

# FORECASTLE REPORT



Newsletter of the Chicago Tri-Club Association



June 2025

## Scenes From the May MMS Meeting

In spite of the moderate turnout, the May MMS meeting was memorable. The most noteworthy event was the amazing flea market the organization had.

Thanks to Coleman Seskind's monster donation, members enjoyed obtaining an amazing collection of model ship related items at bargain basement prices.



Thanks to the efforts of Bob Frysztak, those in attendance that missed the Manitowoc Model Ship Contest, were treated to an excellent presentation that showcased the models that were entered in the competition.

For the first time in at least three years the presentation was given with a digital projector. The change was well received, and will continue.



## June Tri-Club Meeting Schedule

### The NSD June Meeting



The June North Shore Deadeyes meeting is scheduled for the fourth. The featured speaker will be Dan Cicero, our Tri-Club's resident "nautical historian" and aficionado of nautical oddities.

Dan will discuss the ancient trireme *Olympias*. This is a prototypical Mediterranean warship of the early 2<sup>nd</sup> millennium. Dan is a great storyteller and is always entertaining. You don't want to miss this one!

### The NRMS June Meeting



For June, the Nautical Research and Model Ship Society meeting will be a hybrid session. The face to face segment will be held at 237 S. Lincoln Street, Westmont, IL. Kurt Van Dahm requests that those who plan to attend in person let him know so they can be accommodated.

For those preferring to attend the virtual version, an invite will be sent out a few days before the June 14th meeting. Proceedings start at 7:00 PM, but you will be able to log on as early 6:30 PM.

### The MMS June Meeting



The June face to face Midwest Model Shipwright meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 18th at 7:00 PM. Bob Filipowski will share his techniques for creating cargo sacks.

We will also feature part II of our 2025 flea market, compliments of Coleman Seskind. Emphasis will be on books, plans, and periodicals.

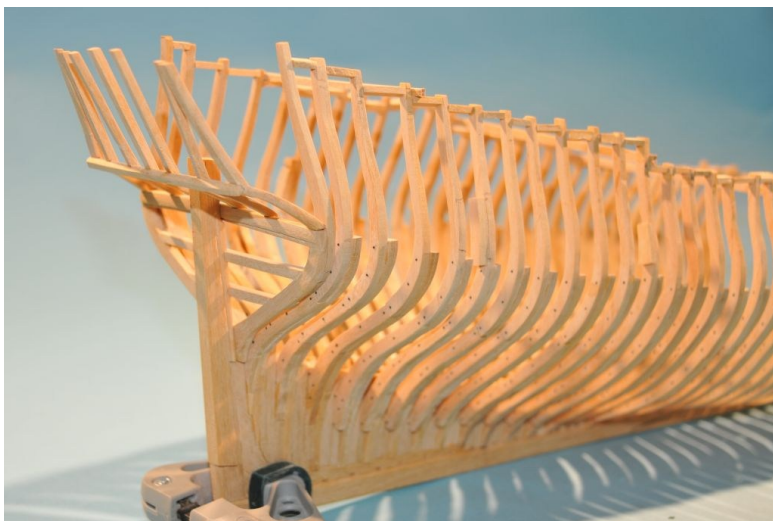
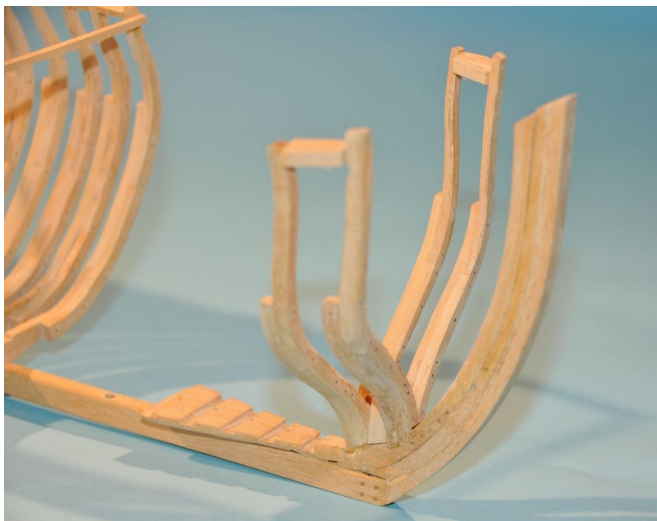
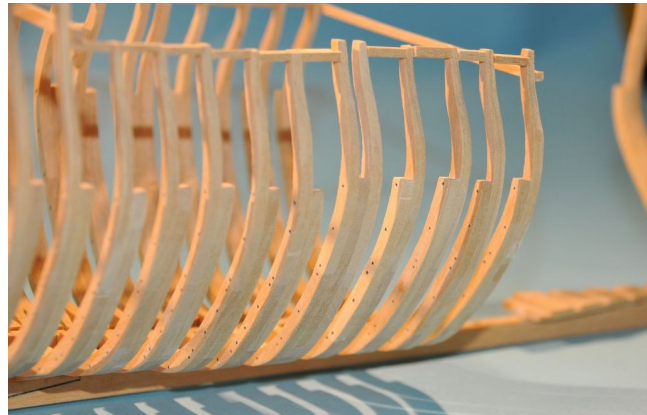
Shipwright meetings are held at  
*The Dasom Community Church*  
501 S. Emerson Street  
Mount Prospect, IL  
Doors open at 6:30 PM.



