

# THE AFTER MARKET SHEET



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## "What We Did In October & Other Tales of '22"



#### Yes, Editor Took Pictures Thought It a Good Idea, Skipped Taking Notes Text: Mick Burton **Models: Anyone Else but Mick Burton Photos: Mick Burton**

The first meet of October took place at our favored Milpitas PD Community Room locale, the Friday just before the SUNDAY that Fresno Scale Modelers show was to launch. Editor was stressed with many things in play. One of them being Contest Director of the returning TriCity Classic which was then only two 2 weeks away. Be as it may...





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#### "YES DONE FOR NOW, BUT FAR FROM DONE and NO CHOICE MUST BE FORGING AHEAD"

This editorial page is being filled with a poignant reminder again for me and I know for sure, others, time left to us is always an unknown and better spent on pursuits other than dwelling on negatives always present in life as we know it. This year started out rough in first quarter, we saw both Regionally and Nationally, a pretty solid return to new norms through summer and just past Labor Day, things positively ran together for a while so vibrantly hard to keep up. Well, we have already much around model community underway for 2023, best not be distracted or lazy in a bad way –mickb

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### ANOTHER FRIEND "Goes On Ahead"...



# David A. Newman R.I.P. 1959-2022

I had the pleasure of meeting David and getting to know him a bit over the years, back in the day when he still lived in Bay Area. His home club then was the Fremont Hornets, mine was San Jose Scale Modelers but we both became members of the other. I met his dad the first time at one of our meetings (don't recall anymore which, no matter tho, really) and his lovely Stephanie at another. Dave and his wife moved away in time, but I would reconnect at shows up here, and eventually many times when AVG club began their long run of Desert Classics in Lancaster. Never all this time did it cross my mind that I'd be apologizing to him for my missing them both at the returning AVG show a week before my own return heading a show, only to learn shortly after that it would be our last conversation here... SO many will be missing David besides me, as he knew so many more of us than any of us

ever knew him, I think he kind of liked it that way. He would make it clear if pressed, that his "business model was odd" for his scale modeler hobby business many of you knew as MUROC Models. Namely, he'd keep his stuff so quietly done, that he'd have time to enjoy his model pursuits anew, rather than working to reproduce stuff he'd already done well. True to his nature, his productions were more than you were paying for at a good price. He also kept quiet how many other bits he'd be up to for others on the side, we may never know how many owe him a debt of thanks for coming through for them All kinds of folks from clubs up and down California knew David as an associate member of their community over the years, and there's the entire community of students, faculty who knew "Professor Dave" from years at Antelope Valley College. Not to forget the integration of David into goings on at NASA Ames and NASA Dryden, the Edwards AFTTC Museum, nor his roles as part of his long time home club South, the Antelope Valley Group. DAMN WE MISS YOU!

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#### AS OCTOBER TURNED...( from 1)

As aforementioned, one of the priority items for Meeting Business that night was to insure again that any/every one who was planning to go to the FSM event knew it wasn't the next day, but one later. (Editor had earlier put out an update "unofficial flyer" with changed date on two websites, along with a fast "events only" OSS that had prominent notice of change only of the date).

Once meeting called to order and that was out of the way, we did review some of the excellent experiences for those hardy few who made it to Reno High Rollers Classic, on October 8.

A show which had also just recently returned to active duty after suffering



two postponements over 2 years time, now having been held for their first time at a new locale, the Elks Lodge of Reno. Also being covered by new 2022/23 E Board at our first regular meeting since taking office was the upcoming Antelope Valley Group Desert Classic, it to returning to active from long hiatus again with new venue being another new wrinkle, this show would be the following weekend from our meeting. Week later would be the TriCity 14 (repeat after me, LONG hiatus, new locale, returning to active status). Then closing out with Dragon Lady 2022, a welcomed redux almost a year from their own return from LONG hiatus, with their November show also closing out 2021 Region Nine Competition year A few other items of business were covered as well. However again, Editor was doing well to just manage to get decent pictures taken without disrupting meeting flow entirely. So no notes were taken by him, too much now to remember and no minutes received to date, so what's about to follow is literally Editor's Photo Essay, saying much with pictures mostly

#### In Model Talk:

From **Cliff Kranz**, this five piece array seen on the right

Which one of these is not like the others? Seriously!

I will give each of these a bit of their own spotlight, just ahead, rest assured.

But four of these share a common thread that Cliff has been quite faithful with

Besides his consistent and appreciated imparted sense of having fun doing models

Although this picture I have used isn't the best for this, you should be able to spot the visual clues and won't have to dodge question...





