

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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We've been busy this month!!



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Date	Theme	Demo/Guest
Jan 8	Annual Membership	tbd
Feb 12	Anything with Figures	tbd
Mar 12	North Africa WW II	Scenery and diorama tips (Vinikour)
Apr 9	On the Bench/Unfinished	Scenery and diorama tips (Vinikour)
May 14	Sci-Fi and Fantasy	ScaleMates Demo (John Novak)
Jun 11	Out-of-Box Group Build – Members Choice	tbd
Jul 9	Middle East	tbd
Aug 13	WW II Pacific Island Hoping	tbd
Sep 10	NATO/Eastern Bloc	tbd
Oct 8	Navy Fighters	tbd
Nov 12/13	38 th Annual Show	Annual Show
Dec 10	What you got last Christmas/Hanukkah and BOH Annual Christmas Party and Show Recap	White Elephant Gift Exchange

<u>Drop into the Next Meeting: ZOOM Meeting – starts at 7:00 PM; see Page 5</u>

All in-person currently cancelled and will resume at a later date.

St. Paul's United Church of Christ 5739 Dunham Road Downers Grove, IL Zoom Start: 7:00 PM



COME JOIN OUR NEXT COVID-19 ZOOM CLUB MEETING

Topic: Butch O'Hare Model Club Monthly

Time: Friday, April 9, 2020 7:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Our next Zoom club meeting will be Friday, April 9, at 7:00 PM (not our usual 7:30 in-person start time).

Join the Zoom meeting on line, using the following link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84945433476?pwd=RFpvaVQ3UX Q5NnB6UWo3OHRFclBlZz09

Meeting ID: 849 4543 3476

Passcode: 240770

Send your Show-and-Tell items to Hector before the meeting. If you have any tech questions about how to log into Zoom, please contact either Hector at hdcolon@yahoo.com or 630-809-9072, or our VP Bob at rfrysztak@luc.edu or 630-234-5684. Please do not hesitate to contact either Hector or Bob with any questions for getting into the Zoom meeting.



NEWSLETTER SUBMITTALS

In place of our normal monthly meeting, we would like everyone to submit pics of your latest builds (completed and in-progress), kit reviews, book reviews, techniques, or interesting websites that we can put into our next newsletter:

- Take 1-3 pictures of a current model project, book, or kit, whatever state it's in.
- Write a short description that includes:
 - o manufacturer, scale, and subject
 - o anything you want to highlight about your build, such as aftermarket stuff, paints used, challenges, etc.
- And TELL US HOW YOU ARE DOING

Email your submittals by April 23rd to 'bohmcnewsletter@gmail.com and we will include it in the April newsletter. NOTE THE NEW EMAIL ADDRESS.

March 2021 Zoom Meeting Recap and Other News

President John Novak brought the meeting to order. Eighteen members were in attendance. John stated that we are still in a state of limbo regarding our November 2021show. A discussion on the Sheraton Hotel in Lisle as a possible show site initiated in a Board meeting spilled over into the Zoom meeting. The hotel seems like a viable site, although there are issues that need to be considered to keep the hotel costs within reason. Other site locations still need to be investigated. Whether or not we have a show this year, and where it would be held will need to be determined within a few months. John told the attendees to make sure and pay their dues for the year. As an incentive, paying members will receive a \$20 voucher to be used towards model kits we have on hand that would otherwise be used at show raffles or club-meeting auctions. This includes kits that have been obtained from two recent collections (this excludes those kits such as those that will be sold on eBay or as higher priced raffle items). A number of the kits can be viewed on scalemates. First search for Butch O'Hare Chicago Chapter, and then scroll down to members and click on Butch O'Hare. Once opened, the Stash has all the kits and extras, while the Projects list shows them grouped together so the extras are attached to a specific kit. The best Projects for the club are the "On Hold" ones, since they have some issue that we can deal with, but it prevents us from selling or raffling. Here's a link right to the Projects:

https://www.scalemates.com/profiles/mate.php?id=88729&p=projects

Treasurer Hector Colon stated that we have had an improvement to our account thanks to the items we recently acquired that we have been able to sell. He mentioned that the IPMS/Roscoe Turner Indianapolis Invitational Contest & Swap Meet will be held at the Boone County Fairgrounds on April 17. Several members are interested in attending that show. A new club member, Matt Wieker, introduced himself. He comes from a gaming background, but his modeling interests are ships and planes.

