

*For some lost reason there was no formal recording of minutes for the 11/21 Meeting. Here are my notes from the meeting.*

Our meeting turned out to be an interesting event for attendees on line and in person. Don Spielberger of Loyalhanna Dockyard gave an fascinating account of how his business is structured, what services and capabilities he provides and the acquisitions he has made over the years to preserve much of what may have been lost without his deliberate actions. I am tempted to elaborate but for those of you who missed the session it would be of value to hear his accounting via the recording of the session.

Tim Huggins treatment of his build of the half hull model offered by the NRG was quite professional and informative even to those who have planked a number of hulls. We will be posting his presentation on our web site under Shop Notes in the near future for your further reference.

Other notable happenings of no less importance should not go undeclared. Firstly we welcomed 4 new members to the group. Paddy from Ottawa has joined us, Dan from Fairport has also become a member, Don from Loyalhanna also wants to come aboard and lastly but certainly not least Ryland from Virginia and the Hampton Roads modeler's group has asked to join us. After welcoming the new members we did a "show of hands" for membership sign up for 2022 and it was unanimous!!!!!! **Please, others not present give me a nod if they too will be with us in 2022. That will determine ours dues for the coming year and I might add make for an interesting year for us all.**

I should not let this go by without comment. After a long absence Tom Lockwood is back amongst us. He has been active with modeling but work and some corrective hand /wrist surgery has kept him more than occupied. Welcome back Tom!

I mentioned that for certain folk there was an unexpected bonus. Tom, Don S. and Chuck have a common link through the USS Missouri. Tom sold the Hartman hull (when he too was in the retail business) to the builder (and donator) of the original modeler. Now Don and Tom will get involved since Chuck needs some advice of the work needed for her. In

addition Don has also intimated that he may be able to support us in the PBR painting as he has a shop under climate control he has in Bergen.

Lastly but not least during Show and Tell Bob D. brought his nearly completed hull of the Confederacy to show. So too, Tom brought his Syren model from Model Shipways that he has undertaken and spoke to its planking needs. Not to be outdone Don S brought a fascinating scratch RC model of an English work craft that was superbly done including the weathering. Lastly, but not least Don M. showed off his beautiful Endeavor J class half hull and one in the works of an Endeavor full hull model kit that he was able to piece together from several sources . See the beautiful lines included and do read about her history from fame, to near demise and resurrection.