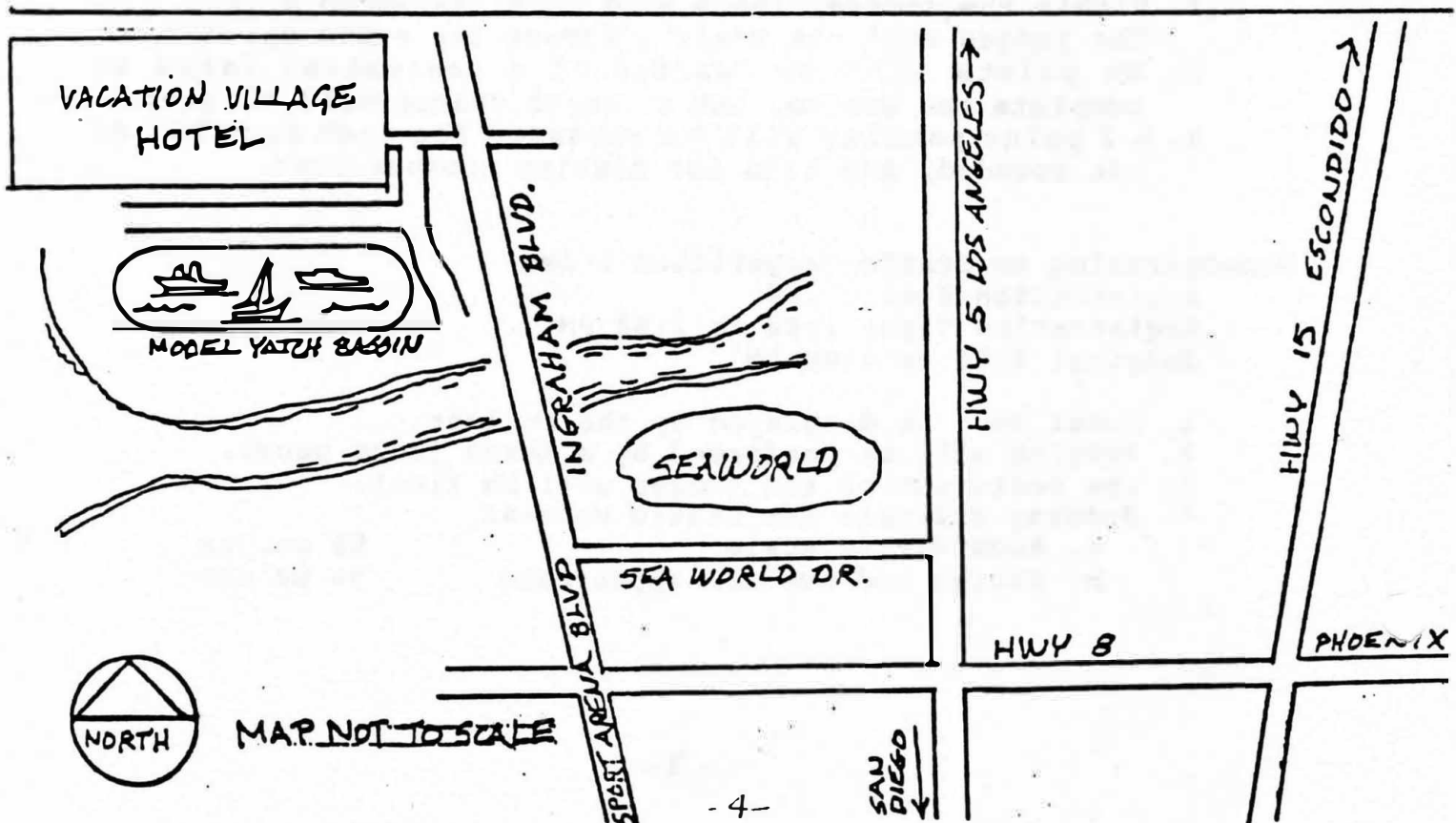
Static:

"Powered" Military
"Powered" Civilian
Sail

2. R/C Operating models can be entered in either the operating or the static contests, but not both.
3. Minimum of 3 contestants per category required or category will be combined with with another appropriate category.