Club members then discussed their show and tell photos (see these photos elsewhere in the Newsletter). Due to the number of models discussed, Bill Vinikour's presentation on scenery and diorama tips will be presented at the April Zoom meeting.



March Show-and-Tell				
Mike Knowski	1/72 scale Gotha GV, Rodan; Caproni Ca 3, Meikraft; Re 2000, Special Hobby; A-20 Havoc, Special Hobby; P-38 Lightning, Minicraft; Ju-88, Zvezda. 1/35 SDKFZ 250, Tamiya.			
Mike Ferguson	1/25 Revell VW Street Machine.			
James Fulkerson	Sci-Fi, under construction.			
Dick Beemer	"Andy's Pork Skins" 1977 Ford Van, AMT.			
Steve Day	Bandai Death Star 2; Fantasy Flight Games Fireball and an Onager Class Star Destroyer.			
Ihor Hlohowskyj	WW II North Africa Armor.			
George Garcia	1/48 Revel Corsair 2 and Spitfire Mk 2.			
Bob Frysztak	1/96 Constitution, continued.			
Johnny Novak	Revell 1:144 German Submarine Type XXIII; Sweet 1:144 P-51 B/C "POW Mustang" 2-pack; Tamiya 1:700 IJN Sakura, Matsu-class destroyer; No.13-class Submarine Chaser; No.19-class Mine Sweeper; and Sokuten-class Minelayer.			
Carl Knable	1/72 Hasegawa F-15A 1/72; ESCI TF-15A; Special Hobby Meteor MK.4; Valom RF-101C; and a Hasegawa/Valom F-101C.			

If you have any comments or questions about any of these "Show-and-Tell "entries, please email them to bohmcnewsletter@gmail.com and we will forward them to the appropriate builder.

Mike Knowski: First, some armor: a 1/35 Sd.Kfz 250 from Tamiya. This is a vehicle from the 21st Panzer Division, Afrika Korps. Now the planes. First up is a 1/72 scale Gotha GV from Rodan, built OOB. Next is a 1/72 Caproni Ca 3 from Meikraft. Lots of scratch-built parts, mainly in the cockpit. Moving on to WW II, a 1/72 Reggiane Re 2000 from Special Hobby. Next, a 1/72 A-20 Havoc from Special Hobby, built OOB. Also OOB are a 1/72 P-38 Lightning from Minicraft, and a 1/72 Ju-88 from Zvezda.

























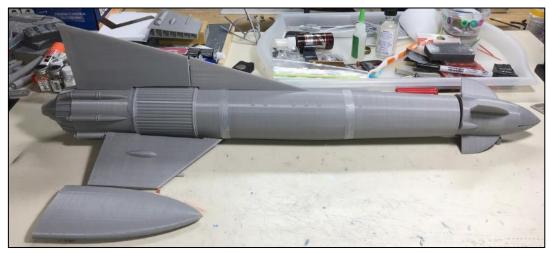




Mike Ferguson. 1/25 Revell VW Street Machine.



James Fulkerson: An in -progress Sci-Fi build, including some 3-D printing.





Dick Beemer. I had these old "Andy's Pork Skins" decals for a long time. I bought this 1977 Ford van from AMT a few weeks ago to use them.





Steve Day: A Bandai Death Star 2, and from Fantasy Flight Games a Fireball Racer and an Onager Class Star Destroyer.











