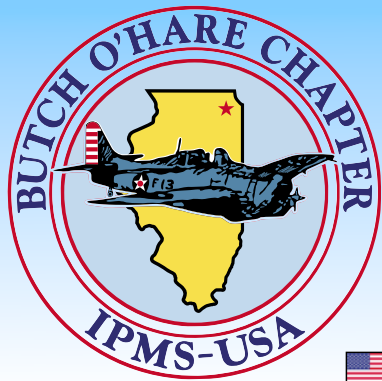




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The RAF Museum London



Story and Photos by **Stan Kurcz**

During a recent visit to England I explored the RAF Museum London, just a short tube ride from central London. It's located in Hendon on the edge of what was Hendon Aerodrome, the original flying training school founded in 1909. With nearly 100 aircraft from the most modern F-35 back to original World War I machines, it's an impressive museum.

My visit began in the Milestones of Flight gallery. On one wall there is a description of aviation events from the Wright Brothers through the turn of the century. In the hall and overhead is a selection of aircraft from the earliest planes through the British Harrier.

From there you walk to the Historic Hangers, created to house part of the museum's collection of fighter aircraft. This is dedicated to Sir Sidney Camm, the designer of the Hawker Typhoon that sits in pride of place. The Historic Hangars contain five separate exhibitions, each telling a different story about the RAF and its aviation history.

Next is the Bomber Hall exhibition, which follows the development of the bomber from its first

appearance in World War I to the highly sophisticated machines of today. It tells of the achievements of RAF Bomber Command and the U.S. Army Air Forces in World War II. During the combined bombing offensive, 131,000 men died.

My favorite on display was the Vulcan bomber. It is hard to imagine how large this plane is, and standing next to and underneath it is indescribable. It's a shame that the last airworthy example is taking its last flight this summer.

Unfortunately the Battle of Britain hanger was closed, so I completed my tour in the Grahame-White Gallery, which houses a collection of World War I aircraft and artifacts. This is an astounding collection of World War I aircraft, several of which are originals. It is a tribute to the men who flew these "crates" with only rudimentary equipment and support.

I would say that this is a very impressive collection and as good as any in the world. If you are in London, you will not want to miss it.

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Important Stuff:

Next Club Meeting
at St. Paul's Church on Friday,
June 9, 2017
7:30 pm

Demonstration:
Auction Night

Special Theme:
Infantry Aids

Nice Hurricane and Spitfire gate guards



A British triplane?



A flying Spit



A WWI Tornado in the house



Gloster Meteor 1:1



Sopwith Camel, I presume





As both President Ciccarella and VP John Novak were out of town for the meeting, Hector took over and covered just a couple of club items. Kurt V.D. mentioned the ship/boat show in Manitowoc, Wis. Then, Hector finished off with the NIMCOM/REGION 5 show, which was coming up the next weekend. Later, Hector said the auction that was supposed to be that night would be rescheduled.

But before moving on to the Show & Tell, I just wanted to give credit to those BO'H members who made the effort to attend the IPMS Lakes NIMCON/Region 5 Show, as it was a little bit of a jaunt to go out to McHenry County College in Crystal Lake: **Marc Brzezecki, Frank Ciccarella, Ron Carlson Jr., Steve Day, James Fulkerson, Joe Mazzarella, John Novak and son, Stan Kurcz (ret.), Kevin Stover, John Wendt, Chet Zaba and Carl Knable.**

And now for Show & Tell: *Hector* started out by mentioning the "Build something different" theme for the Christmas meeting and said that instead of a car, he was going to build an airplane. *Dick Beemer* brought in a Czech model of the Bell XP-77, which has a canopy that rolls back into the fuselage! *Stan Kurcz* displayed a combat tractor on two Jima with mesh beach matting. *Carl Knable* announced "only four models this month!" with a new Minicraft B-52, a Special Hobby F-86, an Airfix FW-190-1 and an Eduard FW-190-4. A lively discussion ensued of the rat/mouse symbol on Adolph Galland's ME-109. *Steve Day* brought Bandai's latest TIE striker and TIE fighter from Star Wars. *Ron Carlson Jr.* and his daughter, *Sophia*, had a 1/144 AT Walker, and *Don Grajek* had several Japanese/Italian aircraft, one of which was a special conversion from a Lockheed Hudson airplane, one of his proudest achievements. *Don Smith* offered some thoughts about airbrushes, using heat shrink for A-7 air intake, and a \$1 store closeout toy plane.

