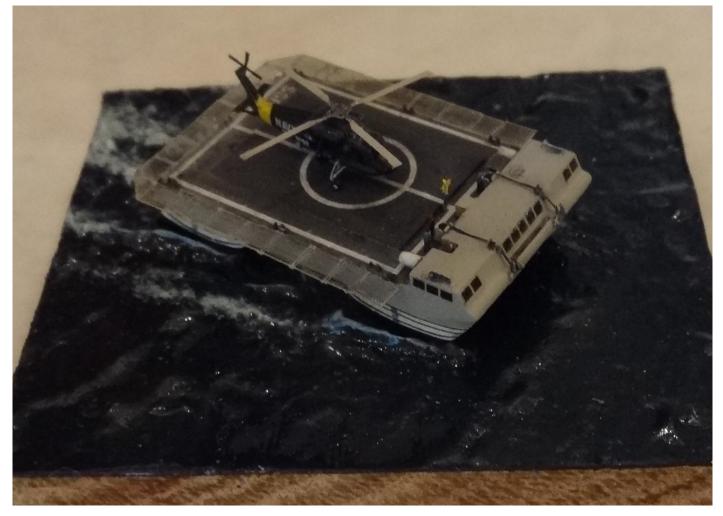


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Rockin' The Boat: Iil' SSP Takes Best O' Show



A Second Look At The Second Silicon Valley Classic

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Great Models by: All of our appreciated entrants



Junior Best of Show Senior Best of Show

His sophomore run, now this time as President as well as SVC Contest Dir, sailed pretty smoothly again as did # 1 Good Show, Mike Woolson & Team.

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Editor's MisBehavings - this month's editor, Mick Burton

"A Chance To Try Something New "

Going late in the day to a model contest/show, in fact *planning* to arrive after registration closes, thus precluding any chance of competing in the "obvious purpose" of the event, would seem to be foolish, I am sure, to some or even many Even more so when it's your home club's gig, and up until recently, you yourself were at the helm of the thing more oft than not, or at least deep inside the Event CIC for 24/7/365 ad infinitum, barely imagining yourself anywhere else.

Then again, perhaps some of you recall my "Closing In On Round 2" editorial from last month's TAMS, with line :

"With your writer here perhaps more excited by the real prospect of being fashionably very late to this particular party, than some could imagine. ..."

My thanks to everyone who again made the SVSM SV Classic come to be and pass into our history books as another solid success, with every prospect of next year's outlook just as positive, is expressed in part by that seeming counterintuitive action. Also my thanks for their letting me be part of the "DOE" (day of event) staff in the Judging/Results process, where I can tend to get too much in the way if left to my own devices still. I am positively giddy after all this, realizing then some and now muchly, that I would as likely as not, gotten all the data I am always concerned to add to my years long compilation/digest, plus all the "human intel" to make it have meaning, pretty much in time even if I'd somehow missed the boat entirely. So I can well and truly kick that "back of mind but not really" shadow resident out and give room to really experience "something new", or actually do the scary thing of making something new happen.

In other words, learning to let go and keep only what is truly mine is finally succeeding despite my very human trait of never quite doing that at a smarter pace. Relaxing is one hard skill to build, but to attain true Flexibility, you must find a way to exercise it regularly and deal with the seeming "boredom". One can get an insight again to the difference in Leadership vs. Management, when working to achieve even apprentice levels of Meditative Patience instead of Master Of Being Busy (Working). Sometimes, simply realizing "not doing" is an active choice, like "deciding not to decide", can be transformative, not just "sitting on your can doing nothing,(or "daydreaming") when there's work to be done ".

Thanks to having someone who well and truly wants to be thrown under the bus/train/extinction level event meteor... this Editor and sometimes still actively President/Contest Director/VP/Treasurer/Web Guy (almost all in other realms) finally has to go forth and find something else to passionately run headfirst into. Slowly but surely, that fun begins.

While that sea change is underway, I'll amuse myself being a version of the not helping matters much if at all sort that I have volumes of past experience dealing with in Contest Directing. The "seemingly helpless lost potential customer" with "helpful critique for the Contest Exec". This here is a "screen clip" taken from Sacramento Silver Wings website:

SilverCon 2015 Is Already on the Horizon

We are already beginning our preparations for SilverCon 2015, that will be held on Saturday, December 6, 2016. Because ... Even though this

year's contest is still 11 months away, you can keep track of our progress by visiting this website. Hello Art and y'all. I just confirmed it,

Dec 6 in 2016 is a Tuesday, in 2015, a Sunday. So yes, I'll be checking website it seems again, as for now I haven't a

firm idea how to list on my own club calendars to support your SilverCon 2015 with clear day/date. - mickb nohelpatall

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SVC NUMBER TWO PROVES ANEW WE HAVE THE RIGHT CREW

The theme "Sun, Sand, and Surf" certainly resonated with several of our entrants, that was evident throughout the day as even a cursory pass through the pictures ahead will show, if you weren't able to make the event in person. It came to The Editor's attention that a "minor accompaniment theme" might also be found here. I'll illustrate: "**Overcome All Obstacles to Be At SVC** " or some such unwieldy title … Here's some examples:



I met the entrant here, thanks to Contest Director Woolson, when I first arrived It wasn't til I had shot these pictures that I found out this First Timer to Our Show, had doggedly made the second of his two "Real Space" entries happen despite this horrific re-interpretation of the real X-15 crash the night before show !

