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PICTURE THIS: YOU PUT ON A CONTEST, & PEOPLE ACTUALLY SHOWED UP, HAD FUN



TRI CITY EIGHT WAS GREAT, REPORTS UTTERLY BIASED CONTEST DIRECTOR WRITING THIS
Continued coverage of the Fall event hosted by the Fremont Hornets and attended by a host of skilled others.

More than ever, getting one of these events called together, coordinated and launched seems almost more of an act of blind faith combined with sheer lunacy. Nonetheless, because they're fun and our Fall/Winter calendars in Region 9 are becoming even more sparse, seemed pretty smart bet to make on our part. – continues, sheets 4 & 7

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

In our little community of IPMS known as Region Nine, we have perhaps an inordinate per capita of 007 James Bond fans, or at times it could be surmised so. Latest proof? Well, just consider the similarity of IPMS SilverWings (Sacramento) in the annual contest arena with Sean Connery (first film 007) on playing Bond. How? "Never Say Never, Again" ring a bell?

Within a two week span, IPMS SilverWings posted a clear statement of "Sorry, SilverCon 2012 NOT happening, maybe we'll see you NEXT year" on Hyperscale, from a reliable club member source. Which I for one confirmed with our Region Coordinator in person, later that week, with information he had gotten directly from another in the direct club source vein.

Yet, just today (Saturday 10-27-12) I have now confirmed that an email I was passed from two different sources, indeed is true, as were rumours I had already gotten wind of earlier in this week. As was posted on Hyperscale this same day, from the same poster who'd advised us all show had been cancelled. Proudly (and I am pleased to read it so) proclaiming that an unexpected but large well of support to PUT THE SHOW BACK ON will result in YES, SilverCon 2012 being on just a week later than originally scheduled. This is truly a "never say die" crew of madman modelers in this region, honestly.

Perhaps Reno High Roller Doug Summers (himself an alumnus of SVSM and the Fremont Hornets) said it best at their own "Lucky 13" event just held in September. "It takes a lot for a club, any club, to do this for 13 times, and well, we're just going to go on having fun and there will be a High Rollers 14th annual so see you next year". How does this tie in here?

While putting on contests is hardly the sole purpose nor should be a primary tenet of a model club, many Region Nine clubs have found them to be the focus and means to gather support for, promote the existence of, gain membership for their club. As well a great way to end up with a contentious lot, if the "contest booster clan" loses sight of fact that the "monthly fun meeting clan" basically doesn't need them any where near as much as reverse. In other words, the existence, or not, of club "events" can become a barometer of the relative health and cohesion of a club. More than one club in our region has found that for their continued existence, ceasing worry about or self inflicting pressure to put on an annual contest or a show is the key to that survival. Fremont Hornets can attest easily to this being a major OK. Club went for several years without them just fine. Later came to feel like putting on a few TriCity events, but always with the knowledge within club that we could just as easily cease them if we felt it best. As the SilverWings clan includes members who know full well now much it has taken to put on over 20 years of shows (and they used to do TWO A YEAR!! *June* and *December*). Very certain all this recent "back and forth" schedule snarl wasn't their idea of fun or easy to go through. Show up and show the flag if you can so these hard working stout hearted members of our model community won't lose the spirit that kept this event around.

On to other contentions perhaps...

With the coming new year of 2013 comes SVSM's 49th birthday (born as San Jose Scale Modelers nee' SiliconValley in 1993) and the beginning of 50 years of IPMS celebration. It will also mark my 30th year of continuous membership in this clan, though hardly the longest associate still in town. Eric, Kent, Cliff, Ron, for four who could attest to that, thankfully ☺ Not exactly exciting resume bait or useful information to many perhaps, but significant in measurement nonetheless to few who know aspects of life's business that others don't. Much of those years have been spent pretty much as I got started. In this my home club, only a few months after formally joining, serving as an Officer (or three) formally or advisory alumnus. One post I held first off, had plenty of experience since in now three model clubs (SVSM, SEMICON, Fremont Hornets): Treasurer. Plenty enough time under the hood as Secretary, Newsletter Editor, President and Vice President (Cont Director) All of which over the same long years I've managed to stay in touch with those who held those posts before or after. Made me the one who felt it best I announce the IMPERATIVE necessity for the new membership dues coming to us for end of 2012 and beyond. Several officers and interested dinner parties have broached the subject in the last few years for various reasons, know I've been a major player in the NO and Yes camps during them. SO blame timing & plan on me, please. OK -Mick fini.

