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Neptun's new 1:1250 1133A LONDON, British WWII CA

MEMO FROM PETE PASCHALL

I'm sure I don't have to tell you the state of the economy. Unfortunately, we are not immune to its consequences. We simply can't stock the way we have been nor can the manufacturers produce the way they have been. However, we will try to keep you informed when certain models are restocked (See the list in this issue.). We give priority to the number of backorders we have, so if you want a certain model, and it is not in stock, go ahead and order it, and your order will be combined with others to determine what models will be produced and in what order. In essence, you are deciding what will be produced and when. This is the fastest way to get what you want. And as always, we are glad to check stock for you by email or phone. Some customers will send us a "Wish List" by email and then choose the models they want from what we have in stock.

As you can see from the list below, your current favorites are the American/Japanese Pearl Harbor/Midway CV's. Also available are two YAMATO variants which reached the design stage but which were never built. These have not been available for about six years; Very impressive giants! Check the list of other "Never-weres" to see what is currently available.

Just a reminder that the Figurehead, Clydeside & Mountford 1:1200 kits are integrated into the Superior listings on our website. Also, check out the new releases from Navis, Neptun & Mountford in this issue. By the way, if you want to see the photos in this issue in color, to our website and check under "What's New."

Is the battleship USS WISCONSIN (BB-64) haunted? Could be. They now have an after-hours ghost hunt below decks taking place several nights around Halloween which they say is not for the faint of heart. By the time you read this, Halloween 2011 will be over (An announcement was made on our Facebook page just after we found out about it in early October) but keep it on mind for 2012. For info go to www.nauticus.org. By the way, Nauticus is looking for volunteers to help restore interior compartments of the ship. Details on their website. And I'm sure you have seen on the news that IOWA (BB-61) is on her way to her new permanent home in San Pedro (LA) California. That means that all of the class have been saved from the welder's torch.

The Athletic Director at Michigan State U. is a very innovative guy. First he set up a hockey rink in the

football stadium and instead of drawing 10,000 (or thereabouts) indoors for the Michigan game, they drew 70,000 plus! By now I'm sure you've read that he arranged for the North Carolina basketball game to be played at a rather surprising place...The flight deck of the USS CARL VINSON (CVA-70). Temporary stands were set up. The game took place in San Diego on Veterans Day 11 November.

Want to see some fabulous paintings of Japanese WWII ships? Go to www.aeronautic.dk/marineartgallery-T-yuki.htm. The artist is Taikeshi Yuki. Thanks to Richard Nieland for sharing this with us.

Speaking of Facebook, do join us on our page. You'll get the first word on what's new, "Specials" available only on that page and opinion and discussion on naval history and models subjects.

As our 46th year in business (and under the same management) draws to a close, I, Sue and Pete Jr. want to thank you for your business. Don't forget to let those who care for you know that the best thing you could find under your Christmas tree would be a model ship or two...and gift certificates are available as well. Merry Christmas and here's hoping that 2012 will be a good year for all of us!

SUPERIOR MODELS 1:1200

Let's start with some models that have not been available for some time that have been upgraded and newly remodeled by model maker Wayne Smith. The following may not be in stock by the time you read this but should be by the first of the year.

A508	\$16.50	INDEPENDENCE (CVL-22) , U.S. Light CV 1942
B505	\$34.50	ILLUSTRIOUS , British WWII CV
J512	\$29.50	SHOKAKU , Japanese CV 1942

Ships that have been out of stock but that are now back in...

