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

"EDITOR OFF ROCKER, SILVER ALERT ISSUED"



Shameless plug: www.mickbmodeler.com

EDITOR may be, off for sure. A very short time ago (two days before this was issue was unbelievably done) a publication of at least bare minimum of catching up news for club and region was somehow made by this alleged individual. He managed to hold muse (don't worry she's escaping as I write this, lucky for her and you) to push together this read now before you. Realized no chance in hell of probably finding time/means/energy and hall pass to get any more of this sort usefully done in time.

As this sudden occurrence of an urgent need for an August SVSM Club Contest had struck, no time to spare. CREATE now a means to get the word out or the moment will pass, regret recrimination and dark laziness will surely engulf. Now you know —mb

AUGUST 2025 Editor's Club Contest

“A Touch Of Grey”

Although it's a late breaking addition in terms of practicality for announcement, our club contests have at times been notably well responded to on more ethereal launch notes, keeping with fervent spirit of mischief:

Thusly

A Touch Of Grey has one hard set parameter: NO ONE SHOULD BE LACKING AN ENTRY THIS TIME

Think of it – got a pile of partly finished projects, covered in grey primer, going nowhere fast? BRING'em!

*JUST applied a killer priming coat on something you truly want to have done in a vibrant finish but it has to wait a while to dry, or the kids to leave house, or the partner to suddenly be okay with your making a model ?
BRING IT ON !*

Never had a reason to pack out one or a hundred of your absolute treasured favorite maritime subjects? Or that model (or ten) of a fictional Space Exploring Team of Heroes or Villains or both? Bring them on!

Complete fancier of the US Navy Air fleets of the early 1960s to early 1970s? Got an Etendard sitting around wanting to leave the house? Big fan of some forms of sea planes or rescue helicopters? SHOW UP and enter

From RAT RODS & STAR SHIPS to renderings of old black and white horror films in 3-dimensional form, or just a random pile of parts sprayed in various shades of this incredibly flexible color, there's no way you can't find a way to compete in my silly snarky little club contest inspired by a radio news clip the other day

CASH PRIZES please participate No Foolin'. Or Not. I will get by. I will survive

STARTING SEPTEMBER OFF RIGHT WITH A MODEL EVENT



**IPMS Region 8
Ventura County
One-Oh Wonders
Presents:**

Wonder-Con 2025

Model Contest & Swap Meet

New Location!

Join us at the Oxnard Performing Arts Center

800 Hobson Way, Oxnard, CA

September 7, 2025 9a.m. to 4p.m.

\$10 Admission & \$3 entry fee per model

Free parking at the Center

Multi-Category Model Contest

Open Judging with Gold, Silver and Bronze Awards

Special Award for Best Battle of Britain Subject (85 yrs.)

Special Award for Best Korean War Subject (75 yrs.)

Special Award for Best Shelby Mustang (60 yrs.)

Special Award for People's Choice

Special Award for Crappiest Kit Build!!!

Swap Meet – limited 6', 8', & 12' vendor tables available

Taco & Hot Dog Vendors

Contest entry fee: \$3 per model, 3 entries per person per class maximum

Vendor Contact: Lou Franco cl30jlou@yahoo.com 805-832-3614

Contest Contact: Scott Eyler sjeyler4@verizon.net JC Osborne joss1952@gmail.com

On Facebook: Ventura County IPMS



YES THE OFFICIAL FLYER for this AWESOME OUTFIT also at NEW LOCALE

24TH ANNUAL MODEL CONTEST

THEME:



2 BIG RAFFLES SWAP MEET



Date: Saturday - September 27, 2025

9:00AM - 4:00PM

National Automobile Museum

1 Museum Drive - Reno, Nevada

2 FREE

RAFFLE TICKETS
WITH NOMINATION

Admission Includes
Full Access to
Museum Exhibits



Admission Fee: \$10.00 Adults - Children 5 and Under - Free

Contest Entry \$6.00 for First Model - \$1.00 for Each Additional Model

Chapter Contact: - Douglas Summers (775) 867-8554 - ghpltd@att.net

Vendors Contact: - Andre Urruty for Reservations: urrutyam@gmail.com

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ELK'S LODGE

2025

CRUISE 'N



Hollister, California

SEPTEMBER 20 2025

***NNL HOLLISTER Model Car Display/Meet
ALONG WITH THIS Full Size CAR SHOW***

ELKS LODGE on grounds of Municipal Airport, 351 ASTRO Drive Hollister CA

Desert Classic XXVII

IPMS Region 8

Saturday October 25th, 2025

NEW LOCATION !!!!

