

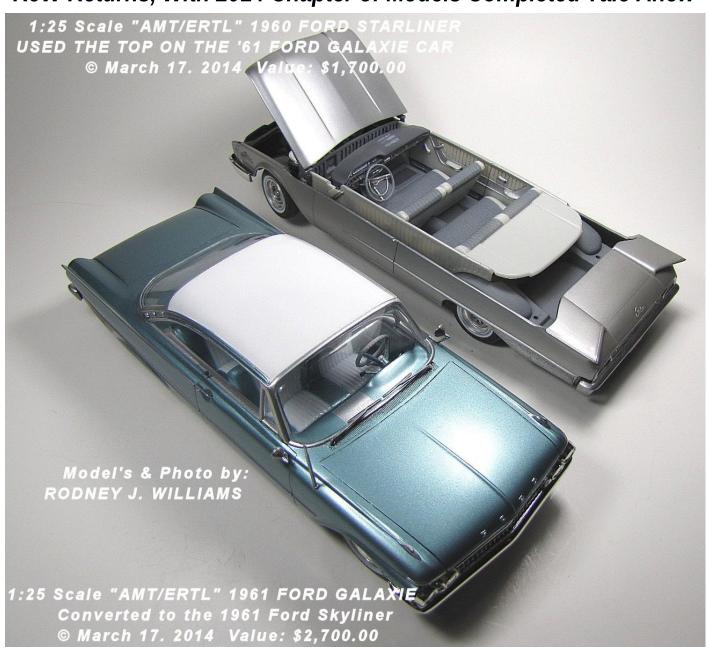
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RJW Returns, With 2014 Chapter of Models Completed Tale Anew



Life SVSM'er Rodney J Williams Recounts "Another Banner Year" Text/Images: RJ Williams Models: RJ Williams © Copyright: February 1, 2016

There is a saying in America, "Better-Late-Than Never." In early 2014 I wrote a model story for our (cont'd on 3)

"RUNNING WITH THE (Printer's) DEVIL - A SECOND LOOK BACK AS WE GO FUTURE ONWARD"

With now two months into 2016, the Editor celebrates his 33rd year as a club member, and enjoys this chance to again plague the rest of you (who were there, been there, or too young to care) with an overview of this publication's past, at 10, 20 and yes, THIRTY years ago. There below, the "cover articles" for your amusement and perusement. I am happy to report that the authors of the works you see here are still with us: Alan Wolcott, Mike Burton and Bill "C2C" Dye

If you want to know the origin of "C2C" nickname for Bill Dye, you'll just have to go download that issue... you'll







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"WHILE ON THE SUBJECT OF 30 YEARS RUNNING "

Those of us who know what this kind of effort means do have a great big congratulations to the grizzled veterans of Silver Wings IPMS – Sacramento, who just last Saturday held their latest invitational Model Show and Contest, 30 years from the year they hosted the IPMS USA Nationals here in California!

While perhaps not quite as big a show being held only for day, no less the work nor the heart. We are happy you hosted, again – *mickb*

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Classic Revision of Model Building History For SVSM Member When He Actually Digs Into His Records (from 1)

editor Mick Burton who published it in one of our club newsletters. (It was cover lead January 2014 TAMS – editor)

The story told about the 32 models that I had built in 2013, which was a banner year for me.

Recently I revised all of my models folders and named them by the year, then I carefully put each model in its proper folder. If I build a model in 2000, then it went into the 2000 Folder.

I spent several days going over all 270 models that I have here at home and put a photo of each one in the right yearly folder. When I wrote the "2013-Banner-Year" story in January, 2014, I put down *that I built 32 models*.

Now, I find out that it was flat out mistake, as I really only built 24 models.

In prior years I have built more than 24 models, and of course, I have built less models.

My new records say that I built 29 models in 2014 and only 24 models in 2015.

