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Get real close to an actual

'Flying Tiger'

At the Hiller Aviation Museum in San Carlos, Calif., you'll see just about everything, including a "horizontal" Boeing 747 sitting on the ground without the gear. But what this museum really specializes in is helicopters.

Stanley Hiller founded Hiller Industries in 1942 to develop helicopters, and the company became Hiller Helicopters in 1948. It was sold to Fairchild Aircraft in 1964 and then bought by Stanley Hiller Jr. in 1994. The museum was founded in 1998 and packed full of everything Hiller and lots more.

The museum, which takes about two hours to go through, has a lot of quirky bits that you won't find at Wright-Patterson or anywhere else. My favorite quirk, for instance, is the Rotorcycle, designed to be air-dropped to downed pilots (mainly U.S. marines) to fly themselves out of danger. The canister weighed only movie "Thunderball." 290 pounds, and it is written that one person could assemble this aircraft and be airborne in 30 minutes! In the end the Pentagon canceled the craft, stating that it and pilots could lose their spacial orientation at anything but lower altitudes.

Another favorite quirk is the Rocket Belt/Jet Pack, which you'll



remember from the opening scene of the James Bon

And then there's the Flying Tiger 747. Cut horizontally along the belly, it rests as if in flight. You can climb the stairs to the flight deck and sit in a fully furnished cockpit, staring back at the museum. Actual ATC traffic is piped in to add to the realism. The museum also has was too vulnerable at low altitudes the full-scale prototype mock-up of the American SST from the 1960s. At the time, we were in competition with Europe's Concorde.

All in all, I would say this is the second-best helicopter-themed museum next to the Evergreen Museum just outside of Portland, Ore.

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Important Stuff:

Next Club Meeting at St. Paul's Church on Friday, June 13, 2014, 7:30 pm.

Special Theme:



Demo: Airplane Antennas Carl Knable





















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By Ihor H.

We had 30 members attend the May meeting, which included our annual auction. We also had an international visitor in attendance, Michael Gibb from Liverpool, England, who is Mike Ferguson's son-in-law and here on vacation. The highlight of the auction was the bidding war between Dan Cicero's sons over a kit that one of them had brought for the auction!! By all accounts, their bidding was hilarious, and made for a memorable auction. One sad note was the closing of Al's Hobby Shop in Elmhurst. Just another sign of the buying part of our hobby moving to the Web.

Our June theme will be "Boeing," and Carl will be doing a demo on airplane antennas. Did you know that in the United States, the plural of antenna for insects is spelled "antennae," but when you're talking about metal structures for sending and receiving electromagnetic signals, the plural is "antennas"? British writers, however, use the same spelling as we use for insects.



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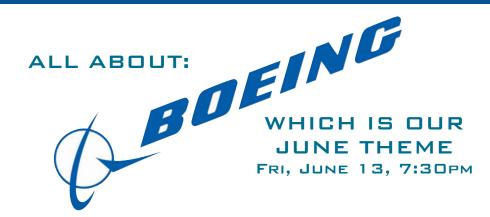
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Auction Night at Butch O'Hare





A LITTLE QUIZ TO WHET YOUR APPETITES FROM DON SMITH

What was Boeing's very first plane?

What is Boeing's latest plane?

What Boeing plane is highlighted in the film "Strategic Air Command"?

What help did this plane need to get airborne?

What famous actor plays the lead role of the pilot, Robert Holland?

What is his nickname in the film?

Trivia question: Around that same time, the Chicago Cubs had a pitcher with the same nickname; what was his last name?

What famous actress plays Holland's wife?

Trivia question: What relationship is there between her and the old Chicago TV puppet show, "Kukla, Fran and Ollie"?

What famous supporting actor plays the role of the main character's immediate superior officer?

Why is this officer so happy about Capt. Holland re-enlisting?

When was the Strategic Air Command made a separate service?

A few years ago, Boeing moved its sales division out of the state of Washington to another state. What city did it go to?

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The Display Table







is the 1/48 Super Tucano from Hobby Boss.

