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## " What Manner of S. O. N. S. Hath Greg Wrought ? "



IN GRAND TRADITION, THE SPONSOR ENTERS OWN CLUB CONTEST WITH GUSTO !



"KNOW THAT EDITOR WILL RETURN HERE TO DUTIES BUT IN MEANTIME SOMETHING USEFUL "



**NOTE The DECEMBER GIFT EXCHANGE is the sole business Agenda item for meeting ! NO MODEL TALK Locale:** Our Standard Meeting Place, Milpitas PD Community Room, from 8-1030pm. **OFFICIAL RULES BELOW:** 

"RULES OF ENGAGEMENT ": GIFT "THEFT" EXCHANGE SVSM DECEMBER 2019 MEET

1. YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN. So show up on time to register AT FRONT DESK

2. MAXIMUM THREE Gifts put in play by any ONE Member In Good Standing. Non Member ? ONE gift max

3. MAXIMUM FOUR TOTAL Gifts may be put in play by a Member & Family or a Member plus their Guests.

4. MINIMUM RETAIL VALUE EACH GIFT must be 25 US dollars. LABELYOUR NAME ON GIFT

5. GIFTS IN ORDER TO PLAY must be reasonably pre wrapped, not outrageously "disguised" or otherwise camouflaged, so as to not take a person all night (that we don't have) to unwrap and continue our game.

6. GIFT TO BE OFFERED IN PLAY should be model oriented, likely to be generally perceived of as an item some several of those present WOULD WANT TO STEAL. Bring item you're mad for, others likely will be.

7. ONCE UNWRAPPED, ALL GIFTS CONSIDERED "IN PLAY" UNTIL "DEAD". NO TRADES !! ARE ALLOWED IF IN PLAY ITEMS INVOLVED. Feel free to manage what you like with yours and others "dead"

8. UNWRAPPED GIFT IS "IN PLAY" UNTIL STOLEN THREE TIMES THEN IT IS DECLARED "DEAD" Any & all disputes for this declaration are resolved by Club Secretary or his designee, are final and binding. Just ask Chris B. or his designee.

9. PLAY ENDS when time to leave comes or all items are stolen to the deadpoint or the last one is unwrapped to its eventual fate.

10. AT LEAST ONE UNBUILT MODEL SHIP KIT must be present in the GIFT PILE. Or you're all in trouble.

## 11. THIS MAY NOT BE COMPLETE RULES. LISTEN AT THE MEETING FOR ANY ADDENDA.

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AS THEN REQUIRING JUDGING THUSLY BE DONE BY ANOTHER, Hapless Hire Editor Exclaims (from 1)

### REALLY LOOK AT THE VARIETY TURNOUT FOR CLUB CONTEST



Photos: Mick Burton Text: Mick Burton Models: Not One by Mick Burton

HOW IT WAS PRESENTED & PROMOTED THIS TIME :

Original inspiration for this came to Editor over a Saturday night dinner with VP Greg Plummer and wife Natalie, when the dearth of SVSM club contests came up in conversation. Fine challenge for me to come up with a way to promote and publicize this concept. A finer challenge to Greg to get a worthy turnout for his contest theme of a single origin model subject. Meaning the finished model had to done without leaving the borders of the nation of its origin, save for the physical fact of having to show up on the SVSM meeting table ! What, to me seemed a daunting albeit creative, theme, proved again to be a winner all around for sponsor, promoter and club membership oh yes.

What potentially could have derailed things here was Editor neglecting to get this onto schedule, a kind prompt at another dinner a few weeks later from Greg helped get the advertising underway. It was announced verbally by the Editor at the August meeting, posted on the Club Contests page of mickbmodeler.com by end of that month, saw light as written page in October OSS. All crafted as "**S.O.N.S**" (Single Origin National Subject) of November " and some examples given to help out.

Without a doubt, the response was indeed a credit to Greg's creative risk taking foray to get Club Contests back in play and to the membership who played, as you will soon see ahead. Since the sponsor was himself in the contest, he felt it wise to have someone else be Judging the event. He cannily surmised that the very same Editor had in fact nothing done for entry, and could carry on a Judging stint here, solo or otherwise. As long as he stuck to awarding 3 places, as Greg planned.