General

1. Soft drinks will not be sold by the club, so plan to bring your own or buy from the roach coach.
2. The club will provide the barbeque bricks, grills etc.
3. We plan to have a "potluck" dinner starting at 6:00 pm. Everyone should bring their own meat, table service, and a salad, side dish or dessert to share.



REGATTA UPDATE

Al L'Heureux and Doug McFarland have been working with the Princess Hotel to set up our annual night run in their pond. Doug has also gotten room rate reductions for modelers staying overnight--please contact Doug for further information (/redacted/). Al has filled out his minimum requirements for judges, although anyone interested in helping should contact Doug. We have a new Regatta Commodore. After doing much of the preliminary hard work on the Regatta, Albert L'Heureux has stepped aside and Doug McFarland has graciously agreed to take over the helm. Albert has decided PACIFIC PRINCESS will be ready to enter and did not want there to be a conflict of interest. Sadly, Albert's hearing is worsening making it difficult to make some of the telephone calls necessary in the final stages of preparation. We heartily thank Albert for the fantastic job he has done in bringing us this far, and understand his reasons for stepping down. And, we offer "Thanks" to Doug for taking over. Volunteers are needed to help set up and/or tear down the day of the Regatta. Those interested should plan to be at the pond around 6:30 a.m. on the big day June 20th. More information will be available at the June 19th meeting.

LOG of the MAY MEETING - Tim Petitt

TELL & No SHOW

- As is our custom once or twice a year everyone in attendance shares with the group their current project. I am pleased to report that most everyone has at least one model under construction, although some of us, like myself, cannot find our models for the dust. Keep up the good work fellas!

- HINTS:

- * For gluing dissimilar materials such as metal, plastic, wood or plaster use 3M "Fast Bond," an excellent water base glue. -- Phil Matson
- * Model Expo Video tapes on model construction are available for about \$20.00 and can be found in for kits such as BLUENOSE. The BLUENOSE tape has a chapter format and is very informative. -- Dan Lepage

SHOW & TELL

- BILL KELLY-FLEMING: The Barkentine CALIFORNIA in a 1/8" to 1' scratch built model of pine and basswood, the only purchased parts being stanchions and the wheel. Originally built as a schooner in Valljo in the 30's by 19 year old Al Mason, she was a popular tour boat in San Diego from 1976-1981 when she ran aground off of Point Loma. This is Bill's first scratch built model and was constructed just after the above mentioned accident. It is the only known model of the CALIFORNIA. Bill is entertaining offers on this very fine model.

Bill also brought another 1/8" to the foot model, this one the fishing schooner BENJAMIN LATHAM. The model, built for a solid hull kit is 30% complete and made of basswood with floquil paints for the hull finish. The vessel was built in Noank, CT in 1902 and is typical of Grand Banks Schooners. Bill planked the solid hull to gain experience and is currently working on the deck and railings.

- ROYCE PRIVETT: brought his 1/8" to 1' cross-section model of the Frigate CONSTITUTION. The model is a POF kit that is 30% complete.
- ROGER SMITH: 1/96" scale "34 Boat" is a 9" model of the 77'ELCO CLASS MTBoat. The model is 30% complete and scratch built of wood and plastic for RC and is set in a diorama. The "34 Boat" assigned to MTB squadron 3 was part of the Asiatic fleet based in the Philippines. The movie "they Were Expendable" was based on MTB-3. Roger is willing to share his plans and frame drawings with anyone who is interested.
- DOUG MCFARLAND: brought HOTSPUR a 20 gun Sloop-of-War that is 87% complete. Doug has not made any progress since last meeting due to work on Al's PRINCESS. Doug is building bulbs for the PRINCESS's night lights. He will follow soon with a construction article.

