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A Christmas Remembrance

Merry Christmas with a candy-apple red "Monkee Mobile" from the 1960s! This is just one of the hundreds of cars you'll see at the Miami Auto Museum at the Dezer Collection in Florida. There is plenty of modeling subject material here of all types and genres.

The museum is owned by Michael Dezer, a private collector who specializes in everything from the 1950s, but you'll see a lot more than that decade represented here. At 250,000 square feet, this is a BIG museum. It's also the world's largest privately owned car collection, with more than 1,200 automobiles, along with scooters, airplanes, submarines and tanks.

Three of the most famous collections are Dezer's James Bond, Batman and Hollywood groups. The largest of the three is the 46 vehicles from all of the James Bond movies,

including the original Aston Martin from "Goldfinger" next to Goldfinger's JetStar.

Other television cars are here too: the "Starsky & Hutch" Ford Torino, the 1973 Ferrari Daytona from "Miami Vice," the GEN 11 in "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" as well as the original "road" version of the movie vehicle. Cars from "RoboCop," "Magnum, P.I.," "The Munsters," and "The Green Hornet" round out the famous ones.

Of the two Munster vehicles represented, the Drag-u-la dragster was my favorite. This one is not a movie prop but a true dragster with a blown 350 engine and race transmission. And the wheelie bars are not just for looks.

All in all, this was a great museum that even included a '50s style soda fountain. I'd say it's worth two hours of your time.

Important Stuff:

*Next Club Meeting
at St. Paul's
Church on Friday,
December 11, 2016
7:30 pm*

*Special Theme:
Vietnam*

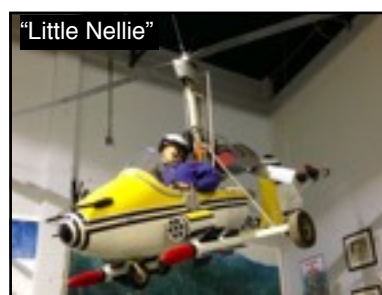
*Demonstration:
Party-Time*



The most impressive exhibit was Goldfinger's JetStar private plane next to the movie's 1937 Rolls-Royce Phantom III.



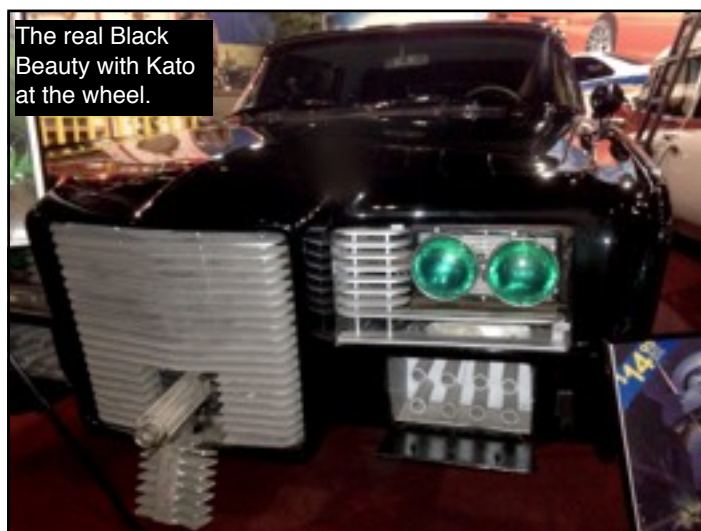
"00 who?"



"Little Nellie"



La Drag-u-la



The real Black Beauty with Kato at the wheel.



The original Batmobile



The Bat Bike



Who you gonna call?



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Well, our 33rd annual show was a great success! We had 317 entries, and there were some really good ones -- if you didn't make it, you missed out on some beauties. Besides the entries, the vendor room once again had something for just about everyone, but I behaved and only picked up one kit this time. As in the past, the success of the show was due to the hard work put in by the club members, who helped out with everything from setup to cleanup, running the raffle, judging and admissions, just to name a few. Things got busy at times, but everyone stepped up and did a great job. Several clubs had tables, and once again ours was an excellent representation of our club! There were even several Zeros from our club build.

So, with another show in the books, we've made sure the mostaccioli is safe for another year. See you in December for our annual Christmas party -- and everyone bring in your club build Zero!



