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## ***TWICE AS MUCH TO DO SO FAR IN FALL of 2021***

*EDITOR ON RECENT EVENTS WITH ANOTHER TIGHT SCHEDULE FOR NEWS!  
AND A REMINDER WE HAVE TWO SVSM MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR THIS MONTH TOO*

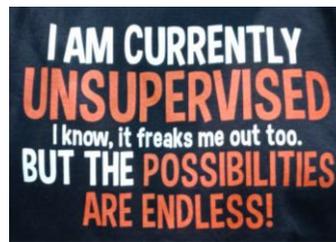
Many thanks to those who have showed up , providing me with things to write about, shoot ! (continues on page 3)



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

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“ SOME KIND OF DÉJÀ VU, SEEMS TO YOU? ”



**CONFIRMED WE HAVE TWO MEETINGS THIS MONTH and NEXT, SO EDITOR WILL TRY SHOWING UP FOR ALL**

Your Editor (and 2<sup>nd</sup> VP) wants to be sure you all have a chance to attend all the meetings on offer for the upcoming two months (October/November), which have been confirmed as best we can given current climate. Granted, he has his own selfish motivation to make as many of these meets as he can, provides material to do more newsletters to plague you with. He's hoping near future time enough to produce more publications now in hiatus with coverage of events which have come to pass. Until next newsletter then, Editor signs off,- mick fini

**TAKE NOTE of NEW LOCALE for YUBA CITY FOR NOVEMBER SVSM MEETING – BIG NEWS !!**  
**SHOW on NOVEMBER 6<sup>th</sup> that's a new Flyer**



PRESENTS

SOARING INTO THE FUTURE™

MODEL EXPO AND CONTEST  
CELEBRATING THE FUTURE OF SCALE MODELING  
NOVEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>, 2021  
9:00 am. to 4:00 pm.

Hope Point Nazarene Church  
600 N. George Washington Blvd Yuba City Ca. 95993  
Vendor tables, Buy Sell or Trade  
Awards include Best In Show, Aircraft, Automotive,  
Armor, First Time Modeler Entry.

**\*FREE GENERAL ADMISSION\***

Doors open at 8:00 am Registration from 9:00 to 12:00  
Entry Fees: Adults: \$10.00 Up to five entries.  
\$ 1.00 for each additional  
Juniors (10-17) \$2.00 up to five entries.  
\$ 5.00 for five or more.  
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INVITE YOU & FRIENDS  
TO  
OUR

**SV CLASSIC SEVEN**

**FUNDRAISER AUCTION**

CURRENTLY SCHEDULED TO BE HELD ON

OUR MEETING NIGHT OF FRIDAY

**NOVEMBER 19 2021**

AT OUR MILPITAS MEETING LOCATION

Community Room, Milpitas Police Department, 1275 N Milpitas Blvd, Milpitas CA

**Business begins promptly at 8 PM & everything must be concluded by 10 PM**

ADD TO THE FUN !

BRING AN UNSTARTED MODEL KIT (or two!) THAT YOU WOULD BID MADLY FOR  
TO GET BACK, AS A DONATION

NOTE: MASKS ARE REQUIRED INSIDE THE ROOM, NO FOOD OR DRINK IS ALLOWED

Queries may be directed to our contact - [DENS25403@mypacks.net](mailto:DENS25403@mypacks.net) please allow for 2-3 days response time

**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT VERY IMPORTANT NEWS TO READ**

**IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND SECOND MEETING OF 2021 FOR SVSM**

**AT MILPITAS PD COMMUNITY ROOM THIS 3<sup>RD</sup> FRIDAY**

**BE ADVISED NOW (THESE ARE THE RULES WE HAVE TO ENFORCE)**

**MASKS ARE REQUIRED TO ENTER, NO FOOD/ DRINK IS ALLOWED**  
**INSIDE ROOM, AND THERE IS A 35 PERSON LIMIT INSIDE**

## *TWICE WE FACE OFF in SEPTEMBER* (from page 1)



**It's confirmed that indeed, the SVSM officially returned to meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of September at the locale most familiar for many years.**

**The Community Room of Milpitas Police Department provided solace to at least 6 guests that date, Gabriel Lee being one of them with some models to show, I am told.**

**Also witnessed being there were Kent McClure, John Carr, Greg Plummer and two others I don't have the records for. Good show, the one thing though is that no one provided pictures to me.**

**Be that as it may, ten days later here saw us now thrice meeting at Game Kastle and some recording of the event.**

First off, the Editor having been away for the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of September, made sure to attend this 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of month meeting with intent to document at least a goodly portion of what happened there.

Happily, President Ron (Wergin) had everything on schedule and underway with enough time before hand to compare notes, catch up with me on various items. Since we had no Secretary showing up, as things went from there this precession helped with subsequent business discussed during meeting.