A103	\$22.50	COLORADO (BB-45) , U.S. BB 1941
A115	\$22.50	TENNESSEE (BB-43) , U.S. BB 1841
A305	\$17.50	NEW ORLEANS (CA-32) , U.S. CA 1942
A307	\$17.50	NORTHAMPTON (CA-26) , U.S. CA 1942
A504	\$34.50	ENTERPRISE (CV-6) , U.S. CV 1942
A506	\$37.50	ESSEX (CV-9) , U.S. CV 1944

A507	\$31.50	HORNET (CV-8) , U.S. CV 1942
A510	\$34.50	MIDWAY (CVB-41) , U.S. CV (Straight deck) 1946
A516	\$31.50	YORKTOWN (CV-5) , U.S. CV 1942
J502	\$31.50	AKAGI , Japanese CV 1942
J503	\$31.50	KAGA , Japanese CV 1942
J504	\$29.50	SORYU , Japanese CV 1942
J505	\$29.50	HIRYU , Japanese CV 1942
J511	\$20.50	SHOHO , Japanese CV 1942

Announced last issue...

Wayne Smiths newly upgraded Japanese heavy cruisers

J301	\$17.50	AOBA , Japanese CA 1942
J303	\$17.50	CHOKAI , Japanese CA 1944
J307	\$17.50	NACHI , Japanese CA 1944
J308	\$17.50	TONE , Japanese CA 1944

Reissues of the "Never-were" series

These YAMATO variants have not been available in over six years.

J112	\$34.50	A140/A2 YAMATO variant 8-18", 12-6", 12-5", 68,000T, 035'L
Designed with secondary armament aft, this design was reminiscent of the MONTANA class. Design A140/J3 was the same except for main battery consisting of triple 16" for the twin 18". We can supply you with either rig but specify the A140/J3 design if that's what you want.		
J113	\$34.50	A140/B2 YAMATO variant 8-20", 12-6.1", 12-5", 70,000T, 935'L

This design had a "typical" A-A-0-A-A turret arrangement. It would have had to give up engineering spaces to accommodate the fourth turret.

Other Superior 1:1200 "Never-were's now in stock

The following are available in varying quantities and will not be available for two or more years once the current supply is gone.

A126	\$34.50	TILLMAN IV-2 , U.S. 80,000T BB 15-18"
A128	\$32.50	VIRGINIA (MONTANA III) , U.S. 60,000T BB 9-18"
A131	\$32.50	BB1923 , U.S. 52,000T BB 12-18"
A202	\$32.50	LXINGTON , U.S. 43,500T CC 1921 Design 8-16"
A204	\$32.50	Design D , U.S. 54,000T CC 1918 Design 12-16"

Cleveland Class Light Cruiser - Square Bridge
CL-64-67, 80-83, 86-87, 89-93, and 101-105

Reference http://www.shipcamouflage.com/usn_cl.htm



This is a photo of Henry Snyder's collection of square bridge CLEVELANDS painted in a variety of camouflage (Measure) rigs. Quite impressive!



Neptun's new 1:1250 1141A SCYLLA, British CL 1941

NEW MOUNTFORD 1:1250

- B102 \$29.50 **LION**, British 40,500T BB 9-16"
- F105 \$29.50 **GASGOGNE**, French 40,270T BB 8-15"
- G105 \$57.50 **H44**, German 128,930T BB 8-20"
- J201 \$27.50 **AMAGI**, Japanese CC 40,000T 9-12"

Note: Don't forget to go to our website and read Wayne Smith's historical write-ups of our over 60 "Never-were" models. Fascinating reading! You can do this by clicking "Modeling and historical notes" then "Special edition ship histories." All designs in our "The Fleet that never was" series are not "fantasy" ships but were actual designs by the world's naval architects that for one reason or another, never got built.

NEW NAVIS/NEPTUN 1:1250

Here are the latest additions to this fine line. As reminder to our new customers, these fabulous models come to you completely assembled and painted.

- 1133A \$ 82.50 **LONDON**, British CA
- 1141A \$ 64.50 **SCYLLA**, British CL 1941
- 120N \$109.50 **FURIOUS**, British hybrid BB/CV 1917
- 121AN \$102.50 **COURAGEOUS** British BC 1917
- 150N \$ 39.50 **TOPAZE** (4) British Protected Cruiser 1904
- 230N \$ 52.50 **KASUGA** Japanese Armoured Cruiser 1904
- 230AN \$ 52.50 **NISHIN** Japanese Armoured Cruiser 1904

These last two were participants in Battle of Tsushima which sealed Russia's fate in the Russo-Japanese War.