Okay then here you go. This is a Dodge L-700 COE, the original molding being by IMC (Industro-Motive Corporation) and new in 1965. There came a followup release that came with a flatbed cargo trailer from them, of course the box art featured the Chapparal Racer aboard trailer (IMC kitted the Racer as well, separately). Testors offered the same molding later with a full semi trailer, and then came Lindberg editions which is currently how you can find one again today. Cliff related a lot of info about this and the other trucks, however you'll have to ask him now as I don't have the words here.





This time, clearly NOT the same kit but ostensibly the same basic vehicle, Dodge L-700 COE. Cliff spoke on this at length, sadly I'd not recorded it and haven't found anything in my research to assist here. So, just appreciate the work



Further post meeting examination seems to point more to this being a cousin Dodge COE as door shape, etc not as similar to that IMC faithfully captured of the real deal, to simply write off as "toy like vs scale model like" distinction



Not able to tell you here what kit he used, but it's clearly a Dodge L-700 based ladder truck. One cannot mistake that front end cab for anything but.

If you possibly are sensing a common thread here, good. A tidbit, Cliff "Trucker" Kranz is how his club badge read for years, he's also very informed on matters Chrysler/Plymouth/Dodge and continues his education in life 24/7/365.





Cliff again will have to fill you in on the details. This white fire truck is same scale as the companion L-700 based one, I'd not be able to say anymore than that at this point. Okay the four trucks roughly related to one another, what makes the 5<sup>th</sup> model in the setting related although not like the others, is that Cliff is just as enthused, well grounded in researched detail on it as he is for any of his aircraft, armor or wheeled civilians. That will be his latest in a series of 1/72 scale postwar V-2







This is a US Postwar V-2, rocket #43, launched August 5. 1948 from pad 33 at White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico. 1/72<sup>nd</sup> scale, Condor kit. I believe the launch date also corresponds to Cliff's actual birthday, but you'll have to ask him.







**Louis Orselli** had a "mystery box" model aircraft WIP. I checked and I have no photos of it fully exposed. So we'll just have to wing it. It's 1/48<sup>th</sup> scale, and could be a Dewoitine 501...





**See Young** brought us some old school and then new. This is the 1/32 scale Monogram Panther V. All that "Zimmerit" you see on this tank model was done by See with a heated tool to create the look on the raw

plastic. I applaud his patience with technique, first I ever heard of it. Like Cliff, See keeps his modelwork fun always, for himself and he shares that "rule of modelling" with us quite well every time he shows up for a meeting. Thanks, See!

Below, a first look at what Gabriel Lee had been up to. Sea, Sky and Space, Unreal, Real and the Fantastic. Look on:





Making mighty progress on his revision of model of real Soviet "Typhoon" Ballistic Missile sub into the fictional Soviet sub "Red October". Gabriel also notes the movie version and book version it's based on differ, so he solves as he goes.



Meanwhile, in a realm far far away from the sea, sails this vessel. DAOE-01 ASUKA in 1/1000 scale, by Bandai





It's an EFCF Fast Combat Supply Tender. How can I be so sure? Because I took pic of the booklet Gabriel brought along!

Last but not least, here's how things stood with his F-18 "Top Gun Maverick" movie model plane project as of October.







Next up, **Kent McClure** with a grand menagerie of WIP and finished subjects, as always in variety.

Those "mini-Gundams" intrigue me, I could gather that (center below) is likely the VF-1 Valkryie that I see few manage in larger scales, it looks like an F-14 cousin.





The Yak-15 from the PM kit, Kent did to me a fantastic job of rendering that pig into a pretty finish. I had to give it a big picture (below) so you could perhaps see some of the fine lines. Wish mine had turned out like this. Nice Lippisch delta!





AH SOOOO Mr. Gundam, you're sticking to your story, you just came upon this dismembered bird and you have no idea how it got that way? You, YAK-15, and your pal, Mr British Armored Carrier, NOTHING to say here? SUSPICIOUS!

I'm telling you, it's a crime scene. Just look at how this poor subject was left on display... A mighty land bird, laid low.







**David Balderrama** found a bunch of great bargains in books, one in particular is an obscure find that he remembered from young days while still in school. *Scale Models In Plastic* in top left corner, which shocked me as I hadn't seen a copy but my own in years. Surprised him to learn I knew of and had it which made the meeting again demonstrate why being in the club enhances modelling experience. When you discover what you have in common in the most elliptical of ways with friends

David also got a nice kit of an unknown to many of us (me for sure) Japanese aircraft, the Kokusai TA-GO. Complete with an aftermarket set for it. I am now on the hunt for one, intrigues me as it relates to the shelved Operation Olympic at WW2 end

I recommend checking this link for great summary on plane: https://plane-encyclopedia.com/ww2/kokusai-ta-go/

On the left: Not wasting any time, **Karsten Kroeger** has this Countach model he won at our September Auction, underway.