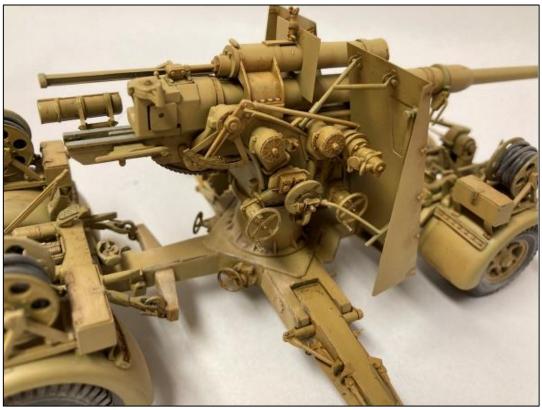






Ihor Hlohowskyj: Going with the theme for the March meeting, here are some of my WW II North Africa 1/35 armor builds and one aircraft. First up is the original Tamiya 88, used by DAK for anti-tank purposes. Eduard photoetch and Rubio metal barrel.





Next are four OOB builds. Two British tanks: an Italeri M3 Stuart Honey, and the 'old' Tamiya Matilda Mk II. Both in caunter camouflage scheme, although the colors on the Matilda are a bit more 'correct.' Then a \$9.99 Hobby Lobby special Tamiya Panzer II, and a Dragon Marder II, both in DAK color/markings.





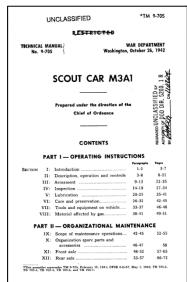


This is the Hobby Boss Early M3A1 Scout Car. Based on one Patton's command car during Operation Torch. Added front and rear canopies, reconfigured interior to add radios across the back, a center mounter 0.50 cal MG, and a fully wired engine compartment (using US Army scout car attendance manual). Getting the canopies, made from plastic sheet, configured was a bit 'tough.'











Finally, a 1/48 Stuka from Revell. Built mostly OOB, with just some details added to the cockpit and underwings. A nice kit but a complicated canopy to mask.





George Garcia. First up is a 1/48 Revell Spitfire Mk 2 built as Ace Douglas Bader's plane. Built in flight due to landing gear accident. Top: 2-color dark green/dark earth and silly putty masking. Bottom solid British sky green. Vallejo Model Air. Tried some weathering and exhausts, but still a ways to go.. Next is a Revel 1/48 Corsair2, OOB. Dark Gray top, flat white bottom. Vallejo A 1/48. OOB. Challenging landing gear and ordnance mounts.

Projects in the works: Academy P-38J, Revel P-51D with invasion stripes. ESCI 1/48 Henschel Hs-123 biplane (my first), and Tamiya F4U-1A Corsair. Bay of Pigs presentation still in the works.





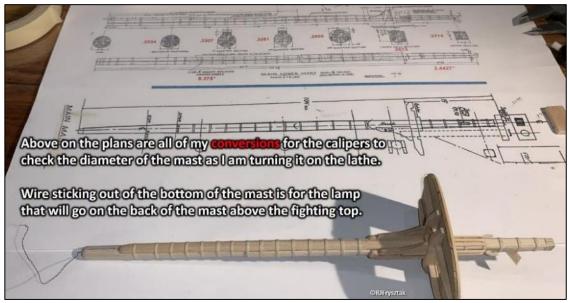


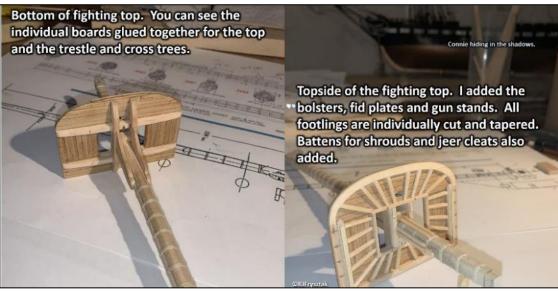
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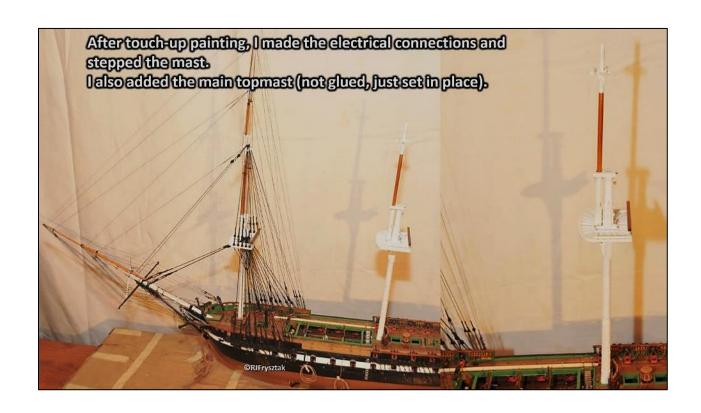