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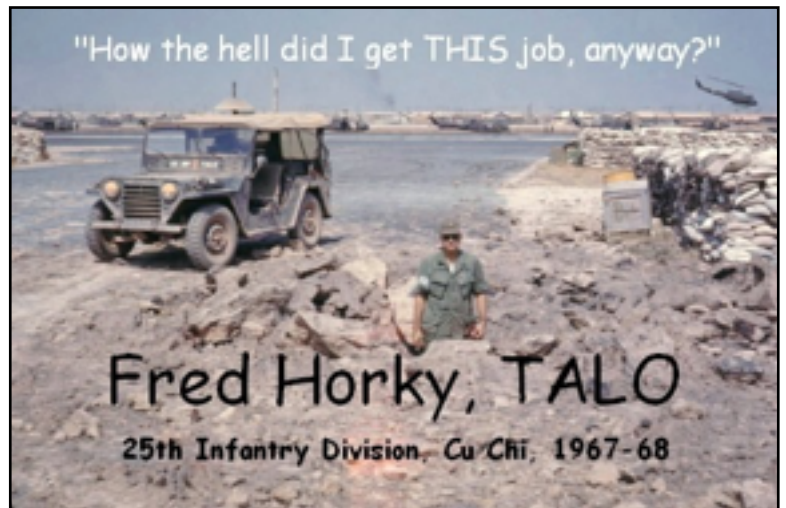
to the editor

The other week I asked IPMS newsletter examiner and disseminator Fred Horky about a photo that always appears in the column he writes, commenting on the various IPMS newsletters that he forwards around the world. His response was wordy and definitely Fred.

"Hey Fred, are you a captain or a major in that DITCH?" --Kevin

Kevin....The hole was NOT a ditch, but a crater from a 122mm rocket strike. The picture was taken when I was in 'nam for the third time. The first two had been on extended temporary duty as A/C (aircraft commander) in C-123s (1963), the second time in C-130s (1965); both less than six months so without credit for a full tour. How I got the third is a shaggy dog story, but on arrival with airlift headquarters (Saigon) operations officer orders, my earlier tactical airlift experience, especially "in-country," earned me booby-prize duty as an airlift advisor to the Army out in the field, instead of Saigon.

Anyway, I wound up with the 25th Infantry Division at Cu Chi. The location was just south of an area called "The Iron Triangle" seen on the map below, which had been an enemy stronghold since the days of the French. (It was also where much of our "incoming" was fired at us.) See [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Iron_Triangle_\(Vietnam\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Iron_Triangle_(Vietnam))



By the time I was in 'nam that last time (during the infamous Tet period), the area was so hostile that it was a "free fire" zone. In other words, no clearance was needed to shoot or drop ANYTHING there. The Army had already captured enough 122mm rockets that the M.I. people had no need for more to study. This one was captured with its complete fire control setup: tripod, tube, the whole works.



The ordnance major who was working the project said the warhead had about the same explosive force as an 8-inch artillery round. It was definitely enough to get your attention. They were going to ask E.O.D. to destroy them, when somebody suggested, "Why don't we just shoot them back into the 'Iron Triangle' ... it matters not where they land!" So, that's what they did. The Ordnance Corps officer who was going to shoot them off asked if I wanted to watch, so I said, "Why not?" The pictures are taken outside Cu Chi's base camp defensive bunker link but inside the cleared area inside the outermost "trip wire" seen in the background.

These rockets are spin-stabilized by three-hinged, curved fins at the rear end. They look like sections of a tin can cut lengthwise that conform to the cylindrical shape of the rocket body, and are held in place closed until firing. Then, springs flip them open and aerodynamic forces on the fins start a spin to the rocket. The resulting torque stabilizes the rocket.

