

Minutes

James called the meeting to order with 14 members present at 10:00. VP Tom Szabo introduced a new prospective member, Rick Bell.

Dave Dinan had put together the registration form for the upcoming April conference for all to review. Dave outlined what amendments should be made to the form, reflecting the particulars for our group as sponsor of the meeting. Price for admission was discussed and agreed upon by all to cover our costs for the Conference. The People's Choice Award and the Modeler's Choice Awards were discussed, voted on and accepted. The Modeler's Choice will have three categories: Sail, Power and Other. The "Other" category will cover dioramas. There will be one award for each category. Entrants decide in which category to enter their models. The Peoples Choice will be a best of Show as usual. The next Conference related topic that came up was awards for entrants 15 years old or younger. Each entrant will be given a certificate by CMMS that includes the entrant's brief description of the model. There will be no judging of these models. Gifts for registered Conference participants was discussed and tabled for determination at a later date. The raffle prize was discussed. Two suggestions included, a mini drill press (Dave Dinan), and Mike Jantsch suggested an Ultimatum Sander. James will contact Al Collins at Ultimatum for more information. Rick Abramson offered to give a power point demonstration at the Conference on replacing kit-supplied plastic parts with photo etched parts. His 1/350 scale USS Arizona will also physically show how the modifications were made to the model.

Annual dues were collected.

The December meeting will be held at Twin Pines Diner as in the past on the second Saturday. At the December meeting 'Show & Tell' is not limited to nautical themes anyone can display a model or other item of their choice.

During the meeting, a moment of silence was observed honoring our veterans. Including those who are in our group. Once again. . .thank all of you vets for your service!

Capt. McGuffick dismissed us "crew members" at 8 bells. . .12 Noon.

Respectfully Submitted:

Rick Abramson, Secretary

Officers

President/Treas.: James McGuffick

Vice-President: Tom Szabo

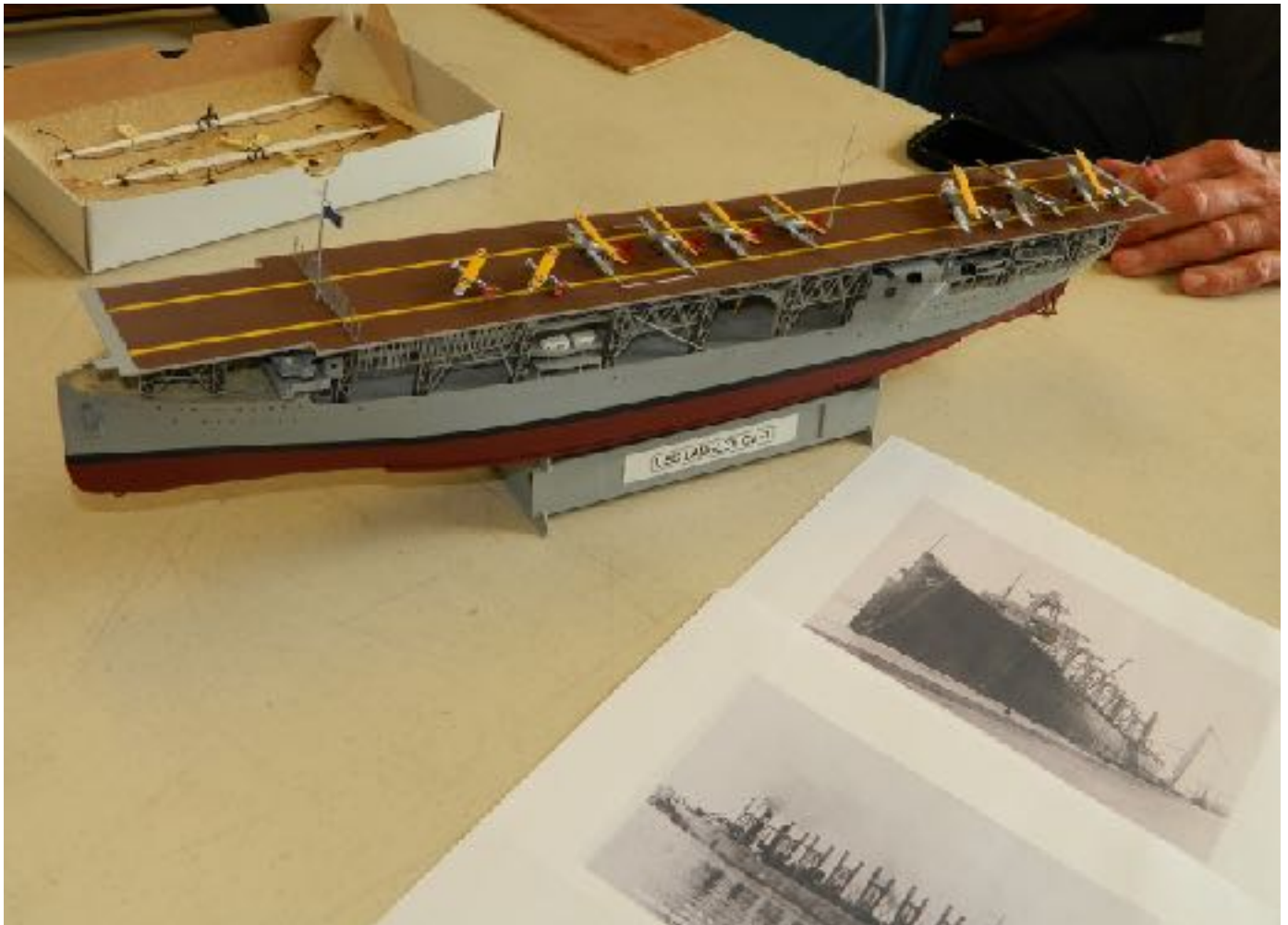
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Charles W. Morgan - Tom Szabo

Tom Szabo displayed his "nearing" completion 1/96 scale, scratch-built Charles W. Morgan. The model has now been outfitted with the whaleboats and a good portion of the standing rigging installed. Work on the running rigging continues which have labels attached to "remind" Tom where the rigging gets attached. Tom indicated that the sails will be fabricated from silk span. In a box were the completed yard arms with the future rigging attached. We'll all be anxious to see the finished model replete with a 1/96 scale whale! Perhaps a "white one???"



USS Langley - Rick Abramson

At the request of James who just purchased the same model, Rick brought in his 1/350 scale model of CV-1; USS Langley, the US Navy's first aircraft carrier. The collier USS Jupiter was selected to be converted to the Langley in 1920. Rick drilled out all of the portholes and primed the model with Tamiya light gray primer and painted the model with Trucolor USN colors. Between painting and assembly, each of the aircraft took over an hour to assemble.



Royal Navy Longboat - Rick Bell

New member Rick Bell displayed his 1/25 scale Royal Navy longboat carried by *HMS Medway* in 1742. All of the planking is laser cut with yellow Alaskan cedar. Finish was done with polyurethane.

"Welcome Aboard" Rick!



HMS Fly Victory - Fred Kerson

Fred Kerson displayed his under construction Victory model *HMS Fly* 1/64 scale. Typically "Fred", was the use of his favorite material. . .balsa. Fred left the portside open to display the interior. For carpeting, he used miniature Persian rugs from a doll house supplier. Fred brought the model which was in its early stages to the October meeting.

Next CMMS Meeting

December 9, 2023

at



TWIN PINES DINER



34 Main St., East Haven, CT

from

10 am to 12 pm