- MZM001P \$40.50 **INDEPENDENCE (LCS-2)**, U.S. Modern Littoral Combat Ship (Painted)
- MM275P \$48.50 Floating Drydock brass photo-etched personnel bridge
- MM275K \$34.00 The above in kit form
- MM276P \$41.50 Barge Cranes photo-etched jib for the Keystone state crane. 2 different cranes and barges
- MM276K \$27.50 The above in kit form
- MM277P \$41.50 **YRBM/APL61-65** Yard Repair Barracks Messing and Auxiliary Personnel Lighters (barges) used in dockyards to provide ship crew facilities during ship repairs and upgrade engineering work. (Painted)
- MM277K \$27.50 The above in kit form
- MM278P \$14.00 Dockside Cranes (2) (Painted)
- MM278K \$ 9.00 The above in kit form
- MM281P \$48.50 **ARM4** (Auxiliary Repair Dock Medium), painted

This is a submarine floating dock and includes an all metal full hull model of a LOS ANGELES Class submarine, US Flag and number decals and 2 dockside cranes. Note that the bridge section is made from brass photo etched parts. The main body of the dock is resin; all other parts are metal.

- MM281K \$34.00 The above in kit form
- MM282P \$68.50 Southampton Floating Drydock

- One of the largest floating drydocks in the world; Has photo-etched gates, four shipside braces and two large cranes
- MM282K \$47.50 The above in kit form
- MM283P \$14.50 **LOS ANGELES**, U.S. modern attack sub, painted, w/stand
- MM283K \$10.00 The above in kit form

NEW GHQ 1:2400

- GWB29 \$ 8.95 **DUKE OF EDINBURGH**, British WWI AC
- GWF02 \$11.95 **BRETAGNE** (3 in class) French BB (Served in both wars)
- GWF03 \$ 7.75 **BOUCLIER** (12 in class), French DD 1910
- GWF04 \$11.95 **COURBET** French BB
- GEN22 \$11.95 **LUTZOW**, German WWII armored ship