# **Ships on Deck**



## **French Sloop of War *La Volage* by Toni Levine**



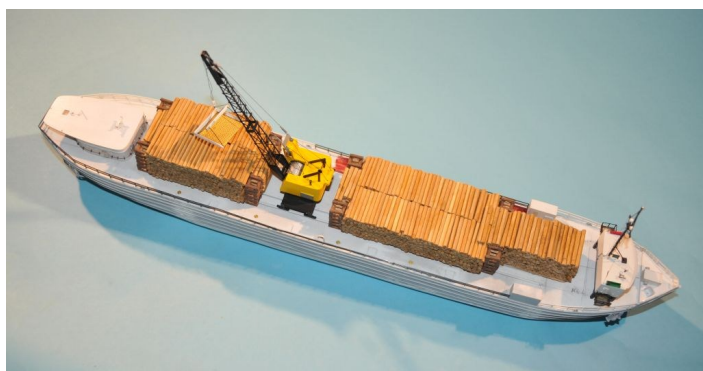




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## Great Lakes Pulpwood Barge *Solveig* by Paul Pollowy

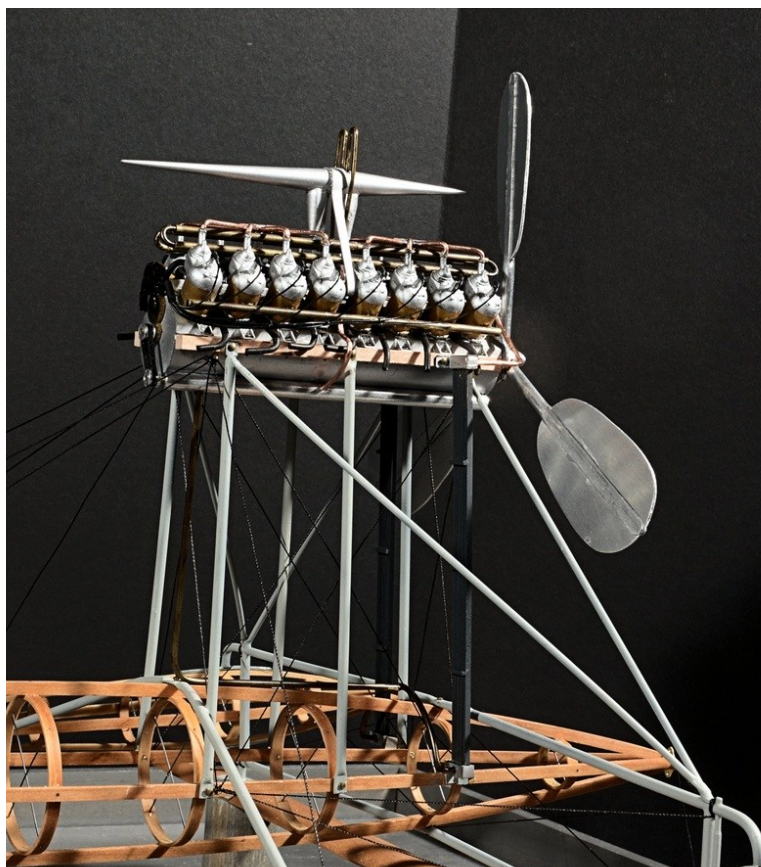
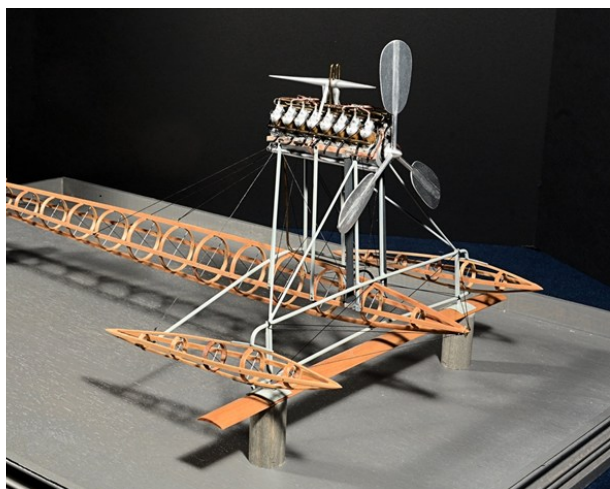
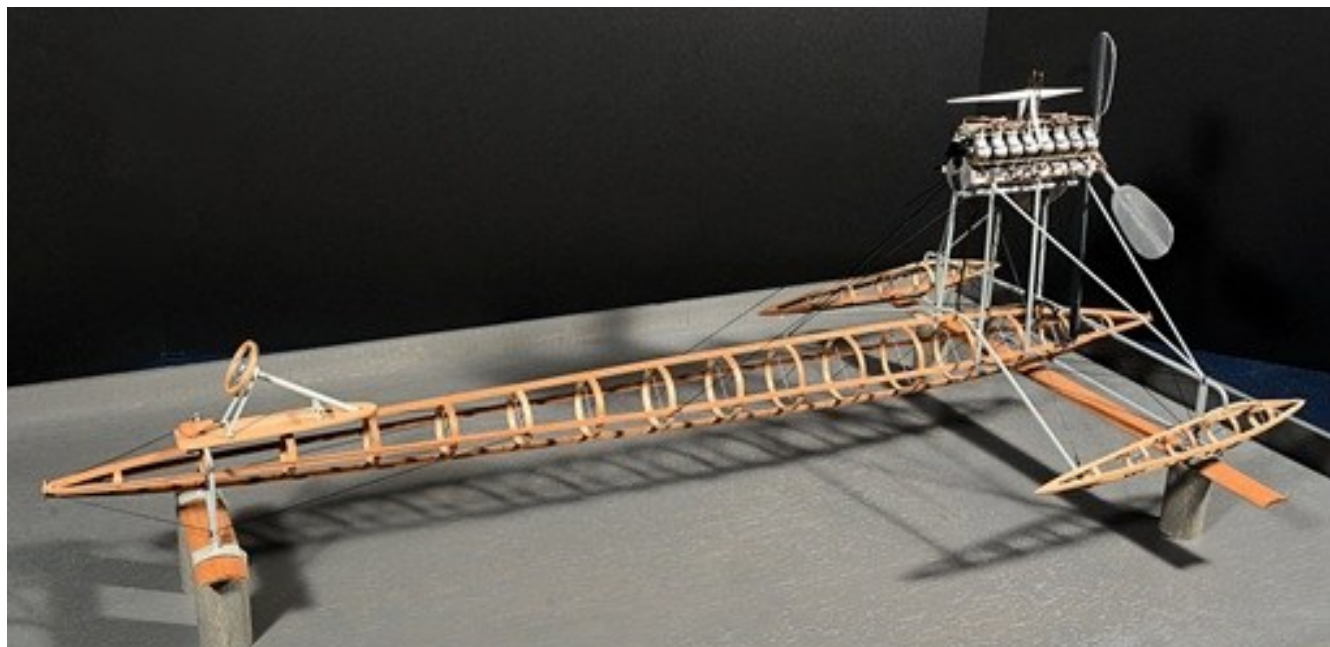


