

Butch O'Hare IPMS / USA

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SOME WALLS WILL REMAIN



The last time I was in Washington, D.C., was shortly after the WWII Memorial was built. It had been a long time coming, for the memorial to go from paper to a completed structure.

I think I've seen every monument in the area, and I still look forward to seeing them again every time I go to Washington. All of them have their own personalities. Some memorials are big, while others are small and quaint. Size does matter.

The WWII Memorial is laid out over a large expanse of land right between the Lincoln Memorial and the Washington Monument. I don't think this layout was born of chance. WWII literally

consumed the entire world in the 1930s and '40s, so it's appropriate that the memorial's design and girth reflect the war's importance.

All 50 states are represented, and the two sides are separated by a huge fountain and two gigantic columns with "Atlantic" on one and "Pacific" on the other.

What really brings this monument into sharp focus is "Freedom Wall." This wall has 4,048 stars, representing fallen Americans. Each star represents 100 soldiers, marines, sailors, airmen and Coast Guardsmen. Do yourself a favor and see this memorial the next time you're visiting our nation's capital.

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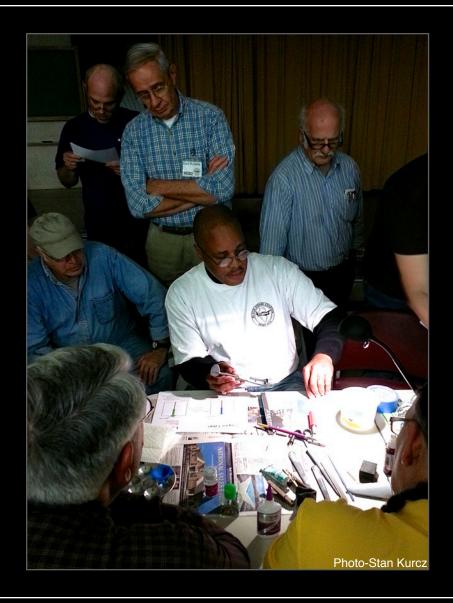
Important Stuff:

Next Club Meeting at St. Paul's Church on Friday, May 10. 7:30 pm

Bring an Unused Kit



Club Demos - Definitely a Good Thing



There's nothing better for improving your modeling skills than having a live demonstration performed in front of you. Actually seeing something with your own eyes is worth 10 times the amount of information that you can get from reading about it. We all tend to think that the other person has all the answers when really, we're all just blindly searching for something or someone to show us the way sometimes. To see a fellow modeler hacking away, and experiencing the same frustrations you do, helps us to not feel so alone and builds confidence.

All of us, at some point, have self doubts about whether a particular model will turn out OK or be ruined. In reality, all is well and your model will be OK. Sometimes we all need help. Learning how someone else does it provides us with a different viewpoint, allowing us to step back, readjust and see our project in a whole new light. The perfect forum for this discovery is at your local club. Demonstrations get modelers "off the bench." Try it some time. You just can't wait until you get home and can try that "new" technique. We all have something to learn.

Club D.E.B.R.I.E.F. By Stan Kurcz

The April meeting is now history. Forty-three members attended with one new member joining! Among the models displayed was a fine selection of planes, armor and autos. There were probably as many new kit boxes for inspection as there were finished models. Some of the highlights were:

- The first test shot of the new Minicraft PBM5 kit ... Carl Knable
- A beautiful Monogram Duesenberg ... Mike Ferguson
- Two award-winning models from the old Fisher Body Design Guild contest ... Keith Ward
- Combat photos taken by Don Grajek's uncle, who was a combat cameraman in WWII
- A terrific seam filling seminar by Kevin Stover

If you weren't there, you missed a great meeting! Where else can you see the latest in kit introductions, as well as high-end modeling tips? Next month is our annual auction, and there is a REALLY large selection of kits, so set aside the date--May 10--and as many \$\$\$ as you can. See you there!



IPM8/USA Membership

IPMS/USA is dedicated to the hobby (and fun) of scale modeling. It was started by Jim Sage of Dallas, Texas, in 1964. There are now branches of IPMS all over the world. Our local regions and chapters sponsor model shows and contests every year, but you needn't be a member to visit the shows or attend the club meetings!

With IPMS/USA membership, you will receive the outstanding IPMS/USA Journal six times a year. It includes features on all modeling subjects such as aircraft, armor, automotive, ships, figures--you name it! You will also find listings of IPMS contests, swap meets, hints and tips, and reviews.

Membership also qualifies you to participate in IPMS/USA sanctioned contests, particularly our world-famous National Convention, held each summer. As a member, you'll also be able to access our online discussion board, where a wide variety of modeling topics are discussed, and enjoy interaction with other serious modelers for help with questions about modeling techniques or IPMS in general. Many hobby shops and model vendors around the country offer discounts to IPMS/USA members.

