

*At the end of last year (2005) Phil Scales presented a session to the club "Twenty Modelling No No's" which was very well received and immediately led to the upgrade of George's Lady Woo's tug and much scoring off of the 20 points by members at subsequent shows.*

*For the record the following is a very short summary of the 20 points, there is not enough space to put all the corrective actions but the talk may well be repeated.*

1. Brass anchor chains/anchors, wrong type/ scale of chain, especially curb link necklaces!
2. Out of scale or out of period figures
3. No capping to vertical edges, bulwarks etc.
4. Hairy rigging/ropes - use a candle flame!
5. Rigging simply granny knotted at each end.
6. Gloss dulux 6" thick paint effect complete with brush hairs!
7. Fibreglass matting left unsmoothed and showing inside bulwarks
8. Deck/bulwark joint left gappy or rough, - use an angle iron fillet.
9. Wavy waterlines, several methods to avoid this.
10. Sticky tape or car tape lining - paint your lining!
11. Numbers, names, lettering not straight, unevenly spaced, wrong fonts.
12. Empty bridge interiors devoid of detail
13. Clutter on deck of wrong scale e.g. giant oil drums, or just glued to decks, most have feet, battens, pallets, flanges or the like and are tied down or secured.
14. Shiny brass props, not all props are bronze.
15. Fender tyres, shiny or wrong size and fastenings.
16. Ships boats, wrong size, poor canvasses, no interior details.
17. Bad ballasting, too little, too much, listing, lolling.
18. Ships lights, wrong size, oil instead of electric or vice versa, wrongly placed.
19. Masts, superstructures not square or vertical, crazy angles.
20. Flags, too big, too gaudy, too stiff, wrong flag!