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Next Club Meeting at St. Paul's Church on Friday, July 8, 2016 7:30 pm

Demonstration: Keith Ward

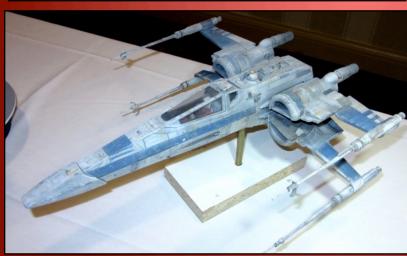
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O'Hare D.E.B.R.I.E.F. By Don Smith



Despite the hot weather, we had a real good turnout for this meeting. President Frank started the meeting out by giving a report on the NIMCOM show, which was at McHenry County College in Crystal Lake, III. I noticed that at least 10 of our members were there, and Frank thanked them for their attendance. They used a "Chicago Rules" judging format like we do. They said the number of models entered was down from last year, but we've heard the same thing from other contest's organizers too.

One notable attendee was Paul Boyer, now retired from the staff of *Fine Scale Modeler*. He is continuing to build 1/72 models of the various U.S. presidents' airplanes. While we met up with Ronbo there, too, it was good to see him back on his feet at the meeting.

To round off the contest coverage, Frank mentioned that since it was such a nice day, he decided to take his small sports car out to the contest. I think he said it was a Coronet, and it was a special car made by Dodge or maybe GM. The name was similar to one of the instruments that the famous jazz trumpeter Wynton Marsalis plays occasionally. Well, when Frank got there, to be a strong donator from our club, he bought a goodly amount of raffle tickets but wasn't really expecting to win much. Then, course, he won several very large box kits, which had to be "wedged" into his car after he and his wife were seated in it. Frank said he was going to have a neighbor pry them out of the car when they got home!

Since there was no "Demo" last month, we'll cover some of the noteworthy models on the "Show and Tell" tables. Tom Nelson showed a Devastator and explained that it didn't deserve the bad rap it's gotten. Kurt Van Dahm made a "paddler," which won a Gold at Manitowoc posed with a barge that Keith Ward had made for him. Although Kurt told the judges he hadn't made the barge himself, later he wished he'd entered it for Keith because it was so good that it would have won a Gold too. Keith displayed, a Vega-derived car, which met the meeting's theme of "Dirty and rusty" about as good as you could get.

It was great to see Stan K. back with us. He had just made his first-ever diorama, which he was showing at an AMPS event. It was of the large Mauser gun, which was the predecessor of the Big Bertha, an even larger German gun. Carl Knable showed a 767 airline in the markings of a Hawaiian-based airline that he had seen when he was there, once. Marco Fernandez had a T-38 Talon by Trumpeter in U.S. naval markings, which I think Marco said had been used as an adversary aircraft.

Well, after the official meeting was over, a serious discussion ensued among several members regarding the groups of aircraft involved in the Midway battle. It was good to hear that we still have people who care, whether they're young or not so young (like me).

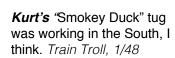


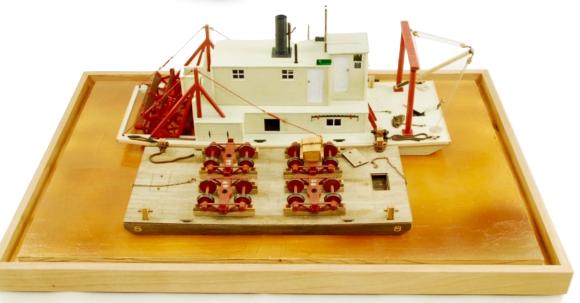
Keith's "dirt modified car" is definitely a Chevy. 1/24 No company listed.



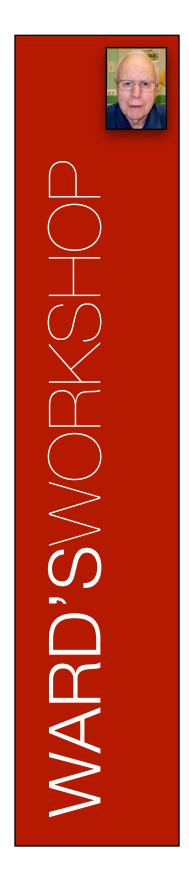


Dick's T-34 looks to have been captured. *Tamiya*, 1/32





This month's question is:
"Any tips for entering my
first model contest?"