On the bottom is his 1/48 scale P-47D.

The Display Table







George had a trio of British wings. On top and bottom are the workhorses of RAF, MK 1 Hurricanes.





Peter Lietz's Russian IL 2m 3 Shturmovik is nicely weathered for WWII.



Dick Beemer's port runner, Barco Rabelo in 1/75 scale, is new and different.

The Display Table



Mike's Willy's
"Gasser"
pickup is
much higher
in the front
than in the
rear...

Clean.





Nicolas Cicero's battle droid tank from "Star Wars" is definitely RED and BLACK.

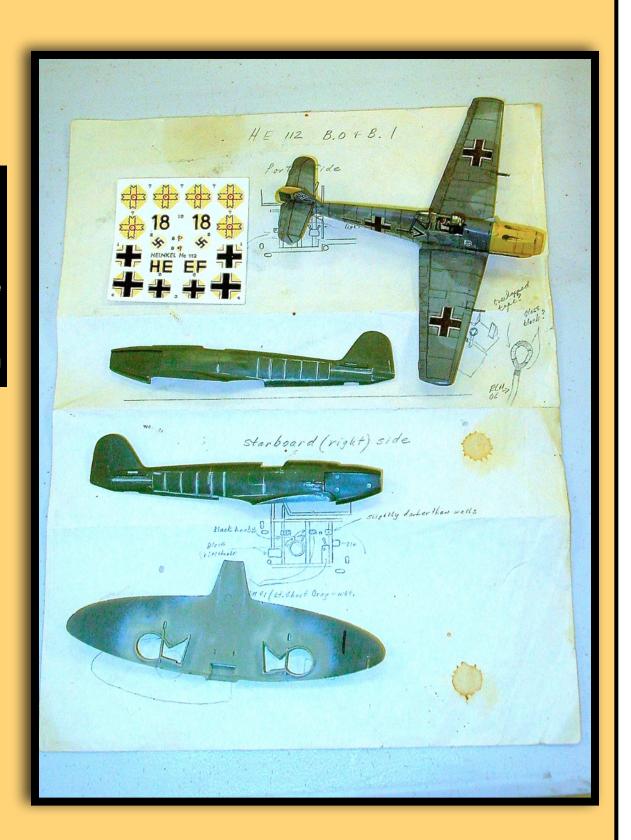
George's third entry is this well-worn Mk VB Spitfire.



UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Don seems to be working on an Axis / Allied duo of the Me-109 vs. a Spitfire or Hurricane.

Don't know where the stains came from. Maybe the blood was from a wounded double agent carrying these plans in 1944.



Butch O'Hare Gear Get yours NOW!

















The fine apparel makers at the Queensboro Shirt Company have put together a super package surrounding our newly designed club logo. These polo shirts come in multiple colors, and in adult sizes S, M, L, XL, 2XL and 3XL.

Our online store has been recently updated. In this club store you will find many kinds of apparel including polo shirts, T-shirts, denim shirts, hats and jackets, with the Butch O'Hare logo on every item. Embroidered or digitally printed apparel with both color and black-and- white logos is available to be delivered to your door. Women's styles are also available.

The logo above is the representational stitched item, approximately 3.5 inches in diameter. The red polo is a heavier, traditional style, while the navy blue polo is a newer, lighter design made for the office. Both have flat "no curl" collars and come in multiple colors. Water wicking, hightech shirts are also available.

Critical Analysis

Sherman on the Loose by Jack Bruno

One night I was completely wired and could not sleep. As always, at times like this I get most of my inspiration from modeling websites. I started looking at one and saw this neat-looking Pacific Sherman all decked out with bells and lap dances. So, since I had the ACADEMY M4A2 Sherman with the wading stacks (I built one before, see Cybermodeler Review), I decided it was time to build another, but this time with more flare!

The M4A2 version of the Sherman was extensively used for Lend-Lease to Russia and made famous by the United States Marine Corps. Plenty has been written on the differences, so I'll defer to the experts. I just build them, I don't know what made dem work.