Thankfully, Greg had already vetted who was in the contest (Editor was late arriving so had mostly no idea who was in it or what models for sure were...) and only two entrants were added in during the meet just prior to break and Judging. So the results were pretty much "blind judgements", eh?

The Judge did in the end, find it necessary to bend the rules slightly in that Honorable Mentions were made with some illustrative context, when results were rendered. But prefaced with caveat that Editor had gone rogue here and no cash prizes were forthcoming in those mentions. Bonus end results continued to come from this contest, as Editor was shocked though pleased who was in it, who won and best of all, now had too much material so must publish TAMS for coverage !



Congratulations to GREG PLUMMER FOR HIS GENEROUS SPONSORING of

OUR LAST CLUB CONTEST OF THE YEAR COMING IN MONTH OF NOVEMBER

A CHALLENGING CLUB CONTEST

" S.O.N.S. "

Which simply translates when expanded, to:

Single Origin National Subject Simple Rules:

The finished model must be representative through and through, of a single national origin, beginning with the raw material (kit or supplies)

Examples given for Qualifiers:

A Hasegawa or Tamiya Mitsubishi A6M Zero in Japanese markings A Monogram Pontiac GTO "Judge"

An Airfix Spitfire in RAF service

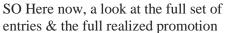
An Airfix Operation Herrick Land Rover, Supacat Jackal, Coyote An Airfix Trafalgar Class submarine

A Revell of Germany Class 212 Submarine German Navy

A Revell USA Saturn V A Monogram Apollo CM or LEM

Of course, these are merely suggestions to give some flavor to the competition in case you are stuck for an answer or unclear on the concept. Any scale, any type and of course, if you care to scratch build, feel free. But make sure the materials are all of the same national origin... for the chosen subject.

Our Club Contest Sponsor has committed to CASH prizes, so he hopes some show!





Mind you, the Editor shot some of these before he became Judge along with fact the last two (below & right) were moved to tables later on, so these pictures are beforehand as I was later at work !









**Cliff Kranz** started things off in the right mode, as it were. Here is his 1953 issue (and he built this long ago, he said) 1911 International Harvester Corporation vehicle in 1/32<sup>nd</sup> scale. Its original boxing as "Highway Pioneer" by Gowland & Gowland of the USA.



The real Vigilante had the "nuke" follow the airplane, trapped in the slipstream...Ooops !



Cliff's other entry, a vintage build of the venerable Monogram kit of the A3J-1 Vigilante, complete with "working feature" of ejectable from tail "special weapon". Worked better than the real thing, which is partly why this plane became a great recon platform.







Next up, **John Carr's grandson** with his 1/1/80<sup>th</sup> scale Testors Space Shuttle, which he managed to complete despite a lack of complete and/or clear instructions. A true modeler's experience, as his Grandpa and we agreed. Good job, **Landon !** 





Grandpa **John Carr** related a brief but powerful tale of a 13 dollar club auction "prize" which turned out as anything but. Thanks to this club contest, John had an incentive to be done with this beast as he put it. While he didn't recall who made it (almost all of it was in Cyrillic, being a Russian kit) he made a clear case why this was only for the undaunted.

This 1/350 scale K-407 Novomoskovsk submarine may be better known to some here as a Delta IV class missile sub of nuclear propulsion. After hearing John's story which made this great result, another Honorable Mention was deserved !

Alas, I had already determined then results, but here I can relay the humbling wish that it be recorded as the 4th HM ...













**William Ferrante**'s 1/48<sup>th</sup> Tamiya A6M Zero-sen came to pass thanks to a book passage on the US 4<sup>th</sup> FG in the PTO. Whereupon score made on a "Zero with an orange tail and yellow nose", due A6M pilot having missed presence of a wingman on his tail as he was on tail of USAAF "target"...





**Chris Bucholtz**'s Avro Canada CF-100 Canuck in 1/72<sup>nd</sup> scale done in NATO scheme, was "all Canadian, all the time" from base kit to decals. Unfortunately, the Editor didn't get all the Canadian details to relay to readers here...sorry.











**Mark Schynert** took a Tripartite International approach to whole club contest. Starting with this  $1/72^{nd}$  scale Northrop Gamma in racing markings for "SkyChief" sponsored by Texaco, kit is from Williams Bros. Can't get more of an American entry than that, eh?

The Gamma series has been very good to Mark of late, he's gotten a number of variants done and a couple more on the way!