PANEL LINE DEMO—BY CARL KNABLE: Following up on some things covered in Kevin's demo from a recent meeting, Carl said he does his rescribing before he puts on the primer, because he says it's really difficult to tell what's been molded in. After he finished, Carl said, "for what it's worth..." I'm sure everybody who attended would say it was worth a lot! By the way, Carl put this together on real short notice for us.

Regards, Don Smith

The Display Table



Lockheed
Hudson

Right: Don Grajek's trio of Japanese and Italian bombers and transports need their own page.

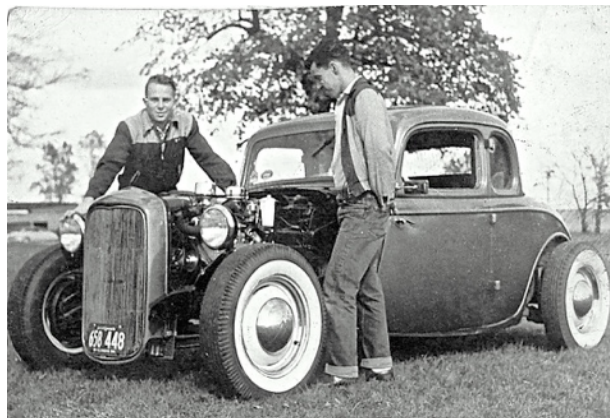
*unknown manufacturer,
1/72 scale*





In 1953 I came across an ad for the Fisher Body Craftsman Guild contest. It was a nationwide auto design: Build a 1/12 scale model of your design, send it to the General Motors design studio, and win a prize (maybe)! First prize was a scholarship to the California Art Center, and there were cash prizes for the three best model cars in each state. Since I had a very difficult time in high school, I was hopefully in it for the money, not for more “bad days.”

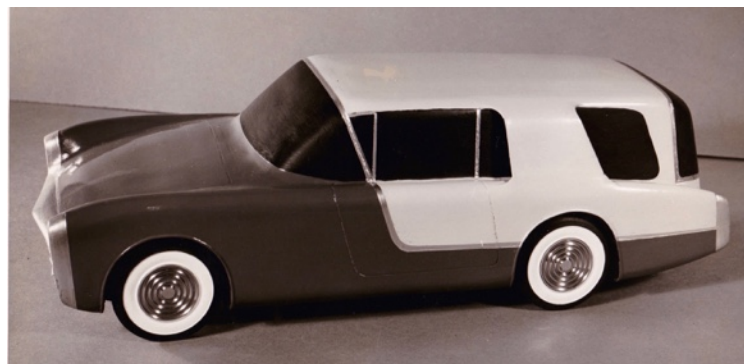
Fisher Body furnished a free 1/12 scale drawing of the interior space, driver seating, and wheelbase limits; everything else was up to the entrant's idea of a modern auto. Checking my small collection of hand tools and pile of balsa wood and thinking no normal young designer would ever consider making a future station wagon, I naturally took the less traveled route!



I looked over the 1953 lineup of GM cars--especially wagons--to get an idea of what was needed. Perhaps a wraparound windshield, swooped side trim, flying buttress side wings, and tag the entry as “Safari”? (The next year, a newly named Pontiac Safari wagon came out with a wraparound windshield and swooped chrome side trim, surely designed years before mine.) When you reached the point where your model was ready for wheels, you sent a picture to GM for a free set of wheels, along with details on where and how to ship your model to GM for judging.

Carving the balsa blocks was very basic, but finishing and painting wasn't! I don't recall paint spray cans being in stores then, and I had no spray gun. So I took a FLIT hand-pumped bug spray and replaced the tin siphon tube with a brass one. Then I sprayed all the primer and cream and turquoise lacquer, pumping like a madman to coat a rather large model. The end result in 1954 was a \$100 award for second place in Illinois and a surprise request from GM to purchase my station wagon for an additional \$300! (I accepted).

The three following years, my entries resulted in two second-place awards and one third place. The money was well-spent: \$75 for a rust-free '34 Ford five-window coupe, and \$100 for a banged-up '41 Ford sedan that I stripped for the engine, trans,



hydraulic brake system, disc wheels and a gas tank. In the September 1955 issue of *Rod & Custom*, my '34 coupe was a feature car!

I no longer have the '34 coupe, chopped top '34 Ford full fendered pickup, or my Model A Ford roadster on a '32 Ford frame, all of which were short-term projects for learning to build cars. Anyone interested in buying a FLIT sprayer?