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THE BETTER LATE THAN NEVER DEPARTMENT PRESENTS:

***August 2012 Meeting Minutes from SVSM Sec'y* Chris Bucholtz**

At the August meeting, Steve Travis had news about a big donation to our veterans drive, Chris Zanella brought news of more displays and some big names at next February's Model Expo in Petaluma, and the club decided on doing a buildfest on October 21 at D&J Hobbies in Campbell. Joe Fleming said he plans to create a standup board to acknowledge donors and sponsors at the Kickoff Classic, and Chris Bucholtz gave an demonstration of using Dullcote as an adhesive.

In model talk...Mick Burton used Warbird Decals' hypothetical markings to create a P-51D Thunderbirds aircraft, with the Monogram kit as the basis of the build. He's also working on the 1:48 Jupiter II from Polar Lights, which is now outfitted with a resin interior.

Jim Priete has 140 parts of Trumpeter's 15cm howitzer down and has many more to go. He'll probably finish off his gun with a Jordi Runio barrel.

Jack Clark knocked out a couple of vehicles this month, a Chevy S-10 and the Coupster from AMT. He was particularly proud of the job he did on the interiors.

Mike Schwarze calls the old Lindberg Corythysaurus a "drybrushing hog," and he also calls it a "horrible kit!" He's still working on the classic AMT Mr. Spock figure kit, and he used Sculpey to create life-sized models of the ancient arthropod Opabinia Regalis and a small Coelacanth.

Dave Anderson is trying to build the classic old Red Baron hot rod, starting by stripping the awful chrome and looking for a replacement to the dubious Mercedes straight 8-cylinder engine. The old model has a ton of flash.

Steve Travis felt the Galaxy Limited re-pop of the 1932 Ford dragster lacks pizzaz, so he added some of his own when he built it back in 1996. However, he located the distributor incorrectly, which he found out from some other modelers, and had to move it to where it really belonged.

Roy Sutherland's Fw 190A-6 took a second place at the IPMS/USA nationals. Roy used the Hasegawa kit and outfitted it with a Cooper Details cockpit, reshaped propeller blades and a checkerboard cowling he masked and painted himself. Roy's also making progress on Cyberhobby's Gloster Meteor Mk. III, which has some accuracy and fit issues, and he's been working hard on the hands of a 1:35 German army figure to make them look more realistic.

Ken Miller's finished his 1:200 British Airways 737, and now he's working on an Airfix 727 he pulled from his "box of shame" of not-so-temporarily shelved projects. His 1:200 Quantas 747 took a first place at the airliner show in Memphis, and only after that did Ken find a book that showed that the decals in the kit were inaccurate!

Bill Bauer's first IPMS nationals collection consisted of five Ford Taurus NASCAR models, each wearing a different Cartoon Network scheme. His markings came from an assortment of bootleg decals.

Gabriel Lee did not make the Venezuelan connection clear, but he's re-working a 1948 Ford Deluxe convertible into the "Greased Lightning" car from the movie *Grease*. He's also building the Polar Lights "Black Beauty" from *the Green Hornet* in keeping with this new movie motors theme. His British garage kit of the Viper Mk. II from "Battlestar: Galactica" is about done, as is his Starship Modeler kit of the F-202 from "Space: Above and Beyond."

John Carr bought the laser etched wood deck for the HobbyBoss 1:350 USS *Arizona* first, followed by a big booklet and photoetched parts. This obliged him to actually go and buy the model!

Chris Bucholtz showed off his 1:16 Paleocraft Glyptotherium Texanum, which took a first in the dinosaur category at the IPMS nationals (even though it's a prehistoric mammal). He finished his Tamiya F4U-1D in time for the aces event in June at the Oakland Aviation Museum, and now he's about ready to paint a Tamiya 1:72 P-47D Thunderbolt that will use the new decals from Barracudacals unveiled at the nationals.

Model Talk Minutes August 2012 Coverage continued

Greg Plummer also brought home the hardware from the nationals with his hypothetical aerosan, based on a Zvesda Ka-27. He scratch-built the skis and added a propeller. Greg also made a café racer out of the Tamiya Ducati 900; out of the box, the model was “ugly,” he said, so he discarded the fairings and windshield.

Cliff Kranz is working on the Tamiya M3 Stuart tank with the objective of replicating the Haunted Tank.