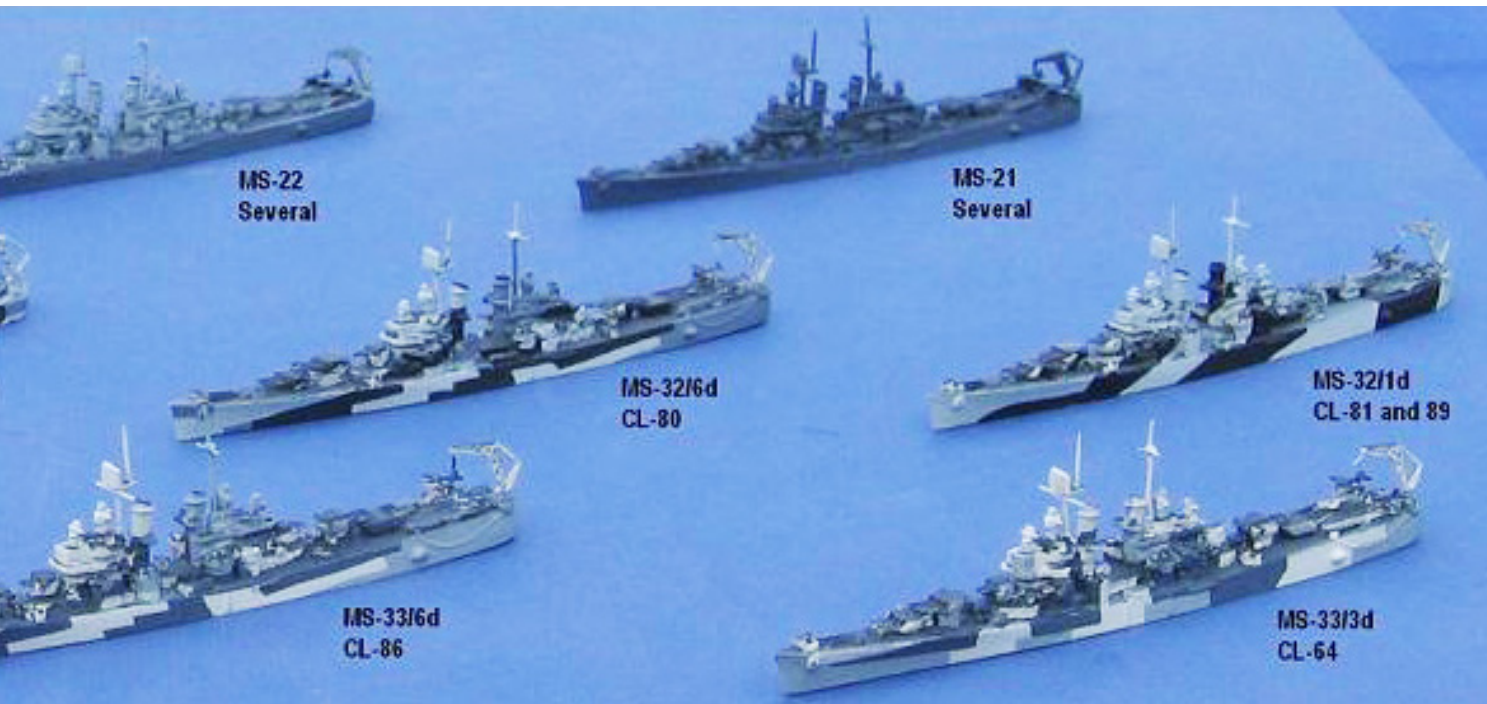
Other recent GHQ issues...

- GEN21 \$ 8.95 **HIPPER**, German WWII CA
- IJN49 \$ 7.95 **KUMA**, Japanese CL 1942
- IJN50 \$14.50 **SHINANO**, Japanese WWII CV built on a YAMATO hull

Note: This model comes with a complement of Zeros, Jills & Judys.

- UKN48 \$11.95 **LION**, British WWII "Never-was" BB
- GWF01 \$11.95 **DANTON**, French pre-Dreadnought BB
- GWS12 \$ 8.95 **PITTSBURGH (ACR -2)**, U.S. Armored cruiser 1912

Note: Originally named PENNSYLVANIA; Name was changed so a BB could have the state name.



All the above models are Superior's 1:1200 A404 VINCENNES. Henry added a crosspiece on the masts and Cap Aero Kingfishers on the catapults

NEW YORK PIERS

Exact replicas of piers on the Hudson River in New York City in 1:1250 scale. These are in resin kit form and are being discontinued so get 'em while you can.

- NY01 \$54.50 Cunard Chelsea Pier 56
- NY02 \$54.50 Cunard/White Star Chelsea Pier 54
- NY03 \$54.50 Cunard Super Liner Pier 90
- NY04 \$54.50 Cunard Super Liner Pier 92
- NY05 \$54.50 French Super Liner Pier 88
- NY06 \$54.50 U.S. Lines Super Liner Pier 88

Note: To make dioramas, we carry a complete line of 1:1250 harbor accessories i.e., buildings, cranes, tugs, quays, etc. Complete list is on our website. We also carry the Albatros liners. Delivery of these models can be very "spotty".

SEAPOWER BOOKS

Although SEAPOWER is out of print, we do have some of the components of the game still available. The Directories provide comprehensive data on ships and aircraft and are useful references even if you do not engage in naval war games.