Entering a model in your first contest is a big step, showing other entrants that you are going to compare your handiwork with theirs, asking questions and getting helpful suggestions to improve your skills. Our Bronze, Silver, Gold, "Chicago Rules" craftsmanship awards let you see the quality of your models progress as you learn what we judges are looking for. Your model-building skills will improve with time and practice, advancing through the levels of medals.

As a judge, the first thing I look for is your entry sheet remarks section to see what you did to improve or add to the kit. This area is important: Without it, I won't know to reward your extra efforts!

The most common problem area I see that degrades craftsmanship is the paint job. I see too many "orange-peel" finishes that spoil well-built models, always lowering the medal category. Another judging aspect is alignment. Say you were to build an A-1H Skyraider with everything very well-done, for possibly a Gold or certainly a Silver. But if you decided to add the full "load out" under the wings and all kinds of ordnance, and then you got them crooked, pointing everywhere except dead straight ahead, expect a lesser medal!

The same thing applies to throwing a handful of resin and photo-etch at your model, expecting a Gold medal for sure, but doing a less than tidy installation and ending up with a Bronze medal or possibly nothing. Well-done markings (decals or painted) are also essential; the more colorful, the better! If they are really unusual, better provide proof (unless it's in sci-si, "the fun category").

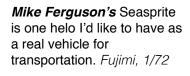
When judging, I do not pick up a model and turn it over to look at the bottom. I have seen things go bad when a model is turned over (mine), breaking multiple antenna wires. I also do not use the "IPMS Death Ray" penlight either--it is unnecessary and can bump the model.

I believe the "Chicago Rules" MMSI developed judging is superior to the 1st, 2nd, 3rd award method because there are some extreme "rivet counter" IPMS judges out there who bring into question some unusual results. How about a fine Fokker triplane (not mine) at a regional that wasn't even judged because there were no rigging wires between the wings (there are none on the real aircraft). A few years back I was talking with an IPMS Nationals aircraft judge, and somehow the conversation got around to kits that came with inaccuracies not corrected by the entrant. I was told that all his judges knew all about every kit and to down-point any model not corrected. When I asked about military paint colors, he replied that the judges knew what every correct color should be on any aircraft. I told him I was really glad to see him, because I have never been able to find what the correct shade of olive drab should be. He glared at me and walked away!

Model building is a great hobby. Build a model of something you like, to the best of your ability, for yourself (not to win a medal), and show it to other modelers. We have all felt the urge to trashcan a tough project, but trust me, the next model will be better!







IPMS/USA membership 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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Steve's T-Rex looks scarier close up, don't you think? *Polar Lights, no scale*



Marco's T-38 is from the navy's test pilot school. *Trumpeter*, 1/48



Dick's KV-1 Soviet tank looks cruder and meaner than its counterpart T-34. *Tamiya*, 1/35

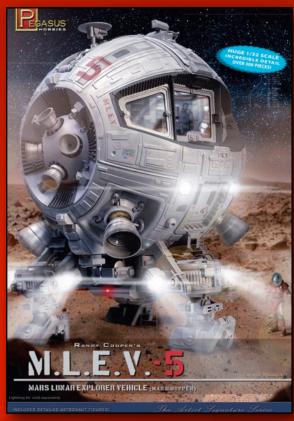


New Kits...and stuff

Thanks to those who brought in these new releases for us to see.















Critical Analysis

Dragon 1/35 First Issue

By Jack Bruno

Lately I've been doing several winter scheme kits, and I had this one on the bench for awhile. One of the FB groups had a slew of pictures, and one of them featured a combat veteran Ferdinand in whitewash. That sealed it for me.

The kit was built out of the box with the exception of some netting and a canvas gun cover. Never be intimidated by the tracks. They were very easy and some of the best I've worked with. For the base color it was Dark Yellow, several shades, with Vallejo "stencil" white used as the winter wash.

Gloss followed, and several oil washes were applied to give it some ZING. Decals were from the spares box. Pigments were applied and turned out better than I expected. There you have it: another winter schemed jewel from Jack!