Keith Ward

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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- **Forever Timeless** 4438 W. Belmont Ave., Chicago, IL, 773-545-6959
<https://www.yelp.com/biz/forever-timeless-chicago-2>
- **Des Plaines Hobbies** 1524 Lee St., Des Plaines, IL, 847-297-2118
<http://www.desplaineshobbies.com/store/>
- **America's Best Hobby** 865 Maplewood, Itasca, IL, 630-467-1102
<http://www.americasbesttrain.com/>
- **La Grange Hobby** 25 S. La Grange Road, La Grange, IL, 708-354-1220
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- **M & Models** 9329 S Cicero Ave., Oak Lawn, IL, 708-423-7202
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- **Berwyn's Toys & Trains** 7025 Ogden Ave., Berwyn, IL, 708-484-4384
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2017 IPMS Lakes Regional



Edward Taylor's exceptional "Star Wars" TIE fighter won the Best Sci-Fi award. It was clearly the best on the table.



The Display Table



Carl Knable's page:

Top and middle: FW-190s, Eduard and Airfix, 1/72

Bottom: F-86H, Minicraft, 1/72



THIS MONTH IN MILITARY HISTORY

June 12, 1849: The gas mask is patented by L.P. Haslett. "Are you my mommy...?"

(tdmh)



June 23, 1944: In one of the largest air strikes of the war, the U.S. 15th Air Force sends 761 bombers against the oil refineries at Ploesti, Romania.

(tdmh)



UPCOMING REGION V EVENTS

June 3, 2017 - 9am to 4pm
"Spring in the Pines" Annual Model Contest
 Eagle River Masonic Lodge
 610 E. Division St.
 Eagle River, WI
 James Unger ungerjp@charter.net

August 26, 2017
ModelFest 2017
 Liberty Christian Fellowship
 1815 W. Liberty Drive
 Liberty, MO
 Justin Carlson redgriffins38@yahoo.com

June 17, 2017
MOSS CON 2017
 Branson Convention Center
 200 Sycamore St.
 Branson, MO
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September 9, 2017
 IPMS Gateway Contest and Swap Meet
Holiday Inn-Rt. 66
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 St. Louis, MO
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July 26, 2017
2017 IPMS National Convention
 LaVista Conference Center
 12520 Westport Parkway
 LaVista, NE
 Scott Hackney scott.hackney@cox.net

September 16, 2017
IPMS Prison City Modelers Annual Show
 The Heritage Center
 109 Delaware St.
 Leavenworth, KS 66048
 Mark Gerges mgerges@kc.rr.com



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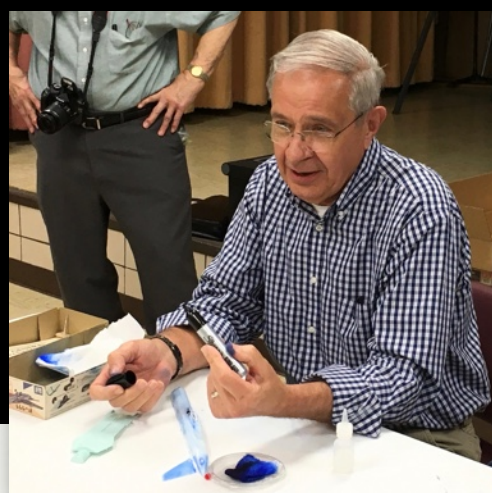


Hope your early summer is going well and you're getting some modeling done! Summer is usually a tough time just because of all the other outside activities that we have to do, and hopefully getting a vacation in there somewhere too. One of the fun things to do on vacation is to hunt down new hobby stores and see what they carry. Sometimes you find a jewel out there that carries everything you have been looking for!

If you missed the Regional Show conducted by the Lakes Region group, you missed a great show. The vendor room was packed, and great deals were available. The models on the table were up to the usual great quality, and the raffle had a boatload of stuff to try and get. The AMPS guys did their part in judging the armor category, and registration seemed to move along without issues. All in all, it was a good day. Weather didn't want to cooperate, but that is the norm. Hopefully the next few shows will run as smoothly, and the weather will be great. Thanks to all who helped out or participated in the show and congrats to the NIMCON guys.

I hope you're planning ahead for the World competition and the other IPMS shows that are coming up. It appears that we will have an exciting few months, and hopefully we'll get to see some great models. Our BO'H show is on track, and I will give everyone an update at the next meeting.