You may wonder how I do it, and I really do not have a bona-fide answer. As a long time retired person, I do work around the house, work on our computer, help the wife in the kitchen, watch TV and of course sleep.

Last year, we went to California to visit our children and grand kids, which took 7 weeks out of my model building time.

Most all of my models are right "out of the box ", except that I do add seatbelts, pitot tubes and other minor details. I took on a major project last year by converting a 1/72 scale B-17G to the YB-17G. (a "faux WW2 Rutan" – editor) The wings were put in the back while the stabilizers were put up front. Another minor project that I accomplished was making a water diorama for my 1/48 scale OS2U KINGFISHER model.

I repaired two old 1980 models by re-attaching some broken parts......that's it!

I built 3 cars and put the wrong dates on the photos.

The "VALUE" that I add on each photo represents my estimate of net worth (of each model) and it is presented to our home insurance policy.

Over the past few years my hands have started shaking. I was going to quit building models by Christmas time in year 2015, but I still have 7 un-started models to build. At present I have a 1/200 scale Pan Am 747 airliner on the work bench, plus WIP including a 1/48 scale Dornier Do-335 "Pfeil" and a 1/144 scale Arado AR-234 "Blitz" twinengine WW-II jet bomber. These models are about 75-80% finished.

Enjoy my models! - Rodney, Living in 4 feet of Colorado snow.











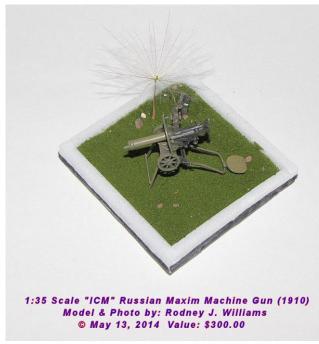
































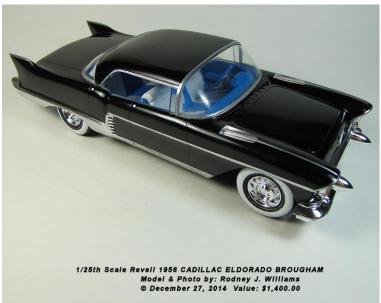














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THAT'S ALL, FOLKS!



UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR AS OF 02-28-16

Sunday, March 06 2016

Pasadena Model Society host their ValleyCon 2016 at the Peterson Auto Museum, 6060 Wilshire Blvd, Los Angeles.

Saturday, March 12 2016

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

Friday, March 18 2016

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers monthly meeting. Club Contest Theme "March of Time's Up"

Saturday, April 02 2016

IPMS/ SV Scale Modelers host their **SV Classic # 3,** Theme "Clock's a Tick'n" at Napredak Hall, San Jose. See www.mickbmodeler.com

Friday, April 15 2016

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting. President's Club Contest Theme "Spring In Your Step"

Friday, May 20 2016

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

Friday, June 17 2016

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers monthly meeting. Member's Club Contest Theme is "You Mother"

Sunday, September 25 2016

IPMS/ Fremont Hornets host their TriCity Classic # 12 at the Milpitas Community Center, Milpitas CA. Theme is "Battle of Britain", for all things British/directly related. 50 categories, 20 Special Awards, see website for details.

Saturday, November 05 2016

IPMS/ Antelope Valley Group host Desert Classic #20, AV College, Lancaster, CA SPECIAL AWARD Category "JURASSIC PLASTIC" Overall theme is "Vietnam War, 1946-1975"

Friday, November 11 2016

IPMS/ Fremont Hornets monthly meeting.

Friday, November 18 2016

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting. President and Editor's Club Contest Theme "The End All and Be All Contest" See www.mickbmodeler.com

Friday, January 20 2017

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting. Editor's Club Contest Theme "1917"

Friday February 17 2017

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting. Editor's Club Contest Theme "Northrop's Notables" See www.mickbmodeler.com

Friday, January 19 2018

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting. Editor's Club Contest Theme "1918"

Definitely We Are Lucky To Have This Spirited Contributor



"Lord Jim"

2016 FEBRUARY MEET Feature

Photos & Text : Mick Burton Great Models Share: W. J. Lund, SVSM

The President, The VP &Treasurer, and The Editor of SVSM seen here in marvel how filled our tables were.

