

NEWSLETTER OF THE CANBERRA MODEL SHIPWRIGHTS SOCIETY

# Special Edition - Expo 23 -September 16-17, 2023











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EXPO 23 was held over the weekend of 16th and 17th of September at Mount Rogers School, Melba ACT. I should firstly like to acknowledge the support given to the CMSS by the School and Staff for allowing us to use their facilities to stage our exhibitions. The EXPO has been held for many years now at Mount Rogers and, as a not-for-profit organization, EXPO would not be possible without this support. I would like also to express my thanks to our compatriots at the Sydney Model Shipbuilders Club, some of whom travelled from Sydney to join in the exhibition. Likewise to Members of Task Force 72 whose model submarine display and some Sydney Harbour ferries enhanced the exhibits. In addition there were displays of miniature rope making machines and demonstrations of 3D printing plus some "works in progress" which enabled visitors to see the various stages of model construction.

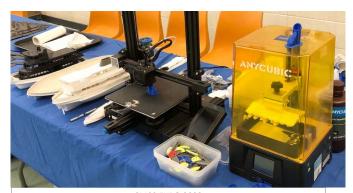
The ACT Scale Modellers Society trialled a "live streaming" of the event which I think should most definitely engender a lot of interest and hopefully result in some new Membership requests.

Two large paddle steamers attracted a lot of interest. Rob Dingey brought two of his large models up from Echuca and we will be looking forward to seeing more of his work in the future.

Attendance figures were around 150 for the week-end which in reality is quite good considering the limited appeal for these kind of displays. What was most pleasing were the number of comments which acknowledged the high quality of the models and the variety of subjects on display.

Finally, thanks to all the CMSS Members who took part, from providing models for display, setting up tables, providing morning and afternoon teas and the lunch-time sausage sizzles, and to our wonderful Secretary for all her preparatory organization and providing the cheerful welcome to visitors at the entrance.

Bob Evans President CMSS



CMSS EXPO 2023 CATALOGUE OF EXHIBITS

NUMBER		MODEL	SCALE	KIT or SCRATCH
	Peter Higgins	HMB ENDEAVOUR	1:64	Artesania Latina
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2	Peter Higgins	PORT JACKSON	1:64	Modellers Shipyard
3	Peter Higgins	HMT BOUNTY	1:60	modified Amati
4	Peter Higgins	Scale Rope Making		
6	Bob Evans	CHARLES W MORGAN	1:50	Artesania Latina
7	Bob Evans	CHINDWARA	1:200	Scratch built
8	Bob Evans	FIJI GAS	1:92	Scratch built
9	Bob Evans	HJELEN	1:40	Billings/scratch
10	Bob Evans	JYLLAND	1:100	Billings
11	Bob Evans	MARY ANN	1:50	Billings
12	Bob Evans	PACIFIC GAS	1:50	Scratch built
13	Bob Evans	SUKARI	1:60	Artesania Latina/
14	Robert Dingey	PS AUSTRALIEN	1:20	Scratch built
15	Robert Dingey	PV PRIDE OF THE MURRAY	1:20	Scratch built
16	Neville Miller	PALMA NOVA - LLAUD	1:25	Artesania Latina
17	Neville Miller	LEWELLEN		
18	Neville Miller	MISSISSIPPI	1:206	Mini Momoli kit
19	Neville Miller	BLUENOSE	1:100	Amati kit
20	Neville Miller	FLYING FISH	1:50	Corel Kit
21	Neville Miller	HMS SUPPLY	1:56	Artesania Latina ki
22	Ray Osmotherly	HMS TRINCOMALEE	1:75	Scratch built
23	Warwick Riddle	TYPE VII-B	1:72	Amati kit
24	Warwick Riddle	HMAS KRAIT	1:35	Amati kit
25	Robert Le Lievre	STAR 45	1:60	Scratch built
27	Grant Dale	BOMB VESSEL GRANADO	1:48	Scratch built
28	Grant Dale	ARMED PINNACE	1:16	Mantua Panart/
29	Grant Dale	THE SHIPYARD AT	1:87	Sierra West Scale
30	Glenn Wearne	VASA	1:75	Billing
31	Anthony Merriott	SAN FRANCISCO	1:50	Artesania Latina
32	Anthony Merriott	HMS BOUNTY	1:25	Artesania Latina
33	Anthony Merriott	HMB ENDEAVOUR	1:60	Artesania Latina
34	Anthony Merriott	HMB ENDEAVOUR LONG BOAT	1:50	Artesania Latina
35	Anthony Merriott	RED DRAGON CHINESE JUNK	1:60	Artesania Latina
37	Bill Atkinson	LADY DEVLIN		