Mr Albert D Smith III, you've got Right Stuff, alright. (He ended up taking 2nd in Category S2, with SR-71A, by the way)

Another of the "Undaunted" modelers, SVSM Alum Randy Rothaar, seen at his vendor table (c) with Jerry Takahashi (r).

Just in case you really don't get why I include Randy in "Obstacles Overcome Theme", here's a reminder what end of



January 2015 looked like for Randy and folks at MHC...









On a cheerier note, Herb Deeks for one, had this fine lineup of Surfer Rides for us to enjoy (left)

Above is Daisuke's great 1/144 scale art of

his. Interpreting a very creative "on theme" piece of a Nakajima A6M-2n "Rufe" WW2 Japanese Naval AF fighter, peacefully anchored on a beach, refuelling. A half shell coconut mounting display base, pure Dai ! That's him, in the glasses -



As mentioned at the SVSM April meeting, the final entry count was 279, in toto Model count on tables was 302. In part from the extra 23 models here, shown in **S46, Collections .** That is an appreciated bonus to that category being offered.



So much more to this excellent story than my short take here can illustrate. Let me use the shot I took from an uncommon angle of Vlad's SSP to segue to next, more fun part, again with Vlad's help

AND YES, THE EDITOR IS SO PLEASED TO BE ABLE TO TRY THIS NEXT IDEA OUT THIS YEAR

Thanks to having all the data pretty well wrung out beforehand and practice "speeding to the bare bones", my confirmed results data was on hand ahead of his photographs posted very quickly on SVSM site by Webmaster

SO with only a few supplementary from Editor's small collection of SVC photos, here's <u>SVC Results Gallery</u> Note that this arrangement includes the Modeler Awardee's City of record, helps to illustrate our show's range SJ1

SubJunior Aircraft



1st HARRIER Cheyenne Bullock Marina

NO SECOND OR THIRD ENTRY

 1^{st}

Isaac Tan Palo Alto



2nd A-10 Warthog Xuan Zhang San Jose



3rd A-10 Warthog Harry Tong San Jose

SJ2

SubJunior Military Vehicles & Ships



SJ3

USCG W37 CUTTER Roger B Taney



1st CANDY RED '50 MERCURY Edward Montoya
] Ceres



SubJunior Automobiles



2nd 1920 MACK TRUCK Yellow Edward Montoya Ceres

3rd DODGE VIPER Cheyenne Bullock Marina

SJ4 SubJunior Miscellaneous

1st BIRD OF PREY Isaac Tan Palo Alto 2nd HALO SOLDIER Adrian Heck San Jose

3rd BIONICLE WARRIOR (Lego) Lucas Groba Fremont (no photo)



