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This Month's meeting will be held on the 9th:
Model show 4pm to 6pm, bring your best !



Merry Christmas



Meeting minutes November 18

The meeting begin promptly at 18:07, Brian presiding, 26 members were present. We were reminded about the Christmas Show next meeting. Will begin at 1600. As usual bring models for display. Election for the various board positions will be held in January, with nominations in December. IPMS memberships are a part of perks offered to the holders of elected offices.

The members voted for the next theme contests.

1. WWI
2. Between the wars (WWI and WWII)
3. Fast women (nose art, women race drivers, ect...!)
4. Science fiction
5. Korean "police action"

December's Model Show will be Saturday the 9th 4pm to 6pm

Model of the month

1. John Thirion; 1/350 Varyag from Zvezda
2. Ian Robertson; 1/32 Stuka by Hasegawa in Hungarian national markings.
3. Jim Burton; A 1/35 BMW motorcycle with side car. An Italaeri model.
4. Tom Vogt; 1/2 Revell 55 Chevy.
5. Tom Vogt; 1/24 Monogram pro-stock Camaro.
6. Tom Vogt; 1/24 Dodge Challenger.
7. Tom Vogt; 1/24 Buick.
8. Tom Vogt; 1/24 Pick up.
9. Kent Eckhart; 1/48 Hasegawa Spitfire MKI
10. Bruce Saaski; 1/72 E-100 Tank.
11. Bruce Saaski; 1/72 Tiger Tank.

1st places Ian's Stuka
Kent's Spitfire
John's Varyag



Show and tell

Bill Speece ; A 1/92 (small scale for Bill when modeling submarines) LA class boat.

Wayne Keith; a very large Phantom, 1/32.

Brian Geiger; 1/32 Hasegawa Hayabusa/Oscar in progress.

Silver theme

1. Ian Robertson; Hasegawa Frank a 1/32 out of the box.
2. Ian Robertson; Hasegawa 1/32 M109 in natural metal, with some extras such as replacement drop tank, canopy, ect...
3. Jim Burton; 1/24 AMT wrecker.
4. Don Vandervoort; Gort, from the 50's movie "The day the earth stood still". Don did the sculpture out of modeling clay and painted translucent green.
5. Tom Gloeckle; A Tamyia Mustang MKII with aerofoil smoother.
6. Tom Gloeckle; A Porshe Boxter.
7. Mark Russell; A 1/48 Hobbycraft Vampire.
8. Bill Bailey; 1/72 Airfix Lightning.
9. Terry Falk; 1/8 Clerget Rotary engine from Hasegawa, with piano wire for the wiring.
10. Ray Sweet; 1/72 Cousenot Arc en Ciel, a Frog kit.
11. Tom Vogt; A custom pick up in 1/25, made from a 74 Cevy.
12. Marshall Sanders; 1/72 Mustang P-51B from Academy
13. Marshall Sanders; 1/72 F84F from Airfix.
14. Bill Miller; A metal American chopper.
15. Brian Geiger; 1/144 Minicraft B-29 Superfortress (x3)
16. Brian Geiger; 1/72 OEZ Polish Mig 15.
17. Brian Geiger; 1/72 Hasegawa Me 1101.
18. Brian Geiger; Hasegawa Japanese T-33.

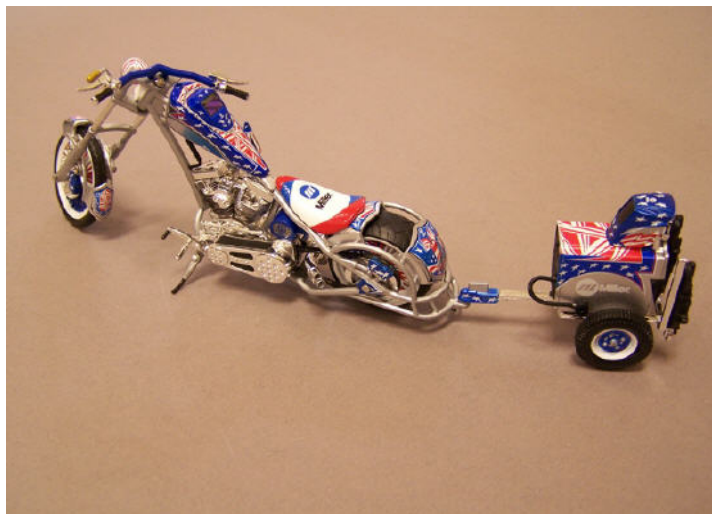
1st place Ian's M109

2nd places Ian's Frank

Mark's Vampire



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Silver Theme

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Watch for the next Theme Contest

World War One

'Tis the Season

by Brian Geiger

I hope this Christmas season finds you happy and well with friends and loved ones. If not, pick up the phone and call a fellow mad dog. After all, it's too cold out for most sports. This is prime time for building plastic. Don't forget proper ventilation though.