Anyway, it was one of those things that created the "ditch" you mentioned. --Fred

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Juniors: Jan-Mar \$14; Apr-Jun \$10; Jul-Sept \$7; Oct-Dec \$5



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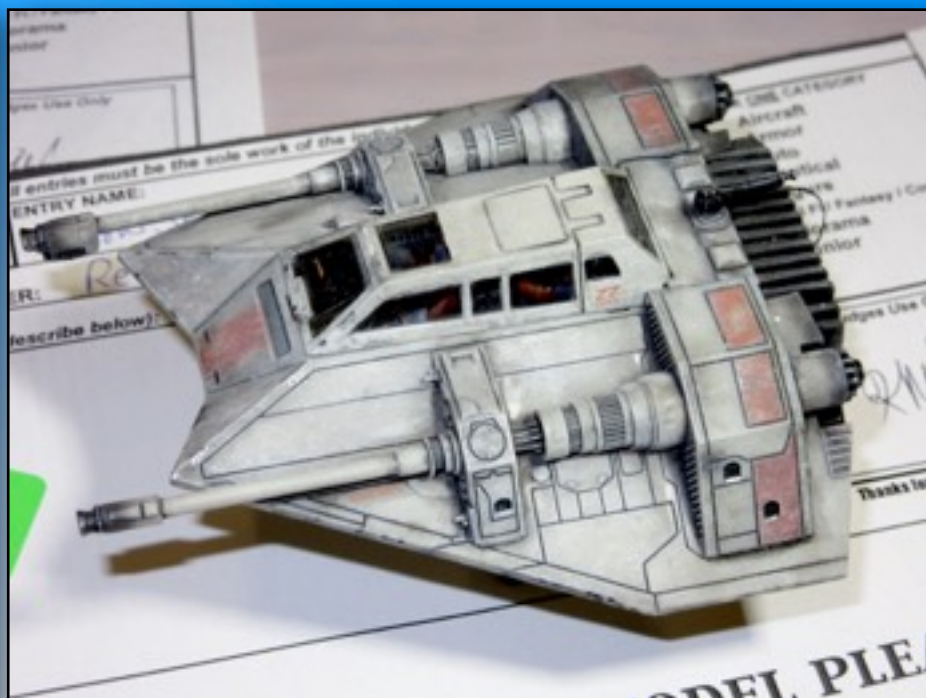


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<http://www.city-data.com/businesses/218387017-forever-timeless-hobby-shop-chicago-il.html>
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SPECIAL AWARDS:

Best in Show - Mk4 PT-109 (Stephen Ventens)

Best Jet - F-105D (Ed Mate)

Best Use of Creativity in Modeling - Splish Splash (Stephen Eichhame)

Silver Wings Award - P-47M (Randal Dieck)

George S. Patton Award - M4A1 (William Horn)

Best Prop - Swordfish Mk. I (Dave Mezara)

Best Armor - King Tiger (Scott Hoffland)

Best Nautical - Defiance Riverboat (Steve Wheeler)

Best Automotive - La Ferrari (Carlos Martinez)

Best Sci-Fi/Figure - Elvira (Jeff Lamott)

Fantasy - Mushroom Goblin (Fred Drehobl)

Best Diorama - German Reichsbahn (Frank Ciccarella)

Butch O'Hare Award for Best U.S. Navy - Mk4 PT-109 (Stephen Ventens)

Best Junior - Elephant (Nicoll Trevyr)

Best World War I Aircraft - Gotha G.IV (Brian O'Neal)

Charlie Metz Award for German Aircraft - Bf 109 E-3 (Bill Wedeward)

Best Club Display - IPMS McKinstry

MEDALLIONS AWARDED:

29 Gold, 55 Silver and 84 Bronze for a total of 168 medallions (audited)

TOTAL CONTEST AWARDS:

185 awards presented to 317 entries

The Jonny Quest Dragonfly Revisited

by Steve Day

Hey fellow modelers! I'm back with another kit review.

This time I'm reviewing the Dragonfly from Moebius. If you guys are not familiar with this bird, it's from the 1964 cartoon drama "Jonny Quest." The story was based around Jonny Quest, son of professor Benton Quest, who invented all kinds of cool stuff for our government. Jonny and his father were protected from the forces of evil by special agent Race Bannon. In the first episode, Jonny befriends an Indian boy named Hadji. The four characters fly all over the world in their supersonic suborbital jet, The Dragonfly. At the time, this was the

sweetest aircraft in my world, and I'd have to say that all the cool stuff I saw in Jonny Quest got me really hooked into building models of all kinds, but especially sci-fi.