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For any questions or problems with your membership application/renewal, please contact the IPMS/USA Office Manager, Ms. M.J. Kinney, at manager@ipmsusa.org

The Display Table





Ron Sr.'s FW-190 is perfect! Will we see it at the show?



Carl's Braniff "any color" 707 fleet was the prettiest in the air.



Always a favorite is *Carl's* F-104 with missiles instead of fuel tanks.



Good job on this Sherman, *Stan*!



Keith, this award-winning Craftsman Guild Car looks very futuristic even though the design came from the '50s.



The Display Table, cont

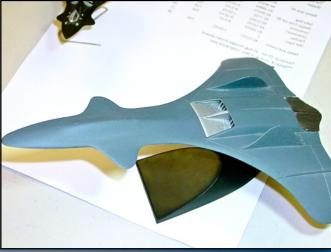
"The truth is out there," Will B.



Don's OV-1D Mohawk is just as cool as the OV-10 Bronco.



Here's a look at the second Guild car from *Keith*.



Mike's Duesenberg is truly a "rich man's" car.



Carl's BA Lightning is neat.



The Display Table, cont





Marco gives us a tutorial on the Pucara.



Nice orange "Bell," *Don*!



Nice B-1B, Carl!



Steve's VAB is finally done.



Mike, this Barracuda was and still is the BOMB!

UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Marco, nice start. We expect this Super Tucano to be done soon.





Rick, I think this is your tank. I have some great questions for you when I start my armor piece.







Critical Analysis



REVELL...A HAPPY ENDING

By Kevin Stover

One Saturday morning I woke, as usual, to feed the cats. While the our complex feeding process rolled along, I stumbled onto Friday's mail, which I hadn't yet seen. To my disbelief, I scanned a small cardboard box with my name and a REVELL return address on it. Still fogged by sleep, I wondered why I had received a



package from REVELL? Then it came to me: About a month earlier, at another club meeting, I was thankful to receive an already opened, 1/48 REVELL EA-6B Prowler for free! One of our members was picking up stakes and moving south, so to make the move less costly and easier on the movers, this member had a massive giveaway at his last club

meeting. I had spotted the Prowler, and instantly it was mine.

Unbelievable! But when I got

home and opened the box, I was surprised to find not a Prowler but parts for an entire EA-6E Intruder! Well, almost entire. Both planes are very similar, with the Prowler carrying four crewmen while the Intruder carried only two. Most of the other parts were interchangeable. Immediately, I was puzzled because here I had the parts for one plane (Intruder), but the



instructions, canopy and decals for another (Prowler). What a mess! As it turned out, there were only two parts missing that were key to completing the Intruder--the instrument hood and the rear canopy. Obviously some kit-bashing had occurred, so where were those parts? What to do?

After a while, it came to me to go online to the REVELL website. They might have a way to get the parts I needed. Most non-American companies do offer parts at a snail's pace with a price tag, but at REVELL it could



not have been easier. Under their PARTS AND SERVICE tab, there is a parts request form. I filled this out and off went the request. I figured it was such a small request that it would get lost in the bureaucracy, and there was still the matter of price. I had truly forgotten about it until that Saturday morning. I opened the box and there they were, neatly wrapped, the exact parts I needed to make the Intruder fly...FIRST CLASS-NO CHARGE! I sat down and wrote this immediately. So thanks, REVELL, for your wonderful website and the ability to access parts quickly with no complications. By the way, REVELL, you still make the best out-of-the-box cockpits I've ever seen.

And I also downloaded the instructions for the Intruder straight from the REVELL website. Easy as pie.

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Aircraft Armor Autos Sci-Fi Ships Figures Dioramas

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Local Hobby Shops



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Far and Away

Recently, I had the pleasure of seeing the FM-2 Wildcat Bureau Number 57039 up close in Kenosha, Wis. This FM-2 was accepted on Aug. 9, 1944, and delivered on Aug. 11, 1944. On Oct. 16, 1944, the 57039 ended up going to Glenview Naval Air Station to be used for the Aircraft Carrier Qualification Training Unit.

Dec. 28, 1944, turned out to be a bad day for 57039 as the engine quit while on the take-off roll on the deck of the USS Sable. At 11:51, FM-2 (M-2) would go into Lake Michigan and sink in 200 feet of water. Resting upside down with a broken tail section, it would stay there until it was pulled out on Dec. 7, 2012. The wings were removed, and 57039 will be making a trip to Pensacola, Fla., for a static restoration. —Butch Bejna.