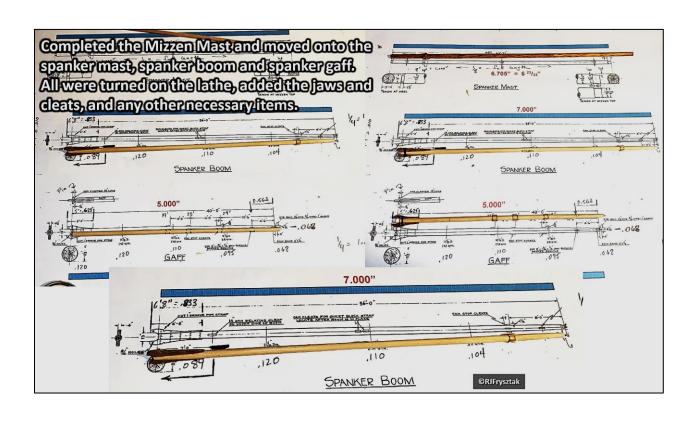
Bob Frysztak: The ever-continuing build saga of the Revell 1/96 USS Constitution.



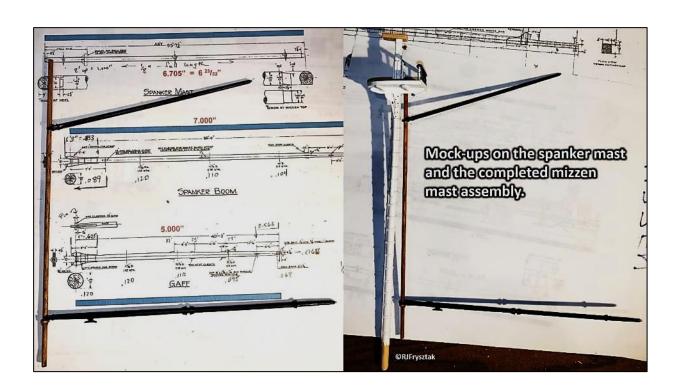












Johnny Novak: First up is a Revell 1:144 German Submarine Type XXIII; built as U-363, commissioned 3 months before the end of the war. It never saw active duty, was handed over to the Allies on V-E +1, and scuttled in Operation Deadlight.

Next is the Sweet 1:144 P-51 B/C "POW Mustang" 2-pack. One built as plane interned in Sweden after an emergency landing in 1944, then purchased in 1945 as one of 50 P-51s (only 2 were Razorbacks) and served i for about 10 years as a J 26. The other plane was captured by the Germans and assigned to a special unit which tested enemy aircraft and used them to train Luftwaffe pilots on tactics to defeat them. This particular plane was used to train Hungarian pilots flying Fw-190s. While the scale limits the amount of detail present in areas such as the cockpit and the landing gear bays, it is nonetheless an excellent representation of the aircraft. An excellent kit, which is typical of the Sweet brand.

Finally, the surface ships. The largest is a Tamiya 1:700 IJN Sakura, Matsu-class destroyer, Yokosuka Naval Arsenal. Named after the legendary cherry blossom tree, the ship had a short career as a convoy escort until hitting a mine in May 1945 and subsequently reassigned to minesweeper duty. Less than two months later another mine, this one in Osaka Harbor, would deliver the fatal blow. Sadly, it took longer to build the model than the entire lifespan of the ship. Which is a commentary on both the ship's longevity and the modeler's productivity. The remaining three are all 1:700 Japanese Navy Auxiliary Vessels by Tamiya: No.13-class Submarine Chaser; No.19-class Mine Sweeper IJN Hirashima; and Sokuten-class Minelayer, Hirashima subclass.





