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# Say Look, Mikhail, Ensign "Red" Built a Boat!





# "PT-109 BY REVELL IN 1/72 SCALE" Text & Photos By: Rodney J. Williams

For some reason I do not have very many "in progress" building photos.



The PT boat's hull was in one piece.

Same for top deck, which made it easy to put together.

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### "Carrying on anew with C3i and IRAN"

Again, some serious fun with my retooling some old terms which may be passingly or more, familiar to some of you while giving them new currency. Command, Control, Communications, Intelligence/Information = C3i. IRAN as the acronym, not the contentious Middle Eastern Nation, translates normally into - Inspect, Repair As Necessary. Alright? Now, thanks again to recent turns of events, my editorial endeavor is to try putting these concepts and practices anew

January provided three chances to illustrate, inform what is easily translated as Implement, Repeat As Necessary. The Fremont Hornets first meeting of the new year, a proposed club contest theme of "Operation Bodenplatte" put forth. For SVSM, two club contest themes were given the new year road test opportunity, "1915" and "Cats Outa the Bag", all three had separate tracks in how they took shape and turned out. Amusing in their own way for this Editor. As he'd put forth two of the three this time out, did not take the end results as a loss, or not positive outcome. In fact, all three were positive intelligence and immediate information, very useful for future planning. Operation Bodenplatte was the least likely to succeed in the forecast in my estimates, for good reasons. It was extremely short term in birthing, less than 4 months from inception to date of implementation, the promotion and advertising of it nearly nil. Bedrock of the low likelihood for large (or any) return on this investment? Fact that "Operation Baseplate" (translation from German) was basically a very obscure, largely unknown part of the last year of World War Two in Europe. Even though length, size, fierceness of the conflict pretty substantial (essentially ran from 1 January 1945 to near end of February), nearly a second act Battle of the Ardennes (Bulge). As German forces again desperately yes, but approached with intelligence, threw away tremendous resources to attempt a change in probable terms for ending conflict with the Allied Forces While there were some very nice decal sheets from a number of sources that had been produced, that were supportive of at least the aerial component of this "Operation", they all would be likely very hard to find in time. As again, this all comes back to the whole thing being pretty unknown. Hard to get "legs" under it, even had there been most of year to promote it, as was the case for SVSM "1915" club contest theme. Not coincidentally, that too being same sponsor. So, why even do it? Well, nothing ventured, nothing gained for the shortest of reasons. Also, timing is everything, as I saw it. "Baseplate" had its 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary coming with the January 1 2015 date, Hornets meeting was 8 days into the year so well inside the "historic span", it was a German initiative, so tied neatly with upcoming theme of Hornets 2015 TC Classic. There would be no other time frame like it for another 5 or 10 years on one hand, or ever, for case of the other. Lastly, it was fitting well with the long running lament that this Editor has chewed on. About the lack of "new or original, or less oft tried themes", instead a moribund reliance on tried true but virtual cliches of themes. Had to put money where my mouth was, hey? Most of that basic reasoning just presented here, held true for why to choose the 1915 theme for first of year SVSM. I had pitched it as a "less oft traveled path" for the SV Classic Two theme, it wasn't successful, but I still thought it had some legs, worth a go as Club Contest. Opening the year with it was timing congruent, plus could repeat idea for 2016, '17, '18 as the obvious easy tie in to those centennials of "the Great War" Like "Baseplate" with Hornets, "1915" at SVSM also went into my record books as themes I may or may not have to reconsider for IRAN (Implement And Repeat As Necessary) Perhaps with more attention or finesse, might be able to see a better turnout. Mayhaps not. But most importantly first, communication that just because something not happen, or turn out to plan doesn't mean it wasn't successful or not worth repeating. Or when someone else independent of you repeats or echoes something you have done, as well that you can't learn anew from it. Or enjoy retooling what is likely to be success again. President Mike Woolson's "A Cat Like Nature" theme, he left me reins to tweak it a little on a very short time line, and as you'll read, fine time in new fashion result. It was his smart call. Helped out by you all.

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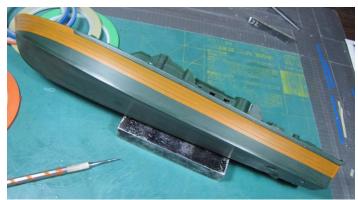


There were several additional parts that had to be cleaned up and attached to the deck such as the torpedo tubes, machine guns, rubber life raft and cabin parts.

The kit also included 3 drive shafts and their propellers plus three rudders for the bottom of the boat.