The ACADEMY Sherman is a little bit fiddley in some areas. It's a really nice kit, and my only gig on it is that it has too many small fittings. But it builds up into a good representation of a Marine Sherman.

I started it about 1 in the morning while the movie "Murphy's War" came on. I had

started the suspension, and soon after I had finished sanding the seams off the road wheels, I was done for the night.

The next day the bogie stations were finished, and mounting them to the hull was a snap. Now, consult your pictures because the ACADEMY kit does give you spoked or solid road wheels. Being the goof that I am, I mixed them up. This was to be a vehicle that did its share of combat fighting, and I wanted it to look like it had a few trips to the depot! I've dated girls that took that trip but that's another Internet



dated girls who took that trip, but that's another Internet nightmare.

During my visits to the local Starbucks coffee place to look over the new talent, I always manage to walk out with a fist full of those stir sticks. I LOVE THEM! My vision was to apply them for either hardstands for artillery or aircraft, or in this case, additional add-on armor. With the chassis completed, I cheated and added the TAMIYA Sherman tracks because I just liked the look and the duck-bills would have been better in the sand.

After the tracks, I measured and cut the stir thingies into the right size and glued them to the running gear. I then drilled some holes and added bolts to enhance the appearance of quality guys working in the motor pool. With everything in place, I set it off to the side to work on the hull. I had visions of sandbag armor but been there.....you know. So, I took each of the the hull and turret hatches and using my drill, made a couple million holes in them for the defensive spikes that kept a pesky enemy from applying satchel charges to the hatches and/or trying to heave grenades into the tank via a banzai charge. I saw the pictures of these on the net, and they DO look cool! So with holy hatches I started to bring it all together.

I got all of the light guards in place and such and using my coffee wooden thingies again, made extra armor for the hull sides. Gotta love razor saws! This really started to look somewhat evil, and I decided to mount only the wading stack mounts and not the whole thing. Added sprue weld beads and netting were used here. The turret was then built as per instructions, and the only deviation was I cut up DS track from a DRAGON Sherman to be

using a new sharp point tweezers. (Actually, I stole it from the ex's medicine chest, but it's still new, right?) After all was said and done, off to the paint shop. As with all my stuff, except lately, I sprayed everything Flat Black from the rattle can. Then, after this dried a few hours, I used my GREX that was sent from God to me, and started giving it progressive shades of drab.

I use VALLEJO for this, and it lays down really well . . . I knew some girls in awww, never mind, but I did. After this was done to my satisfaction, I FUTURED the tank for decals and oil washes. Now, I gotta stop here. I did not like the decals, but I had no other appropriate U.S. markings. They came off too light and off register, but that only added to its charm.

After the decals dried, I applied FUTURE over them with a brush and began to oil wash the tank. This is the point when all of your work comes together, but you're not done yet. The oil wash was messed with my brush until I got the desired look. Then some dry-brushing using a few wide to lil wide brushed and some oil paint just to blend in.

MIG pigments were added, and when I thought enough was enough, I stopped. I did sprinkle some MIG "sand" pigment for a little beach residue on the tank just for color. Some extra stuff was added but only as an afterthought, because I did not want a PTO Sherman overwhelmed with stowage. I've got another Sherman for THAT! In all, this little project took just under a week to do and it was a lot of fun. It's done well on the local contest scene and is now with a collector. So, with the addition of a few pieces of wire and some sticks, you can turn that one in the stash into a very nice project. Yes, I'm





FROM THE OVAL OFFICE



THE MEETING DATE FOR July is **July 18**, NOT July 11!

We have a scheduling conflict at the church and have to shift the July meeting a week. Please pick someone you know in the club and remind them – especially if they do not regularly attend and/or have access to the Internet. We'll remind everyone at the June meeting – but I'd really like to avoid having folks show up by accident on the 11th.

It's pretty quiet right now, but it's not too early to think about volunteering for our Open Model Contest in November! There are many jobs to fill, but I really need someone to step up and own running the concessions this year. If you think this might be you – please come see me at the meeting!