**T**he *Solveig* was originally a US Navy LST, Hull Number 1006. If you look closely, you can see where the original bow doors were located. She was purchased by the Roan Steamship Co. and converted into a pulpwood barge on the Great Lakes.



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**French Hydroplane *Santos Dumont* #18  
By Gregory Davis—Best of Show & Gold Awards**

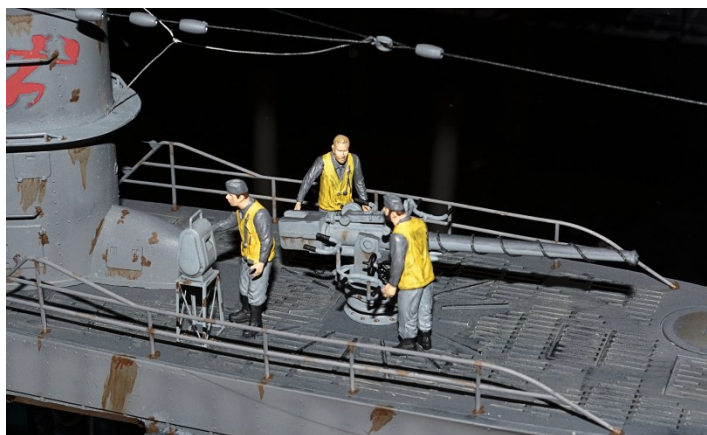
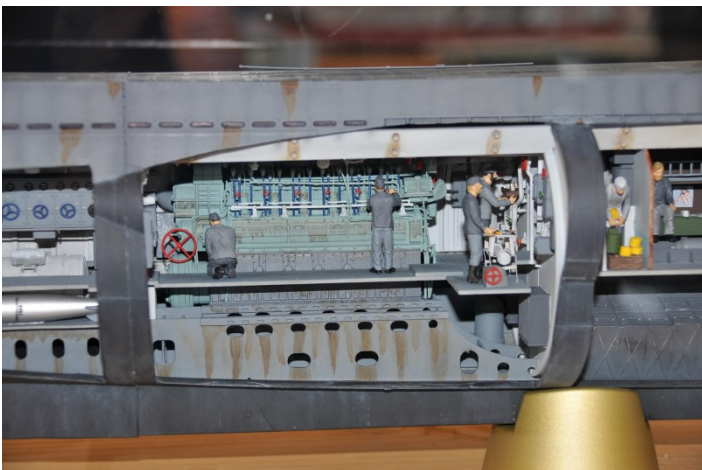
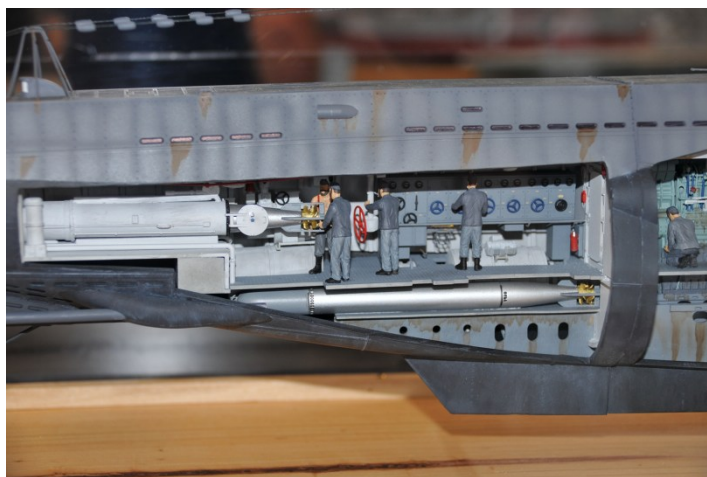
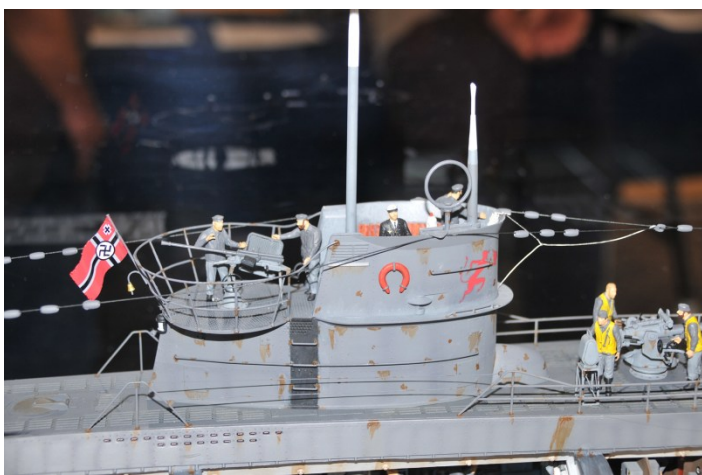
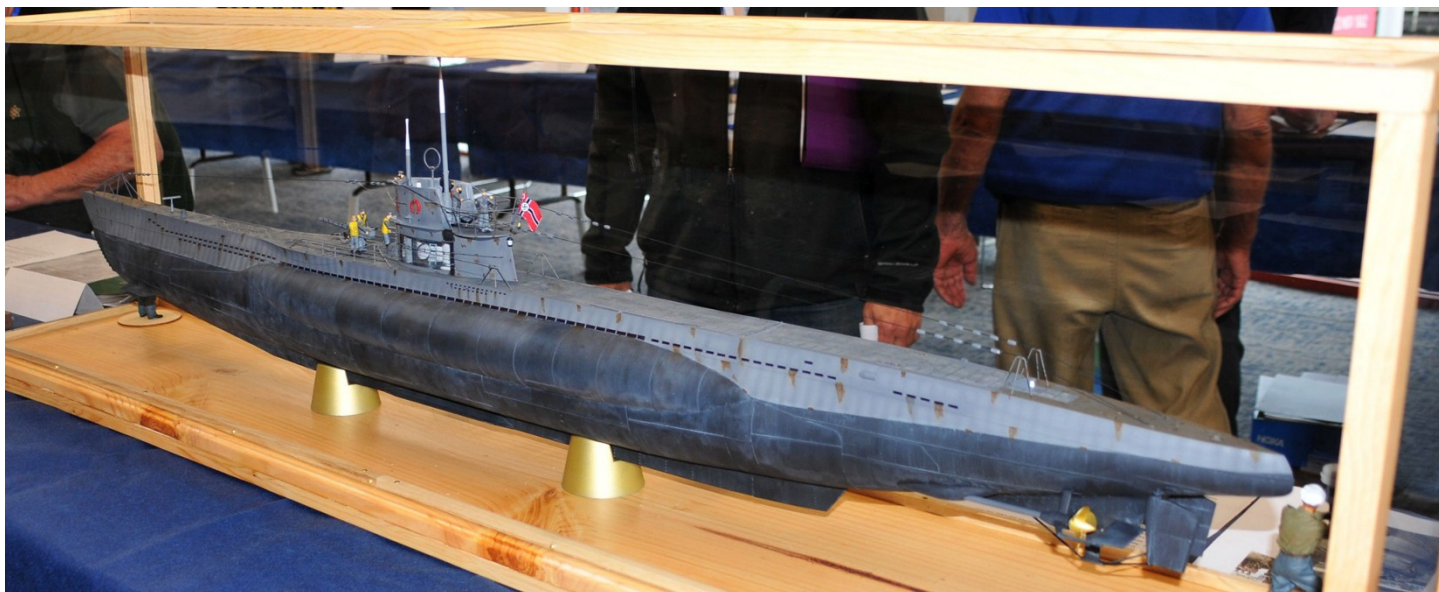




