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The July Meeting of SMSNJ will be a virtual meeting. The meeting will be July 28, 2020 at 7:00 PM (1900). A meeting invitation with instructions will be emailed to everyone.

SATURDAY WORKSHOPS AND TECH SESSIONS

Future workshops are on hold until further notice. Please watch your email for updates as they become available.

The Tech Session for July will be a presentation by Mason Logie on weathering techniques in modeling.

JUNE NOTES...

Important Announcement to the SMSNJ Membership and Family

As mentioned in the last *Broadaxe*, we will have virtual meetings for quite some time. Also, I will be regularly communicating with you via email. It is very important that you ensure that you are getting the emails. Depending on your email provider and your security settings some do not get emails with more than a few addresses. Some email goes to spam if there is a link in the email (like an invitation to our virtual meeting). There are dozens of ways to avoid this issue that are too numerous to discuss here, however, one way may be to add me to your contacts, or as a trusted address. Please let me know if there is something that I can do on my end to help.

Tom Ruggiero

We will continue to hold virtual meetings for quite some time. Also, I will be regularly communicating with you via email. It is very important that you ensure that you are receiving the emails. Depending on your email provider and your security settings, some members do not get emails with more than a few addressees on the mail list. In addition some email goes to spam if there are embedded links such as the Zoom meeting invite in the mail. There are dozens of ways to avoid this issue that are too numerous to discuss here, however, one way to avoid this is to add me to your contacts, or as a trusted address. Please let me know if there is something that I can do on my end to help.

Meeting Report

We met virtually on June 23, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 1900 (7PM) by President Bill Brown. There were twenty-two members and two guests. As was last month, Ryland Crave, Barry Rudd, and Bob Fivehouse were in attendance. The guests were Joshua Fichman from the Philadelphia Club, and Greg Harrington from the Hampton Rhodes Club.

Treasurer's Report. The Club Treasury remains in good shape. The dues were due by this meeting. This year all payments are to be by check, made out to Ship Model Society of New Jersey. Please mail all checks to the Treasurer.

OLD BUSINESS



Elections

There was one nominee for both open positions. As per our bylaws, a single vote was cast by our President. Mason Logie is our new Vice President, and Tom Ruggiero continues as our Secretary.

Congratulations. Also a big thanks to Larry Friedlander for his service as our past Vice President. Great job Larry.

ModelCon 2020

Modelcon is a show and demonstration organized by the Philadelphia Shio model Society. Last year the show was held at the Independence Seaport Museum. It was a great day. This year, it was planned to be held on the USS New Jersey in Camden, N.J. but due to the Corona Virus Pandemic it has been postponed till next year. Stay tuned as this will be a fantastic venue.

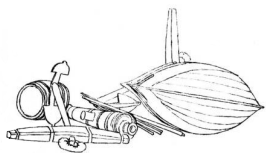
Important Request

One of the big advantages of a virtual meeting is that you do not need to truck in your models to the library. The downside is that the views of the models need to be taken from the Zoom video. The video is great, but moving the model around distorts the image and the various lighting situations, band width, etc. make pulling the images from the meeting recording very spotty. So, we ask that if you plan to do a Show and Tell, or Books and Publications, or Cool Tool, that you send the relevant information to Tom Ruggiero. There are forms available from the web site. Also, we ask that you take photographs of your model. During the meeting, you can bring up the photos. This ensures that the members get a good view of your model. Send two or three of those photographs to Tom Ruggiero and Steve Maggipinto for them to be put into the *Broadaxe*.

Thank you for your cooperation,

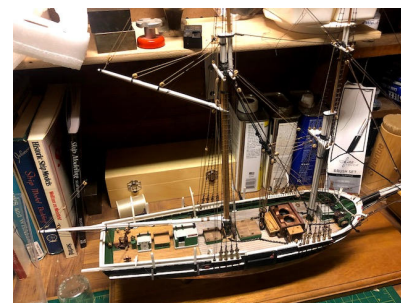
Tom Ruggiero

SHOW AND TELL



Kate Cory, Whaling Brig, 1856,
US, 1:64 Scale

— Rich Verost



Since the last time we have seen the model Rich has completed four whaleboats. They are boom and gaff rigged. He plans to load each boat with all of the working implements that would be in a whaleboat. He notes that these were supplied as pre-carved in the kit. They required a significant amount of finish work as the kit pieces were little more than wood blocks with pointed ends. On the brig itself, Rich is currently working on the Fore Lower Yard. Well done Rich.