The deck was dry fitted to the hull.

It fit together nicely, so I just ran a bead of superglue (C-A) where the two sections joined together. These joints were then wet sanded with 400, then 600 grit wet/dry 3M sandpaper.



I applied some strips of masking tape so I could scribe in the plank lines on the hull, which would match up with the prescribed in deck lines.





Next, I gave the hull a white oil wash that filled the panel lines then sanded the hull with some 400 and 600 grit sandpaper.



A few minor flaws were fixed and then more sanding.

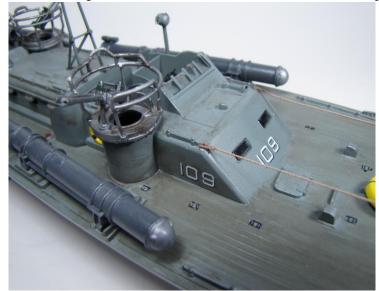
Once I was satisfied with my results I washed the hull with some clean "Turpentine" type of solution named "Turpenoid" that I use to mix with my artist oils. This water-like solution removes all of the artist oils that were

applied to the plastic hull.



I washed down the hull with plain old soap and water then gave the hull a wash with some Denatured Alcohol.

The front of the cabin windows were cut out and replaced with some clear plastic stock that I had on hand. The steering wheel area was revised and I added some clear plastic to the 4 window frames.



Most all of the kit parts were now carefully attached to the upper deck with super glue.

Then the model was painted with some grey Tamiya paint as called out in the painting instructions.

The 20mm cannon, the 2 machine guns and the 4 torpedo tubes were painted with some steel type of color, as per kit plans.

The life raft and the two floatable life rings were painted yellow.

These finished parts were attached on final assembly.

The plans showed that a rope was tied to the deck posts so I found some "ship" modeling rope and used it on PT-109.



A stand came with the kit and was built so that the model could be displayed on it. I used some white glue to attach the PT boat to the stand, so when the model was picked up and placed back down, it would sit upright.

I wet the paper flag, then dipped it into a super thin white glue solution. Then I made the flag a bit curly, and let it dry.



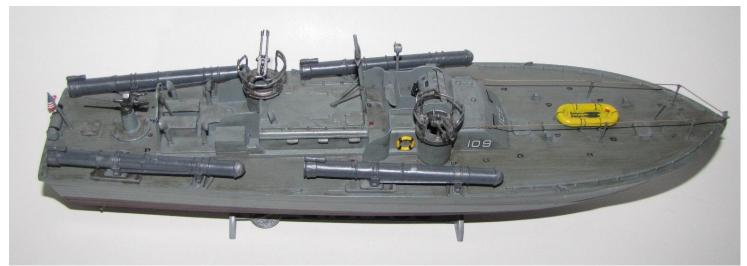


The decals were applied after I added a bit of Future Floor Wax here and there, then it was sprayed over lightly with my dull coat. This was a fun build so I added it to my ship collection.



Rodney J. Williams SVSM-Life Member © January 10, 2015









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#### UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR AS OF 01-26-15

Saturday, January 31 2015

**NNL West hosts** Event "NNL WEST 2015" Main Theme is "60 years of Small Block Chevy" *PLUS Special one: LAND SPEED RECORD Cars.* Santa Clara Convention Center, 5001 Great America Pkwy, Santa Clara CA.

Friday, February 13 2015

**IPMS/Fremont Hornets** monthly meeting.

Friday, February 20 2015

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

Friday, March 20 2015

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting. President's Club Contest Theme " 1965 "

Saturday, April 11 2015

**IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers** host SV Classic 2015 themed "Sun, Sand & Surf". Napredak Hall, San Jose. **48** categories of Senior Competition, **9** Junior Categories, **11** chances to "catch a wave" in form of Special Awards!

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 . Theme is TBA 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"



# SVSM 2015 SV Classic Saturday, April 11, 2015

Theme: "SUN, SAND & SURF"

Celebrating all that is California and off Shores Near or Fai

Napredak Hall

770 Montague Expressway

San Jose CA 95131

9:00 AM Doors Open 12:00 PM Registration Closes 1:05 PM Judges Meeting 1:15 PM Judging Begins 3:30 PM Awards Presentation 2015 SV Classic Theme "Sun, Sand, & Surf: SoCal Speed Shops, Surf Culture, Beach Girls, Northrop, Douglas, Redwoods & Woodies, Desert Subjects, Pacific Theatre...