Photo 1: Tail section

Photo 2: Engine & landing gear

Photo 3: Wing with star

Photo 4: Markings where wing was removed

This Month in NAVAL History

May 1, 1952: The USS Princeton dropped aerial torpedoes against the Hwachon Dam during the Korean War. This was the first time torpedoes were used against a dam and not a ship...and dropped in fresh water, not the sea. Douglas Sky-Raiders were used, and Panthers were on top. Mission--SUCCESSFUL!







May 16, 1965: The USS Tucker (DD-875) was the first U.S. naval ship to fire on communist forces southeast of Saigon, South Vietnam. She was decommissioned Dec. 3, 1973.







UPCOMING EVENTS

May 4, 2013

Modelfest 2013: Theme-Roman Holiday

Ameristar Casino
3200 North Ameristar Drive Map
Kansas City, MO
Kelly Quirk 816-863-6659

May 17-19, 2013

37th Annual Midwestern Model Ships and Boats Contest and Display

Wisconsin Maritime Museum

75 Maritime Drive Manitowoc, WI

June 8-9, 2013

Heartland Model Car Nationals

Overland Park Convention Center 6000 College Boulevard Map Overland Park, KS Vern Lyon 913-782-0996 July 13, 2013

NIMCON 2

McHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE

8900 US Highway 14 Map Crystal Lake, IL

PHIL PIGNATARO 847-658-9920

August 4, 2013

6th Annual GTR Summer NNL

Algonquin Township Building 3702 US Highway 14 Map Crystal Lake, IL

Chuck Herrmann 847-516-0211

August 14-17, 2013 2013 IPMS/USA National Convention

J Q Ham<mark>mons Co</mark>nference Center 4705 Clydesdale Parkway Map Loveland, CO Chuck Holte 719-590-6270

ARMOR OF THE MONTH CLUB

WHAT IS IT?



WHO DOES THIS BELONG TO?

THE ANSWER WAY INVOLVE RAFFLE TICKETS...

The How-To Hootch



Easy Upgrades to Easy-Build Kits Part II

By Walt Fink

Art Giovannoni got me hooked on the Hobby Boss Easy-Build kits with the super job he did on their F-86. I liked that little bird so much, now I've built five of them.

In building my little fleet of Sabres, I learned there a few things that are easy enough to accomplish but which really help the final appearance.

The lower part of the fuselage is molded with two strange towers, of sorts, on either side of the intake ducting (Photo 1). I don't know what purpose these things serve but am guessing it has something to do with the molding process, because they aren't required for joining the upper and lower fuselage halves.

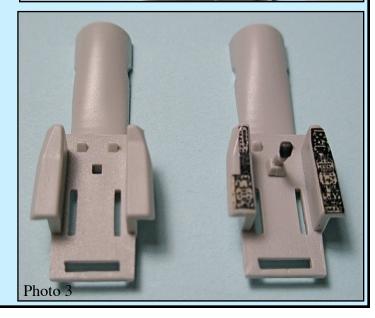
I snip these things off (leaving the little round pins in place) and use the space to glue in some nose weights so the model won't be a tail-sitter (Photo 2). My choice of ballast for this model is to flatten some lead model railroad weights with a hammer, cut them into smaller squares, and white-glue the parts where those plastic towers were snipped off.

For the record, yes, I could add weight behind the cockpit tub instead and not have to do any surgery on those towers or beat the lead into submission.

My reason for doing it this way is because the







farther forward I add nose weight, the less weight I need, so the lighter the model will be.

The kit's cockpit tub has side consoles, and there's an instrument panel molded into the upper fuselage half, but there are no details on either. Some spares box decals to represent the switches, instruments and such go a long way toward making it look better in the front office (Photo 3).

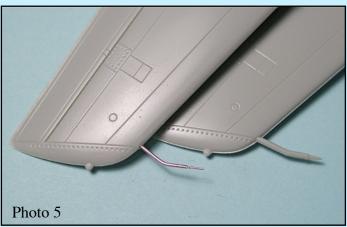
I don't open the canopy on my Hobby Boss Sabres because it has long tabs that fit into the cockpit sidewalls, and it would take some doing to remove them, patch the holes in the cockpit, and such. Your call if you want to go that way....I'm just trying to provide a couple of easy hints here.

Needless to say, some masking-tape seat belts will help the appearance of the ejection seat. There's a "ledge" around the cockpit where the canopy fits, which needs to be smoothed off (Photo 4). Sorry about the quality of the photo, but you get the idea.

The pitot tube on the right wing is a little clunky, so I cut mine off and replace it with a piece of hypo tubing (Photo 5). Hobby Boss has kits of both the long-winged F-86F-40 and the one shown here, the F-86F-30 (Photos 6 and 7). The "cranked" pitot tube shown was installed to clear the leading edge slats when they were extended. The Dash 40 has a straight pitot since the wingtip where it's mounted is outboard of the slats. By the way, I get my hypo tubing via mail order from Small Parts, Inc., in Florida.