Okay, perhaps I'm being a mite over the top. Still, February's tabling truly did one of our membership proud...

There in photo at front left, is whole table just of material from Jim Lund, Historian & Prolific 1/72nd Modeler!

Several notable times at meetings of past, Jim has brought us spectacular model works to share. This one gave

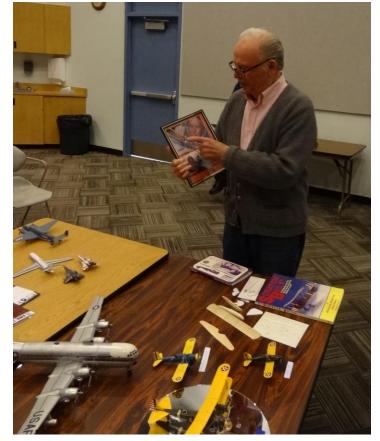
me particular pleasure to feature though, because February's my birthday month and Jim's model talk was a great gift.

Yes, that's dear friend Jim here on the right, giving a "what the hell am I supposed to do with this, Mike? "look.



Okay, to be fair, at time I shot pic, Mike he was gesturing, was our President. Who called on him to begin Modeltalk.





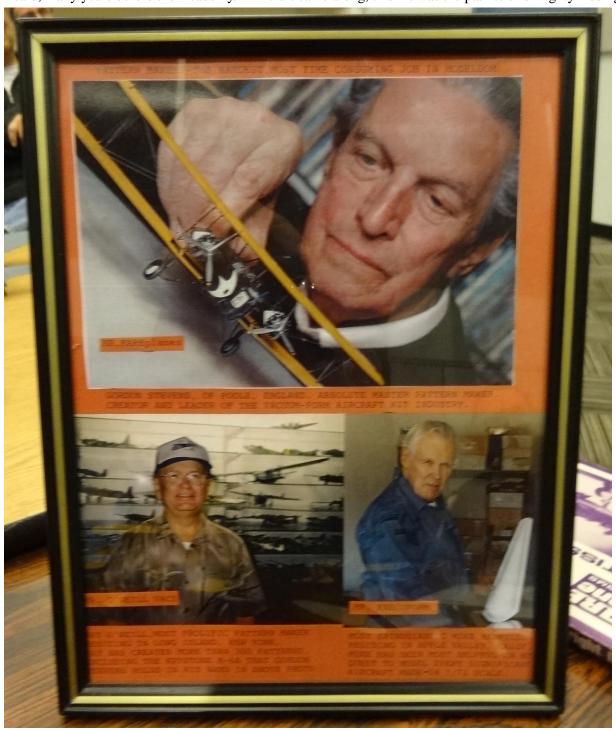
Now again in retrospect: it's a damned shame really, a quality videographer wasn't present for this portion of meeting. Jim's short soliloquy on his sharing for month's model community gather was a fine tribute to another.

Jim had this trio of folks in a photo frame on display. He began with note who the first gent in the top shot was and how he figured prominently in not just Jim's model life, but all of ours. A tribute to one Mr Gordon Stevens Aka, "Mr Rareplanes". Crafter of vac for Jim's KC-97





As Jim said, many years before the Academy/Minicraft came along, this kit was the path to this mighty Boeing.





This important, significant and quite lovely 4 engined "Cold Warrior" did not see respect in form of 1/72 kitting until April 1981, marvelously managed as a "vac form master" by none other than this Englishman from Poole. (by way, SVSM alumnus and frequent "old days Sheet contributor" Robin Powell, hails from same hometown!) Jim Lund's well executed build from this vac, seen here. As Jim pointed out, this is still the better of the two kits







Jim gave us all an excellent short history of startup and production of Rareplanes company, Gordon Stevens and his huge influence on the modelling world. Along with sharing enjoyment of having a long time friendship with him.