J1

J2

Junior Aircraft



 1^{st} B-25 Bryan Yang Palo Alto



 2^{nd} WRIGHT FLYER 1903 Lily Liu Palo Alto

Junior Military Vehicles & Ships



 3^{rd} F-16 EGGPLANE Lily Liu Palo Alto



1st WW2 PANTHER G TANK Dylan Ybe Saratoga

414

 1^{st}

Lily Liu



 2^{nd} Brigitte Galgani San Jose

J3 Junior Automobiles



Camaro Brigitte Galgani San Jose

J4

J5

Junior Dinosaurs & Figures

Junior Miscellaneous



3rd Gundam Xinyi Chen Palo Alto





Park Ranger Jeep

Palo Alto

1st Zaku II Dylan Ybe

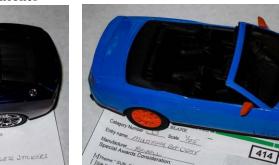
2nd Sazabi Dylan Ybe Saratoga







 3^{rd} WW 1 Tank (Male) Saratoga Dylan Ybe



 3^{rd} Mustang GT Convertible Brigitte Galgani San Jose

NO ENTRIES

S2

S3

Single Engine Jet or Rocket Aircraft 1/72

 1^{st} F8E Crusader Eric McClure Milpitas

> 2nd A-4 Skyhawk Richard Horton Armona

NO THIRD ENTRY

MultiEngine Jet Aircraft 1/72





 1^{st} Kawasaki T-4 Stephan Pejic San Rafael



SR-71A Albert D Smith III San Jose

3rd SR-71 Ken Miller Campbell



 1^{st} P-47D Chris Bucholtz Alameda

S4



DH Chipmunk 2^{nd} Phil Ludolph Pacheco



 3^{rd} Hawker Typhoon Mark Schynert Fremont



 1^{st} Fi-156 Storch Scott Tanis Cameron Park



 2^{nd} AVIA C-2 Lee Marcum Salinas



3rd Avia B-35 Lee Marcum

Salinas

Single Engine Prop or Turboprop 1/72 Axis & Neutrals

Single Engine Prop or Turboprop 1/72 Allied

MultiEngine Prop or Turboprop Aircraft 1/72



1stHe-219 Uhu "in maintenance"Sebastien DomineSan Jose



2nd Me-410 Peter Olesko Woodside



3rd Lockheed C-130H IDF/AF Leo Groba Fremont

S6



1st Mirage 2000D Milt Poulos Santa Clara



2nd He-162A Peter Long Fremont

MultiEngine Jet Aircraft 1/48



1st F-4E Phantom II Jason McChristian San Jose







2nd Me-262 Peter Olesko Woodside

Single Engine Prop or Turboprop 1/48 Naval

1st F6F-5 Hellcat Jason McChristian San Jose

> 2nd A-1H Skyraider Richard Horton Armona

NO THIRD ENTRY



3rd F-8E Randy Rothhaar

Modesto



3rd F-18F Super Hornet CONA Randy Rothhaar Modesto



Single Engine Prop or Turboprop 1/48 Allied



1st IL-2 "Factory Unfinished" Ben Pada Jr San Jose



 2^{nd} Hawker Hurricane Randy Rothhaar Modesto



3rd Spitfire Mk V Randy Rothhaar Modesto



Single Engine Prop or Turbroprop 1/48 Axis & Neutrals

 1^{st} Me-109G-6 Mark Glidden Ladera Ranch

> 2^{nd} Stuka Ju-87B Marty Sanford Placerville



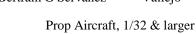
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 1^{st} Bertram G Servanez



 2^{nd} B-24D Liberator Bertram G Servanez Vallejo





 2^{nd} Fw-190D-9 Peter Long Fremont



3rd Beaufighter Randy Rothhaar Modesto



3rd Fw-190A-1 Michael Braun San Francisco

He-177A-5 Vallejo



 1^{st} Stuka Ju-87D Santa Rosa Jack Riggar





NO THIRD ENTRY S11



- Jet or Rocket Aircraft 1/32 & larger
- 1st Hawker Hunter

Thanh Nguyen

San Jose

NO SECOND OR THIRD ENTRY

S14

Rotary Wing Aircraft, All Scales



1st OH-58D Kiowa US Army Milt Poulos Santa Clara



2nd AH-64D Apache Jeff Foltz Atwater

Airliner Aircraft, All Scales



3rd Mil 24 Hind Juan Flores San Jose



1st IL-62M Sonny Esparza



S17

S15



2nd ANA Pokemon 767 Ken Miller Campbell

Civil,Sport, & Racing Aircraft, All Scales NO ENTRIES

Biplanes/Fabric & Rigging, All Scales



3rd Tu-154M Sonny Esparza Clovis



- 1st Gotha G IV Mark Glidden Ladera Ranch
 - 2nd Fokker DR 1 Bill Ferrante Vacaville (no picture)
 - 3rd Corsair O3U-3 Sebastien Domine San Jose







