



THE PATRIOT

IPMS Patriot Chapter Newsletter
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Meeting Info

The next Patriot Chapter meeting will take place on Friday, March 4, 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 March meeting will our usual format: a build session with a business meeting, Show- and-Tell, and a raffle. Hope to see you there!



Junior modeler Patrick Groeneveld-Meijer brought this nice assortment of 1/35 scale figures flanked by two 1/76 scale armor pieces: a T-34 on the left and a Churchill on the right. Hope we'll be seeing some more from this young man in the future.

Final Dues Reminder

This is it! Any members whose 2011 membership renewals are not received by the upcoming March meeting will be removed from the Patriot mailing list until they send in their payments. The annual fee is \$20.00 for adults, \$10.00 for juniors. If you wish to mail in your payment (checks made out to Patriot Chapter), please send it to our treasurer:

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Minutes from the February Meeting

CHAPTER President Dave Schmidt called the meeting to order at 8:06. About a dozen members and one visitor were present. Dave informed the members that about two weeks ago, Tom Babbin suffered a brain aneurism and was in the hospital for about two weeks. As of the meeting date, he has been transferred to a long-term care facility in Natick, and it is expected that he will be there for some time. Dave had contact information for those who want to send well wishes to Tom. A website for messages is: <http://www.carepages.com/carepages/TomBabbin>.

Dave said that we'd gotten a letter from the organizers of New Jersey's MosquitoCon and from Southern Maine, both asking for a trophy package. John Touloupis noted that for many years the club strategy was to buy trophy packs from clubs that were likely to buy from us at Patcon, but this is no longer valid as we haven't done a Patcon in years. There was some discussion, and it was noted that Patriot Chapter may resume Patcon in the future and it would be good to have some good will built up with other clubs. Following discussion there was a motion to buy a trophy pack from Southern Maine. The motion was seconded and passed by majority vote.

The year-end group build was brought up again. Bill Michaels said that after last month's meeting, several members commented that they wished the "Double Play" had been left in as a possible category. The members discussed this for a short time and agreed that

"Double Play" should be added to the four options from last month. There were three rounds of voting, and in the end the result was a series of ties. The members agreed that there were be two themes this year: "Double Play" and "100 Years of Naval Aviation."

Dave stressed the need for all club members to pay their 2011 dues. At this time only about half the members have done so.

Bill reminded the club that the June meeting is "Group Build Amnesty Month," where members can bring in subjects that were not finished in time for previous years' group builds.

This ended the business portion of the meeting, and Dave immediately moved to Show and Tell. Only two models were on display. Following Show and Tell, there was a brief break followed by the raffle. After the raffle, the meeting broke up for the night. Some members stayed for a game of Wings of War.

—Rick Lippincott, Secretary

Show and Tell

Patrick Groeneveld-Meijer..... 1/76 T-34 (Revell)
1/76 Churchill (Airfix)
1/35 assorted figures (Tamiya)
Bill Michaels..... 1/35 M3 General Stuart "Honey" (Academy)



Show and Tell Gallery



Three shots of Bill Michaels' 1/35 scale M3 Stuart "Honey," built OOB but with figures added (a resin tank commander and a leftover driver from last month's Tamiya Matilda kit). The model is painted with Tamiya acrylics and weathered with oil washes and pastels. The kit decals are for the 8th King's Royal Irish Hussars, 7th Armoured Division, Sidi Rezegh, Libya, November 1941. Bill adds, "Academy apparently made up the recommended color scheme—they call for a sky blue instead of the slate green I used, which is historically accurate."



Show and Tell Gallery (continued)



Three more shots of Patrick Groeneveld-Meijer's 1/35 scale figures and 1/76 scale tanks.



Region 1 Update

Greetings, fellow fans of Plastic.

Pitchers and catchers reported last week which means two things: first, both my beloved Padres and Mets are undefeated with a real chance at the Series; and THE SPRING MODEL SHOW SEASON IS ALMOST UPON US.

Not a lot this month but a few high points nonetheless.

First off, from Art Loder over at NENY regarding the Hotel for NOREASTCON. When making your reservation, you must mention “*MODEL AIRPLANE ASSOCIATION*.” This is the magic phrase that releases a room for you. Otherwise, the bouncer won’t let you past the red velvet rope.

Secondly, I still haven’t received nominations for member-, chapter-, web-, or newsletter of the year from anybody. I sent out the guidelines last month. I need these before mid-March so I can send them up the chain.

Finally I am in receipt of only ONE bid for Noreastcon next year. Unless anybody else submits a bid by the end of March, I’ll have no choice but to award it by default.

See you Next Month.
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Upcoming Events

- March 12.....**DowneastCon 2011**, IPMS Southern Maine Scale Modelers, Thornton Academy, 438 Maine Street, Saco, ME.
Contact George Bangs: brokenyokefarm@gmail.com or 207-625-8007.
- March 20.....**MASSCAR 23**, MassCar Model Club, Holiday Inn, 700 Myles Standish Boulevard, Taunton, MA.
Contact Stuart Marcus: marcus_stuart@yahoo.com or 603-382-9724
- March 26.....**“Flight School” Aircraft Modeling Seminar**, IPMS/Hudson Valley, East Fishkill Community Library, 348 New York Rt 376, Hopewell Junction, NY
- March 27.....**Valleycon 21**, IPMS Wings & Wheels Modelers, Knights of Columbus, 460 Granby Road, Chicopee, MA.
Contact Al LaFleche: ajlafleche@comcast.net or 413-306-1270; or go to www.wvmodelclub.org/
- April 10.....**BuffCon 28**, IPMS Niagara Frontier, Knights of Columbus Club, 2735 Union Road at William Street, Cheektowaga (Buffalo), NY. Contact Dick Schulenberg: dick.schulenberg@excelco.net or 716-964-2161, or log onto www.ipmsniagarafrontier.com.
- May 13–14.....**NoreastCon 40**, Holiday Inn Express Hotel and Suites, 160 Holiday Way, Schoharie, NY.
Contact Nick Filippone: bpbittern@frontiernet.net or 518-736-2434.
For forms and paperwork, follow this link: <http://www.aloder.freeyellow.com/nec11/index.html>
- June 11–12.....**RepLiCon 2011**, Long Island Scale Model Society, American Air Power Museum, 1230 New Highway, Farmingdale, NY. Contact Robert DeMaio: taurleo@optonline.net or 631-707-3442
- September 23–24.....**AMPS East**, Northeast Military Modelers Association, Danbury Plaza Hotel, 14 Old Ridgebury Road, Danbury, CT. Contact John Gazzola: john.gazzola@ipmsnmma.org or 860-617-1413.
- October 9.....**Model Festival 2011**, IPMS Igor Sikorsky, Milford Knights of Columbus, 625 Bridgeport Avenue, Milford, CT.
Contact Raymond Prokoski: modeleray@snet.net or 203 315-8630
- October 16.....**GraniteCon XIX**, Granite State Modelers, Nashua Elks Club, 120 Daniel Webster Highway, Nashua, NH.
Contact Rodney Currier: nickmatt2@roadrunner.com or 603-726-3876.
- October 22.....**HVHMG 25**, IPMS Mid Hudson, Elks Lodge, 29 Overrocker Road, Poughkeepsie, NY.
Contact John Gallagher: showchair@hvhmg.com or 845-462-4740.

More Meeting Pics



**Thank you, Karen Lippincott,
for all the photography
at the February meeting!**

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