Antelope Valley College
3041 W. Ave K, Lancaster CA 93536
-In the CAFETERIA

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This Year's Theme:
"Red Storm Rising"

Categories

Provisions for Splits provided as required



1. Rotary Wing, All Scales & Types
2. Aircraft; Biplanes, All Scales & Types
3. Aircraft 1/73 & Smaller
4. Aircraft 1/72 Prop
5. Aircraft 1/72 Multi Engine Prop
6. Aircraft 1/72 Jet
7. Aircraft 1/48 Prop
8. Aircraft 1/48 Multi Engine Prop
9. Aircraft 1/48 Jet
10. Aircraft 1/32 & Larger
11. Ships 1/500 & Larger
12. Ships 1/501 & Smaller
13. Submarines: All Scales & Types
14. Military Vehicles Small Scale 1/36 & Smaller All Types
15. Tanks/Assault Guns Closed Top -1945 & Earlier (1/35 & Larger)
16. Tanks/Assault Guns Closed Top 1946 & Later (1/35 & Larger)
17. Artillery & Open Top Self-Propelled Guns (1/35 & larger)
18. Military Vehicles Tracked (1/35 & Larger)
19. Military Vehicles Wheeled (1/35 & Larger)
20. Auto Factory & Replica Stock
21. Auto Street Machine & Hot Rods
22. Auto Cruisers, Customs, Low Riders
23. Auto Competition Straight & Oval Track
24. Auto: Motorcycles & Miscellaneous
25. Commercial & Construction Vehicles
26. Figures: Historical
27. Figures: Fantasy/Sci-fi/Wargame 53mm & smaller
28. Figures: Fantasy / Sci-fi Biologic Types
29. Dioramas: All Compositions
30. Vignettes
31. Gundam / Mechs / Robots / Sci-Fi & Real Spacecraft
32. Miscellaneous
33. Jurassic Plastic (OOB Rules) Instructions Required
34. Tom Daniel Creations
35. Juniors: 17 & Under

Special Awards

Theme Award: "Red Storm Rising"

Best of Show

Presidents Award

David Newman X-Plane Award

Best Gasser

Best Auto Finish

250th Anniversary of the U.S. Navy

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Trophy Hound Award

Best Sci-Fi/Fantasy Subject

Best F-16

90th Anniversary of the Boeing B-17

Best Century Series Fighter

Schedule:

Registration	9:00 AM to Noon
Judging	12:30 PM to 3:00 PM
Awards Presentation	3:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Fees:

Adult:	\$15.00 up to 3 entries.
	\$1.00 ea. per additional entry.
Juniors:	FREE
Spectators:	FREE
Vendors:	\$45.00 Per table (reserved), \$50.00 at the door.

Vendor Contact: Curtis Stidham cbstidham@sbcglobal.net
<http://www.avg-imps.org>

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

3rd FRIDAY of Month

AUGUST 15 (at **TRADITIONAL** meeting site)

COMMUNITY ROOM

Milpitas Police Administration Building

1275 N. Milpitas Blvd

Milpitas, CA

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NOVEMBER 2025 SVSM 62nd Anniversary

Celebration Club Contest #2

In Search Of Ancient Wonders AGAIN

***A Chance to Finish Some Old Past Wonders here
note the bandwidth though, Ancient not PreHistoric***

***Once before, a semi successful attempt to gather up past "Wonders of
various short passage" as an event, so again giving this try at it.***

**ANYTHING GAINED in 2018 thru 2023 years of our DECEMBER SVSM
GIFT EXCHANGE is ELIGIBLE, so know it's the gift not the "taker" that is
eligibility standard.**

**TRADE or SELL or PASS ON anything you have that meets that standard
to a crafty competitive cohort to enter it here. SPLIT CASH PRIZE even !**

For assistance in learning what items are eligible, start here for links:

<https://www.mickbmodeler.com/november-2025-svsm.php>

Mick Burton – Editor/Sponsor