Whether you use my hints or not, the Hobby Boss F-86 is a sweet kit for under 10 bucks.









The How-To Hootch



And Now for Something a Little Different:

For a class project while I was getting my bachelor's degree a decade ago, we were asked to research a technology, write a paper about it, build a model of it and make a presentation to the class. As I already had several books on the history of personal porcelain appliances, I naturally called dibs on "The Toilet." So now to build a model...

Inspiration struck when a container of dental floss fell apart on me. With a little knife work and some CA glue I had the tank, and the bowl was crafted from air drying DAS clay. The handle was fashioned from a paper clip and glued into a hole I created by heating the wire and applying it to the plastic. The seat and lid were crafted from balsa wood with hinges of card stock as I didn't have the patience to come up with something else. I built it to no particular scale and haven't measured it to get a guesstimate. Naturally I titled my write-up "The Toilet Paper."

--William Brethauer



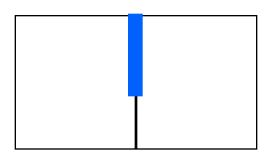
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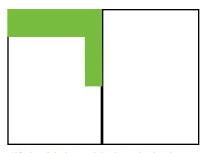
Even Seam

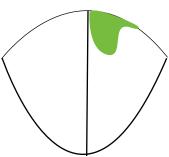
Minimal filler

Uneven Seam

Fill seam and level the surface.







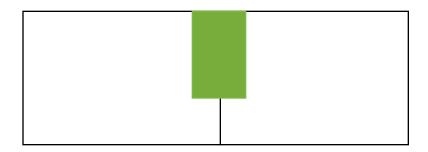
*If the higher side is relatively small, then sand level before filling.

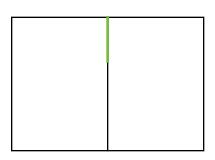
Large Gap

Lots of filler or plastic sheet

No Gap

No filler--just liquid cement





Slow

Takes more time to dry

Cures slower, sometimes days
More plastic goo
Messier

Liquid Cement Types

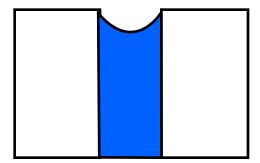
Plastic Goo

Fast

Less time to dry
Cures faster
Little or no plastic goo
Less messy
Need to use filler afterwards

- Use small brush or applicator
- May apply to inside seam instead of outside seam
- Squeeze halves after a minute or so
- Sand off plastic "goo" when cured
- Watch for shrinkage!
- Polish as usual
- Re-scribe

Reoccurring Seam Line



Uncured liquid cement shrinks plastic below seam crown after sanding

(Refilling and sanding a must)



FROM THE OVAL OFFICE



It came to mind as I was pondering our group, about 66 strong judging from the last club roster. That seems like a big club – and by modeling standards it clearly is. But when you consider that the Chicago metropolitan population is about 9.7 million, and of that 9.7 million only 60 or so find it desirable and convenient to be part of our organization, you begin to get a sense that maybe we are a bit more "unique" than it seems when we are all together in the same room.

The point of this observation is that while we are as diverse as can be on almost every other demographic, we are united in a shared love for all things related to our hobby. Because there simply aren't that many of us out there, I encourage all of us to make an extra effort to help each other and to promote our hobby.

Along those lines, the Building Class may not be permanently postponed. There were issues with displaying the flier at Hobby Lobby that have hopefully been resolved. Now we'll have to see if there is actually demand! Also, please remember to bring lots of money for the auction this month. The funding the auction generates is very important to the club, and I'd really like to see what you guys can do with those kits!

New Kits...and stuff

Thanks to all of the members who brought in these new releases for us to see.













New Kills...and stuff cont

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Upcoming Schedule 2013

Date	Theme	Demo/guest
January 11	****	****
February 8	****	****
March 8	****	****
April 12	****	****
May 10	****	AUCTION NIGHT
June 14	Islamic Republics	Resin Casting Bill Soppet
July 12	**Gone Hollywood	Paint and Finish Keith Ward
August 9	Tanks-a-Million	Build-it Night #2
September 13	Famous Aircraft	Dry Brushing Steve Day
October 11	**Police Vehicles	Photo-etch Tools John Bishop
November 9	****	CONTEST!
December 13	**Fire Fighters	Xmas Party



Parachute into unknown modeling communities...
Come on in for the BIG WIN!
"Actually TAKE

PRISONERS"

All meetings are held on the second Friday of the month at:

St. Paul's United Church of Christ 5739 Dunham Rd. Downers Grove, IL