Ta-183 Focke Wulf Jet 1st Stephan Pejic San Rafael

Jet, Prop & Rocket Aircraft 1/144 scale



 2^{nd} Bell X-2 Dusan Strakl Sunnyvale



3rd EMB-314 Super Tucano Stephan Pejic San Rafael

S19



 1^{st} Libyan Revolt PU w/ Rocket Randy Ray Sunnyvale



2nd Covered Water Buffalo Trailer Scott Tanis Cameron Park



 3^{rd} Willys Armored Jeep Brandon Cherinka El Dorado



La Habra

S21



AFV Closed Top, To 1945, 1/35 & Larger -All Types

Military Vehicles Softskin & Support 1/35 & Larger



 2^{nd} Jagdpanzer IV Mike Budzeika La Habra



3rd Type 95 "Ha-Go" Mike Budzeika La Habra



 1^{st} Firefly Vc Mark Glidden Ladera Ranch



2nd Vc Firefly Hussars Normandy D-Day Laramie Wright San Jose



3rd M4A1 Sherman 2nd AD Laramie Wright San Jose



 1^{st} Canadian ADATS Mark Glidden Ladera Ranch

Armored Fighting Vehicles Open Top 1/35 & Larger NO ENTRIES

AFV Closed Top. Post 1945, 1/35 & Larger



 2^{nd} Canadian TUA Mark Glidden Ladera Ranch



 3^{rd} T-72 Syrian Rebel "Mad Max" San Leandro Josh Payne

S24



1st Puppchen 8.8cm Raketenwerfer Randy Ray Sunnyvale

> 2^{nd} M155 Brad Tanis Cameron Park

NO THIRD ENTRY



S25



2nd Military Police HUMMWV "Gulf War" Mike Woolson Livermore



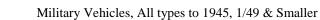
3rd Jagdtiger Peter Long Fremont



1st Tiger I Early, Michael Wittmann

Andrew P Gonzales Hayward

 1^{st} Neubaufahrzeug III Norway '40 Laramie Wright San Jose





 2^{nd} Kfz 70 Krupp Protze Stephan Pejic San Rafael



3rd Bedford QLD Truck Marty Sanford Placerville



 1^{st} M48A3 Dave Parks Newark



 2^{nd} T-55 Dave Parks Newark

Ships 1/400 & Larger



3rd Saladin Mk II Cyprus 1980s Kent McClure Milpitas



 1^{st} LCVP Higgins Boat Marty Sanford Placerville



 2^{nd} RM Roma (Italy WW2 Battleship) Alessandro Tognacci Morgan Hill



3rd Forester (schooner) Josh Payne San Leandro



S29

Submarines, All Types & Scales

 1^{st} USS GATO class Sub Richard Horton Armona

NO SECOND OR THIRD ENTRY

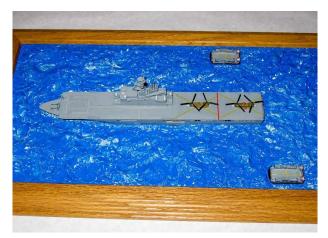


Ships 1/401 & Smaller

1st SSP Kaimalino Vladimir Yakubov Fremont

2nd Japanese Battleship Bryan Yang Palo Alto

NO THIRD ENTRY





 1^{st} SS396 '69 Chevelle Andy Kellock Sunnyvale

Automobiles Stock, All Scales



 2^{nd} Hurst Olds 442 Andy Kellock Sunnyvale



 3^{rd} 1948 Sterling Semi Truck Herb Deeks Anaheim

Autos Custom, Other Than LowRider, POST-WW2 Bodies post 1941



 1^{st} 1959 Silver Cloud 'vert Woody Olivier Galgani San Jose



 2^{nd} VW Beetle Olivier Galgani San Jose



3rd '49 Merc Coupe red w/flames **Richard Horton** Armona



 1^{st} '41 Ford Woody Custom Olivier Galgani San Jose



1st Lotus 78 F1 John Player Special **Richard Horton** Armona



2nd Model A Woody Hot Rod Surfer Herb Deeks Anaheim Automobiles Competition, Open Wheel, All Scales



3rd '32 Highboy Herb Deeks Anaheim



2nd McClaren M19C Ford Cosworth F1 Patrick Galleguill Sonoma



3rd Kurtis Midget Dirt Track Racer Richard Horton Armona

Autos Custom, Other Than LowRider, Pre-WW2 Bodies prior 1941

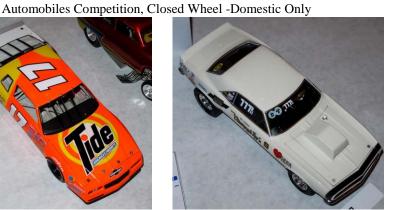




Dodge Rammcharger 1^{st} Andy Kellock Sunnyvale



2nd Chevy Monte Carlo Stock Car Andy Kellock Sunnyvale



3rd Chevy Camaro Drag Car "Grumpys Toy" Andy Kellock Sunnyvale

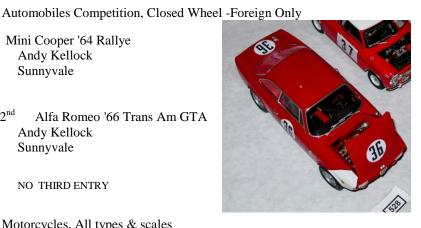


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- 1^{st} Mini Cooper '64 Rallye Andy Kellock Sunnyvale
 - 2^{nd} Alfa Romeo '66 Trans Am GTA Andy Kellock Sunnyvale

NO THIRD ENTRY

Motorcycles, All types & scales





 1^{st} Harley WLA WW2 Scott Tanis Cameron Park



 2^{nd} Suzuki RGB 500 Lee Marcum Salinas



 3^{rd} Yamaha TZ 500 Road Racer **Richard Horton** Armona

Wheeled Vehicles, Other, All Types & Scales (Auto Miscellany)



- Japanese Noodle Truck Greg Plummer San Jose
 - 2^{nd} Munster Koach **Richard Horton** Armona

