



THE PATRIOT

IPMS Patriot Chapter Newsletter
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Meeting Info

The next Patriot Chapter meeting will take place on Friday, May 2, at 7:30 p.m. at the First Parish Unitarian Church in Billerica, MA. The church is located on Concord Road, just as it meets Route 3A (Boston Road) at the Billerica Town Common. The May meeting will be a build session with a business meeting, Show- and-Tell, and a raffle.



Bill Michaels built this 1/72 scale Junkers J.I OOB from the Roden kit and added the pilot figure. Bill used Polly Scale acrylics for the camouflage, and the kit decals ("not very good—very un-Roden-like," says Bill) to portray a plane on the Western Front in 1918.

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Minutes from the April Meeting

CHAPTER President Kurt Kunze called the meeting to order at 7:55 following an extended build session. About 15 members were present.

Bill Michaels reported that he has been in contact with the Billerica Council on Aging (COA). That organization would be interested in having a one-day model display by Patriot Chapter members. Kurt asked if there was an interest in members displaying their work, and several hands went up. Kurt further asked if there was a preference for a weeknight or weekend: all votes favored a weekend date. Bill also said that it might be possible to combine the display with a monthly meeting. As an action item, Bill will contact the COA to work out the details of when we would do the exhibit.

Bill also reported that there has been no additional progress on setting up the Cafe Press. He is still awaiting the final graphics for upload to the Cafe Press website.

John Walker gave a brief recap of Valleycon, including commentary on the number of models on the table (he believes it is up from last year) and the raffle prizes.

There was no additional business to discuss. The build session continued until a brief break to sell raffle tickets. When the meeting resumed after the break, the club held Show and Tell.

Bill Michaels reminded the members that the June meeting will be on the 6th, and in honor of the anniversary the meeting will have a D-Day theme. All members are encouraged to bring in models associated with the Normandy invasion.

Show and tell was followed by a second break, and after the break the club held the monthly raffle. After the raffle, the meeting broke up for the night.

—Rick Lippincott, Secretary

Show and Tell

Tony D'Anjou 1/72 Boeing 727-200 (KMC)
Rick Lippincott Battlestar Galactica (Monogram)
Bill Michaels 1/72 Junkers J.I (Roden)
1/72 Roland C.II "Walfisch" (Airfix)
Phönix D.IIa (Mac)

***Thank you, John Walker,
for all the photography in this issue.***



Show and Tell Gallery



Two views of Tony D'Anjou's 1/72 scale Boeing 727-200, built OOB and finished with SnJ Aluminum and Model Master enamels. Tony used the kit decals for an American Airlines bird.

Bill Michaels' 1/72 Phoenix D.IIa, built OOB and painted with Polly Scale acrylics. Bill used the kit decals for an Austrian Navy plane in 1917.

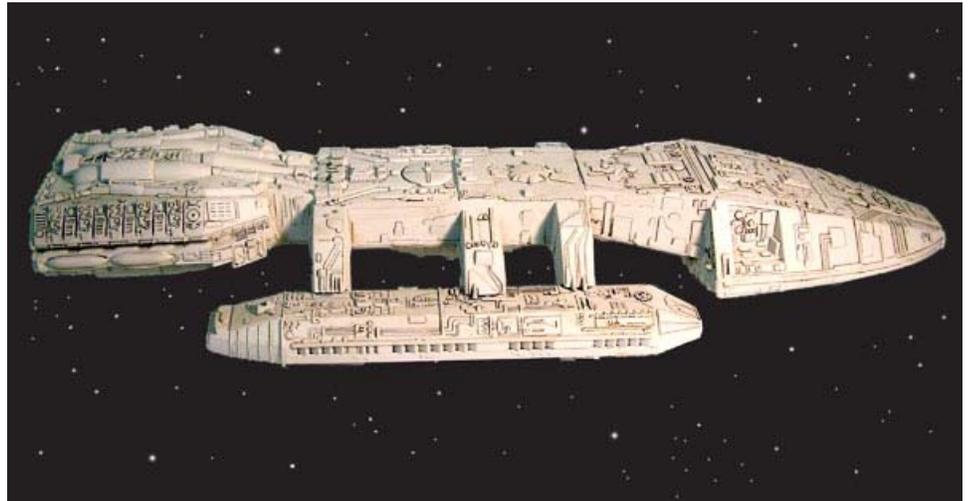


Show and Tell Gallery (continued)



Bill Michaels' 1/72 scale Roland C.II, built OOB. The figures are provided in the kit and, in Bill's words, are "very nice—some of Airfix's finest." Bill used Polly Scale acrylics for paint. The markings portray the mount of Edward von Schliech, the "Black Knight," in 1916.

