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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING July 23, 2002

The meeting was called to order with 32 members in attendance. The minutes of the June 25, 2002 meeting were approved as published in the July BROADAXE.

Guest **Frank Eppedio** was in attendance for his third meeting and upon a motion duly made a seconded was elected a member.

Jan Leung and Walter Ness were attending their second meeting.

President Starace said that it was in order to nominate and elect new officers for the society. The following nominations were made and seconded.

Treasurer	Jeff Fugelstad
Vice President	Barry Rudd
President	Ed Hegstetter

The members present unanimously elected the slate above.

Bill Dunphy volunteered to take over the coffee detail.

Tom Ruggiero asked that that all members join him in thanking the outgoing officers for their time and effort expended in the club's interest over the past several years.

SHOW AND TELL

Bob Brehm showed his ongoing work on *the Emma C. Berry*. He stained the deck to show a weathered effect.

Len Schwalm had his latest garage sale acquisition, an Old Maine Model Co. model of the *Sea Witch*. Len plans to refurbish the model in due course.

Archie Griffith showed his finely detailed and weathered model of the T-2 Esso tanker from Bluejacket. This is a vessel that Archie served on.

Ernest Connor had two of his fascinating animated helicopters to show.

TECH SESSION

Dennis English talked about filling, patching, priming and masking.

It is important to attempt to match a wood filler to the hardness of the wood (or other material) to avoid unevenness when sanded. Some of the fillers in use are:

Plastic Wood	Hard
DAP Spackle	Soft
A mixture of white glue and sawdust	Medium
Green Squadron	Plastics
Liquid Solder	Metals

(Secretary's Note) I like Bondo for hard woods.

The irregularities are filled and sanded more than once if necessary prior to priming.

A gray primer shows defects very well which can then be sanded, filled, and primed again until the desired smoothness can be achieved. Small dents on bare wood can sometimes be eliminated by the use of a drop of water on the defect causing the wood to swell and eliminate the dents.

There are many types of masking material available. The least attractive is regular painter's masking tape that tends to permit bleeding under the tape and has perhaps too much adhesion. If used, the edge should be recut with a razor on glass to minimize fuzziness at the edge. Other and more preferred tapes are:

ChartPak -- From Art Supply Stores

Electrical Tape

Post It Notes -- Low Adhesion

Magic Tape -- Very Thin. Use type marked intended for removal.

3M Plastic Tapes - -From Auto Supply Shops

Liquid Masking Material -- From Art Supply Dealers
This material is useful for irregular shapes and areas of difficult access.

All masking material should not be left in place too long to avoid pulling up the painted surface under the mask. Removal is best accomplished by pulling gently at a right angle to the line and away from the painted surface.

(Secretary's Note) **Nick Starace** once gave a useful masking tip - to paint the masked edge with the color under the tape that tends to seal the edge from bleeding. Another color is applied up to the mask as usual.

BOOKS AND PUBLICATIONS

Len Schwalm showed *Rigging Period Model Ships* by Leonart Petterson published by the Naval Institute Press. This book is a finely detailed description of the entire rig of a British frigate.

Gary Kingzett showed *A Shipyard in Maine* by Snow and Lee published by Tilbury House Publishers. This book features fascinating descriptions of a late nineteenth century shipyard in Maine as well as of the large schooners built at the yard.

Steve Fletcher circulated a copy of the pamphlet from the recent San Diego exhibit of models featuring, among others, the work of our member **Bob Fivehouse**.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:57 PM.

Mark Your Calendar

SMSNNJ Picnic August 25 12 Noon

NRG Conference October 17-21

LIST OF JEFF GOTTLIEB DONATED MODELS

1. **LYNX** by Panart, LOA 35", Scale 1:62, \$100
2. **HARVEY** by Artesinia Latina, LOA 37", Scale 1:50, \$85
3. **RATTLESNAKE** by Mamoli, LOA 28", Scale 1:64, \$140
4. **NINA** by Amati, LOA 16", \$65 **SOLD**
5. **ALBATROSS** by Mantua, LOA 28", Scale 1:40, \$70 **SOLD**
6. **ROYAL CAROLINE** by Panart, LOA 33", Scale 1:47, \$120 **SOLD**
7. **PRINCE DE NEUFCHATEL** by Constructo, LOA 40", Scale 1:58, \$125
8. **BLUE SHADOW** by Mamoli, LOA 28", Scale 1:64, \$70
9. **NIAGRA** by Model Shipways, LOA 43", Scale 1:64, \$130
10. **ESSEX** BY Aeropicola, LOA 44", Scale 1:70, \$290 **SOLD**
11. **VASA** by Mantua (Sergal), LOA 47", Scale 1:60, \$350 **SOLD**
12. **DALLAS** by Artesinia Latina , LOA 29", Scale 1:50, \$90 **SOLD**

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FROM THE EDITOR



I have just returned from a trip to Norway and Spitsbergen, so this issue may be delivered a little late.

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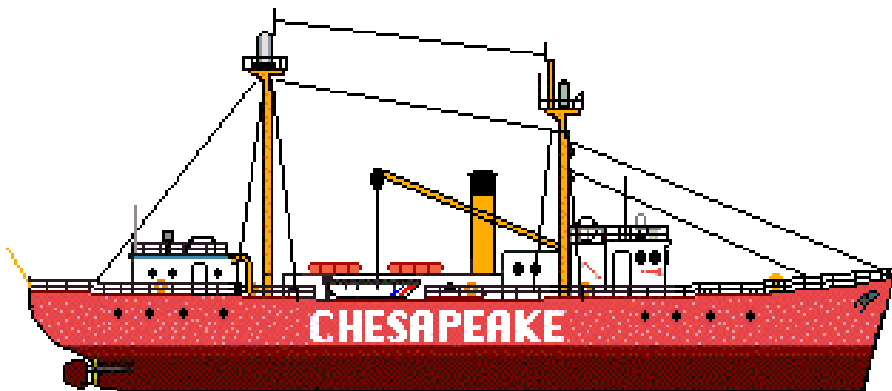
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US Coast Guard Light Ship *Chesapeake*

NEXT MEETING:

August 27, 2002
7:30 PM

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Tech Session:

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Announced