NO THIRD ENTRY





 1^{st} Dewey "Silent Running" Vince Hoffman Hayward



 $2^{n\overline{d}}$ Huey "Silent Running" Vince Hoffman Hayward



 3^{rd} Archelon Mark Nohrnberg

Sunnyvale



1st Diamant BP4 John Heck San Jose

S40





Space Vehicles Real & Missiles, All scales & types

2nd Thor Burner 2 John Heck San Jose 3rd Titan II Gemini 8 Dusan Strakl Sunnyvale



S41



S42 Figures Military, Historical, from 20th Century on, All Scales

Figures Military, Historical, to 19th Century, All Scales NO ENTRIES

 1^{st} Typhoon Pilot

Marty Sanford

Placerville

NO SECOND OR THIRD ENTRY









Hypothetical Vehicles, All Types & Scales

3rd Cauldron of Blood Chip Harrison

Redwood City



S44

1st Panther F L/70 Mark Glidden Ladera Ranch



S45

2nd FW Triebfluegel Juan Flores San Jose

NO THIRD ENTRY

Dioramas, All Types & Scales

1st " Last Act of Desperation " WW 1 scene

> Dave Parks Newark

2nd A6M2-N Rufe Coconut Parking

Daisuke Nakabayashi Albany



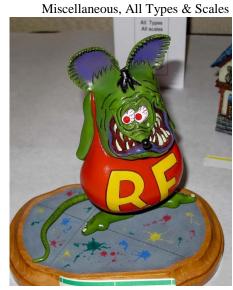


3rd "Peaches, biscuits & tea" Vickers Mk 6 & crew

> Jack Riggar Santa Rosa



1st Bf-109E Instrument Panel Mark Glidden Ladera Ranch



2nd Rat Fink Jack Riggar Santa Rosa



3rd Adjusting Master's Instrument Chip Harrison Redwood City



S47 Collections, All Types and Scales

1st '32 Ford Hot Rods Steve Travis Santa Clara

> 2nd Eastern European Sailplanes Lee Marcum Salinas

3rd P-51s by Airfix (club gruppe build) The Fremont Hornets Fremont

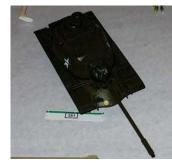




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UNFINISHED Subjects, All Types & Scales

1st M51 Batch "C" '72 Yom Kippor War Laramie Wright San Jose

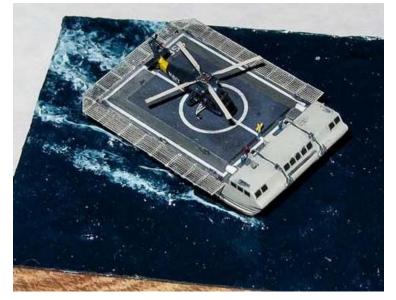


2nd M103 Eric McClure Milpitas

3rd M51 Batch "B" 67 6 Day War Laramie Wright San Jose



AND FINALLY, those "SPECIAL AWARDS" given out at the Silicon Valley Classic



SA1-Best of Show Senior 1/700 SSP Kaimalino Vladimir Yakubov Fremont

SA2-Best Of Show Junior/Youth 1/35 WW2 PANTHER G TANK Dylan Ybe Saratoga



SA3-Best Theme " Sun, Sand & Surf "

1/24 Model A Woody Hot Rod Surfer Wagon



Herb Deeks Anaheim

SA4-Best SF, Fantasy or Real Space

Ogre Stonehorn Chip Harrison Redwood City



SA5-Best Maritime Subject 1/700 SSP Kaimalino Vladimir Yakubov Fremont

1/24 1959 Silver Cloud 'vert Woody

SA6-Best Auto

Olivier Galgani San Jose







SA7-Best Armor 1/35 Canadian ADATS Mark Glidden Ladera Ranch

SA8-Best Aircraft



SA9-Best Figure or Diorama Subject



1/72 "Last Act of Desperation "WW 1 scene Dave Parks Newark

SA10- Silk Purse / Sows Ear Ralph Patino Memorial

1/72 Northrop Gamma 2D USAAF

Mark Schynert Fremont



SA11-Best Competition Auto



Angelo Deogracias Memorial 1/25 Dodge Rammcharger Andy Kellock Sunnyvale

SA12 -Tim Curtis Memorial Award - Service to SVSM

Miriam Beltran / San Jose



SA13 -Tim Curtis Memorial Award - Service to SVSM

Greg Plummer / San Jose

SA14-Steve & Anita Travis Subject of Honor Award

1/72 PT-109 Diorama "Last Close Call"

Olivier Galgani San Jose





SA15-Kenneth Jung Subject of Honor Award

1/72 Corsair O3U-3 (on catapult !)