Lou Orselli’s re-popped version of the Aurora Mummy is the first kit he’s finished in 10 years. He finished it in dark earth with washes of raw umber and burnt umber, and he added a spider from the Moebius detail sets for their re-popped Aurora monster models.

Ray of D&J fame was impressed with the Games Workshop gunship – he painted it gray and gave it some washes using Vallejo, Polly S and Model Master paints and it resulted in a very convincing weathered appearance.

Shervin Shembayati really loves Revell’s 1:72 Hawker Hunter; he says it’s a fantastic model, and that helped him make the “fewest mistakes” he’s ever made during a build! Plus, the kit comes with great decals. Shervin’s Dodge Sidewinder concept car came from the Revell kit in the 1990s and it too assembles well. He used Humbrol for the exhaust system and decanted Hemi orange paint and airbrushed it onto the model.

And the model of the month goes to... Cliff Kranz, who took great glee in becoming a nuclear power with his large-scale Mastercraft Little Boy atomic weapon. Cliff says next time he’ll make the fins from styrene card rather than using the resin kit fins.

<http://s919.photobucket.com/albums/ad35/smilodon49/SVSM%20August%202012%20by%20Dan%20Bunton/> FOR PICTURES OF AUGUST MEET

October Hornets Contest Scares off the world – continued from cover sheet

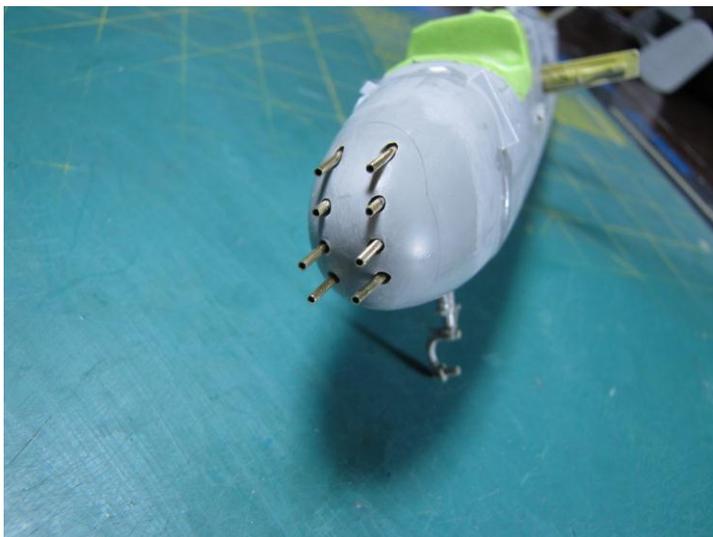
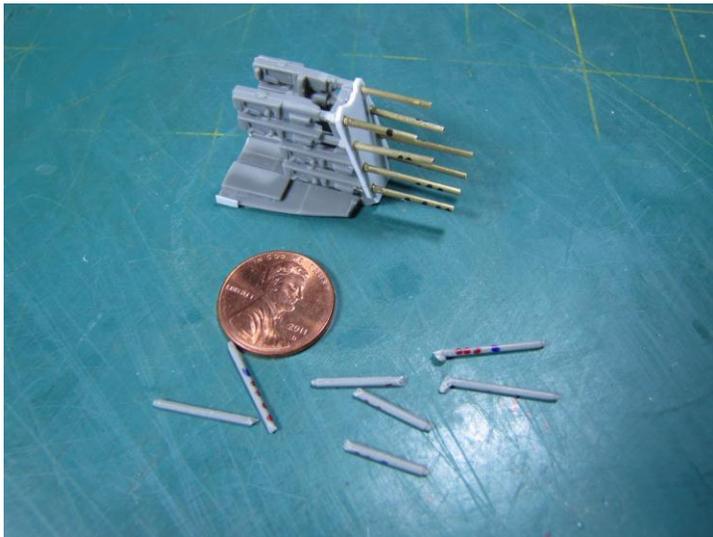
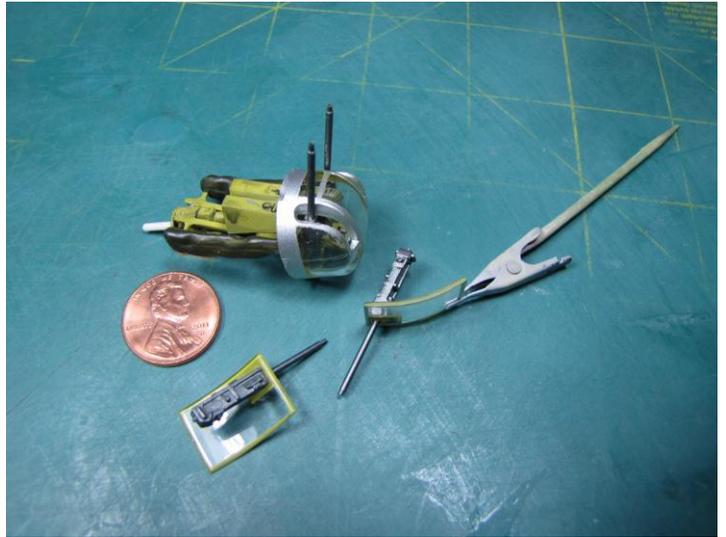