### NOW OFFERING 48 Categories of Senior (18 & up) Level Competition

SWEEPS ALLOWED! ALSO OFFER 11 shots to "Catch A Wave" for Special Awards 5 Categories for Junior (13-17 years) 4 Categories for SubJunior (12/under) Competition

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Contestant Admission Pricing: \$ 12 Senior, Unlimited number of models entry

\$ 2 Junior, up to 5 models included, enter 6 or more = 5 dollars flat fee

\$ 1 Subjunior, up to 5 models included, enter 6 or more = 5 dollars flat fee

Spectators admission free !

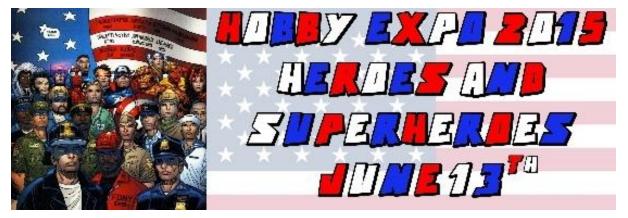
RAFFLE!

FREE MAKE AND TAKE For 17 and under!

VENDORS!

The Silicon Valley Scale Modelers (SVSM) are a chartered chapter of the USA branch of International Plastic Modelers Society (IPMS)

ALSO BE SURE TO BE HUNGRY THAT DAY! CONTEST DIRECTOR WILL HAVE A FOOD TRUCK ONSITE



The Editor highly recommends going to their website www.ipmssonomacounty.org for a visit, often

# The BUCK\$ \$topped Here !



FIRST CLUB CONTESTS 2015 PUT GRIN ON EDITOR AS MEMBERS PROVIDE ENTRIES FOR PREZ!
Photos & Text: Mick Burton Models: Membership

# EDITOR's "1915" & President's "The Cat's Outa The Bag"



January 2015 Club Contests Outcome



We started the New Year out right with a Double Club Contest pair, with this winnowing clause in common: Contest Basics: Entries MUST be finished for Awards

The President came up with a winning concept in more ways than one, and the Editor took a quantum of solace in lack of entries for his, by becoming Judge for "Cats"

"1915" which celebrates centennial as a year here, as a contest theme didn't garner a single entry. Oh well. "The Cats Outa The Bag" as you see, provided a lot



A Cat Like Nature was exact 'elaboration' elucidated to me for this by SVSM President Woolson, with few sketches of text. Included clear choices like: Grumman Cats, Tiger Meet subjects, Tiger or Panther tanks, etc. Given that this was an SVSM Club Contest, and that a good number of our members have been around the block a while (thus heard of enough history to have some "working knowledge", if not the precedent setters for some of that "wisdom") might not shock some of you when you see how this "rules setting" translated into a competitive, felonious feline realization.





First off, the utterly stock approach. Exemplified here by the Editor's celebrating a chance to roll out his favorite 8 wheeled vehicle. This is the Italeri molding in 1/35 of the Sdkfz 234/2 Panzerspahwagen, "Puma". Funny thing, the name seems to have just appeared over the years, the other three members of the 234 family having none. One of my sources said directly it wasn't even a nickname, or ever officially applied to this vehicle. Still, it retains a catlike nature, as the 50mm gun/turret on this heavy armored car came from a stillborn "Leopard" light tank project.

Overall German Dark Yellow using Testors Acryl, stock build and decals, modeler Mick Burton.

Right below is a Panther in 1/35 by modeler Cliff Kranz. Sorry, but I wasn't taking "minutes" this meeting time out,





a casualty of too many tasks inside too little time, you all know that one. I think the Pkpfz V (Panther) is Zvezda, Cliff will forgive me if I get it wrong. The yellow trimmed F9F Panther above, also Cliff's. I bet it's new Hobbyboss 1/72.

Terrifically, we stay on theme in a theme here, as now in view for you, the "Black Panther " P-47D from none other than Bill Ferrante

In 1/72 scale.

Appreciate how Bill outfitted his Thunderbolt of a cat-like nature, a belly tank of this distinct style not often seen on the model tables!





As aforesaid, I didn't get all the fun details recorded this time. So the Grumman F4F Wildcat here in 1/72 by Laramie Wright, like Bill's T-bolt, will for now, remain anonymous as to base kit brand. Really well done scheme, in blue/grey







Grumman's Cats figure prominently here now. Here, three in 1/48 by SVSM President Mike Woolson take center stage

The big twin is of course the inestimable F7F Tigercat, the -2N version, this time I can say confidently the AMT/ Ertl kit. In the middle, the F6F Hellcat, King of WW2 USN Fighters. Leading the pack, the stubby look of F8F Bearcat.