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## Type VIIC U-Boat *U-552*

By Gary Kosiorek—Best Paint Finish, Modeler's Choice, Gold Awards



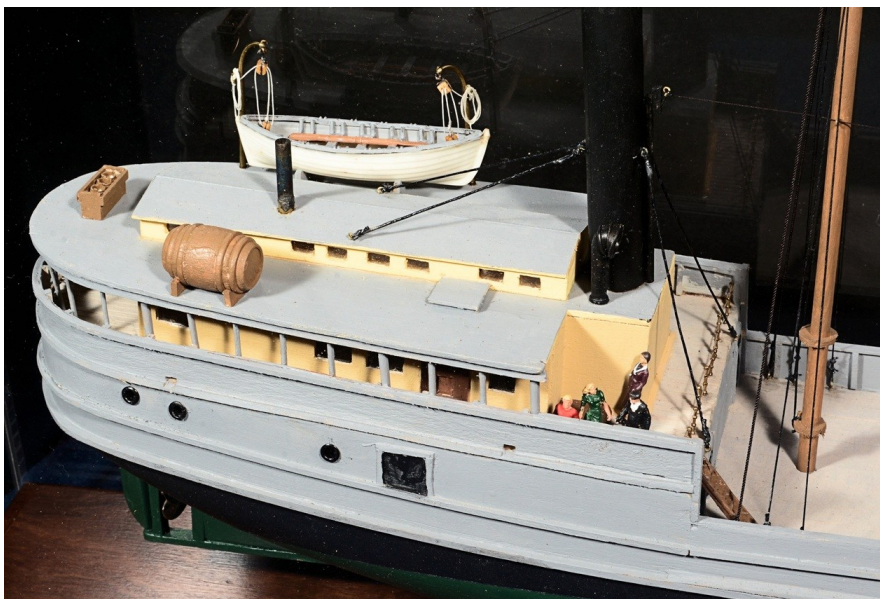


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### *USS Atlanta* by Roland Hu – Best Novice & Gold Awards



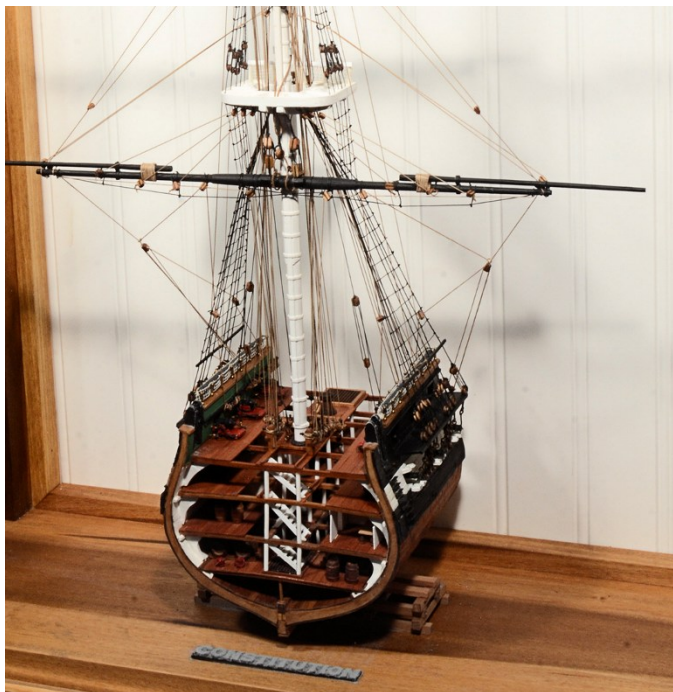
### *Margaret Orwill* by William Nyberg - Best Great Lakes & Bronze Awards





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### USS *Constitution* Cross Section, Bronze Award, by Lee Kimmins