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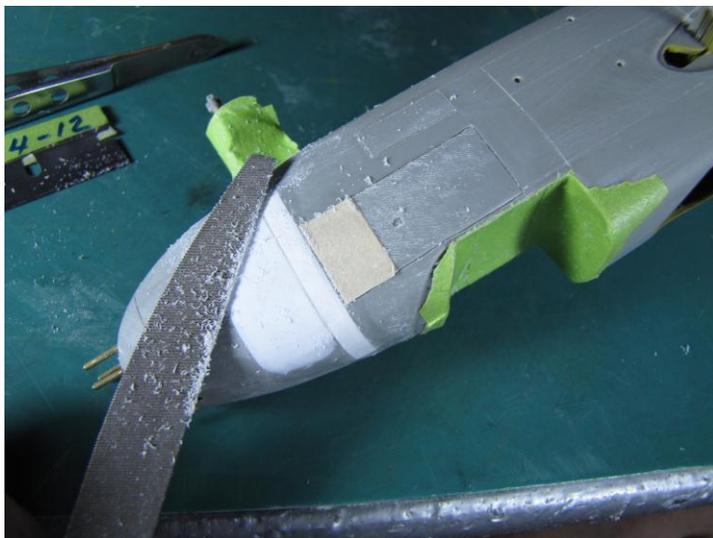


(OK, actual article text continues with MORE pictures, on sheet 7. This was just a convenient way station ...)

**Taking Another Look Inside, Outside and “Underneath the Hood” : R.W.’s B-25J
“Panchito”, Rodney’s effort (successful) to win the “Stan Muniz Memorial Award” recorded underway by him:**



Rodney's Reminder Life Is Short Don't Miss Out on the Awards continued



Hard to see really, but this atmospheric shot on the bottom left , does capture the totality of the package. Rodney set out to win this award I had already put into the play for Kickoff 2012, to honor fellow member Stan Muniz. It was quite in keeping with our own smart ass traditions within SVSM, that this came to pass. Thanks, OG !

Making Means to Encourage a Repeat Fall Performance (TriCity 8 news expansion)

Hard habit to break, for this Contest Director at least, anyways. You see, when I first officially became member of the R-9 community, SVSM (then San Jose Scale Modelers) was the club who held October as their month of



Eric McClure (above, foreground) probably recalls that, and that we Hornets had a LONG dry spell without any Annual Contests at all, watching as other clubs throughout West put them on. So, since 2004 the TriCity Classic has been a contributing part of our mission reach out, get folks to “Come for the Models, Stay for the Sarcasm” as more or less piquantly phrased by fellow Hornet Gabriel Lee (seated next to Eric) Only a “Perfect Storm” of uncertain venue and finances kept us from this scary fun in 2010, after “From Russia With Love” TC-6 success which left me looking like I knew what I was doing as a Contest Director. Thanks to Woody Yeung as a newbie CD, with vets Kent McClure, Louis Orselli and myself assisting, we returned with a vengeance in 2011 with the “Black Rain” TC-7. Like in 1904/5, Woody’s Japan Themed show beat my Russia Themed show in numbers, I was pleased but determined to come back for another go. Plus, as a club we pretty much wanted to repeat, with a very scant crew however, willing to actually take it all on so soon after. But Kent, Louis, Woody and myself had much knowledge of “you snooze, you lose” in this game, and Kent got me the date for “TC-8” (unthemed) secured pretty swiftly after initial numbers of TC-7 were in to meet my simple demands for a pretty safe bet. So it went and now “Theme USA” TC-8 is another sweet memory in the Fremont Hornet history books. Boo Ya !



Next to shot of the busy registry table with Eric, Gabriel and Brian Sakai, is another fine Yank pastime being well promoted by fine competitors of ours.