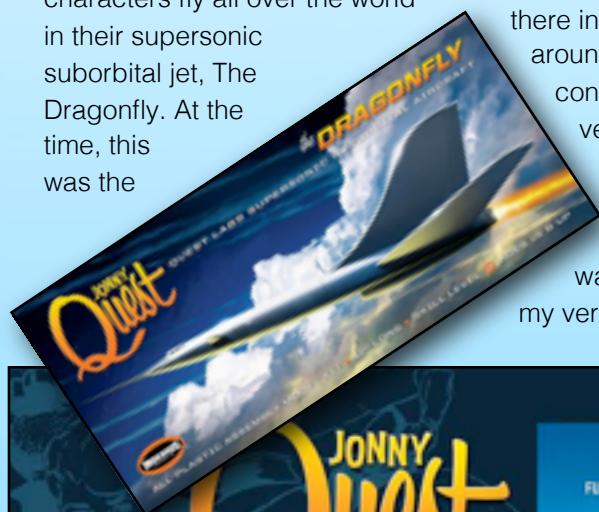
When I heard that Moebius was coming out with The Dragonfly, you would expect that I would be very excited, but I wasn't. Go figure. I also saw the kit at the last iHobby show, and again didn't get too excited.

Fast forward to this year's WonderFest (if you have never gone to WonderFest and you love sci-fi, you gotta go!). I saw The Dragonfly all dressed up and ready to party (assembled and painted)! I immediately fell in love with this kit. I stopped right there in my tracks, turned around, and walked out of the contest room, back to the vendors room and tracked down this kit. Within eight minutes of seeing the completed Dragonfly, I was now in possession of my very own Dragonfly! I was

really gonna build this kit, and this time I meant it.

Moebius did a good job on the kit. It's a very easy build with only 13 pieces. The fit is excellent, and I needed only a very small amount of filler putty around the cockpit to blend it into the body of the plane. The only piece that I replaced on the model was the pilot tube. The one in the kit had a very long attachment point to the sprue and was hard to remove and sand into shape, so I just used some rod stock I had in my spares box. I filed it to a point, installed it, and that was that!

Painting the model was an easy task as well. I painted the whole plane with Tamiya semi-gloss white. I picked out a couple of panels on the top of the fuselage and painted them with Tamiya light gull gray to give the model some contrast. The Dragonfly has recessed panel lines, so I highlighted them by using a drafting pencil. This really made the detail on the jet pop.





While working on my Dragonfly, one of my colleagues, who had also been at WonderFest and picked up a Dragonfly, got a set of Q stencils for the tail of the plane. (Q stands for Quest.) When I saw his bird with the big Q on it, I commented on how cool it looked, He had an extra set of stencils and being the Most Excellent Friend he is, he sent me a set for my bird.

I wanted to simulate the look and feel of the cartoon Dragonfly, which had what looked like blue

shadows on the tail and wings. To do this, I chose to use Tamiya blue thinned way down, into almost a wash. I elected to use my Iwata HP-BH airbrush because of its ability to paint a very fine line at low air pressure. I highlighted the panel lines of the tail and wings and got the exact effect I was looking for, which really surprised me because that almost never happens on the first or even second try for me. I then applied the Q mask that my friend Rob sent me. I finished masking the rest of the plane with low tack masking tape and paper towels. I then filled up my airbrush with the same Tamiya blue, only this time my paint mix was 2 parts paint, 3 parts thinner. I took my time spraying the Q onto the tail.

After letting the tail dry overnight, I removed all of the masking to reveal a perfectly painted Q! (Thanks, Rob!) Next I painted the air intake and jet afterburner gloss black in preparation for several coats of Alclad Chrome. Again I had great results the first time. I'm lovin' this kit

at this point! (If you airbrush your part a gloss black, let the part completely dry, then airbrush the Alclad Chrome onto your part, It really looks like chrome. This stuff is amazing.)

On to adding the cockpit window details. There are no decals for the windows, nor any guidelines molded into the windscreen, so you just have to make it up. This is the only dig I have on the kit. I first drew the outline with my drafting pencil. Then, using gloss black and the finest paintbrush I had, I painted in the windows. You mess this up and the bird looks like crap! This was the hardest part of the whole build for me.