Sebastien Domine San Jose



SA16- R9 COY Award Hugh Silvis Memorial for 2015 IPMS Dragon Lady/Yuba City



THE REAL DEAL :

The STORY BEHIND

SV Classic SPECIAL AWARD

SA14

From The SVSM President and SVC Director, Mike Woolson



This journey started last fall, after Steve broke the news about he and Anita stepping away from the SVSM Veterans Model Drive. On the drive home, I had a lightning bolt hit me. As Contest Director, I had several special awards which I had deleted to save money and time, also to streamline the Awards presentation. As someone on my committee said; "they are not so special when you have too many ".

One was Contest Director's choice. That was first brought back into service as that, then it morphed into the "Steve & Anita Travis Subject Of Honor", aka SV Classic 2015 Special Award no. SA14.

Keep in mind, this is NOT a memorial award and never want to think of it in that light.

On my drive home from the 2014 November meeting, the idea hit me of having an award of some kind that had to be different. Not just something out of a catalog.

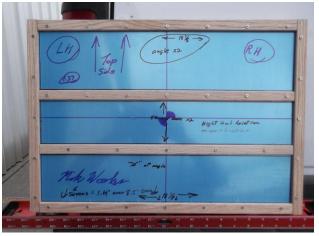
As SV Classic's theme being SUN, SAND, SURF; how about it resemble a door from a Woody Wagon, or a tailgate ?

With that concept, initial part was done. Now I had several different options to layout, see what I can do and making the best sense with what time allowed within the next few months. Having to fit this now into my time, on top of the other contest related stuff having to attend to.

Working in Aviation, I had a sheet of .050 thick aluminum at my disposal. Not wanting to buy a large slab of wood for just a small section, this made the most sense at the time and later when it came to engraving. I checked my local home improvement stores to brainstorm future plans, and Lowes had the best products for the job.

I used oak 3/4" angle for the borders. Then straight 3/4" flat material for the strips, to break the square up into three different sections for the engraving process in the future.





My original thought

was for a 12" square, but once layed out, it didn't look right. So I opened it to 13" high by 19" long, and that change made the final design look better. Another hurdle out of the way. Now time to deal with the other awards, that's another story in itself.

Fast forward to February 2015.

Time to get going, so bought the oak material. Originally I had thought of bonding the wood to the metal, but while browsing the hardware selection at Home Depot, I noticed these #4 stainless countersink screws. The more I thought about breaking the mold for this award, the more I liked the fasteners exposed. Once I had the free time to get going, I did, with a few snags at times making simple decisions harder. I got input from several friends along the way and they became driving forces towards the final push.

Now decided on the dimensions for each of the three sections to be engraved, I first cut the border strips. Then marked the holes for drilling and fastening with screws into pieces of oak strip I made as backing for the angle material.

Another distraction came up. Now the basic design is together, with notes for final assembly made .

So now the fun part of sorts for me, was to think about whether or not I was going to leave the aluminum sheet as is.

Or scuff it, paint it ? and so on.

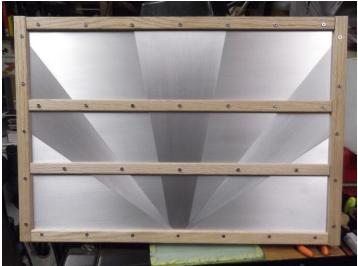
I chose the use of Scotch brite applied in a left to right direction, followed by a clear coat after engraving. Yet again, another lightning bolt struck me; in "our theme", ie; mask off rays of sun in different directions to break up the left to right scuffing.

I used off the shelf aluminum duct tape for our heater, over the marked pattern, hitting it with two different grades of Scotch brite.

Making it an entirely different project from what I started with, and better looking.

Anyone remember the unfinished product at the SVSM March meeting?





My local engraver, Livermore Trophy and Tee, did their magic, mentioning there was a lot of work put into this so far. While the sheet was being engraved, I prepped and varnished the oak with Deft brand satin clear I already had.

It was during this time my paying work brought me to Fresno. Whereupon a visit to Fresno Ag Hardware is where I found the #4 countersink screws with just a little dome on the head side. Thus distracting my plans late in the game, but it was a simple addition. Without changing anything except the fasteners during final assembly that was to begin upon my return.

Now, the "clock's a tickin' and down to the wire " back from the engraver the fun began for myself. Clear coating the metal on one side, gray on the backside, sealing things up couple days later. Nothing was going to stop me and nothing did.

Game day April 11th 2015:

Several days prior while while talking to Frank Beltran, my Raffle Lead, he mentioned Steve and Anita were to be in attendance. Making my mission all that more important, honoring two people who have done so much to support local clubs.