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There seems to have been some confusion recently over name tag orders. Below are listed the name tags we have or that are on order and will be ready by the June meeting and the Regatta. If you ordered a name tag and do not already have it or your name tag is not on the list below please let Roy Nilson (/redacted/) or Bill K-F (/redacted/) know.

RAY AGEE
JOHN BRODA
DALE FOX
JOHN HANK

HERMAN HANEKAMP
BARNEY HEKKALA
STUART MALKIN
RICHARD MCCARTHY

MIKE REIDY
SCOTTY SHULTZ
TOM WELLS

Note: NAME TAGS ARE NOW BEING KEPT IN THE MODEL SHOP BETWEEN MEETINGS FOR PICK-UP.

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Presentation - synopsis by Tim Petitt

AWARD WINNING FINISHES

Bob Crawford and Royce Privett gave a presentation on finishing techniques.

Paints and Application

- Apply paint using a spray can or airbrush whenever possible for best results. When spraying small parts hold them in place with double-sided masking tape.
- Always use flat paints. Gloss can be modified by adding flatteners before spraying or overcoating with Krylon Crystal Clear sprayed from a distance or Dullcoat.
- Paint thinning for airbrush application is users choice. Experimentation is the best way to determine consistency, but generally should be like non-fat milk.

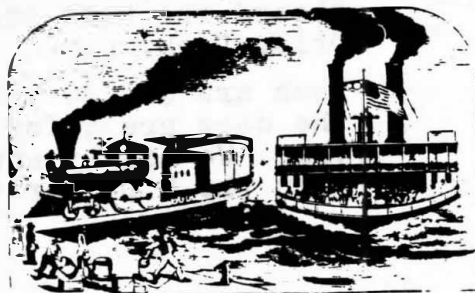
- Laquers are recommended due to the fast drying time. This, however, requires the application of many thin coats which isn't necessarily bad. A retarder can be added to slow drying time.
- When brushing fine detail use a brush with long bristles, approximately 1" long. The long bristles absorb the shock from shaky hands and carry more paint.
- Spray Deft is recommended for finishing wood decks, usually two coats will do.

Preparation

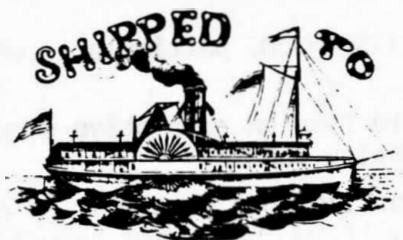
- Z-Spar sealer is recommended for sealing wood, particularly when using laquers.
- Acetone base spotting putty, available from an automotive supply, works well for covering boo-boo's and is easily sanded.
- Use 3M plastic tape for automotive working when possible, it comes in various widths and leaves no residue. If you have used regular masking tape that has been left on too long or is hard to get off, use a hair drier to soften it and then remove it.
- Prepare metal parts by washing in acetone and water before painting.
- When finish sanding use 200-600 grit wet-dry paper. On large surfaces use a thick rubber pad between you hand and the paper, this will help prevent a wavy finish. Pumice and oil are recommended for final sanding after painting when trying for fine surfaces.

Air Brushes

- Single and dual action airbrushes are available, the choice being price and preference. The dual action offers more flexibility, however.
- Some airbrushes can be powered from compressed air cans. These are okay but air pressure decreases as the can is used up. If possible an air compressor is best.
- Air compressors that can supply up to 35 pSI is recommended. A storage tank is helpful if you have a diaphragm type compressor to smooth out pressure fluctuations. A water trap and pressure regulator are also recommended. A basic brush and compressor can be pruchased for about \$100-\$120.
- A spare tire can be used as an inexpensive storage tank.



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BILL KELLY-FLEMING
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	Fred Fraas	/redacted/
MEETINGS:	3 rd Friday of each month, 8:00 P.M. aboard the bark STAR OF INDIA on the Orlop Deck.	
MEMBERSHIP:	Dues are \$10.00 yearly. After July the dues are $\frac{1}{2}$ for the rest of the year. We highly encourage all to join the S.D. Maritime Museum.	