38	Bill Atkinson	1950's SPEED BOAT		
39	Bill Atkinson	LEOPARD	1:12	Scratch built
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40	Michael Bennett	HMS SIRIUS 1786	1:600	Scratch built
41	Michael Bennett	HMT DUNERA 1936	1:600	Scratch built
42	Michael Bennett	SS ORONTES 1923	1:1200	Scratch built
43	Michael Bennett	HMS LION 1907	1:1200	Scratch built
44	Ray Osmotherly	BLUENOSE	1:100	Amati kit
45	Robert Hodsdon	HALF MOON	1:50	Corel Kit
46	Robert Hodsdon	WHALING BOAT	1:16	Panart kit
47	Michael Bennett	ORIENT 1879	1:600	Scratch built
48	Michael Bennett	JAMES CRAIG 1874	1:600	Scratch built
49	Karl Maurer	TYPE 9 - SUBMARINE	1:72	
50	Karl Maurer	PROTEUS - SUBMARINE		
51	Karl Maurer	STURGEON - SUBMARINE	1:72	
52	Bob Murdoch	GATO - SUBMARINE	1:72	
53	Bob Murdoch	ALPHA - SUBMARINE	1:72	
54	Bob Murdoch	TYPE 9 - SUBMARINE	1:72	
55	Tony Page	GATO - SUBMARINE	1:72	
56	Tony Page	IJNI 53 - SUBMARINE	1:72	
57	Tony Page	FLYING SUB - SUBMARINE	1:18	
58	Tony Page	HECHT - SUBMARINE	1:9	OTW Designs Kit
59	John Whitfield	U BOAT TYPE XXIII	1:35	
60	John Whitfield	HYDROPLANE - SUBMARINE		
61	Fred Radloff	SEA WOLF - SUBMARINE	1:72	
62	Steve Batcheldor	AE TYPE- SUBMARINE	1:72	Scratch built
63	Steve Batcheldor	OBERON - SUBMARINE	1:72	Scratch built
64	Steve Batcheldor	COLLINS - SUBMARINE	1:72	Scratch built
65	Steve Batcheldor	BENSERSIEL	1:20	Artesania Latina Kit
66	Steve Batcheldor	BOULOGNE ETAPLES	1:20	Billing Kit
67	Steve Batcheldor	MARIE JEANNE	1:50	Billing Kit
68	Geoff Eastwood	RMV SCILLONIAN - FERRY	1:72	Scratch built
69	Geoff Eastwood	HMS NEASHAM	1:72	Scratch built
70	Geoff Eastwood	HMAS PALUMA	1:72	Scratch built
71	Geoff Eastwood	MV LADY McKELL - FERRY	1:72	Scratch built
72	Geoff Eastwood	MV LADY HERRON - FERRY	1:72	Scratch built
73	Geoff Eastwood	SS CURL CURL - FERRY	1:72	Scratch built
74	Geoff Eastwood	TSMV WYUNA - PILOT SHIP	1:72	Scratch built



AND THE WINNERS WERE...

<u>Public vote/Roy Vizard troph</u>y: 1<sup>st</sup> Anthony Merriott, CMSS and SMSC- HMB Endeavour (no. 33), 2<sup>nd</sup> Geoff Eastwood, TF72 - SS Curl Curl (no 73), 3<sup>rd</sup> Glenn Wearne, CMSS - Vasa (no. 30).

<u>Members' vote</u>:1<sup>st</sup> Robert Dingey, Robert's Model Paddle Steamers- PS Australien (no 14), 2<sup>nd</sup> Bob Evans, CMSS - Chindwara (no 7), 3<sup>rd</sup> Geoff Eastwood, TF 72 - SS Curl Curl (no 73) *More photos next page*.

### Winning models

Clockwise from below: HMB Endeavour, Anthony Merriott, Chindwara (Bob Evans), PS Australien (Rob Dingey), Vasa (Glen Wearne), Curl Curl (Geoff Eastwood).