Happy Modeling! John

The Region 5 Convention website is officially up and running. You can go directly to it via this link:

http://ipmswcmo.webs.com/

On this page you can download the flyer, registration forms, etc., and get the latest news on the convention. The host club, IPMS West Central Missouri, still needs award sponsorships to help with the high cost of the convention. Please contact me directly to sponsor or for more info. Thank you so far to the following sponsors: Hobbytown USA Kansas City, IPMS Des Moines - Hawkeye Modelers, Justin Carlson, Greg McCall, Kevin Lutzeler, IPMS Great Plains, Terry Barrow, Ron Denning, Chris Searing and the Region 5 coordinator. Please consider helping out!

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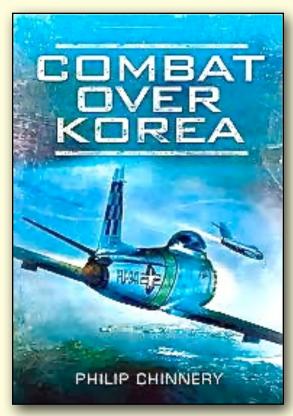
COMBAT OVER KOREA

by Philip Chinnery

Reviewed by Walt Fink

This British author has penned what seems to me to be the most concise and honest appraisal of the Korean air war I've read yet. He weaves "I was there" stories by pilots and crew from the Air Force, Navy, Marines, ROK, Australians, North Koreans and the Soviet Union into history

of the conflict from start to finish.



All aircraft types are represented, from B-29s, Sabres, Skyraiders Panthers, Corsairs, Invaders and others to the lesser-known aircraft like the F3D Skyknights, F-94 Starfires, Gloster Meteors, and transport and reconnaissance aircraft.

A special nod is given to the "Death Rattlers" of VMF-323 and other Marine squadrons who flew their Corsairs in close air support for the ground troops during the invasion of Inchon, and again as they protected the 1st Marine Division from annihilation as they retreated from the "frozen Chosin" Reservoir.

The book is a comprehensive history of the conflictand further details the experiences of many Allied airmen who were imprisoned after being shot down or forced down in enemy territory.

Obviously, the first-person stories in the book are told by those who were there and who returned, many from captivity. The final chapter of Chinnery's book deals with the fate of those men who did not make it back home and whose families are still in limbo, without the benefit of closure to know if their loved ones might still be alive, imprisoned in Russia, China or North Korea. He notes that lessons are to be learned from the experience for us to take into the future, and chillingly, that "the future may be sooner than we think."

It's a great book that I couldn't put down--super reading for aviation enthusiasts and historians alike and highly recommended.

This Month in Military History

June 9, 1959 – The USS George Washington (SSBN-598), first nuclear-powered fleet ballistic missile submarine, launches at Groton, Conn.









June 26, 1918 – At Belleau Wood, France, after beating off some early morning counterattacks, Major Maurice Shearer sends the signal, "Woods now entirely US Marine Corps."











UPCOMING EVENTS

June 6-7, 2014

Heartland Model Car Nationals

Overland Park Convention Center 6000 College Blvd. Map Overland Park, KS Robert Perillo 816-729-6159

June 14, 2014

OMACON 2014

Strategic Air and Space Museum 28210 West Park Highway Map Ashland, NE Scott Hackney 402-861-1999

June 21, 2014

MOSS CON 2014

The White House Theater 2255 Gretna Road Map Branson, MO Nate Jones 417-230-6220 July 12, 2014 NIMCON 3

MC HENRY COUNTY COLLEGE 8900 U.S. 14 Map Crystal Lake, IL

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August 3, 2014

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September 6, 2014

Gateway to the West Contest and Swap Meet

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Judges Grand Award
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Best Junior Best Automotive
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New Kits...and stuff

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







FAREWELL TO Al's HOBBY SHOP

Text and Photos by Kevin Stover

It was only 9 months ago that we were saying goodbye to AdVenture Hobbies in Wheeling, III. Now it's the turn of Al's Hobby Shop to close its doors for good.