(Which Gordon reciprocated more than once. If you go to the excellent two part "History of Rareplanes" written by Gordon on the Aero Scale website, he credits with much thanks to Jim Lund, for use of his photographs for the illustrating of Gordon's writeup)

(address where this article may be found on web given here)

http://www.72ndscale.com/modules.php?op=modload&name=Sections&file=index&req=viewarticle&artid=4305&page=2

Amazingly, Jim and Gordon never got a chance to meet in real life. Our Gordon left the modelling community forever in this past year, sadly.





Jim expertly explained succinctly how it was that Gordon Stevens' original run of vacuform aircraft were made by use of a "male" molding also known as a "drape" process.

Which is in part why Jim carefully spelt out that this Curtiss A-12 Shrike of his, a "female" molding of Gordon Stevens. He had done this originally as a "male" and a true aficionado of vac forms who has one of each, could easily tell you comparison of one to other, really night and day!

The "female", or "cavity" process of vac form molding is much more challenging to perform, but rewards maker with much greater details in end results.

As Jim made very clear to us all, Gordon wasn't one to content himself to remain a success on one trick or several. From his 1970s start, he continued long prodigious career, improving the products he made in every effort. He set and advanced the bar by which all sorts of model companies be held to as "good, better, best".

Even today many of Gordon's mastered products are equal or better than resin or injection kits of the same subjects.

Jim's example works from basis of Rareplanes productions, exemplify Gordon's philosophy he proudly put on adverts of early years. Namely, each finished model would reflect his AND the BUILDER's personal best.





Jim's explaining the rich history of vac form aircrafting didn't of course, solely revolve around Gordon Stevens and Rareplanes, et al. You may recall he had two other faces on his framed photo at the beginning of the article.

Pleasing surprise for me again with Jim's table this month, (of the several), was that he has this particular plane for illustrating the next gentleman of his story's work. This is the Curtiss XP-31, a charmer on first sight for me, when a particular well used shot of one in flight was my introduction at age 12 in "American Combat Planes".





While I don't recall hearing where Jim first ran across this Curtiss, my bet is that came about in a different book but we both share a liking for this model maker in any event. "Execuform" is the company, "male" molding the production process, Mike Herrill the master. Jim had Mr Herrill's photo on his array, and he has had long time of friendship in modelbuilding with him, happily this includes "face time". Mike Herrill hails from Southern Calif.



Sorry for the next item here, the Great Lakes XTBG-1 aircraft model master below. I don't have notes on its origin or how Jim got this.







Third gentleman in the photo array of Jim Lund's display, produced a model here that ties back to Gordon Stevens!

This modeler and master craftsman is named Ray O'Neill, and Jim Lund has spoken to us of him before, along with sharing the grand products of that share

Ray is a confirmed vacuform fanatic, he never has apparently offered any of his vacs for general sale. However he's supplied some greats with their starting basis, among them being our Jim Lund.

I am appreciative as ever for knowing Jim because of his deciding to make us his local IPMS Chapter many years ago and this provides more reason why.

The Keystone B-4A is another of these aircraft that were significant to US Air Force history, yet only Historians like Jim today, can recall or appreciate that.





This model is Jim's, from a Ray O'Neill "male" molding by vacform, and exquisitely captures the full flavor of the last version of the last of biplane bombers operated by US Army Air Force. The Keystone B-3A first sold, then upgraded to the B-4A standard as shown here, of which served on for several years in other capacities after replacement by the "modern" Martin B-10 all metal monoplane bomber in the mid 1930s.