Meanwhile, Karsten's dad, **Geoff Kroeger**, brought in three intriguing items for us to peruse. Above, a closer look at the Bell Model 58 family member in a recent military guise. I am pretty sure it's a 1/35<sup>th</sup> scale kit. Below, a 1/48<sup>th</sup> He-219.

Okay, a WIP Heinkel He-219 Uhu (a specific species of owl, although name in most English references always simply given as if it translated from German as (generic overall term for the bird) "Owl" (Eule) ) I learned of this, so I share.



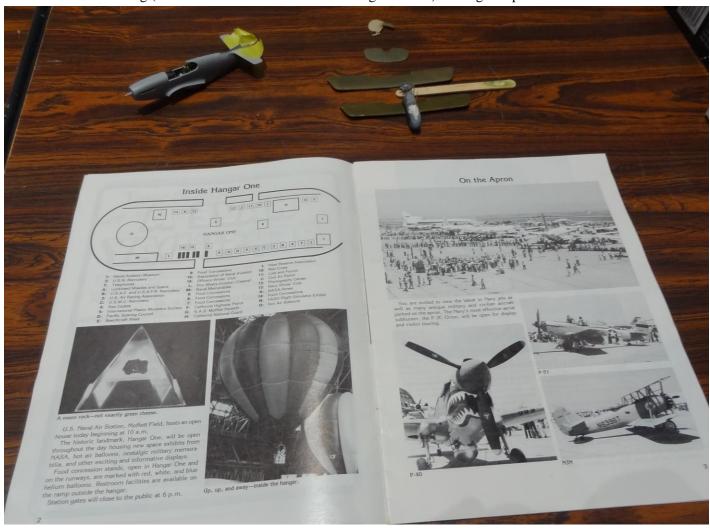


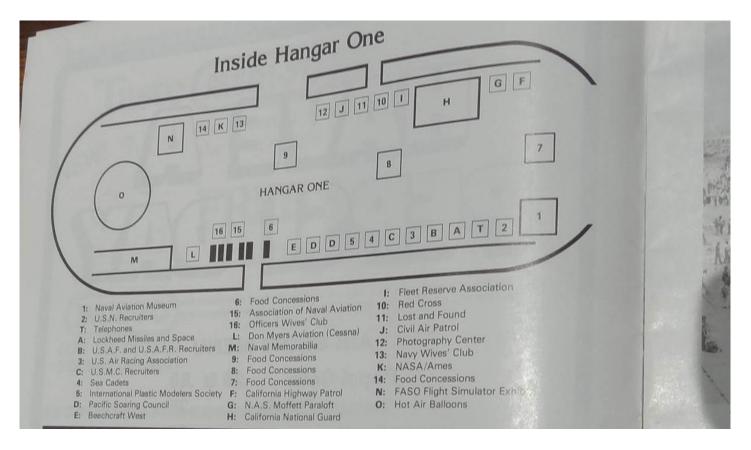
Now I did say he brought 3 intriguing items, on the right I revealed the ID of the third, below you'll see it as Geoff presented it to the attendees.

A look into the front office of Geoff's Uhu.



Yes that is NAS Moffett Field, circa 1977, well in its then latest heyday as the West Coast hub of USN Antisubmarine Warfare Aviation training (aka where the P-3 Orions come and go to learn) hosting an open house/air show for us all.





Geoff brought this in, it brought back many memories, it was in fact this show that I first encountered in person this club. If you look on the legend above, space 5 was the International Plastic Modelers Society. That was how San Jose Scale Modelers (nee' South Bay Club) were classified for "vendor/participant" space allocation/privileges at the event. Space 5 is on the near side of this map, between D (Pacific Soaring Council) and 4 (Sea Cadets). Expect another article soon...

And as you may have espied in the prior page, above Geoff's airshow program were two 1/72 scale Works In Progress. Both of them were from **Chris Bucholtz**. One of them being shown below, his Dehavilland DH.2 Royal Air Corps fighter





"The other one" being this P-51B/C, and again, this time I had no recollection of the kit to assist more here. Chris will of course be returning with it as progress happens, and I can see by the front windscreen a newer molding due better design.





Above, a marvelous US Armor trio from **Pat Nichols** More coming on these in a moment. It's Break Time.

Giving the Editor a moment as well, to insert this pic of the tables at October, you can see where we have been already and what's still to come, perhaps.

There's 2022/23 SVSM President Greg Plummer in a Red shirt, hard at work enjoying himself at break. He will decide on Model of the Month sometime soon. It is Ron Wergin, President forever before (ok, 2018-22) there on other side in light grey. Mike Schwarze in the back, leaning over to hide? Chris Bucholz dashing from camera on the left, and unflappable Postoria Aguirre, in midst of shooting a picture of Mr Schwarze's works.