The last detail was to paint the collision lights. I did this by first painting the little tabs on the wings chrome silver. After that dried, I painted the left side clear red and the right side clear green. I left the top beacon chrome silver. After these guys dried, I then applied two coats of Testors cockpit glue to each light. Testors

cockpit glue not only glues clear parts like canopies or windows to your models, it also makes great "lens covers" for your lights!

Well, that's it! I give this

little kit five stars. It's one of those kits where you pour the glue in the box, shake it four times and out comes a model. The Dragonfly is simple enough for the beginner, but also has all you need to produce a contest winner!

Thanks for reading--see you in my next review, and remember:

Finished is better than perfect!

Maddog



THIS MONTH IN MILITARY HISTORY

American and British servicemen made the best out of the situation by celebrating Christmas almost anywhere during WWII. Festivities in POW camps, bunkers and on the front lines were not uncommon.



Dec. 30, 1990: Iraq's information minister (Latif Nussayif Jassim) says President Bush "must have been drunk" when he suggested Iraq might withdraw from Kuwait, and adds: "We will show the world America is a paper tiger."

(TDMH)



UPCOMING EVENTS

February 6, 2016

19th Annual Hope It Don't Snow Show

Kahler Apache Hotel

1517 16th Street SW [Map](#)

Rochester, MN

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April 2, 2016

Omahacon 2016

Strategic Air and Space Museum

28210 W. Park Hwy. [Map](#)

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March 5, 2016

Mad City Modelers 21st Annual Model Contest

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April 23, 2016

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March 12, 2016

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TALES OF A TAIL GUNNER

A Memoir of Seattle and World War II

By Eddie Picardo

Reviewed by Walt Fink



What a great hard-to-put-down read this book was! Eddie Picardo grew up in Seattle, the joker and resident high-jinker of his Italian-American family. Full of mischief for most of his life, he enlisted in the USAAC because his avowed career choice was to be a tail gunner. Odd as it sounds, that was his motivation throughout his military service, and after several schools at several bases, he was indeed posted to bombers.

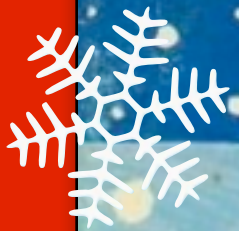
Slight problem: He'd wanted to be tail gunner on a B-17 but was posted to B-24s instead. Typical of Picardo's "You can't tell me what to do" attitude, he marched angrily into a captain's office and demanded to be assigned to a B-17--saying that since he was from Seattle, the B-17 was where he wanted to go. The captain looked at him and bluntly told him that orders were orders, that he was going to Liberators, and to get lost. And that was that.

Picardo was assigned to the 44th Bomb Group, "The Flying Eight Balls," at a base just north of Norwich, United Kingdom. He would spend his entire tour there, flying with the same crew. In narrating his flying career fighting the war from the tail end of a bomber, Picardo mixes humor, sarcasm, terror and just plain pure entertainment in his book. Although the book is necessarily historically correct and gruesome in some places, Picardo's writing style is always reminiscent of the irreverent, wise-cracking, happy-go-lucky son of Seattle. His military career was essentially over at the end of his required 33 combat missions, and he returned home to Seattle to spend his life in the produce business. Now retired, Picardo has made his first book a great mix of everything the reader of military and aviation history could hope for--the bombing missions, the fighter escort, the flak, the day-to-day operations, and the leisure and romance too.

This was the second of two currently out-of-print books that were loaned to me. The owner was able to find it as a used book on Amazon.com, so you should be able to locate one as well. Don't miss it.



Merry Christmas
and Thank You!



Without you guys, I would have
nothing to print. With your help,
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will always be full. "Thanks..."



Kevin

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Upcoming Schedule 2015

Date	Theme	Demo/guest
January 9	*****	*****
February 13	*****	*****
March 13	*****	*****
April 10	*****	*****
May 8	*****	*****
June 12	*****	*****
July 17	*****	*****
August 14	*****	*****
September 11	*****	*****
October 9	*****	*****
November 7	*****	*****
December 11	<i>Vietnam</i>	<i>Xmas Party</i>



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