In front of Sky Chief are Mark's Reggiane and Hurricane, which are from Italian and British kits







Mark's Re-2001 is Italy's Supermodel brand kit, he liked building it and feels that for its time especially, the kit holds up well compared to today's 1/72<sup>nd</sup> offerings.

His Airfix 1/72<sup>nd</sup> Hawker Hurricane Mk 1 is of course, the newer tool kit and he chose the lesser seen but very attractive two blade version. Again, Mark was very happy with the results and this model definitely turned out.



Mark wasn't the only one to approach this contest in a spirited International Tripartite manner. As I have alluded to in Cover and opening, the sponsor entered his own contest with no small effort indeed. See the next few shots for support

**Greg Plummer** had this NASCAR of Bobby Allison for one of THREE entry items. It's the All USA, all the time one, as he explained. Model of Buick raced by Allison to win Daytona 500 in 1982.

Kit originated as a Monogram mold, Greg says you can get one like he did from an Internet source based in Corona, California. Seems a fan modeler, gone sole proprietor, brings new meaning to "garage kit" term.









Had no idea that the Allison Buick or the upcoming Impala were his at the time either, but those weren't as surprising among entry subjects on first sight. The surprise got even better as talk went on. Not stopping there, Greg surprised the Judge at Model Talk portion covering club contestants, as he didn't know this neat tractor was Greg's entry.



While as Judge I was pretty much confident that entrants had played fair with models,I did have a limited time to work with and made brief presumptions on entries that I may not have had deeper or common knowledge of.



My idea was that this intriguing well rendered farm tractor was a Made in USA entry, get details in talk ahead and learn more about it.

Very well modeled, would place in my final round of judgment partly as I want to encourage just such variety in our communal days of showing work. So pleased and I was shocked learning a Revell of Germany PORSCHE diesel was a true identity for this table gem!

Greg explained it was smallest (one cylinder) engined of entire series done by Porsche. COOL!





A blurry shot in background of top shot I took of Greg's MB captures the recently returned to us builder of the F-14A on right and below. **Geoff Kreuger** was persuaded to move to the club contest midway through meeting, as this was "All USA" model he had made clear during earlier model talk portion.

Greg's third entry was from Italy this time, being the ESCI kit of Aermacchi's MB 326 "Impala" in 148<sup>th</sup>

Sweet bright orange Italian AF Flying School finish !





Geoff related how he has really felt that Monogram Models 1/48<sup>th</sup> F-14 was a still good deal for a fan of the aircraft, as opposed to spending big money on a recent kitting like that by Tamiya.

His blue/grey scheme is a USN Aggressor scheme that just so happened to match his shirt roughly speaking, in picture of him behind Greg's MB Impala. Some camo, eh?



Lastly of our contestant entries to be covered, is this grand pairing from undaunted Jordan Li, home for a visit from college down SoCal way. Both well in his current great project comfort zones, one part of history of the manned space effort in form of the NA X-15A-2 space plane and other for history of the Taiwanese AF in form of the F-CK-1 IDF.

The F-CK-1 Indigenous Defence Fighter looks a small bit like a F-18A that ran into an F-16B (check the intakes for my premise along with the twin jets). Not a complete accident, as the project originated back in the 1980s when TAF was denied access to GD F-16s as export sales thanks to an agreement with USA and the PRC. Interestingly, GD was permitted to be part of the initial design/development of the resultant all Taiwanese vehicle which came out superbly.

As did Jordan's model contender of the fairly hard to get all resin and vacform canopied kit of this important aircraft.







Jordan's X-15A-2 of course is the Monogram of USA kitting, the only truly 1/72<sup>nd</sup> injected molding extant that I know of, although the old Revell kitting was a pretty good rendering. That one though was not 1/72<sup>nd</sup> and was the A-1 X-15.

Many thanks again to all who participated and to Greg Plummer for sponsoring the awards for November's Club Contest ! NOW, ON TO THE WINNERS of "Single Origin November Subjects "!





