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## *MARCH of TIME is RELENTLESS ... YET DOCUMENTED*



### **NOW A BRIEF LOOK AT THE MARCH MEET**

Photos/Text: Mick Burton



At this point, Editor has just about got his schedule somewhat back to coherent. With that in mind, here is a rough draft of the 2025 March SVSM meeting, using the bare notes I took myself that night. While not the biggest and best coverage, my hope is that at least you will enjoy what is presented. Our April meeting is just ahead, more fun to be had... (*resumes at 3*)



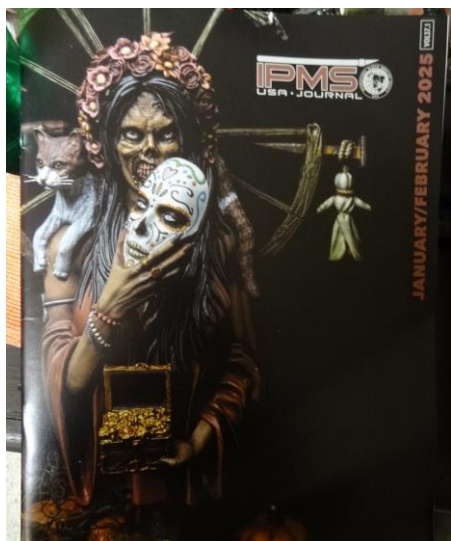
**Editor's Ravings** – this month's editor, Mick Burton

**"HOPEFUL SIGNS ON OUR JOURNAL HORIZON"**

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**EDITOR has to own up when things clearly have improved markedly. On a topic he has recently been notably impassionately irritated over, turmoil with the "new" (still not improved in my estimate) IPMS USA Journal. Latest issue has proper titling and an excellent show report by IPMS Las Vegas on our great friends who host the superb Desert Classic every year. YES !! – mb**



## **MAY 16 2025 SVSM 62nd Anniversary Celebration Club Contest**

***Gundam It, Mecha You Mind Up to Compete AGAIN***

***Real Easy Rules here: If your subject model fits into the class of GUNDAM or GUNPLA, or MECHA, it's competitive !***

***After that, depending on entry turnout, splits may or may not be made, but in any case CA\$H Prize\$ awarded for at least 1-2-3 placements overall.***

***And YES, if you entered in the April Fremont Hornets Club Contest with a similar theme, YOU CAN REPEAT here (thus, again!)***