I originally wanted to give each of Pat's "Stuarts" a page of their own here, but my shots didn't turn out to put that into action.

I know Pat gave an excellent exposition on the lot, but as have said repeatedly (sorry) already, I am just writing as my research or memory takes me in getting this whole thing ready to publish

So the delicious details for many of the items here will not be as recorded, since they weren't except as my camera and my ears managed.

Doesn't take anything away from all these fine model works!

As always, the Editor as member and Officer, thanks all who bring for share, show and tell. Pure gold never gets old!



While Pat was keeping us up with trio of Armor, **Ben Pada** was keeping us apprised of his latest two Aircraft projects.

Ben's P-38 Lightning and the Focke-Wulf Fw-190 are on the very versatile workstands that he first ran across at a IPMS-USA Nats vendor room. He's quite a fan of these work tools now.









**Greg Plummer** had this intriguing looking  $1/72^{nd}$  scale modern fighter jet, I just wish I recalled what it was. So as I have done at times in the past when writing meetings up where scant/no notes taken, I looked up what I could based on photos.

So now at least, I can tell you this is a Pakistani JF-17 "Thunder", result of a joint Pakistan/PRC project for Pakistan AF.

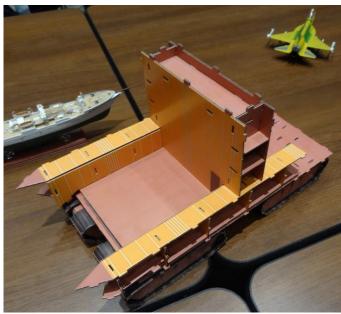




**John Carr** brought this ship work in process in for his share. It's not often we see a maritime subject from him but he's a versatile and determined scale modeler. Both qualities will serve him well again here, as I recall my enthusiasm for seeing this latest work of John's was tempered by his relating what a "bargain" (not!) this item from our September auction was.

Testimony to John's skill here can be gathered in realizing that as he told me, despite what you see here, nothing in this kit fit. Parts were missing or so grossly molded that major rework or replacement was called for, instructions were more of a suggestion than any help or guide. However, true to his character, John assured me he will see it through so I can look for a chance to see this finished some meeting ahead.





**Landon Carr** had this Sand Crawler from Star Wars' "The Mandalorian" underway.

It's a "paper kit", part of a series of them and quite well made





**Bob Meyers** had a quad of new finished armor to show

I can't say for sure now, but it looks like 1 Brit and 3 German World War Two, so that's how I divvied up the pictures. Being in error here wouldn't be my first time, but nonetheless you'll see how nice Bob's work turned out, even if my ID isn't spot on

If my memory serves here, this has the "long box" at rear of the fighting compartment, for operating long gun

Box is for the recoil portion of gun firing sequence.





"White Tiger" indeed





**Mike Schwarze** doesn't get the chance to show up for every meeting, as life can derail plans.

So, when he does make it he makes the most of being able to share what he's' up to.

The Haunted House was something I think he was creating from scratch for his niece/ Again, can't swear to it now, only recall that somehow the fact Halloween was two weeks away had a part in things...

That's the Phantom of the Opera in the state of dismemberment, alongside the base upon which he'll be standing in a dramatic manner when finished.

The unfinished as yet, off white items, do include bits of "Freddy Flameout" which originally issued in the 1960s by HAWK Model Company as part of "Weird-Ohs" series.

The arachnid is something Mike's been improving the basis of for awhile now. It started out from the "Gigantics" Spider vs. the World kit first seen in the 1970s.



OKAY – that's a wrap since I will run out of space for my file save as PDF if I go any further. That's all the models on the Talk Table for October 2022, and the Model Of The Month went to See Young for his Panzer with the creative finish

- mick fini

# THESE FOLKS HAVE BEEN STRONG SUPPORTERS FOR LONG TIME OF OUR EVENTS SO PLEASE TAKE UP THIS INVITATION TO MAKE IT TO THIS EVENT OF THEIRS, YES!

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## COMING UP – SATURDAY FEBRUARY 04 2023



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## ARRRRGGHH, Really!

## Editor Loads Up A Preview of Review of December Meet You May Have Missed

**Text & Photos: Mick Burton** 



Here a quick look, on the left is the beginning of the pile that night. MORE SHOWED UP...





Rule of \$ 25 minimum gift was taken by some in spirit intended. As you may know, that a C-140, the B-25, that GT-40 as examples that were in play, more \$\$ than that !

Stay tuned for next issue
- mick fini



STILL PLANNED: OUR MONDAY DEC 26 SVSM Meet – at GAME KASTLE Locale

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

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



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