Carl Knable: Five aircraft this time. First, a Hasegawa F-15A 1/72 Pretty much OOB except for a vac canopy, and resin exhausts. Microscale decals.







Another F-15, this one the ESCI 1/72 TF-15A, early test and evaluation F-15 two-seater. Vac canopy, resin seats, Fowler decals from the 1983 IPMS convention in Phoenix.



Next, the Special Hobby 1/72 Meteor MK.4 Nice little kit. Pretty much OOB except for vac canopy and homemade decals.







A couple of F-101Cs. First, a Valom RF-101C 1/72, built pretty much OOB. Compared to the previous five Hasegawa RF-101's that I have built (see last pics), the Valom kit has much nicer panel lines, better cockpit and wheel well detail, as well as a better tail surface attachment design.









Finally, a Hasegawa/Valom F-101C 1/72. I finished the Valom RF-101 last week and included in the kit was an F-101C nose. So, I took an old Hasegawa RF-101 that I finished back in 1976 (first picture), cut off the nose, and proceeded to build a F-101. Since I wanted to do this as a "quicky", the gear wells were closed up, and as an experiment, I decided not to try and scribe panel lines, but to use thin strips of decal for the panel lines. In the end, based on the amount of effort and time devoted to the decal panel lines, it would have been faster to scribe them. At any rate, I added a new vac canopy and resin seat to the old model, along with the Valom nose, and cannon parts. Decals were from an old Micro-Scale sheet.









"NOTSNIK" THE SATELLITE LAUNCHING SKYRAY

by Carl Knable

BACKGROUND

The Soviet Union launched Sputnik, the first earth satellite, on Oct. 4, 1957. This display of Soviet technological skill prompted the United States to launch a number of independent efforts by various government agencies to match the feat. One of these efforts, developed by the Navy Ordinance Testing Station (NOTS) at China Lake, California, was a plan to use the F4D-1 Skyray as a launch platform for a five stage rocket that would insert a 2.3 pound satellite into orbit. Nicknamed NOTSNIK, a combination of NOTS and SputNIK, the program was officially known as Project Pilot. The actual satellite included a small infrared camera, designed to take images of the ground or collect weather data, and a transmitter to return signals to Earth. Since this payload could potentially be used as a reconnaissance system, the entire project was classified top secret and remained unknown to the public for many years.

The first manned launch from the F4D-1 Skyray aircraft was attempted on July 25, 1958. A second attempt came two weeks later and four more Skyray shots were launched in late August. Of the six orbital launch attempts, four malfunctioned almost immediately. The outcome of the first Skyray launch on July 25 and the third on August 22 was never conclusively determined. Both shots appeared to function properly, but most of those involved in the project doubted that the NOTSNIK satellite actually achieved orbit.

THE MODEL

A "NOTSNIK" Google search turned up drawings, dimensions, and photos of the rocket and aircraft. Armed with this information, I went to the stash and pulled out the Airfix kit (Photo 1) and the Tamiya kit (Photo 2) of the F4D Skyray. The Tamiya kit is the better of the two kits, but the Airfix kit was used for this build, since the NOTSNIK Skyray was one of the first airframes off the Douglas production line, and the Airfix kit represents this version. Later versions of the Skyray had a revised rear fuselage, which is depicted in the Tamiya kit.

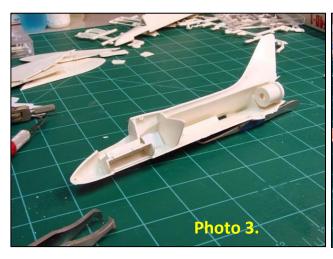




Photo 2.

CONSTRUCTION

The kit was built pretty much straight out of the box (Photo 3), and I elected to do a "wheels up" version. The kit's raised panel lines were re-scribed using a razor saw and the raised panel lines as a guide. Note that since the kit is molded in white plastic, the whole kit was "smeared" with water soluble brown tempera paint to make the panel lines stand out (Photo 4).