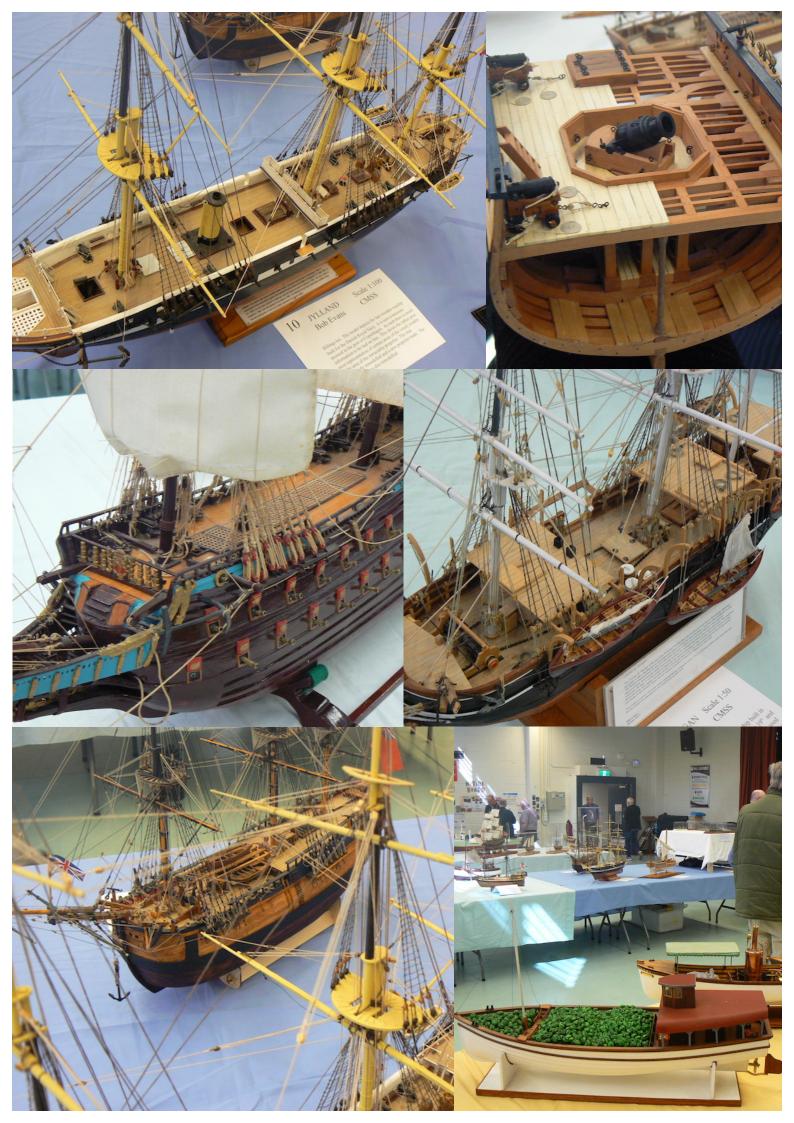






















# Special thanks to our photographers Steve Batcheldor

Anelia Bennett Bob Evans Brian Voce and

The ACT Scale Modellers' Society for live-streaming the event as well as a wonderful photographic coverage

## <u>Wrap-up of the ACTSMS video coverage of the</u> <u>Canberra Model Shipwrights Society Expo 2023.</u>

by Peter Shum, Vice President ACT Scale Modellers' Society

#### Pre livestream publicity

We were not able get much publicity for the Youtube livestream before the event and it only came out on the ACTSMS Facebook and emails.

#### Livestream

https://www.youtube.com/live/35I5C79zqRU?si=VIQ8QoBMPzluLmc-

We only had 2 live viewers during the livestream, but one viewer dropped out because he then decided to come and see the show in person. After that we got an additional 145 people who watched the recorded livestream over 4 days.

#### **Recorded Videos**

https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLoLsffCDGviNYXsvth7Y9BYYbah9LldEX&si=5zVkThO357U8xeXI

We also had 5 recorded interviews with modellers showing their work and models. Over the last 4 days one of these interviews had over 350 views and another 2 interviews has well over 200 plus views. I believe that it was the infectious enthusiasm of the people interviewed and the brilliance of their models that somehow drew viewers to these videos.

#### Photo Album

#### https://photos.app.goo.gl/oMMucqv2NGmkWyaLA

Close to 500 photos were taken and put into a Google Photo album. This has been shared with the Model Shipwrights to add to their social media sites.

#### Summary

Overall, I believe we got some very positive results for our first attempt at creating and sharing a digital experience for a modelling event. Whilst we did not get the pre-event publicity in place, the wonders of social media still manage to bring an estimate of over 300 viewers to the livestream and recorded videos. I believe this in turn generate positive publicity for the Canberra Model Shipwrights Society.

The event also proved that the combination of technology would work together to achieve our goal. We had wired and wireless cameras and microphones and a mobile video studio setup, all connecting to a BYO WiFi network and Internet link. We had some audio problems, and the camera tripod setup was not particularly suitable for the task but for most counts the setup performed above expectations.

Thank you to the Canberra Model Shipwrights Society, to Bob Evans, Peter Higgins and Elizabeth Hodsdon for their assistance. To the members of the CMSS who appeared in the interviews, Geoff Eastwood, Steve Batcheldor, Rob Dingey, Bill Atkinson and Grant Dale, and to the members of Task Force 72 for showing us their submarines.

Also, thanks to Tristan Bruton for juggling with being photographer, video cameraman and stepping in for the first time as a reporter.

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