Rick Lippincott's Battlestar Galactica, built OOB, painted with Testors White, and weathered with 30 years of shelf life. Rick adds, "I built the kit in 1978 to represent the spacecraft as seen in the 1978 TV series. Scale is unknown as the size of the craft was never stated, but 1/2000 would make the launching bay openings about 30 feet tall, which appears consistent with the TV images."



Another view of Bill Michaels' 1/72 J.I

Region One/IPMS Nats Update

Hi and Howdy!

This just in from Virginia Beach. Looks like things are shaping up nicely for another high quality event.

Semper Fi

Doug Hamilton, RC-1

RCs and IPMS members:

3.5 months to go! August 6–9 is looming large for the committee, which hopes to bring you a first class event. Not much modeling going on here!

A business trip recently completed delayed this report, but I did have the pleasure of attending the IPMS San Diego meeting in March and meeting Mark Knowlton. I appreciate their hospitality and am pleased to report that they will have representation this summer.

The softening economy is a concern, but here are some positive considerations:

- A tax break is coming and the Administration and Congress wants us to spend it—why not here?
- While gas prices are higher, a vacation by car/SUV/Minivan is still the most affordable option.
- Make airline reservations sooner rather than later to take advantage of lower prices.

I have attached the latest on trophy package sponsorship. Our goal is to sell the categories out, so that it truly is a national contest. Sponsorship has picked up, but there are still plenty of opportunities for clubs and individuals. I encourage them to get their requests in now.

I also encourage people not to wait on registration. Here are some great reasons to pre-register now:

- People pre-registered will be allowed to check in at 12:00 on Wednesday, two hours earlier than walk-in registrants. This means they can be first in line when the vendor room opens!
- Avoid the lines of walk-in registration. We are working hard to keep these bearable, but pre-registering is a good way to avoid them.
- Remember, the rate goes up July 1st, so register now and spend that \$5 savings in the vendor room.
- Due to the need to plan food purchases, there will

not be on-site sales of banquet tickets or the Fighter Factory BBQ. If you want to go, sign up now.

- Tours also required advance sign up, especially to the Navy Bases.

Use your tax refund to register early!

There are hotel rooms still available in the new hotels that we have brought on line. We recommend that people make reservations soon because demands for hotel rooms in the region pick up as the summer season approaches.

Virginia Beach Resort Hotel and Conference Center
75 Suites, \$179.00 per night; potential to add more rooms. Four rooms sold so far.

Wyndham Virginia Beach Oceanfront
30 Rooms, \$169 per night. Twelve Rooms sold, and activity has increased. Potential to add a modest number of additional rooms.

Quality Inn Pavilion
The other hotel adjacent to the Convention Center. 30 Rooms, \$144.00 per night. Popular, 23 rooms sold so far. Potential to add a small number of additional rooms

We look forward to seeing our fellow IPMS-ers in August and hope that many, if not all, take advantage of everything this part of Virginia has to offer.

All the best,

Charles Landrum
Chairman

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CELEBRATION**

Friday, May 2, 11-9

Saturday, May 3, 10-6

Sunday, May 4, 12-5

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Upcoming Events

- April 25–26.....**NorestCon**, IPMS Northeast New York, Holiday Inn Express, I 60 Holiday Way, Schoharie, NY. www.aloder.freeyellow.com/nec08/index.html
- August 6–9.....**IPMS National Convention**, Virginia Beach, VA. www.ipmsusa2008.org
- September 21.....**RoCon 29**, IPMS Rochester, 175 Jefferson Road, Rochester, NY 14623. Contact Jim Elam: jelam54@yahoo.com or 585-334-3860.
- October 19.....**GraniteCom**, IPMS Granite State, Nashua, NH. www.dougderienze.com/gsmc/index.htm
- October 25.....**HVHMG 2008**, IPMS Mid Hudson, Elks Lodge, Overrocker Road, Poughkeepsie, NY. Email docf225@msn.com
- November 2.....**BayCon 2008**, IPMS Bay Colony, Knights of Columbus Hall, 304 Highland Avenue, South Attleboro, MA. Contact Robert Magina: treadhead@comcast.net or 508-695-7754.

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