Mike indicated he had used Testors Model Master enamel for these superior applications of FS15042 Dark Sea Blue









A final look from another angle of the mighty all weather fighter Tigercat. The F7F-2N fairly distinctive to identify, with slightly bulbous nose, plus the mid fuselage second cockpit which likely provided the radar operator some ride!



So much for the easy entries.

Now we'll test your mettle with a number of entries that mostly did qualify to the rules provided, plus entertained and amazed audience.

Yes, that's the Lockheed SR-71A "Blackbird", here in its 1/144 scale glory resplendent.

LS Models if I recall is the kit, an Arii company also reissued some of their line here.

Now, some might surmise that a Blackbird is possible prey of cats, so by that stretch, it had qualified.

But how did the F-117 Nighthawk fit in then?

Though Ken Miller knows well that next club contest is February "Kelly's Heroes", of which these two fit splendidly for. However, Ken's a wily and keen competitor, these two were in the 'Cats contest, and legitimately so. How?

As Ken kindly explained, these are Skunk Works products. A skunk is also a "polecat"



Now that you know the rest of that story, here's a complete overhead recon shot of BOTH of Ken's entry groups!



Care to guess now, how it is the next lot of 1/144 aircraft premised to fit into "Cats"?

This is "Triple Zilch" schemed F-100D. The



markings well known. Cat connect, not so.

Same case for this lovely McDonnell F-101A



This F-105D Thunderchief may now point a clue where this is leading. Maybe. Maybe not



Final piece is this A-10A Warthog. Give up?



The final (and true answer as explained by Ken to everyone) answer: Those four (of five entered under premise) are all Tactical Air Command of USAF mission aircraft. Shorthand reference to that Command is TAC, which is...(drum roll, then the loud groans)

#### CAT spelled backwards!

Welcome to the other part of our Club Contests, finding ways to blaze new creative bends, distortions and outright spoofs in rules Within limits still. So, the 5<sup>th</sup> man in Ken's premised scheme, is NOT a CAT. As Judge rules, since F-106A not in TAC, but ADC Bring on the WINNERS!



CATS HONORABLE MENTION for "Black Panther P-47D" Bill Ferrante



CATS Contest THIRD PLACE for the "F4F Wildcat"

Laramie Wright



CATS SECOND PLACE for the "F9F Panther" Cliff Kranz



CATS FIRST PLACE for "F7F-2 TigerCat"
Mike Woolson

# NO LOSS, INCONTESTIBLY: No Tale Complete Until Explaining One



Re: "Cat's Outa The Bag" Judge Ruling
In The Case of:

#### In The Case of.

When Is A Cat, NOT A CAT?

On the left, another look at the "Field Of Battle" The review of the club contest seems to have missed one!

Did the Judge miss this *Meyers Manx*, which qualified under the rules? NO – Greg Plummer did not want it in the contest, brought it along for "moral support" Greg

made fine work of this "Round 2" re-release of the mid '60s classic. He also took an award that night, just not for this.





A Winning Finish Claws At Judge for a mention...



# 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) Ford Crown Victoria 4-door (early model)

1994 thru 1996 Chevy Impala / Caprice LT-1 / 9C1 4-door 5.7 L engine 350 hp (corvette engine)

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

# SVSM EDITOR'S CONTEST THEME February 2015 "Kelly'S Heroes"

Every February, this is Editor's birthday present to himself. Choosing this time to highlight the undeniable genius and passionate work of Clarence "Kelly" Johnson. The "Heroes" are the aircraft he made happen. List includes the U-2 & Blackbird family of course, also P-80/T-33/F-94, F-104, P-38. There's a lot, so get to work, and FINISH so you can try







# SVSM PRESIDENT'S CONTEST THEME March 2015 " 1965 "

The exact 'elaboration' to me by President Woolson, with a few sketches of text: Vietnam, Vietnam Aircraft of this year, or any aircraft first flew in 1965. Editor reminds there's also some cars (Mustangs, etc) can be easily modeled in





### SVSM EDITOR'S CONTEST THEME April 2015 "Bloody April"

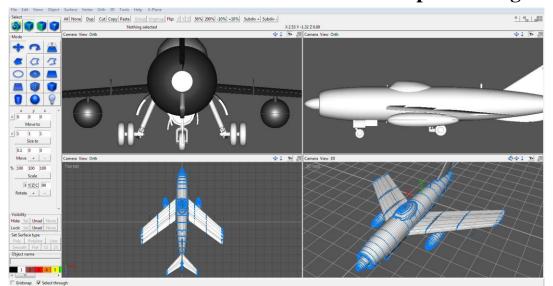
A catchy title not a restriction! Specifically, this was 1917 Battle of Arras in month of April. Editor reminds you a club contest interpretation here calls for anything that saw service, however briefly, between 1914 to 1918 will qualify. Service, not necessarily battle action, and ANY means Air, Land, Sea what have you, for subject matter. Finished only