### French Galleon *La Couronne*—Peoples' Choice & Bronze Awards By James Huebener



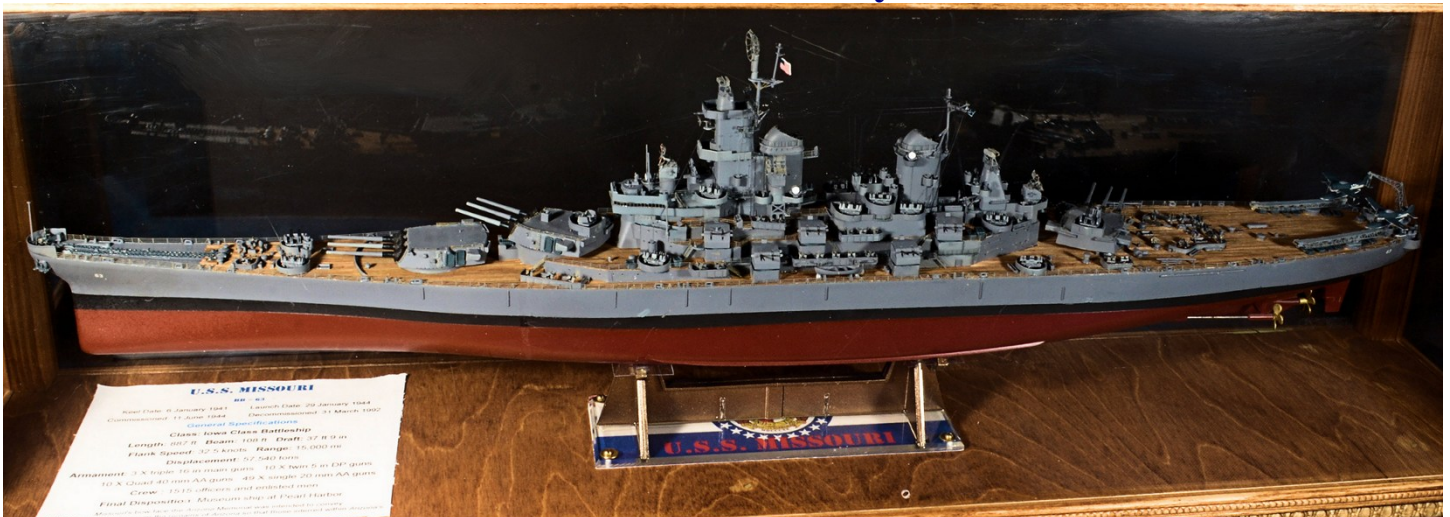


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## Great Lakes Ore Boat *August Ziesing*



## USS *Missouri*—Gold Award by *Mike Schmitz*





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### *Maine Scow Sloop - Gold Award*

by Samuel X Parent



### *HMS Victory Bow Section - Bronze Award*

By James Huebener





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### Dutch Staten Yacht *Utrecht* - Gold Award by Robert Steinbrunn



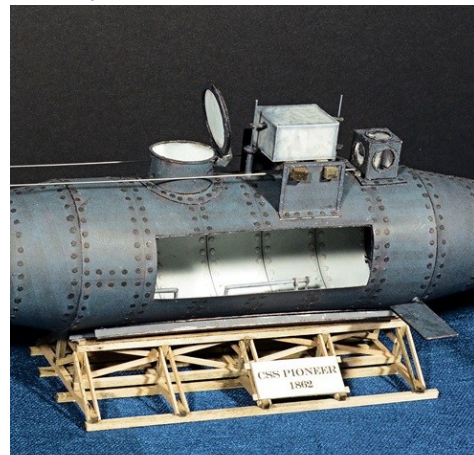
### USS *Spuyten Duyvil* – Silver Award By Scott Monsma





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### Confederate Submarine CSS *Pioneer* - Gold Award by David Sakrison



