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SEVENTH HEAVEN OF A MEET



GRAND RESPONSE to PRESIDENT'S CALL to ARMS BY ALL, The Editor makes best shot at showing so Photos/Text: Mick Burton

At the July MPD meeting we had ourselves TWO Club Contests front and center for the tabling. The Editor (not the sponsor) managed to arrive before room opened, to get this set up with clarity. His own hopes for a turnout were realized with a fine large gathering and a couple surprises before time for judgement arrived.





On the left, say hello to Mr Chris Owczarek, he is here in blue shirt, no cap taking in sights of this meet, which he was at for his first time. I owe him as I came to meet him right at 7pm!



" DAMN RIGHT THERE'S MORE TO COME YET "

With now the San Marcos IPMS Nats just passed (sadly didn't in two tries, manage to make the show myself), I saw latest edition of the SJ version "Spirit of '45" held last Saturday, with coming Saturday following SVSM meet is the "Best of the West" in Las Vegas Worth a shot to make attend, if you can. 3 weeks later, IPMS Ventura County has a show in Oxnard. Yet more fun coming too. -mb

(JULY'S FIRE WORKS IN SCALE WRAPPED UP FROM page 8)

Chris Bucholtz's trio this time out included his WIP in 1/72 of the Sdkfz 232 eight wheeler recon vehicle by AFV Club, that's the chassis shaping up nicely in the back. On left, his formerly modern day 1/35th scale Plains Zebra has moved much closer to its new retrograde identity as a 1/20th scale prehistoric 3 toed equine relative known as "Parahippus", with a test finish of German Afrika Korps desert yellow among other reasons. Last but far from least, Chris has advanced his conversion of a C15A to a C60L Chevy cargo truck. Considering the way these vehicles served and in the tens of thousands produced, he said it's a shame that no other way to have them but by virtue of conversion.



The two club contests devised by and sponsored with great cash prizes by our 2022/23 Club President, Greg Plummer, were judged by the Editor and the results given out after separate Model Talk.

Model of the Month went to John Carr for his Terminator figure he masterfully wrangled from his first experience with "Metal Earth"

All the club contest material and results were amply covered in the July/August 2023 TAMS, and so this issue concludes July meeting. – *mick fini*

P.S. As I didn't have minutes for this issue and also many more pictures of the great models on table for July than I had room to show in publication, I felt might be nice to share for limited time, galleries on home page of website www.mickbmodeler.com. So check there, at least within next 45 days, for more July 2023 SVSM action.



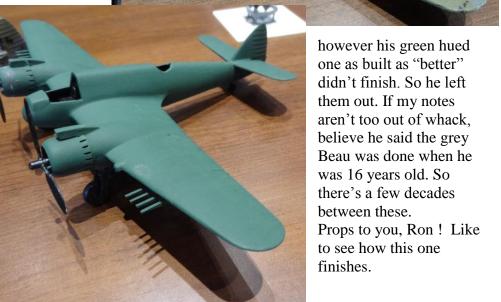
July Time Fly By Starts Here (cont'd from pg 1)

Since I had made that plan, I was able to help corral the splendid turnout for the front tables club contest, until President arrived! I took scant notes and have split the July coverage into the July/August TAMS, already published with MAGA/BBB contest info, to now give an idea how rest of July's meeting turned.

In model talk...

Ron Wergin did clarify that yes, his pair of Bristol Beaufighters had been planned to be in the "BBB",

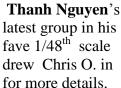






Cliff Kranz had for us an interesting pair of "Early Real Space & Postwar Rocketry". The overall white with minimal black striping and "SV" code is a US Army Arsenal Redstone missile, in 1/110 box scale. On immediate left, the later version of the same kit with Project Mercury capsule mount, this being the "First US Astronaut In Space Alan Shepard" configuration.

Cliff noted that using the old Revell 1/110 launch gantry model, one could accurately show up to five different missile/rocket combos which these two are part of, if you so desired, say for a "Collections" entry...





Tamiya 1:48 kits for sure in the case of completed WW2 German Luftwaffe birds of his. Sorry but I didn't take a set of notes for all the details

The WIP of Thanh's is also a WW2 machine, this time it is in service with either the IJN or IJAF. Mitsubishi, it's a Zero family member. What has me baffled at this point is whether this is a two seater or not. Ahead, a closer look





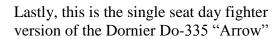
His Fw-190A looks purposeful with that yellow spiral spinner, doesn't it?





Thanh's 2 seat Dornier Pfeil Night Fighter with the figure on wing really brings home the immensity of this late war machine!

Just think of it, there were serious plans to also produce a "joined wing" version of this craft. 4 engines, two pull, two push, what a handful hey?





Chris Owczarek has returned to scale modelling after a break, he'd emailed me about our outfit recent days before July meet.

He was very prompt (and lucky that we in fact did get our opening of MPD door in fact on schedule), I introduced him to folks right off and in no time he was mixing it up

Chris really enjoyed making this 1/72nd USAF Korean War period F-86F Sabre, he said.

Chris's other first tabling item was this Po-2 "air ambulance" in Soviet AF markings here.

Again in 1/72nd, a fine scale and recognition of that fact that space rapidly becomes factor when finishing models, where to land them!

Welcome to SVSM, Mr Chris.



Peter Long again has the scoop on the latest in Tamiya, this sweet 1/72 F-35A is just now being released to mass market.

Pete's production ought to inspire more than a few to seek one out of their own.

Thank you for sharing, Peter.

Kent McClure had quite an array this meeting, his birds include a "Terror Bird" seen between gray 1/72 Reggiane and the "Flame Out Jet" of Freddy. The 1/72 British Mk 1 tank is moving along, with a companion missile carrier of much later vintage by it. The dark grey truck is none other than a "Hornet" by the Humber company. I don't have identity for the last one.



Landon Carr really liked putting this large scale figure of Boba Fett he has recently finished, on table.

John Carr showed he has no fear, again, with this figure in all metal, from "Metal Earth" kit

It was his first with the kit maker, turned out it is one of their better kit choices with the higher part count as a bonus.

It's from the Terminator movie series, yes.



Frank Babbitt showed grand $1/48^{th}$ work with his Mirage & Etendard here on left.

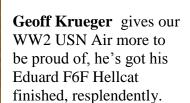


Riley Kitchen reports not being able to make most of our meetings due to work schedules conflict on Fridays.

Riley made it this time with an intriguing "C" model P-47 Thunderbolt underway.

I for one, look forward to seeing this one as finished some day.

Nice work Riley!



Randy Ray has every intention of finishing this new WW1 Armored Car in time to be on tables at the upcoming San Marco Texas IPMS Nationals. A 1/72nd scale wonder to behold!

(JULY Text/ minutes conclude on page 2)





Congratulations to

John Carr

FOR WINNING

JULY

MODEL OF THE

MONTH



7:00 PM OPEN, MEETING ENDS 10:00 PM SHARP

3rd FRIDAY of Month

AUGUST 18 (at TRADITIONAL meeting site)

COMMUNITY ROOM
Milpitas Police Administration Building

1275 N. Milpitas Blvd Milpitas, CA

HOWEVER DON'T COUNT US OUT FOR THE MONTH

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

4th MONDAY of Month (BUILDFEST NITE)

AUGUST 28 (at ADDITIONAL meeting site)

COMMUNITY ROOM

GAME KASTLE SANTA CLARA

1350 Coleman Avenue Santa Clara, CA