Here's look from Model Talk portion, at AR-240 which **Frank Babbitt** shown conjuring up on cover!

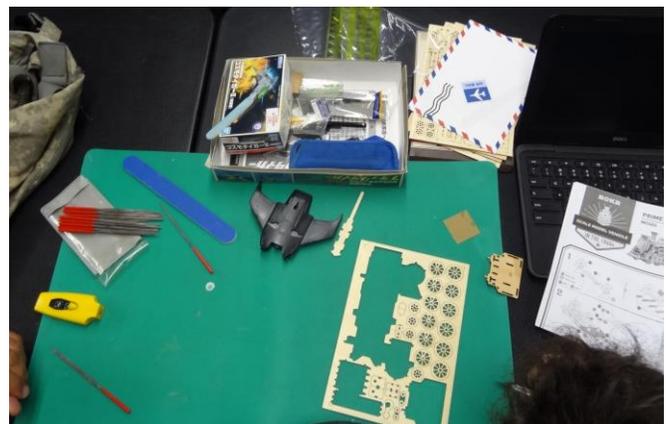


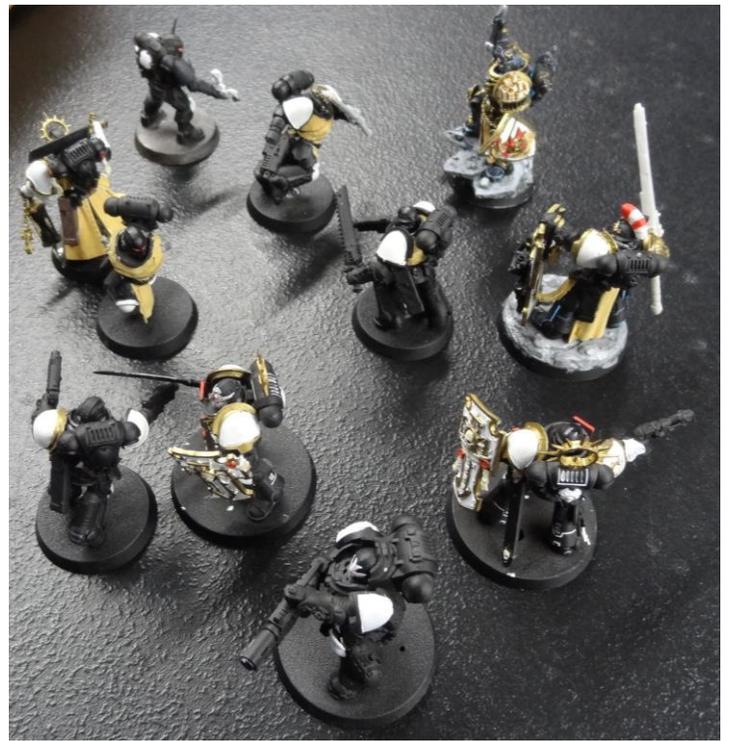


Three here from 1<sup>st</sup> VP (Contest Director) **Mike Woolson**, who also gave more details on our now confirmed March 2022 SV Classic #7

Mike's a versatile modeler, and his WIP spacecraft had some trick features I didn't manage to record. His VW and the Rally Car (he'd uncovered during his talk so I got a good "inside shot") quite nice.

**Max Balderrama** came prepared and didn't waste any time. He'd bought some kits from a neighbor at meeting and got underway with wood locomotive ! His Hot Wheels on the below left he indicated, a first try at "hot rodding" by use of replacement axles.

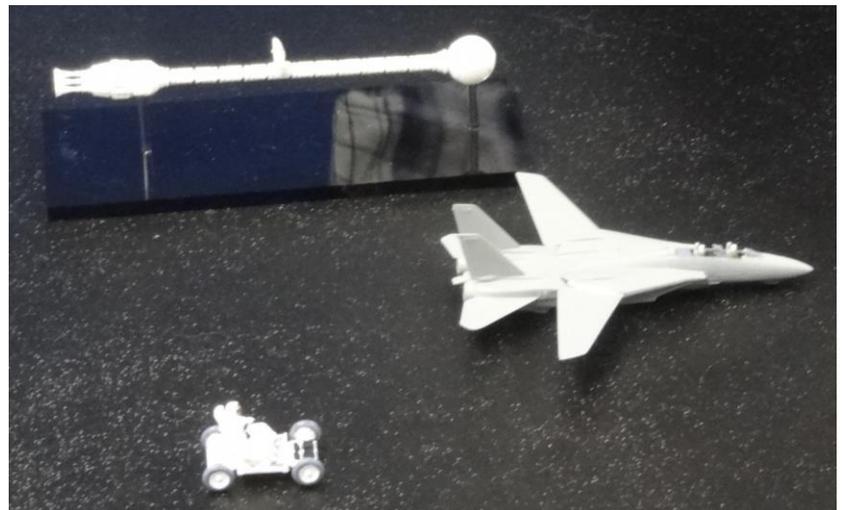




At the right, the entirety of young **Mr A. Rhetta's** Warhammer 40K

Figure display for the night. To the left, two of my favorites from that, he consistently shows mad skill in his painting work.