FROM THE OVAL OFFICE



Fellow Butch O'Hare club members,

I hope that you are finding some time for modeling as the summer is upon us and the outside "to do" list is probably growing for most of us. The next meeting will have us start on our club build project. This looks like it will be a fun time, and I can't wait to see some of the results when they are done. In addition, this month we will continue with our Show and Tell. As always, bring in those finished models for a raffle ticket chance!

During the month of August, we will have a "spot on" presentation. If you remember, this is the time slot where we have companies, individuals, etc., present to the club on hobby-related products. In August, we will have the company called Glue Looper. They will be in to showcase their products and demonstrate how they are used. If you haven't seem them at any local shows, you're in for a treat. I use these tools and would be lost without them, especially the newest tool for putting down a very thin line of Super Glue and using it with photo-etch.

Planning is going forward for the BOH annual show. We have our date as the second weekend in November, which is the 12th. Flyers will be ready for distribution at this month's meeting. I would ask that you get some to your frequent hobby hangouts and help us distribute them. More updates to follow.

That's all for now--see you at the meeting!

Frank

Hello Region 5 members,

Just a short mid-summer update for you guys:

We will have a Region 5 Convention in 2017. It will be held on May 20, 2017 in Crystal Lake, Ill., hosted by IPMS/Lakes Region Scale Modelers. More details will be available in the future, but I'm happy to see that we will have the show, and also have the 2017 National Convention in our region as well. Should be a good year for Region 5!

Speaking of shows, I already have quite a few dates booked for 2017, so get your show requests in to me as soon as you can to ensure your desired date.

Hope you all are having a productive summer!

Kelly Quirk Region 5 Coordinator







Marco's F-18 looks better on a base like this. Nice touch with the medallions. 1/48, Kinetic



Carl's TA-4J trainer represents a "2-seat scouter." 1/72, Hasegawa

Stan's 21cm Morser heavy howitzer was a German gun used mostly in coastal defenses. "SMILE." *Tacom*, 1/35



THIS MONTH IN MILITARY HISTORY

July 5, 1954: The B-52A bomber makes its maiden flight.

(TDMH)









July 25, 1943: The U.S. submarine Tinosa fires 15 torpedoes at a lone Japanese merchant ship, but none detonates.

(TDMH)







UPCOMING EVENTS

August 7, 2016 (all day)

GTR Summer NNL 9

Algonquin Township Building 3702 U.S. Hwy. 14 Crystal Lake, IL 60014 gtrchab@yahoo.com

August 27, 2016 (all day)

Model Fest 2016

Liberty Christian Fellowship 1815 W. Liberty Drive Liberty, MO 64068 redgriffins38@vahoo.com

September 10, 2016 - 9 am

IPMS-Gateway Contest and Swap Meet

Holiday Inn-Route 66 10709 Watson Road St. Louis, MO 63127

Doug Barton peddocdoug@gmail.com

September 17, 2016

IPMS Prison City Modelers Annual Show

The Heritage Center
109 Delaware St.
Leavenworth, KS 66048
Mark Gerges mgerges@kc.rr.com

September 17, 2016
Plastic on the Prairie
Holiday Inn
3803 13th Ave. S
Fargo, ND 58103
IPMS/Red River Scale Modelers

October 15, 2016 (All day)

GLUE CREW 2016

Quality Inn
2901 Hummingbird Road
Wausau, WI 54401
Joe Drew jdrew09@charter.net





Carl's Page

Carl's PBY-4 looks unusual in silver and black. It's usually in Navy blue/gray. *Minicraft*, 1/144

Carl's CH-3E was the Air Force heavy lifter and became the Jolly Green Giant. *Revell*, 1/72





Carl finishes out his page with a Boeing 777. Nice decal work! *Revell*, 1/144

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Date	Theme	Demo/guest
January 8	****	****
February 12	****	****
March 11	****	****
April 8	****	****
BO'H Commando Shirt Night	****	****
June 10	****	****
July 8	Hovering Things	Keith Ward
August 12	Nose Art	
September 9	Anything French	Build It Night P-38 Class
October 14	Sand	BO'H Gear
November 11	Targets	Contest
December 9	USS Anything	Xmas Party

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

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