It was after the first raffle, when Anita arrived, that I could show them the finished project. Up to this point, they had only seen what you may have seen several weeks prior, at the meeting. Later in the day, I snapped a group shot out back of our contest hall. I noticed the grin on Steve's face while viewing the pictures at home, knowing I had done my job correctly. To honor ! - *mw fini*

UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR AS OF 04-30-15

Friday, May 15 2015

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting. President's Club Contest Theme " MAY FIVES "

Saturday, June 13 2015

IPMS/Sonoma County & IPMS Mt Diablo host Hobby Expo 2015 "Heroes and Superheroes " in Santa Rosa ! *NEW LARGER VENUE* right off the 101 freeway, at the Wells Fargo Center for the Arts.

Friday, June 19 2015

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting. President's Club Contest Theme "Project Gemini" aka "Twins"

Friday, July 17 2015

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting. President's Club Contest Theme "Douglas "

Friday, August 21 2015

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting. Editor's Club Contest Theme "It's the Bomb/Spirit of '45"

Friday, September 11 2015

IPMS/ Fremont Hornets monthly meeting. Club Contest Theme "All Swept Up " See www.mickbmodeler.com

Saturday, September 12 2015

IPMS/Reno High Rollers host High Desert Classic # 16. Theme this year is '1945' www.renohighrollers.org

Friday, September 18 2015

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers monthly meeting. Presidents Club Contest theme "Focke Wulf Fall "

Sunday, September 27 2015

IPMS/Fremont Hornets host their **TriCity Classic XI** with theme "The Good German" at the Milpitas Community Center, 457 E Calaveras Blvd, Milpitas CA. 50 categories of regular competition, numerous Special Awards including ones for "Best Mercedes", "Best Straight Wing Jet", "Best 1915 Subject", "Best Prehistoric Creature or Early Man"

Friday, October 09 2015

IPMS/Fremont Hornets monthly meeting. Main Theme is "Did We Survive The TriCity XI?" for plan right now,

Friday, October 16 2015

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers monthly meeting. President's Club Contest Theme "Keep On Truckin'"

Friday, November 20 2015

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting. Editor's Club Contest Theme "Get Tanked"

First Weekend of December 2015IPMS/ Silver Wings Show ?Date stated as Saturday 12-6-16 on their site.
(Saturday is 12-5 in 2015 and 12-6-16 is a Tuesday)Friday, February 192016

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting. Editor's Club Contest Theme "Heinemann's Heroes"

Saturday, March 12 2016

NNL West host 2016 show themed "Trans Am : Pontiacs and Original Racers". SCCC Hall A, Santa Clara.



This entry's essential entreaty exactly exemplifies the spirit of why !

Again, History Speaks for Itself At Great War Centenary Competition!

"Bloody April 2015 APRIL CLUB CONTEST

Photos & Text : Mick Burton Models: Membership

The Editor was ecstatic upon learning hows & whys for the specific turnout for his shot in the dark club contest following the SV Classic.



The **H.M.L.S.** (which I think translates out "*Her Majesty's Land Ship*") "**We're All In It**" British Tank by Jordan Li, was a very late starting entrant that finished extremely well in several ways to illustrate. Jordan's only recently become a member of our community, being young and very busy didn't deter him in the least. Having an unexpected break in his trips out of town schedule, deduced that he might just have enough month left to buy, finish a model in time to be part of this very Club Contest. You see the splendid results, and the rich story around it will have to wait til May OSS.

For now, just say wish now *my* model finish research in school days would've have gotten me *a date*, much less say *one to the Prom* ! Go Jordan , quite an award

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Thanks, Mr. Jim Lund, from the Editor for one. Your "non compete" clause as response, with instead an attendant big turnout and a bonus talk to explain real "Bloody April" from history, a GREAT

opener on thematic.

That's 6 of Jim's selected Birds for his April Display !





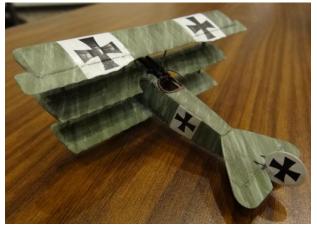
Cheerfully and succinctly, Jim explained the origins of "Bloody April", development of aerial gunnery technology, a good number of key folks and again demonstrated a keen grasp of his audience. Wish we had this segment video'd.

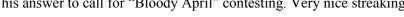


his answer to call for "Bloody April" contesting. Very nice streaking.

Ken Burns, watch out, you got competition...

Laramie Wright had his 1/72 Voss Tripe as







Jim Priete showed up in opposition to Laramie's being sole aerial combatant here, with a 1/48 Eduard Roland CL.II.



Frank Beltran made sure the USA and "Queen of the Battlefield" showed up with his WW1 Gun. Now, to WINNERS!