Seapower II

- SP21 \$ NA Rulebook, 24 pages
- SP22 \$9.50 Ship Value Directory, 1920-1945, 36 pages

Note: Gives game values for 585 ships of 15 countries; Gives maximum speed, defensive value, number of guns in and the size of the main battery, rate of fire, weight of shell, thickness of deck armor, AA value, ammunition allowance, range of main battery guns, number of torpedo tubes and the size of the torpedoes and number of reloads. Also provides values for the secondary batteries and the number of aircraft and catapults.

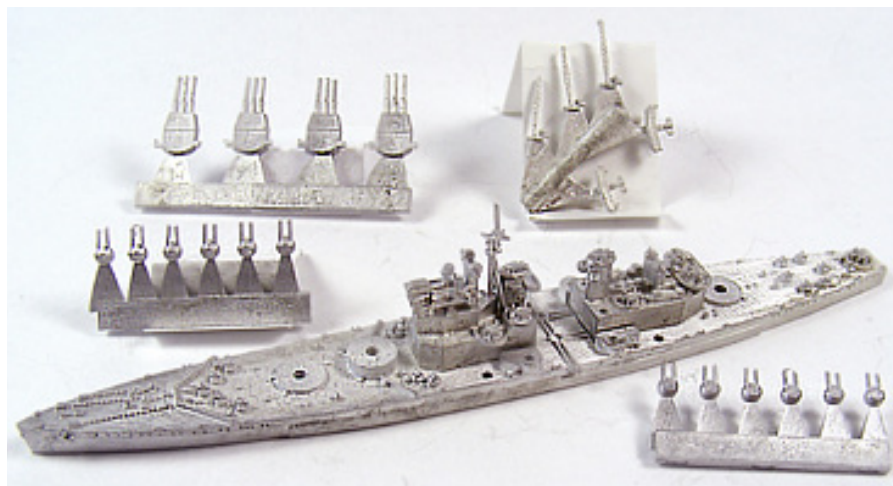
- SP23 \$6.50 Ship Value Directory, 1910-1920, 16 pages
- Note:** Provides the same information for WWI as the 1920-1945 Directory, 16 pages

Seapower III

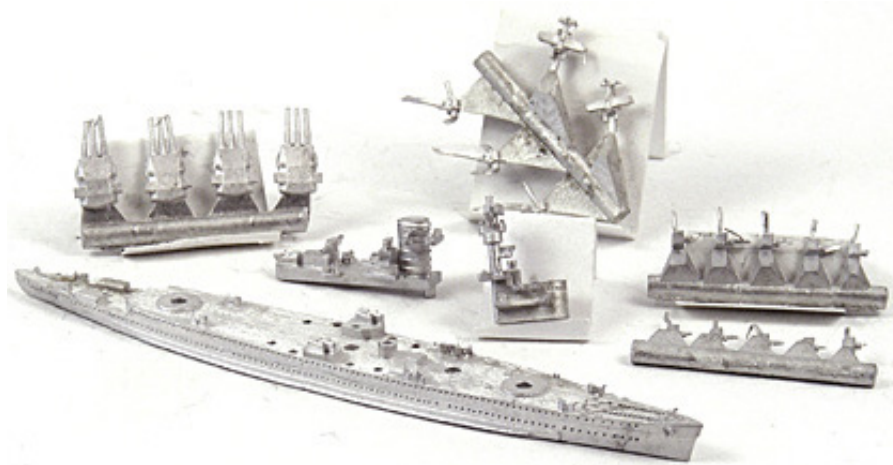
- SP32 \$6.50 Surface Action Rulebook
- SP33 \$9.50 Air Operations Rulebook & Aircraft Directory

Note: Provides advance rules for air combat; Directory gives info on practically WWII aircraft: Weight, engine horsepower, no. of engines, max speed, ceiling, range, no. of cremen, armament and ordnance capability

- SP34 \$6.50 Aircraft Combat Tables
- Note:** Provides game values of a particular aircraft against aircraft with which it would historically engage in air-to-air combat.