NOVEMBER "S.O.N.S " Honorable Mention for "Orange Impala"

**Gregory Plummer** 





NOVEMBER "S.O.N.S" Honorable Mention for "All Canuck CANUCK" Chris Bucholtz





NOVEMBER "S.O.N.S " Honorable Mention for "Aggressor TomCat"

Geoff Kreuger





NOVEMBER "S.O.N.S " THIRD PLACE for "Porsche Tractor "

**Gregory Plummer** 





NOVEMBER "S.O.N.S " SECOND PLACE for "Orange Tail Zero "

William Ferrante





# NOVEMBER "S.O.N.S " FIRST PLACE for "Taiwanese F-CK-1 IDF"

Jordan Li



#### UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR AS OF 09-30-19

Friday, December 13 2019

IPMS/ Fremont Hornets host their 42nd Holiday Fun at the Irvington Community Center, Fremont CA

Friday, December 20 2019

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers 56th year Holiday meet "Pirate's Pleasure" Gift Exchange Theme

Friday, January 10 2020

IPMS/ Fremont Hornets host their first 2020 meeting at Irvington Community Center, Fremont CA.

Friday, January 17 2020

**IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers** host their first 2020 meeting @ MPD Community Room, 1275 Milpitas Blvd Theme will be "Shooting Stars: A Year Later " as all entries come due for club contest per sponsor, William Ferrante

Saturday, January 25 2020

NNL West host their 2020 show at Santa Clara Convention Center, Santa Clara Theme Any 1970 or Any year 4x4

Friday, February 07 2020

IPMS/ Fremont Hornets host their EARLIER DATE Friday 2020 meeting at Irvington Community Center, Fremont

Saturday, February 15 2020

**IPMS/ Silver Wings** host their SILVERCON 2020 at the Town & Country Lutheran Church and School, 4049 Marconi Ave, Sacramento CA . Theme is "The Roaring Twenties "

Friday February 21 2020

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers host their meeting

Friday, March 13 2020

IPMS/ Fremont Hornets host their meeting at Irvington Community Center, Fremont CA.

Friday, March 20 2020

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting. Theme is "Theft"

Friday, April 10 2020

IPMS/ Fremont Hornets host their meeting at Irvington Community Center, Fremont CA.

Friday, April 17 2020

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting

Saturday April 18 2020

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers host their 7th SV Classic, "Take Your Best Shot" at Napredak Hall, San Jose

Friday, May 15 2020 IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers host their meeting

Saturday, October 3 2020

**IPMS/ Reno High Rollers** host their event at the Elks Lodge. BPOE Lodge 597, 597 Kumle Lane, Reno NV. Theme is "The Cold War: 1946-1989" See their website <u>www.renohighrollers.com</u> for more info.



IPMS Region 9

April 18th 2020 NAPREDAK HALL 770 MONTAGUE EXPY. SAN JOSE CA. 95131

1920's racing vehicles of all types (land,sea,air),military recon subjects,spy aircraft,space,Aerospace vehicle or subjects that pushed the limits of technology or drew negative feedback from others,early stealth projects,super weapons,WWII aircraft that saw service in Korea & Vietnam,fire fighting aircraft,China Lake,Point Magu,Tyndell AFB,Hollaman AFB,White Sands Missle Range,Red Flag,UCAV/UAV's,Land Speed vehicles.

9AM DOORS OPEN "Free spectator admission" 12 NOON REGISTRATION CLOSES, 1:05 judges meeting, 3:30 Awards

Free Make N Take model building for kids being held all day. Gourmet food truck serving food & drinks for lunch. Two raffles held at 11AM & 2PM. Competition open to the public (IPMS MEMBER OR NOT) in 47 categories of senior (18 & UP), 9 youth (13-17), sub junior (12 &under). (SWEEP ALLOWED) SENIOR \$12 UNLIMITED NUMBER OF MODELS, \$5 FLAT FEE

PLEASE NOTE Due to safety restrictions within the contest venue we can not accommodate models or vendors that require wall power. Small battery power models are ok.

Vendor table sales and other contest related information please contact the contest director.Tables are on a first come basis and limited to two tables per person and non refundable or transferable.NO EXCEPTIONS. Valid state of California tax form/permit required and must be present at event.

"The fallowing awards will be awarded to a model that best fits the title,flavor,or the person would find of interest and does not have to be a 1-2-3 place winner"

"Best Competition Auto"

"The Steve & Anita Travis subject award"

"Atlantis reissued model kit" (must be built out of the box with instructions present)

### STILL COMING UP IN AN AFTERMARKET NEAR YOU ! Looking Back at 55...

PLUS

Another bunch of stuff the Editor managed to toss together @

<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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