**Ken Miller** had a small F-14A underway, Behind it a small Rover, and its wingman was an incredibly small scale Discovery spacecraft from 2001: A Space Odyssey. I think he hires spiders to assist him...



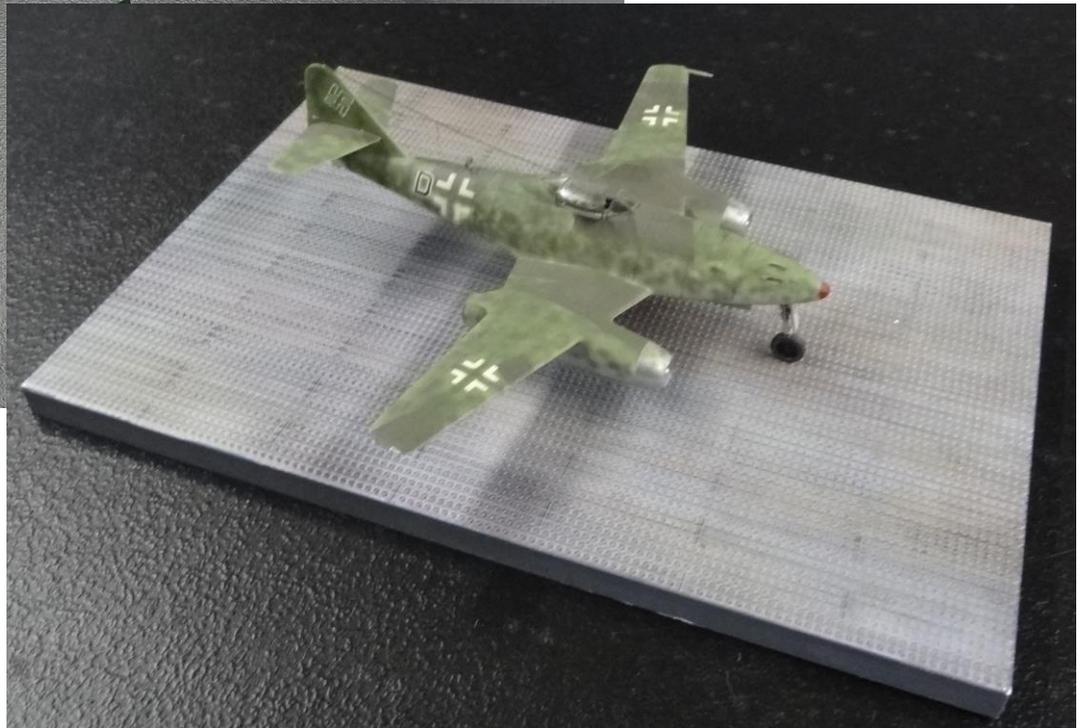
Below, two extremely rare shots of a Da Vinci Flying Machine from the Minicraft series. Rare in that **Maria Coester** prefers to absent her model from table during Model Talk. Rather than confess to how she built this inside Hobbies Unlimited shop where I got it for her, in passing the time she waited patiently for me to be done shopping there myself.





Indomitable spirit that he as ever continues to be, **Cliff Kranz** had a trio of new items done. Not letting minor items of life get in his way. An emergency gall bladder surgery ? “Just a thing”.

His twin rotor helo and that suspect looking tri tail jet will be covered a bit later in this issue.



His 1/72<sup>nd</sup> Global Hawk was in USAF scheme, a planned NASA version is awaiting a decal source.

**Ron Wergin** is not just our long serving Prez, he is also a modeler !

Here he had his recent build of the Revell Me-262 ( the newer kitting, not the classic 1960s one) nicely done in the single seat configuration. He said most issues with kit were due to the “option for two seat” making fits on fuselage sometimes more complicated than otherwise would have been. Nice PSP base !