GHQ's new 1:2400 UKN48 LION, British WWII "Never-was" BB



GHQ's new 1:2400 GEN22 LUTZOW, German WWII-AS



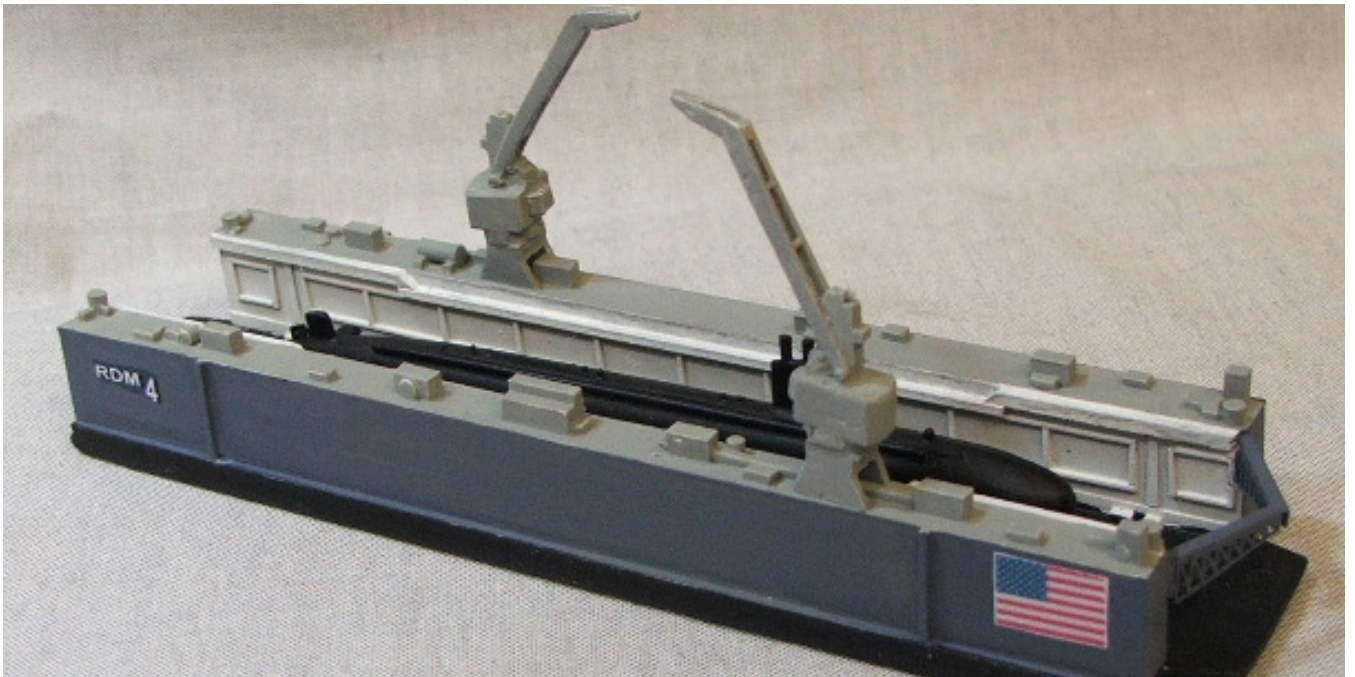
Navis's new 1:1250 120N FURIOUS, British hybrid BB/CV 1917



Superior's 1:1200 "Never-was" J112 A140/A2 Japanese 1930's BB design (YAMATO variant), 8-18" (Photo & paint job by Bobby Weymouth)



Superior's 1:1200 "Never-was" J113 A140/B2 Japanese 103's BB design (YAMATO variant), 8-20" (Photo & paint job by Bobby Weymouth)



Mountford's new 1:1250 MM281P ARDM4 (Auxiliary Repair Dock, Medium); Includes full hull LOS ANGELES class submarine