In business since 1947. Al's had set the standard for area hobby shops for decades.

Started by Al Fuchsen, Carol Van Dyke's grandfather. Al's Hobby Shop was one of a number of great hobby shops supporting the Chicagoland area.

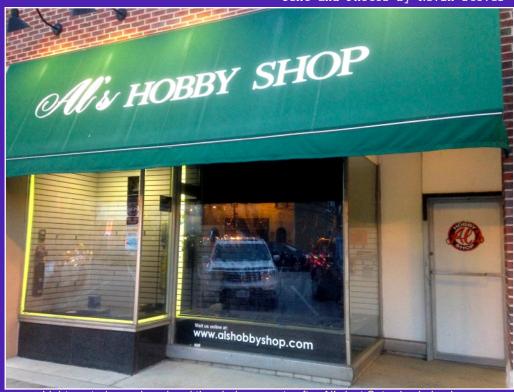
I discovered Al's around 1986 when I got back into modeling in a more serious way. At that time, Al's was a bustling hub of activity, especially on Saturday afternoons when everybody who was anybody met up in Al's. Whether you were into plastics, trains or R/C (radio controlled), Al's had your number.

The staff was always friendly and helpful. Each worked in his or her own department of expertise. It was kind of like the old TV show "Cheers," where everybody knows your name.

I also remember in the 1990s when models and tools started streaming in from countries other than Japan. Supplies poured in from the Czech Republic, China, Russia, Korea and seemingly everywhere else. The Internet was just building up speed, and suddenly there was more competition.

Al's and its distributors were no longer alone. Aftermarket parts and kits for existing models also took off. As a hobby shop, you literally had to have a warehouse to store enough inventory to compete.

Hobby shops soon felt the squeeze of online sales. Geopolitics and open trade meant that local shops had to compete like never before. Smaller stores started failing, which sent a chill through all modelers. Al's then shifted their attention to mostly R/C kits, which had become their bread and butter. But sadly, plastics became a mere shadow of its former great self. Model train clubs in the area also felt a similar sting.



Lights out, doors closed and the shelves empty after Al's last Saturday in business

Typically, you would order a model from Al's and when it came in, you would get a phone call and would have to physically go to the store to pick it up. This took two to four weeks, depending on when Al's placed the order. For modelers, this now seemed like a lifetime of waiting.

Customers soon discovered that with the Internet, they could order the same model from around the world and have it delivered to their doorstep within seven days, sometimes sooner. After the economy tanked in 2008, customers quickly became wiser and more practical with their money as well.

The last shoe fell when China jumped into the R/C game too and started manufacturing cheap knockoff parts.

So, it was not a complete shock when I got the text message on a Friday night that Al's last day was the very next day, Saturday, 5/3/14. I will miss Al's and what it once represented to us plastic modelers, and how Al's helped so many local IPMS clubs along the way.

Our hobby's business model has forever changed. With change comes

sacrifice, and any hobby shop slow on this evolutionary uptake will disappear in a similar fashion.

However, there is still a need for the brick-and-mortar hobby shop. Customers still prefer to actually see a model, to pick it up with their own hands and feel its weight. The Internet



cannot provide this feeling.

Also, the Internet cannot provide the sense of community that Al's once had in abundance. Sometimes this new business model feels cold and sterile, but this will probably change as we all get used to dealing this way.

But you can bet that sometime in the near future, this fashion of Internet shopping will change as well. 3-D modeling is already here.

Maybe, the future is now.

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Upcoming Schedule 2014

Date	Theme	Demo/guest
January 10	****	****
February 14	****	****
March 14	****	****
April 11	****	****
May 9	****	****
June 13	Boeing	Airplane Antennas (Carl Knable)
July 18	**Non-Federation	Basic Airbrush Maint. (Steve Day)
August 8	Civilian Dress	Canopies (Kevin Stover)
September 12	**Six Day War	Real Wood (Keith Ward)
October 10	USS Anything	Build-it Night #2
November 14	****	CONTEST!
December 12	**Snow Covered	Xmas Party



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