### CSS *David* – Silver Award by David Richey



### Union 13" Siege Mortar and Raft– Silver Award By David Richey





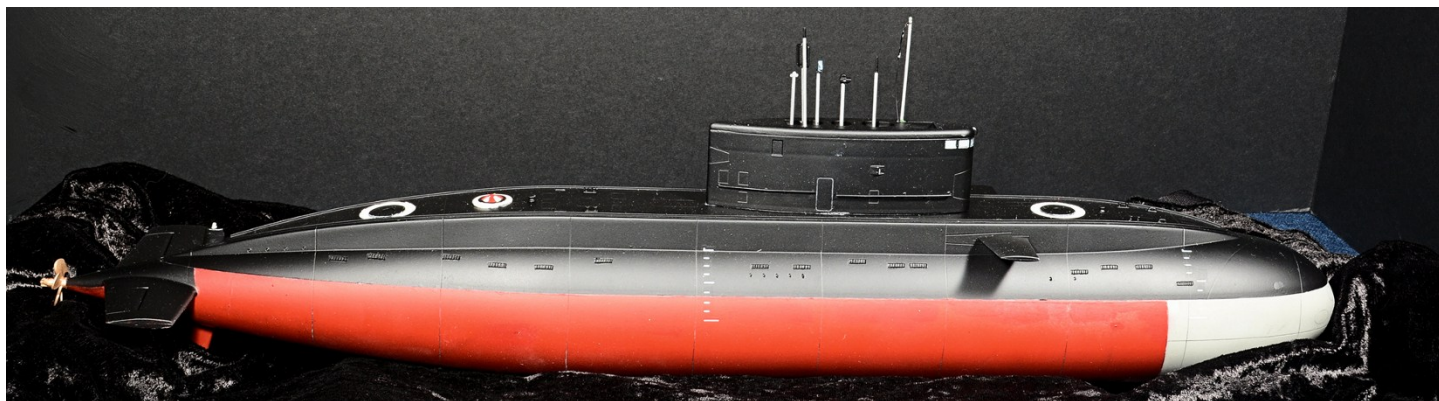
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## USS *Katahdin*-Best Miniature & Gold Awards

by Sam Parent



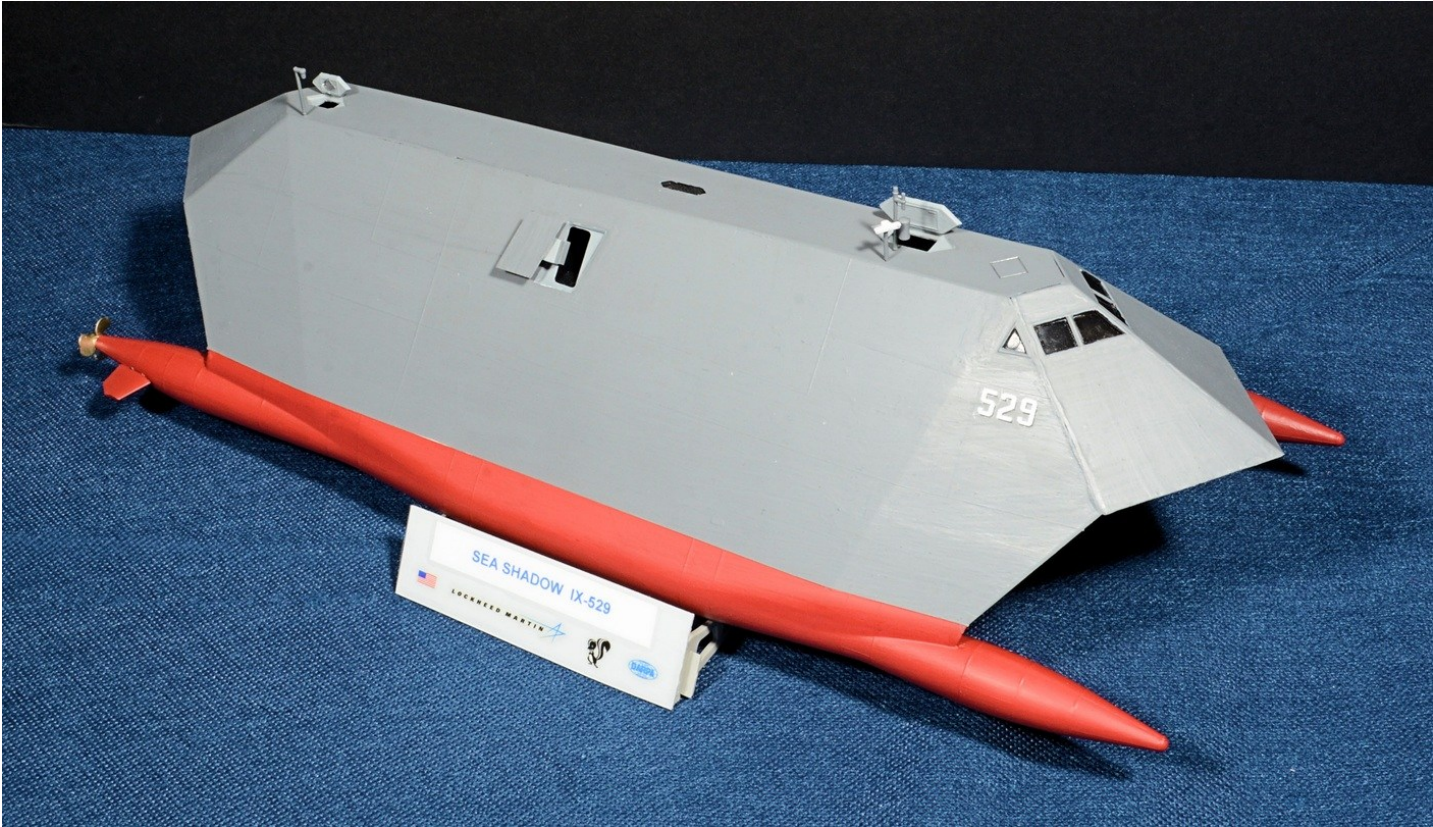
## Russian Submarine – Bronze Award By Dwight Workinger