Models like Jim's are the only way anyone these days even knows of or can easily visualize these significant milestones. Jim brought along another significant treasure that ties all these items together, with the book "Scratchbuilt", from Schiffer. It's dedicated to the memory of one of its authors/contributors, George Lee of San Leandro. George's own Keystone B-4A is given a pride of place in the USAF Museum in

Dayton, situated prominently in front of the "Martin B-10" full size example aircraft, as an illustration of history. Wild part of this is, "B-10" like "B-4A" are both "extinct in real life", as the one USAFM has is a careful re-creation of the USAAC B-10 from an Argentine Navy export version that was given to them. The real ones were long ago scrapped.

Thanks to George Lee's 1/32 scale labor of love, which is a full scratchbuild (made from a brilliant modeler's own set of research and mad skills), a person can now see this bird at will in three dimensions. A perfect case of where models and modelers contribute BIG to society beyond ourselves.

Thank you, Aircraft Historian non pareil Mr W.J. Lund, for your membership and wonder sharing for all these years.







These are two of the best shots I managed in my visit to USAF National Museum in 2009, while attending IPMS USA National This is the noted "George Lee 1/32nd scale scratchbuilt Keystone" model, in its case, in front of recreated "real" Martin B-10.



- Mick

BUMPER TO BUMPER WEEKENDS OPEN MARCH!

Sunday March 6th

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New

Peterson Auto Museum in L.A.

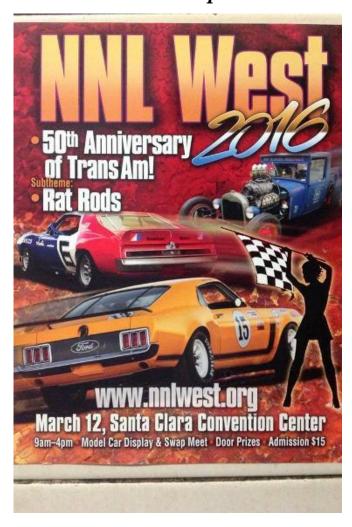
Hosting Pasadena Model Society's VALLEYCON 2016

(Yes, all sorts of models in competition)

Note: Auto Museum admission is part of Entry fee for Entrants/Spectators @

And on the Following Saturday March 12

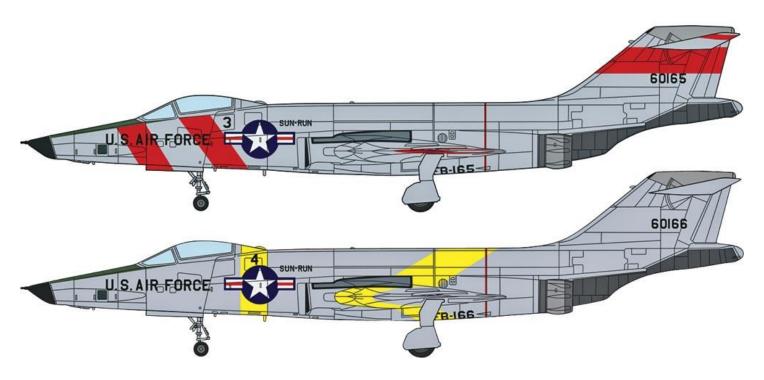
NNL West hosts another Great Scale Automotive Model Show & Swap Meet here in Santa Clara



COMING UP FAST IN SPRING OF 2016!

Saturday April 2 2016

THIRD Silicon Valley Classic, hosted by SVSM, at Napredak Hall, 770 Montague Expwy, San Jose Ca 95131



ZOOM CLIMBS - CUBAN MISSILE CRISIS - LAND SPEED RECORDS - OPERATION SUN RUN - DRAG STRIP & AIR RACING

Theme is: "Clocks a Tick'n"

(see www.mickbmodeler.com for more details on this).