One of the glaring problems with the kit is the canopy. The kit represents the rear of the "clear" section of the canopy as a straight vertical line. In reality, the rear of the clear section was curved, and extends further back into the canopy brace. As such, the canopy brace (molded as part of the fuselage was cut out (Photo 5), glued to the clear section, sanded smooth (Photo 6). Then a new canopy was vacuformed and painted (Photo 7).







After attaching the wings, the model was sanded to remove the raised panel lines, and then rubbed out with 0000 steel wool (Photo 8). The kit was primed with gray auto lacquer and sanded smooth (Photo 9).





BUILDING THE NOTSNIK ROCKET

The dimensions and plans found on the internet were reduced to 1/72nd scale. The rocket model consists of 10 pieces – nose section, rocket tube attachment section, four rocket tubes, and four rocket fins. Photo 10 shows all of the parts except the rocket fins.

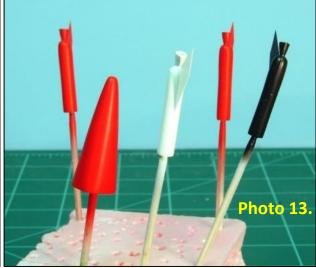
The nose section of the rocket was made from the front of an old wing tank from the spares box, the rocket tube attachment section from sheet styrene (with four holes drilled into it), and the rocket tubes were resin castings (master and silicon mold on the far right of the picture). Photo 11 shows how the rocket tubes attach to the upper nose section.

Rocket tube fins were cut from thin sheet styrene and attached to the rocket tubes with super glue (photo 12). Internet photos show several color schemes for the NOTSNIK rocket, the most colorful version having a red-orange nose and white, black, and red-orange rocket tubes. Since the rocket was built from sub-assemblies, this paint scheme was easy to apply (photo 13).



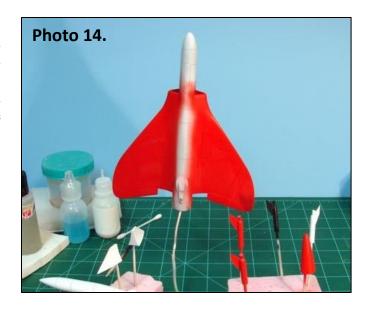






PAINTING THE SKYRAY

The Skyray used to launch the rocket was finished in what appeared to be weathered sea blue, with red-orange lower wings. As such, a coat of gloss white lacquer was applied to the lower wing surfaces and engine inlets, followed by the red-orange (which I mixed) (Photo 14).



The lower wings were then taped off and the blue applied. Next, the aircraft was taped off and the nose cone and aft engine ring sprayed (Photo 15).



The model was taped off a final time to airbrush the leading edges natural metal (Photo 16). Note that all of the hard edges were masked with 3-M electrical tape followed by either colored plastic wrap or Glad press-n-seal to cover the remaining areas. One caution about press-n-seal – it can leave a residue on the painted surface. This is not a problem when using acrylic lacquer – after completing the paint job; I usually do a light buffing with auto polish. The auto polish removes the residue as well as leaving the paint super smooth and shiny, and ready for decaling (Photo 17).





FINAL STEPS

Star and bar decals came from the spares box. All of the other markings were made using Woodland Scenics dry transfers applied to clear decal film (Photo 18), and then applied to the model. After decaling, the model's shine was cut with a light coat of clear lacquer (a 50/50 mix of gloss clear and Testors Dullcoat).



Next, the cockpit was completed with a resin seat, instrument panel, and some "black boxes" behind the seat (Photo 19). The vac-formed canopy was attached with Elmers, and finally, the NOTSNIK rocket and wing fuel tank added (Photo 20).



THE COMPLETED MODEL











The TBM Avenger Reunion and Salute to Veterans airshow is back for 2021 at the Illinois Valley Regional Airport (KVYS) in Peru, Illinois! Thanks to the City of Peru and our other generous sponsors, we will hold our annual airshow Friday night, May 14 and Saturday, May 15.