***Mick Burton – Editor/Sponsor***







**Frank Babbitt** – Pegasus Supermarine Spitfireful  
1/72<sup>nd</sup> (old build)

**Postoria Aguirre** - Yamaha SRX-6, a 2007 build  
for a friend and rebuilt recently



**Mark Balderrama** – 1/72 airliner trio (TWA liveries  
are planned)



**Thanh Nguyen** – 1/48<sup>th</sup> MiG-15 NKPAF with figure



**Ron Wergin** - 1/24<sup>th</sup> scale MPC 1971 issue Spitfire



**Chris Owczarek**- 5 dollar A-6 Intruder







**Kent McClure** – Tiger Force Malayan Ops  
Lancaster, Suez Crisis F4U-7, two other items

**Mike Meek** – 1/48<sup>th</sup> Otaki P-47



**Jon Jew-** Marder, Schwimmwagen, figures, 1/35<sup>th</sup>

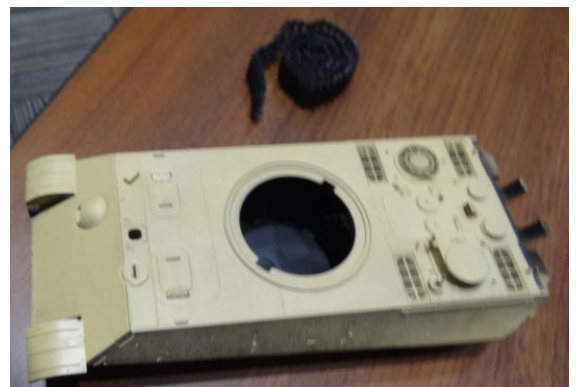


**Chris Bucholtz** - 1/20<sup>th</sup> Smilodon, F7F Nightfighter conversion, Hawk 81, Sdkfz 232 armored car 1/72



**Laramie Wright** – Sherman and other US Armor etc

**Randy Ray** – Panther G with aftermarket tracks







**Bill Ferrante -**  
1/200 scale pair

Boeing 737 with an  
all woman flight  
crew

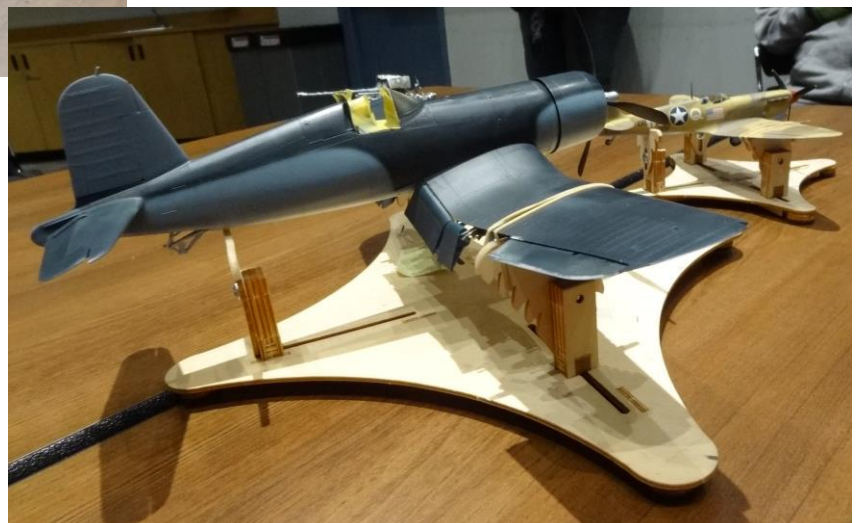
DC-3 Delta Air  
Lines



**Aaron Rhetta –** Gundam WIP



**Ben Pada –** WIP 1/32 F4U Corsair tri-color  
and 1/48<sup>th</sup> Spitfire USAAF desert scheme.







?? – My apologies but my notes failed to record what this group of models WIP were, although I make out there's a modern aircraft and some intense looking figures.

We will learn soon enough and I can catch things up



? – WIP 1/48<sup>th</sup> BF-109. Again my notes aren't at all helping me, may be third Bill Ferrante work here?





? – XA4D-1 prototype Skyhawk Is my take, however sadly I don't know whom to credit with this lovely

Well for now, that's March meeting coverage, Below is a glimpse of the 90 Day Wonders Club Contest and a cheering look at New President at

her best presiding over a grand turnout of a meeting for our first quarter of 2025. More publications on way to get the full story out, soon. Stay tuned keep modelling ! – fini mickb







Congratulations to  
**Postoria Aguirre**

**FOR WINNING MARCH MODEL OF THE MONTH**







Congratulations to  
**Aaron Rhetta**  
FOR WINNING  
MARCH  
MODEL OF THE MONTH



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

3rd FRIDAY of Month

APRIL 18 (at TRADITIONAL meeting site)

COMMUNITY ROOM

Milpitas Police Administration Building

1275 N. Milpitas Blvd

Milpitas, CA

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## APRIL 2025 Member's Club Contest

### **“ANYTHING GOES AS LONG AS IT'S BRUSHED”**

*aka the Cliff Kranz Memorial Club Contest - Sponsored by Greg Plummer*

**Literally ANYTHING GOES** due Cliff 's tastes ran the gamut all the years any of us knew him. He was especially fond of NASCAR, Heavy Trucks (COE, Tow, Semis, Loggers, Tankers etc) as well a knowledgeable fan of all sorts of series like Starblazers Ultra Man, Super Chicken, Roger Ramjet, and obscure real or paper design air/land/sea/space, Figures, dinosaurs, scratchbuilds, **ANY and all of the models you could think of**

**HOWEVER** no matter the subject, Cliff was a life long abstainer of the tool known as the **AIRBRUSH**

*Although in later years he did deign to use rattle can at times, in keeping with the fervent spirit of his quite oft expressed credo*

*"I don't DO AIRBRUSH, HAND PAINT it's not hard if you practice it like I do"*  
*thusly*

*Greg has hard set parameter: NO AIRBRUSH or RATTLE can, only hand finished eligible. Yes, polished no paint is one way to go. Cliff fooled some of us more than once with excellent no paint jobs. CASH PRIZES please participate No Foolin'*

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