



New Bern Maritime Modelers Guild.

July, 2024



(above) We go to sea next month. (OK, just the Cape Fear River, but we're ONBOARD the North Carolina

Meeting was called to order at 12 noon by Jim Gower, with 7 members present, Jim Gower, Jim Brode, Dave Mahoney, Roger Brown, Mike Hooper, Denny Cole and Roberto Maggio. We were pleased to welcome Nicholas Paz who drove from Greenville with his family to attend our meeting. More later on Nicholas inside the newsletter.

Business discussed is the up coming Expo in Havelock, N.C. on July 20th. Dave Mahoney and myself will go down on Friday afternoon and set up the tables and banner to promote NBMMG. The exhibit will be hosted by the Eastern Carolina Plastic Model Society and will feature 41 vendors and many models from cars, tanks, artillery, planes and ship models. NBMMG is sponsoring a ship model table for this event. A large attendance is planned for this one-day event, that begins at 9:00 and runs till 5:00.

The NBMMG Exhibit is on schedule for August 10-11th on board the Battleship North Carolina in Wilmington, N.C., with the following participating model groups: New Bern Maritime Modelers Guild, Eastern Carolina Plastic Modelers, N.C. Model Ship Builders, and the Wilmington, N.C. Plastic Modelers.

The exhibit will be held in the air conditioned ward room aboard, and is free to all who purchase an admission ticket to tour the boat. All modelers will be arriving Friday afternoon to begin set ups and our models will be exhibited

in scales from 1/700 up to 1/96.

Scheduled times for this event are 8-5 Saturday, and 8-2 on Sunday. Anyone who has a longer drive can leave around noon if necessary.

We want to thank Debra Mahoney for the delicious Chocolate-Chip cookies provided for the group.

For show and tell, Dave Mahoney presented his finished model of a kit bashed 34-foot runabout. This was a gift from his wife Debra, and Dave has done an outstanding job on this mahogany plank on frame along with the two



(above) Dave Mahony's spectacular run about is finished! More photos on page 4.

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outboard motors from Alter Scale Models. Denny Cole commented that these are rare motors since the company no longer exists. Deck hardware came from Billings which made the model stand out. Dave also went the extra mile and made wiring harnesses, and hoses to the motors.

Nichols Paz who is a first-time visitor from Greenville, N.C. found out about us through the Battleship Commission in Wilmington, and an immediate invite went out to him to join our jolly bunch of naves.

Nicholas attends the Oakwood Private school in Greenville, and builds a variety of models. Scales range from 1/1800 (really small) up to 1/350. He is limited in space so big boys yet. He also builds dioramas and his current project is a drydock with a warship being built/repared. He plans to have the adjoining cranes and workshops included.

(above) Nicholos Paz's 1/1800 resin models of WWII warships.

He presented several 1/1800 scale models of warships that are highly detailed, and frankly I don't see how he can build something this small! Must be his young age and eye sight, wouldn't you agree?

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Mike Hooper brought his Testors Air Brush set up which is very compact and runs off an aerosol can in lieu of the compressor. Mike stated that he can insert the can in his pocket and walk out, spray and walk back in the shop. No runs, no drips, no errors!!

Denny Cole brought in several kits that he got from his dad and is looking to find a home for all of the kits and is planning on donating the proceeds to NBMMG! Thank you, Denny, for your gracious offer.

Finally, the restored N.C. Battleship was delivered to the owner last week along with a ¼ inch thick Plexi-glass case.

It will be picked up again for the August Exhibit in Wilmington, and will be the focus of our table at the event. For those who are not up too speed, please go to: ourstatemagazine.com/ussnorthcarolina (June issue).



(above) Mike Hooper's Testors air brush hookup. Available at Hobby Lobby and on-line through Amazon.

(below) Denny Coles kits he is getting new home for.





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(above) Dave's beautiful boat is commissioned and ready for sea trials.





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Meeting Schedule for New Bern Maritime Model Guild 2024

All meetings start at Noon, at
The Shop Class Building,
406 Guion St., New Bern.

August 10-11,
(NBMMG Exhibit BB-55)
September 14th,
October 12th,
November 9th,
December 14th,

Meeting dates for the Carolina Maritime Model Society in Beaufort:

All meetings start at 2:10 pm, in the
Museum's Auditorium.
North Carolina Maritime Museum
315 Front Street
Beaufort, NC 28516

September 28th,
October 26th,
November combined with December,
December 7th,



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