- Friday Night activities are 6:00 to 10:00 PM and will feature a Car Show, a Beer Garden, Food, Music, and the spectacular night airshow by the AeroShell Aerobatic Team.
- Saturday's event time is 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, and will feature many Warbirds including a B-25, an F6F Hellcat, a P-51 Mustang, a Corsair, a gaggle of T6's, jets, a contingent of trainers from PT's to AT-6's, and, of course, as many TBM Avengers as can come. Right now, there are 14 Avengers committed

Warbirds will be arriving all week and departing on Sunday.

For show info, visit: https://tbmreunion.org/



<u>Upcoming Events:</u> <u>April – June 2021</u>

April 17, Fleacon 17, Monticello, IA. IPMS/Alexander Lippisch Chapter. http://www.lippischmodelclub.org/Show/Fleacon.html

April 17, IPMS Roscoe Turner Indianapolis Invitational and Swap Meet. Lebanon, IN. http://www.ipmsroscoeturner.org/

May 1, "Spring in the Pines" Annual Contest and Swap Meet. Eagle River, WI. Northwoods Scale Model Phanatics. http://www.nsmpmodelclub.org/

May 15, Mad City Modelers 25th Annual Contest and Show, Madison, WI. IPMS Mad City Modelers. https://madcitymodeler.org/2021-annual-contest

June 12, Heartland Model Car Nationals, Overland Park, KS. KC Slammers IPMS Club. https://kcslammers.com/

IPMS / USA

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 boards, 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.

Memberships are available in several ways:

Junior- 17 years or younger, \$17 per year Adult - \$30 for 1 year, \$58 for 2 years, \$86 for 3 years. Family - \$35 Adult membership 1 year plus \$5 for multiple cards. Download the application from IPMS/USA and mail today! http://www.shopipmsusa.org/category-s/100.htm The **Butch O'Hare Chicago Chapter** of the International Plastic Modelers Society (**IPMS**) was inspired by the accomplishments and **heroism of Edward Henry "Butch" O'Hare**, the U.S. Navy's first flying ace and Medal of Honor recipient in World War II. The original members of the organization therefore decided to take his name in memoriam. We welcome all those who have any level of interest in modeling to explore our web site and visit us at our monthly meeting.

Meeting Location

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



7:30 PM, 2nd Friday of every month



During COVID-19 – 7PM Zoom meetings, 2^{nd} Friday of each month. See page 4 of this newsletter for information on joining the meeting.

Website: http://www.butchoharemodelclub.com/

BOH Annual Membership

Membership Dues:

Regular: \$20.00 Family: \$25.00

Senior (Over 65) \$15.00

Junior: \$15.00 (Under 18 years old)

Membership dues should be mailed to:

Butch O'Hare Model Club C/O Hector Colón 3136 Medford Court Aurora, IL 60504

	Adults	Seniors (Over 65) and Juniors (under 18)
Jan-Mar	\$20	\$15
Apr-Jun	\$17	\$10
Jul-Sept	\$14	\$7
Oct-Dec	\$9	\$5
Family - \$25 annually Senior (over 65) = \$15		

Local Hobby Shops

Chicago Land Hobbies	6017 N NW Hwy, Chicago IL, 773-775-4848 https://chicagoland-hobby.shoplightspeed.com/
Forever Timeless https://www.facebook.	4438 W. Belmont Ave, Chicago IL 773-545-6959 com/Forever-Timeless-Hobby-Shop-142658292422037/
Des Plaines Hobbies	1524 Lee Street, Des Plaines, IL 847-297-2118 www.desplaineshobbies.com/store/
Timberline Train Shop	5228 Main Street, Downers Grove, IL, 630-324-6136 www.timberlinetrainshop.com
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M&M Models	9329 S. Cicero Ave, Oak Lawn, IL 708-423-7202 www.mmodelstore.com
Berwyn's Toys & Trains	7025 Ogden Ave, Berwyn, IL 708-484-4384 http://berwynstoytrains.dmrvirtual.com/
Walt's Hobby & Model Shop	2207 Plainfield Road, Crest Hill, IL 60403 www.waltshobbyonline.com