Vendors, contact CD Mike Woolson at swingwingklvk@gmail.com

Please note, CA tax permit required and also be advised number of tables is limited

CONTEST ENTRANTS BE ADVISED

There will be a SUBJECT of HONOR given in the name of Steven & Anita Travis

The award winning model may not necessarily be a placer in a category

Will be selected by Judges on qualifying basis of what S&A Liked, Built, or Thought was "Different"

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)

1941 Chevy Sedan 4 door (black, unmarked with radio aerial only)

1946 Pontiac Streamliner 4-door sedan (3 cars traffic control)

1951 Pontiac 8

1951 Chevrolet

1953 Ford Customline 4-door sedan (V-8)

1954 Chevrolet 4-door (V-8)

1957-1958 Ford Custom 300 (V-8 352 Thunderbird engine)

1959 Ford Custom 300 (first official Ford police package car)

1960 Plymouth 4-door sedan 1963 Plymouth 4-door Fury 1964 Plymouth Savoy 4-door sedan (383 commando) including the station wagon (k-9) 1965-1967 Plymouth Fury I 4-door (383 commando) 1968-1969 Plymouth Belvedere 4-door (383 commando) 1970-1971 Plymouth Satellite 4-door sedan (big block 400) 1972 AMC Matador 4-door (360 engine) Plymouth Fury 4-door (HP 440) 1973 Plymouth Fury 4-door (HP 440) 1975-1976 Plymouth Fury 4-door (HP 440) Dodge Coronet 4-door (HP 440) 1977 Dodge Monaco 4-door (HP 440) Plymouth Fury 4-door (HP 440) 1978 Dodge Monaco 4-door (HP 440) Plymouth Fury 4-door (HP 440)1979-1980 Dodge St. Regis (HP 360 and 318, CHP dumped all of their 318 cars on SJPD when they Received the Dodge Diplomat) 1981 thru 1989 Dodge Diplomat 4-door (318 engine) 1990 Chevrolet Impala 9C1 4-door 1991-1993 Chevrolet Impala / Caprice 9C1 4-door (Predecessor to LT-1) 1994 thru 1996 Chevy Impala / Caprice LT-1 / 9C1 4-door 5.7 L engine 350 hp (corvette engine) Ford Crown Victoria 4-door (early model) 1997 1998 thru 2012

Ford Crown Victoria 4-door (current model)

2014 Chevy Caprice V-6 patrol package (made in Australia by Holden)

2014 Ford Explorer police package

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

YOU MOTHER - JUNE 2016 SVSM Member's Contest Theme







A rare and creative direction for competition with a wry titling! Will be aeronautical in approach, but requires some forethought as you must plan for Mother & Child. Check it out.

Per Member who came up with this fiendishly fun scale fight, qualifying contesting entries are listed below. Note, they **must be finished** to be award eligible, *and "in combo"*, **not single ships**. Pylon references plus any requisite modeler tech to produce, not considered being outside your skill sets by the Member Sponsor. LIST:

EB-29 + (X-1, X-2, D-558-II, XF-85) (Actual designation for "Fertile Myrtle" = P2B-1S)

EB-50 + (X-1, X-2)

NB-52 + (X-15, X-24A, X-24B, M2F2, M2F3, HL-10, Pegasus)

L1011 + Pegasus LV

Short Mayo Composite (Seaplane, Air Mail Service)

DC-130 + (Firebee drones, other Ryan products of more "secret" nature)

747 Shuttle Taxi + (Shuttle Orbiter)

SpaceShip One & White Knight

German Mistels (real or proposed) series

Short Mayo Composite (Maia-Mercury)

FICON (RF or F-84 with GRB-36)

JB-36 Ferry (in transport of XB-58)

Tupelov ANT TB-1, TB-3 Zveno Project

Lockheed M-12/GTD-21 Blackbird combo

Project Tip Tow EB-29/EF-84 combo

Project Tom Tom B-36/EF-84 combo

Leduc 022 with her mothership

Byrd's Antarctic Land Cruiser with Staggerwing

B-52 with GTD-21B

Dornier with Me-328

I-19, I-21, I-25 (sub carrier plus E14Y Glen)

I-400 (sub carrier plus Aichi Seiran floatplane bomber)

G4M Betty (when outfitted with an Ohka suicide bomber)

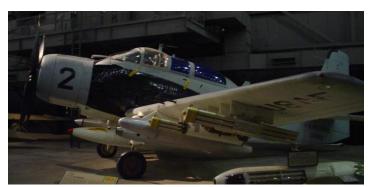
Sponsoring member suggests reference to https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mother_ship for anyone seeking additional guidance or an idea where maritime/land options lie.