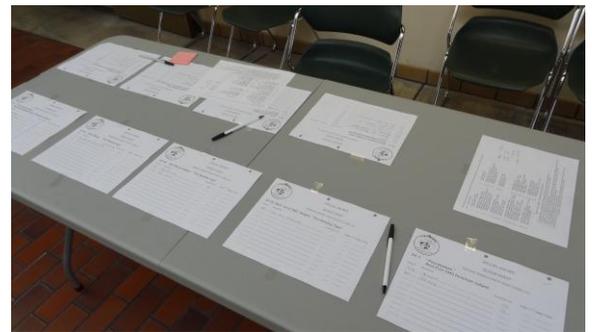
SJVSM Tomcats came “claws out” with Detroit Tigers vs St Louis Cards, but we let them be.

Making The Hornets and Milpitas Community Centre Look Good and on and on (ain't it great tho!)

Another look , below, at the ever popular 1/48 scale Propeller categories. This time a little closer and also with a view to showing the Single Engine Prop side first. A glimpse of the “2000” series (high tech propped) Grumman C-2 Greyhound and E-2 Hawkeye kits from Kinetic is also better afforded. While they didn't take home “Wing and A Prayer” award for Centennial of Ship Launched or Recovered Aircraft, they, like the Avenger, were very Worthy competition for this award. That honor went to Daisuke Nakabayashi of Berkeley, along with several more awards, for his exquisite 1/350 Mitsubishi F1M “Pete” Floatplane on catapult. Utterly astonishing work !



Speaking of Special Awards, there were an abundance of them for a Tricity event, but that's okay, we were ready. On the right you see an effort to make it so much easier on our judges and entrants. Namely by having a specific separate table (supplied by your Contest Dir.) to which was taped down, SIGN UP SHEETS for each award except in cases of “Best Of Category”. So “Damned Yankee”, “Peacekeeper”, 3 headed monster known as “The Sleeping Tiger”, “Wing & Prayer” and “Victory Lap for Shelby” all had easy to locate signups. HERE-- Just to make sure you know, we had plenty of Armor entrants and a few are seen here, below. At left of them, a look at the second raffle.



TriCity Eight held fast in 2012 for yet more coverage



A nice turnout for Category 47, “Unfinished”, Arnold wasn’t alone in this. Below, a goodly turn out of 1/48 Jets in both Single and Multi Engine varieties, including several MiG-29s. Nearby, the 1/96 and smaller set...with the aforementioned 1/350th scale “Pete” which took home awards numerous, on the far center right. See it ?



Well, the best part perhaps for me besides our breaking even on the whole event, is that we’ll be giving up detail soon enough about hosting TriCity Nine, which I predict we’ll end up enjoying again like this, just fine. -mickb

In case you’re interested, there’s more pics and uncropped versions of these, easily located by following this:

<http://s919.photobucket.com/albums/ad35/smilodon49/Hornets%20TriCity%20Contest%20Overview%20by%20Mick%20Burton/>

October 2012 SVSM MEETING ADDENDA Gallery



In the hope you all have read this far, I make an effort to better illustrate my one page original brief of the October meeting. Most importantly, I wanted folks to see that GT in Lemon Brilliance, a supporting player in Greg Plummer's very well done Tip Talk of the Month.

There was SO much grand work on the table, I only can suggest you check out the link given to see the rest I don't show.



Ron Wergin's work is always a treat to see and hear story of. He again had some new tips and techniques he was giving a test drive on here. On left, Ron has "snowed in" his Soviet BT and two fine figures, using the "Micro Spheres/Balloons" in a powder substrate. Awesome.

On right, Laramie Wright got an award plaque his model is using as a "climb obstacle"



Last month's issue saw two very fine Grumman Cats, a pair that I noted as part of USS Hornet Model Mania 2012 coverage, weren't at all getting proper credit to their builder. That made it possible for me to see and shoot them again, Credit to Mike Woolson on sweet GSB executions here. The SVSM tables salute you.



IF YOU'D LIKE TO SEE MORE OCTOBER 2012 MEETING PICS or these, unedited and uncropped...link <http://s919.photobucket.com/albums/ad35/smilodon49/SVSM%20October%202012%20by%20Dan%20Bunton/>

MY HOPE YOU ENJOYED THIS "E-dition Styrene Sheet Members Only" Supplement and want more in future. Don't hesitate to let me know in any case, and don't have to keep it a secret that "E-dition" is better (color plus!)

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