See you soon,
Frank C.
President



Carl's demo of shading panel lines before assembly was excellent. Although a little messy, this technique leaves no doubt where to scribe the next line.

Thanks, Carl!



The Display Table



Above/middle: These two tanks have no info on the club sign-in sheet, but I think the top Tiger and the bottom Sherman are 1/12. BIG!

Below: Stan Kurcz's Iwo Jima diorama. Miniart, 1/35





EVERY MAN A TIGER

The Gulf War Air Campaign

Reviewed by Walt Fink

The late Tom Clancy is known for his in-depth and heavily researched books on the military, and this work is no exception. Though Clancy is the author, it's really Chuck Horner's story as told through his own writings and recollections.

Horner, an F-16 pilot, commanded the U.S. and allied air assets--the forces of a dozen nations--during Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm, and in this capacity he was responsible for the design and execution of one of the most devastating air campaigns in history.

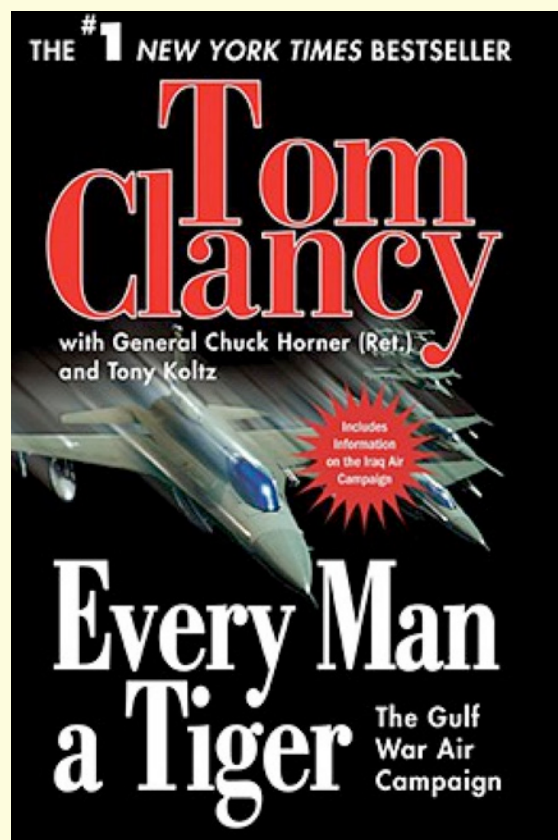
As is typical of Clancy's books, "Every Man a Tiger" is full--sometimes to the point of being overstuffed--with the intricacies of the air force and other military branch command structures. When he gets deep into the inner workings and inner sanctums of various commands and organizations, a well-placed insert by Horner returns the reader to point-of-the-spear reality and keeps up the interest in the book.

I found a great number of Horner's stories of working with various other commands and commanders--including Norman Schwarzkopf himself--to ring lots of bells for me with memories of my own time in the service. Some things never change, it seems. It's no secret that Schwarzkopf was a volcanic individual with a short fuse, but a lot of his blowups were pretty much deserved by the people to whom he directed his wrath, for various reasons.

Horner never really locked horns with Stormin' Norman, mainly because Horner told him the truth each time and never made anything up, whether it was good news or bad news. If it was bad news, Horner would recommend ways to make things better, and generally things would improve.

This book isn't a quick read because of its length--a shade under 550 pages--but it was No. 1 on the *New York Times*' Best Sellers list, and it generally has something for most all military enthusiasts. It delves into the inner structures and politics of various factions of the incredibly complex military machine and war plans, but there are plenty of in-the-cockpit flying stories as well.

Recommended.



The Display Table



Right: Carl K.'s B-52F.
Minicraft, 1/144



Right: Dick Beemer's
XP-77.
Czech Model, 1/48

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Upcoming Schedule 2017

Date	Theme	Demo/guest
January 13	****	****
February 10	****	****
March 10	****	****
April 14	****	****
May 12	****	****
June 9	<i>Infantry Aids</i>	<i>Auction Night</i>
July 14	<i>Patrolling Our Coast</i>	Using Wire for Detailing (Frank C.)
August 11	<i>Red Things</i>	
September 8	<i>Still Serving (old but still working)</i>	<i>Build-It Night</i>
October 13	<i>Young Upstarts (Less than 5 years service)</i>	
November 10	<i>Contest</i>	<i>Setup</i>
December 8	<i>Club Builds</i>	<i>Party</i>

WE NEED YOUR HELP



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