There you have it, now get two it! You some months yet (more or less) to get 'er done.

"SPRING IN YOUR STEP" SVSM PRESIDENT'S CONTEST THEME APRIL 2016

Start with this concept: Anything over time that left the deck of a carrier (via catapult), or other shipboard applications

of catapult launch. Such as this Douglas A3D here...





Or this Douglas A-1E, which so happens if you don't accept it as "carrier launched" (since it's a USAF bird here) fits well

for this next aspect (since this is the Vietnam rescue Skyraider flown by Bernie Fisher, in a clear example of STOL...) Consider all the possible entries from the aspect of STOL (Short TakeOff and Landing) performance (Storch, C-123,

C-130, Beaver, Otter, Dornier Skyservant, et al)

Like Helio Courier and Provider shown here...





Push forward into the ultimate "Spring" with VTOL (Harrier, Yak-38, the many X-planes taking this technology on...)







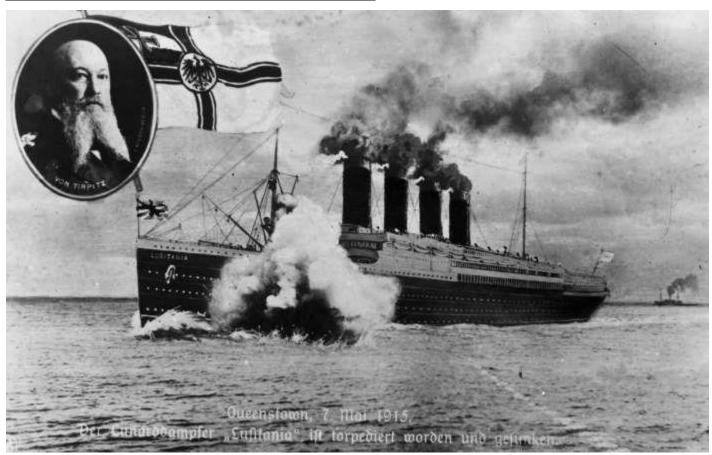
Gee, look, Harrier (V/STOL) and Panther (Cat launch)



Then there's another V/STOL with the XC-142A, or the venerable Bell Aircraft XV-3 VTOL X-plane, or a "dicey" (in more ways than one) "spring to life:" VZ-9

JUST BE SURE YOUR ENTRY IS FINISHED for a consideration of an award, no matter the approach!

SVSM PRESIDENT'S CONTEST May 2016 " It MAY Have Happened"





Another rock simple decision for entry making. Did your subject have some significant existence of note in any of the 31 Days of MAY? If the answer is Yes, you're done and just need to wait til meeting night.

Some help in case you're really stumped here. MAY DAY saw some pretty awesome model subjects in the finest parade liveries tooling down "Red Square" in Moscow.

Hmm, recall dimly there might have been a Lockheed product over same general area May 1960...

Figure and diorama modelers might be inclined to consider that Cinco De Mayo celebrates a battle which may have happened to provide material for them.

Does anyone recall that USA's first man in space, Alan Shepard, took his *Freedom 7* Mercury Capsule into suborbital arc, May 5, 1961?

The sack of Rome by Germany, May 1527? Note the *Lusitania* passenger liner was sunk May, 1915? In May 1937, at Lakehurst, New Jersey, *Hindenburg* goes down in flames? How about that Dien Bien Phu falls in May 1954, stir up any ideas?