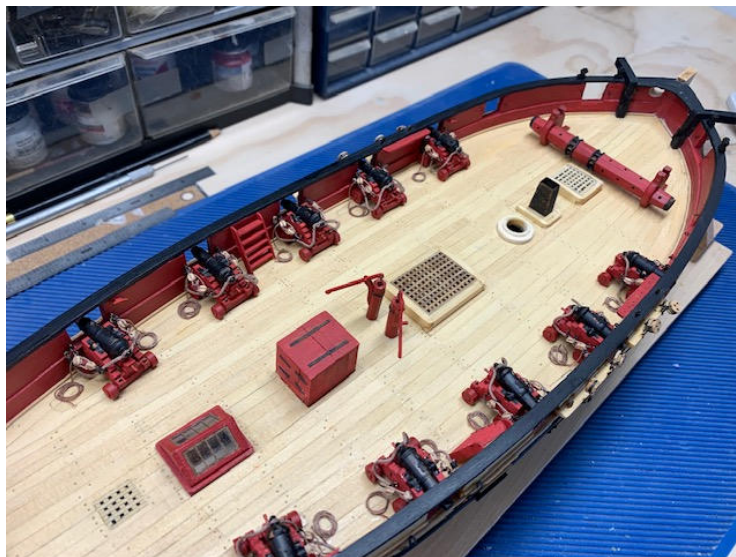
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HMS *Cheerful*, English Revenue Cutter, 1806, 1:48 Scale

— Bill Brown

Since showing the model last time, Bill has completely armed the *Cheerful*. Each of the Carronades is rigged with breeching ropes and train tackle. He has completed the gratings, windlass, companionway, boarding ladders, and galley stack. It is coming along beautifully.



For those who might be interested, Bill has started a build log of *Cheerful* on Model Ship World. Although this project started about 2 years ago, Bill is periodically posting pictures of his past progress and adding an *in hindsight* section on things he wished he knew then or had done better.

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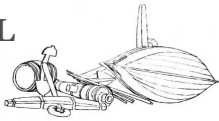
HMS *Victory*, English Ship of the Line, 1:90 Scale (submitted in last *Broadaxe*) — Barry Rudd

Barry presented his continuing project, HMS *Victory*. This is a plank on bulkhead Mamoli Kit and like most Italian kits have many historical inaccuracies. Using the *Anatomy of Ships-100Gun Victory*, Alan McGowan's *HMS Victory Her Construction, Career and Restoration* and C. NepianLongridge's *The Anatomy of Nelson's Ships* as references, Barry tried to make this model as accurate as he could. He noted that he has had to deal with some shortcomings with this kit but is making good progress.

Great looking job, Barry.



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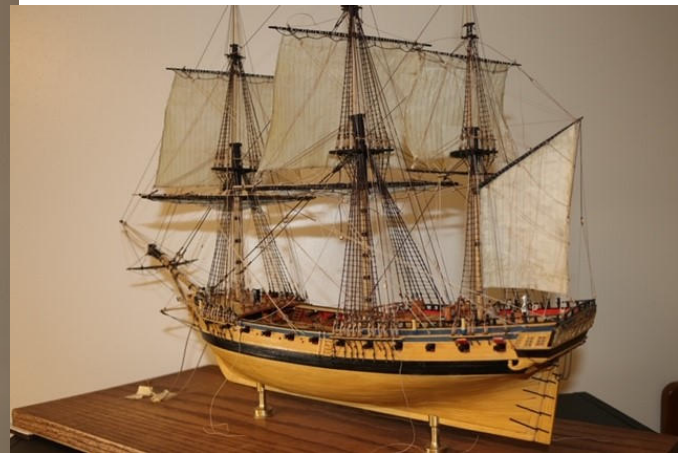


HMS Liverpool, 1757 English Frigate 6th rate

— Tom Ruggiero

Tom is coming to the closing stages of the project. All of the Standing Rigging is complete. Running rigging up to the topsails is complete. The anchor cables have been installed. The driver and three topsails are set.

There are four boats. Tom has made two so far. It is planned that the fore and main topgallants and jib will be set as well. Finishing up will include the boats, anchors, flags, and the mid-ship railing. Wonderful job Tom. She is gorgeous!



BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS



No books or publications were presented at this meeting

TECH SESSION

Making The Ship's Boats

— Tom Ruggiero

Tom made a wonderful presentation of making ship's boats entitled "SHIP'SBOATS IN SMALL SCALE", A method to make open boats, in scales 1:64 and smaller. If you are interested in finding out more about this technique, please contact Tom directly. A copy of Tom's presentation will be sent out with this Broadaxe edition mailing.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business discussed at the meeting.

The Ship Model Society of New Jersey

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Regular meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of every month at 6:45 PM, at the Roseland Free Public Library, 20 Roseland Avenue, Roseland, New Jersey. Guests are always welcome.

Contributions to *The Broadaxe* are always welcome, and SMSNJ members are encouraged to participate. Articles, shop hints and news items may be submitted directly to the Editor as typed manuscript or electronic files, either on discs or by email. Handwritten notes or other materials will be considered depending on the amount of editing and preparation involved.

The Broadaxe is edited by Steve Maggipinto. Your ideas and suggestions are always welcome. Please submit them to Steve Maggipinto at stevemagg@optonline.net.

If any member would like an email copy of the roster, please drop a note to Tom Ruggiero at the email address listed below. If there is an error in the roster let Tom know and the roster will be amended. Please make sure that your spam filter is not blocking emails from Tom because if it is, you won't get member bulletins. You can eliminate the filtering by adding Tom's email address to your contact list. Please keep the secretary informed of any changes so that the roster can be kept current. If you would like a printed copy of the roster, please send a SASE to Tom Ruggiero at the address below and one will be mailed to you. Rosters are also available at the monthly meetings.

Please keep your contact information up to date. Your email address is particularly important because that is the main avenue of communication for club announcements. In case of emergencies such as last-minute cancellations due to weather, emails will be sent to the members.

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