### An Alumnus SVSM'er shows us the "Shape of Things To Come" – TODAY!

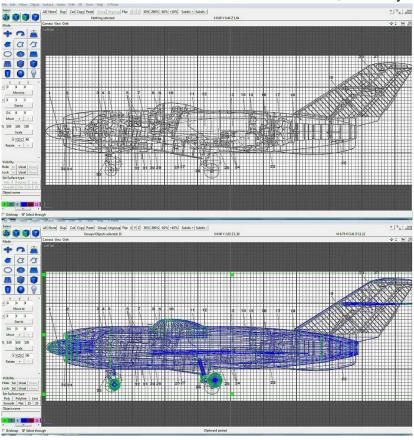


Mr. Mike Wilson,

who used to be part of our 3rd Friday of month fun "back in the day" (won Model of Month with a Myasischev M-52 VAC in the late 1990s, so you'll see he's no stranger to "odd old Russian types").

Mike now bedevils himself in State of New York, with 3-D modelling pursuits like this one

You likely heard at November meeting from Randy Ray and Laramie Wright about "Shapeways" 3-D Models? Well here is a Lavochkin LA-200 in 1/48<sup>th</sup> scale, crafted by Mike Wilson and produced for him by Shapeways









PLEASE NOTE: I received no compensation or product for this endorsement. I am doing it for Mike as a favor, and also I'm big fan of small business, promotion of odd aircraft in 3-D

Mike has several more of these exotic aircraft models on way, and he'd like you to visit his new online store to check them out, see for yourself what the future holds in this new field.

http://forjets.netfirms.com/page55.html

# At DAWN's EARLY LIGHT



### **Award For Best Prehistoric Creature or Early Man Subject**

ANOTHER ADVISEMENT for a SPECIAL AWARD in The TRICITY CLASSIC XI



Admittedly by title alone, nothing obvious how it specifically ties into TC-11's "The Good German" theme.

This award's "Germanic heritage" buried in classic catchphrase, "... the heart of deepest, darkest Africa."

As an origin point defined by now by current science, of humankind's first population of the Earth, and spread.



Being aware that this may not always sit well with everyone's view of the world and its history, plus recognizing the absolute virtual desert of available kit material for "early man" modelling, prehistoric life of all sorts also eligible. Not exactly overrun with models here either, however does open wide the variety of possible entries.

While South Africa is considered the richest single area of fossils for "early hominids", GERMAN EAST AFRICA in early 1900s was THE PLACE for PREHISTORIC WORLD EXPLORATION. Most centrally in the specific area of Tendaguru, now inside the nation of Tanzania. Now you know the true outline dimensions of this "Teutonic Tale".

In fact, the ONLY complete Brachiosaurus (Jurassic Park, anyone?) fossil extant currently is on display in Berlin Science Museum, today.

This very significant archetype specimen was from those German Expeditions, which carried on before, *during!* and after, World War One.

This grinning American Mastodon on the right though, here to reinforce how ANY Prehistoric Subject will neatly fit within basic parameters.

Man. Mauchrachenia (an ancient mammal), Megalosaurus (dinosaur) or even Meganeura ... (ancient dragonfly with a 3 foot wingspan)

How few do these intriguing subjects, almost a crying shame considering the "show value".



So yes, this is an effort while there is several months yet, to get such an entry project underway or finished, to inspire. Also, "Germanically speaking" here, quality shot for a double payout chance awaiting the more intrepid or wily "game lawyering" competitor...









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FROM " RED "



**COMING SOON** in the **FEBRUARY 2015 EDITION**Of

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#### ADDING A LITTLE to OUTLINES from CLUB CONTESTS for SUMMER/FALL

# SVSM PRESIDENT'S CONTEST THEME May 2015 " MAY FIVES "

The exact 'elaboration' to me by President Woolson, with a few sketches of text: Northrop F-5s, Aircraft of 1965, or other "FIVE" relations. Editor reminds there's also the A-5 Vigilante, F5F Skyrocket, Bell X-5 ...just some musings

# 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.

### 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 70<sup>th</sup> 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!

-Mickb

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### 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.