Bloody April's HONORABLE MENTION for "We're All In It Landship" Jordan Li



Bloody April's THIRD PLACE for "Roland Walfisch CL.II" Jim Priete



Bloody April's SECOND PLACE for "Wernher Voss Dr.1" Laramie Wright



Bloody April's FIRST PLACE for "USA 1917 Artillery" Frank Beltran San Jose Police Historical Society Display Project



The San Jose Police Department has a display cabinet at the officers entry to the police patrol division building. The San Jose Police Historical Society would like to fill the cabinet with models of San Jose Police vehicles in 1/24 and 1/25 scale (or helicopter in any scale). The Historical Society is asking for model builders who would be interested in building a vehicle to be put on permanent display. The San Jose Police has used a wide variety of vehicles over the last 100 years, to include the following: (In the early 1920's through the 30's officers used their own vehicles for patrol)

Sorry this month's TAMS edition won't include the listing

Feel free to contact by email for a copy

Decals of the SJPD logo will be provided, as well as any photos or other related information. Any models purchased will remain the property of the builder and be available to claim at any time. A placard will be placed with the models to indicate they are courtesy of the "Silicon Valley Scale Modelers". If you would like to participate

PLEASE CONTACT John Carr via the Editor's email DENS25403@MYPACKS.NET

SVSM PRESIDENT'S CONTEST THEME May 2015

<u>2015</u> **" MAY FIVES**

A LATE BREAKING PRESIDENT RULING and SPECIFIC CLARIFICATION for THIS CONTEST THEME

Taken straight from his post April SVSM meeting email to the Editor and given right here for your edification:

May 5th model contest entrants limited to the following "" ONLY ""

Cinco De Mayo Mexican Military and/or Mexican revolution (Northrop) F5 Freedom Fighter family, F5's, F20 Tigershark, T38 (Lockheed) F5 WWII Photo Recon Race cars #5 Aircraft that are of a (5) either Corsair, Hellcat, Wildcat, DC5 F16 Block 5 Aircraft built Tanks of A5 Spitfire Mk V



With that notification, the Editor feels that now only these two photos from his prior promotions of this club contest are safe to continue here: (on the left, Douglas R5D Skymaster) (Below, a collection of Northop F-5s)



SVSM PRESIDENT'S CONTEST THEME June 2015 "Project Gemini (aka Twins) "

The exact 'elaboration" to me by President Woolson, with a few sketches of text : Self explanatory. Just in case, the Editor will elaborate some possible means to compete: P-38, A-20, A-26, F3D, F2H, F4H, A3D, B-66, P2V, DC-3. Perhaps there's a selfish or slightly "twin purpose or two" in that particular listing, but have to finish in time to know. Be advised that there may be another NOTAM (Notice To All Modelers) from the President on this, no guarantees...







LITTLE OUTLINES of CLUB CONTESTS for SUMMER/FALL

SVSM PRESIDENT'S CONTEST THEME July 2015 "Douglas "

The exact 'elaboration' to me by President Woolson, with a few sketches of text : Any product by the Douglas or the McDonnell Douglas firms. One could say you could be flying like an Eagle, take to the sea as a Skywarrior or Knight, Wreak Havoc as an Invader or be a Destroyer, or end up a Mixmaster or try to be a Globemaster, even a god like Thor

SVSM EDITOR'S CONTEST THEME August 2015 "Spirit of '45/It's The Bomb "

It is the 70th anniversary of August Atomic Annihilation of Imperial Japanese Aggression, and end of Second World War that is celebrated locally as "The Spirit of '45 ". In that vein, all subjects from 1945 eligible of course. Since the Dawn of the Atomic Age is also 70 years old this year, all directly nuclear related subjects are also welcome to play. This is not limited to only early or USA materials, please be encouraged to model up French, British, Soviet atomic articles if that's your yen. *Little Boy, Fat Man, Atomic Annie, Davy Crockett, Force de Frappe, Tsar Bomba* ...all in

SVSM PRESIDENT'S CONTEST THEME September 2015 "Focke Wulf Fall "

The exact 'elaboration" to me by President Woolson: Self explanatory. Keep in mind also, TriCity 11 at end of month



SVSM PRESIDENT'S CONTEST THEME October 2015 "Keep On Truckin' "

The most basic 'elaboration" for now: Civilian, Military trucks in all forms. Emergency vehicles like Tow & Fire truck

SVSM EDITOR'S CONTEST THEME November 2015 "Get Tanked"

The most basic 'elaboration" for now: This is the "birth year of the Tank". Armored with that knowledge, finish up ! The exact interpretation for me allows one to play in the prior month's club contest themed by President Woolson, with a few clever turns of the wheel. Think along the lines of TEXACO, WHITE TRUCK COMPANY or M29C... or if you still aren't getting it, for the aircrafters one way to play in this yard is think KA-3, KC-135, KC-97, get it now?

-Mickb

<u>PLEASE SHARE THE JOY OF OUR HOBBY AND FRIENDS</u> <u>Because it seems sometimes more than a few forget this :</u>

THE ONE TRUE RULE OF MODELLING (if ever there is).

If you're having fun, Then you're doing it right.



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