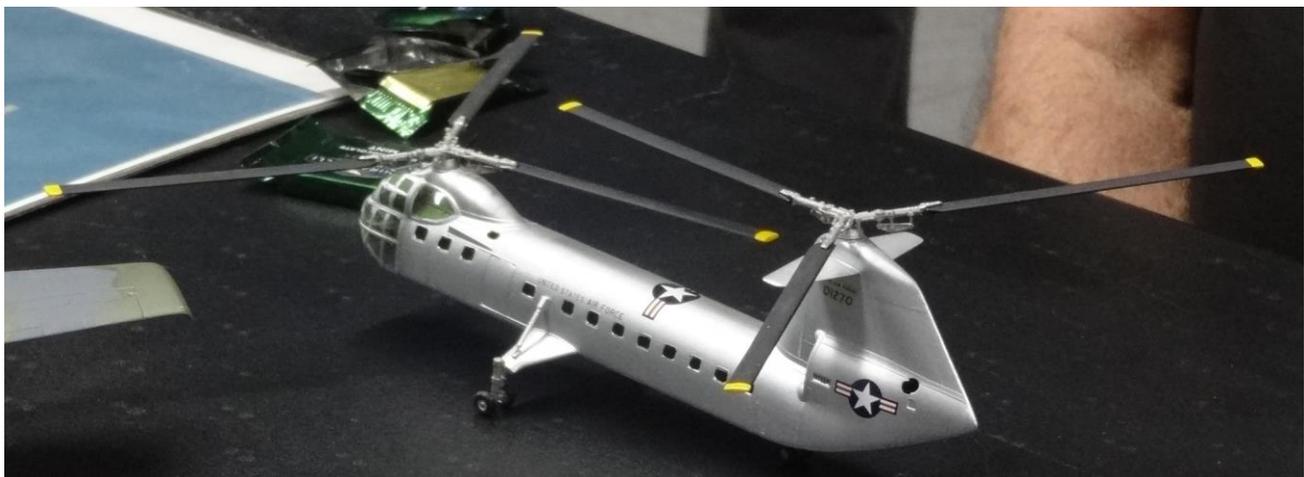
As promised, here is another look at Cliff's menagerie and some explanation. Years ago he had done a 1/72<sup>nd</sup> scale of this bird, which he designated "an A-17" at that time. With the pandemic mess dragging on, he felt best use of some of this extra time would be to do a 1/48<sup>th</sup> rendition of this beast. Scare yourself up an A-7 and A-10, see what you might do!

Cliff re-iterated this whole thing came from a graphic seen behind a military official's head during TV interview, hanging on the office wall. Lucky for him he had taped the news show it was on and he has it still, for a useful reference as you can certainly see. With three jets, might be nicknamed "GasHog".



Cliff indicated that while yes, this is the old Revell "box scale" (in this case 1/96<sup>th</sup>) helo kit of the Piasecki YH-16A "Transporter", it isn't really. He backdated his build to be original piston powered H-16, no details.

Most intriguing vehicle, as Editor did some researching for this to possibly flesh out the idea what may have been done. Now thanks to Cliff and that effort, may buy Atlantis kit



which recently came out, a "re-issue" of the original Revell, which I had built "way back when". Below, another aspect on Cliff's 1/72<sup>nd</sup> scale Global Hawk RPV. These are eerie in real life, too.





Don't know what has "Ultra Man" upset about a MacDonal'd's shake, but **Gabriel Lee** seems nonplussed. May simply be that Gabriel wasn't sharing, after his building U-Man. That's also Gabriel's Godzilla, his passel of Latin American Sabres in front of him. Topping all off, beside Godzilla, he has a Nuclear Reactor!

Then, tucked amongst the Sabres, is Gabriel's latest Latin American Avia, form of a FAV Mirage with tail fin change to match real one .



Again, I have no clue what reason Godzilla has for apparently preparing to incinerate a perfectly docile FAV "Dog Sabre" jet. But a better aspect to see him, Ultra Man and a Scale Nuclear Power Plant facility, agree?

One last look at September @ Game Kastle That's Greg Plummer's IDF Magach AFV in 1/35 and accompanying Italian Air Force T-6 in 1/72.

The T-6 has a lovely scheme with that all black framed canopy. Until next month...

*ALL THE NEWS I HAVE NOW THAT'S FIT TO PRINT . BEE SEEING YOU - mickb*





Congratulations to  
**Cliff Kranz**

**FOR WINNING SEPTEMBER MODEL OF THE MONTH**



7:30 PM OPEN, MEETING ENDS 9:45 PM SHARP\*

**3<sup>rd</sup> FRIDAY of Month**

OCTOBER 15 (at OUR OLD MEETING SITE)\*

At

COMMUNITY ROOM

MILPITAS POLICE DEPARTMENT

*\*Please review rules on Editorial Page before you attend*

1275 N Milpitas Boulevard  
Milpitas, CA



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**4<sup>th</sup> MONDAY of Month**

OCTOBER 25 (again at COMPLETELY NEW SITE)

At

COMMUNITY ROOM

GAME KASTLE  
1350 Coleman Avenue  
Santa Clara, CA

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