And that's just the first week of May for some small bits to start considering...

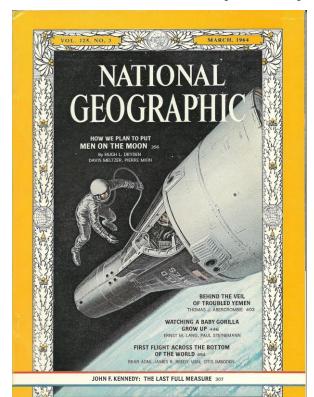


SVSM EDITOR'S CONTEST THEME JULY 2016 "APOLLO ASCENDANT"

My MANNED SPACE PROGRAM club contest model competition celebrating 50 years since first of the Saturn 1B launches to test USA's Apollo hardware took flight in Feb 1966



Now, of course, one canny modeler competitor or another will likely realize as I will blatantly point out, that definition does include a LOT MORE than MEETS the eye, so if you're not a "flaming tube fan" or "spam in a can orbiter maker", there are several options still open to you.



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Say, the X-15, X-24, M2F-1, 2, 3, HL-10 vehicles with direct tie to US Manned Space effort. X-20 DynaSoar may not have flown, but it counts too, like the USAF MOL project.

On the off chance that you're still not quite with this, or really not a fan of USA space hardware/programs, remember there's plenty of other options still here

Russia and China for two. There are others, but I can't do all your heavy lifting

FINISHED ENTRIES ONLY ones eligible for awards, but all entries welcomed



Photos/Text: Mick Burton Models by: Other than MB

Saturday February 20 at Town and Country Church and School was the site of Sacramento IPMS Silver Wings' "Wintercon 2016" First contest and show of the Region 9 Year.

SILVER WINGS 2016



Old Home Week for some of us, even if Lou Orselli was doing a "Wilson" impression here.



(a nod to "Home Improvement" show fans...)



We who made it from South Bay also witnessed that Orange County folks came in some numbers, one of whom I caught a shot of at the Barracuda Studios table with someone you may know.



Lee Marcum of IPMS-M Bay was there at the Chris Zanella table, which was located next to the Modesto Hobby & Crafts. I believe that's SVSM alumnus Randy "Tomcat" Rothaar, but not sure here.

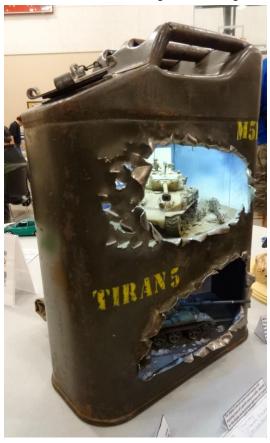




Another look across from a corner, gives more clues at just how populous and friendly this opener show was, thanks again to Silver Wings for coming through with merely relocating their event in the timeline versus outright cancelling.







Since I was unable to remain for the entire show and didn't get a record of the winners, I'll place a few of my favorite shots instead to illustrate.









I'll just have to hold hopes to see one or both of these things in the year future:

The IPMS SilverWings Event Results on their website or any Other publicly available form,

AND

Announcement of a SW show in the 2016 December maybe?

Treasurer Bill & Editor Mick offer A 90 Day Wonder Club Contest!

MARCH OF TIME'S UP



Everything You See Here is Eligible If Completed by March Meeting







Basic & simple rules, nothing too onerous. ANY GIFTS ON RECORD From the December 2015 SVSM Meeting are eligible to compete, they don't have to be "original owner" entries, so if you sold or traded for

any of them, still perfectly fine to build and compte with here. FINISHED in any fashion you please, ranges from OOB to Full On Competitive Killer You.

There were 49 potential entries on table, surely a few will do.

PLEASE SHARE THE JOY OF OUR HOBBY AND FRIENDS

Because it seems sometimes more than a few forget this:

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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