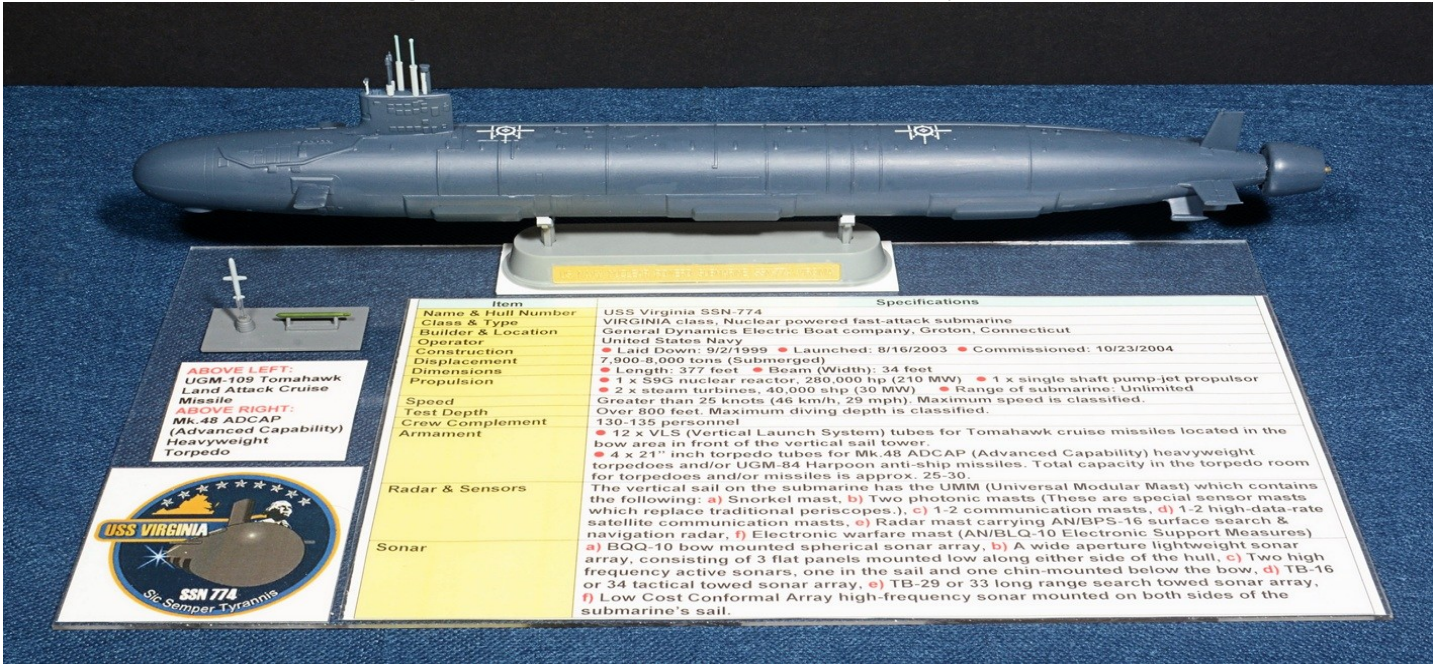


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Sea Shadow Stealth Vessel – Bronze Award  
by Eric Mante



USS Virginia (SSN-774) - Bronze Award by Eric Mante





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## USS *Missouri* – Gold Award

by Roland Hu



## Midget German U-Boat *Molch* – Gold Award

By David Sakrison





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**Chesapeake Bay Flattie**  
*Mary Pearl* – Gold Award by Sam Parent



**Revolutionary War Submarine Turtle**  
Gold Award by David Sakrison



**Moby Dick** – Silver Award by Soren Campbell



**Arctic Exploration Vessel GJOA**  
Silver Award By Ralph Buckwalter





## • Tri-Club Anti-Piracy Policy •



Here is a list of banned companies that have been pirating and duplicating kits, books, and plans from reputable manufacturers.

Quite often these disreputable companies offer their products at what appear to be reasonable prices, but these items are often poor in quality. Many of them do not have websites. They market their illegal products via the Internet on sites such as eBay.

If you are contemplating your next project, please check this list. If you are not sure, discuss it with Kurt Van Dahm before you commit to a purchase. For easy reference, this information will appear in all future issues of the *Forecastle Report*.

DryDock Models and Parts (Canada) sells for companies that pirate.

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