On a personal note, we've sold our house and are in the process of moving. My thoughts have primarily been on boxing everything up and trying to avoid destruction in the process. Since my building has ground to a temporary halt, I thought I'd share some new kit release announcements that have caught my eye. After all, there's still time to get in a few requests from Santa.



Right off, where is that 1/32 P-51 Mustang that Dragon has been talking about over several months? Their web page currently says it's due for release in December so it should be here soon. The kit will feature slide molded exhaust pipes, PE nose air intake grill and seat parts, full machine guns with ammo belts, detailed engine compartment, weighted wheels, and Cartograph decals. The web page touts accuracy so maybe that explains some of the delay. It's better for everyone if they address any shortcomings before the actual release. That way they'll be poised for the onslaught of criticism from the experten. Have I said "It's just a hobby" lately?



Speaking of Mustangs, we've also been hearing about the 1/32 line of early mustangs and a Sea Fury by Hobbycraft. Moving forward a couple years, Accurate Miniatures is planning on some 1/48 post war air racers, starting with the P-39 and P-51.

Also due this month is Dragon's new early StuG III Ausf G. It is a "smart kit" which means fewer parts and easier construction without sacrificing too much detail.



Sell, sell, sell! Any old RPM kits of the Aufklärungspanzer 38(t). Dragon's new kit is on presale now, due for release in January. It is also a Smart Kit. Note that it still includes PE parts for engine and turret screens, storage box, tool clamps, etc... Other cool features include separate idler arms for articulated suspension, optional bent fenders, interior parts, and magic tracks.



Allied fans should be pleased with the new batch of Shermans that Dragon has been regularly churning out. They've corrected many of the inaccuracies that have long been perpetuated in earlier kits. The newest is the M4A3 Sherman 105mm with Horizontal Volute Spring System. It features a new side molded turret and barrel. The reviews have been very favorable but be prepared to glue a lot of separate guide teeth for the tracks.

It looks like 2007 should be an exciting year for new models. Dragon, Classic Airframes, and Trumpeter have consistently been releasing kits. Tamiya has been rapidly expanding it's 1/48 armor line and we're seeing aftermarket parts support in the form of figures and PE detail sets. There's a lot out there so finish up what you're working on now and get started on the next! ✖



The scuttlebutt:

How to represent water ?

There are many techniques on how to represent water in dioramas, the most common ways are with the use of resin, celluclay or Liquitex artist gel. All those techniques result in very realistic representation of water. Both Ian and Leroy did provide good example how to get great results with resin. But those techniques are time consuming, my goal is to present a quick and inexpensive alternative. Less than one hour working time, and less than \$20 for at least a dozen bases. This technique is perfect for 1/700 scale ships but could be adapted for smaller and probably larger scales.

Products required.

Wood base on which the model will be displayed.

Aluminum foil.

Acrylic paint, blue, green, and white. Use the inexpensive crafts paints.

Future.

Spray adhesive, I use Duro all purposes adhesive.

Masking tape.

1. Mask the part of the base on which you do not want adhesive.
2. Crumple a piece of aluminum foil slightly larger than the base.
3. Open the piece of foil, be careful it rip easily.
4. Spray adhesive on the base.
5. Apply foil on the base, press with your hand to assure complete contact with the glue.
6. Apply the ship hull on the foil and press hard to eliminate most of the wrinkled foil under the hull.
7. Paint the foil with blue acrylic paint (no primer necessary), when dry apply a thin wash of green paint, when the green is dry it is time to dry brush with the white.
8. Fix the hull on the foil, recommended to screw the hull to the base if it is a resin model.
9. Apply future for a wet look.
10. If you want more waves, use the liquitex mixed with acrylic paint.

The included photo represent the battleship Fuji in 1/700, the hull is painted, the superstructures and the turrets are in place but most of the details need to be applied.



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