



THE PATRIOT

IPMS Patriot Chapter Newsletter
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Meeting Info

The next Patriot Chapter meeting will take place on Friday, July 13, at 7:30 p.m. at the First Parish Unitarian Church in Billerica, MA. Please note that this is the second Friday of the month due to the Independence Day holiday week. The First Parish Church is located on Concord Road, just as it meets Route 3A (Boston Road) at the Billerica Town Common. The February meeting will be a build session with a business meeting, Show-and-Tell, and a raffle.



Another nice small scale vehicle from Mike Hirsch. This time it's a 1/72 scale LVT(A)4 Alligator, built OOB and painted with Model Master enamels. The model bears markings for the 2nd Armored Amphibian Battalion, Iwo Jima 1945. Mike adds, "This was a new paint technique for me: I sprayed the overall sand color, then outlined each color area with a pencil, then brush painted the outer edge of the color field. After that, I airbrushed in the filler. This gave a hard edge and smooth coverage. After the paint was sealed with Future, it was heavily weathered with oil washes and AK weathering solutions."

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Minutes from the July Meeting

CHAPTER President Dave Schmidt called the meeting to order at 8:05. About 15 members were present. Dave announced an upcoming model car show, for those members who might be interested.

Dave queried the members for interest on the planned club outing to the USS Constitution. He discussed possible dates and did a headcount. About eight members at the meeting expressed an interest in going. The decision was made to hold the trip sometime in September. Transportation alternatives were discussed, including the MBTA commuter rail, Orange Line and Green Line. The USS Constitution is located about nine-tenths of a mile from North Station.

Alan Beeber reminded the members that the Hobby Emporium will be holding a model expo on July 14. He suggested that it might be good for the chapter to have representation at the meeting.

The business meeting was followed by Show and Tell. After Show and Tell there was a brief break, followed by the raffle. After the raffle, the meeting broke up for the night.

—Rick Lippincott, Secretary

Raffle Report

First, I'd like to thank Alan Beeber for taking over my raffle duties when I couldn't attend the June meeting.

June winners:

Matt Fleury—1/35 Dragon Pz-1a

Ken Sullivan—1/72 Italeri Waco CG-4a glider.

We sold \$49 in tickets, and the prizes selected only cost us \$15 (thanks to the donations from Bob Hale's estate), so we made \$34. The raffle has done very well so far this year—at the halfway point of 2012, the value of the program (cash and inventory) is up \$439, of which \$290 was in the form of donations.

There will be some new items added to the raffle at the July meeting, again thanks to the Hale estate. I sold the vac-form kits online, and used the proceeds to take advantage of the 40% off sale at Spare Time Shop in June. Be sure to bring some pocket money to buy tickets at the July meeting!

—Bill Michaels, Vice President

Show and Tell

Julia Butler 1/12 Megatherium (Scratchbuilt)
Matthew Fleury 1/35 M4 Sherman (Tamiya)
Mike Hirsch 1/72 LVT(A)4 (DML)
Ken Sullivan..... 1/350 USS The Sullivans (Trumpeter)
John Walker..... 1/35 Panzer 1A (Tristar)



**THANK YOU
Karen Lippincott
for all the photography
in this issue.**



Show and Tell Gallery

Two views of John Walker's 1/35 scale Panzer I ausf A, built OOB and finished with Tamiya German Grey, oversprayed in a cloud pattern with German Grey lightened with Dark Yellow. Panels and other details were outlined with black pastels. The chassis was painted with AK Interactive fresh mud enamel. Markings (kit decals) are for Pz Abt zbv (Special Panzer Unit) 40, Norway, April 1940. As an aside: other than the Soviet Union, of all the other countries that Germany invaded besides, Norway held out the longest—62 days, from April 9th to May 10th, 1940.

John adds, "Figure from kit. Also, the tracks on this kit are of the Model Kasten style where one link is fitted to another and then pinned with a very tiny pin. This isn't so bad once you get the hang of it, but a number of the links were short shot in the area of the pin, and had to be glued. In addition the tracks are "handed" left and right. At the end I had exactly one link left! I noticed that on later issues of their Pz I a kits, Tristar have gone over to a straight glue together system as used by DML, which is much easier."



Ken Sullivan's 1/350 scale USS The Sullivans, built OOB and brushpainted in Measure 22 camouflage using acrylics. Markings are from the kit plus a black decal sheet for the waterline stripe. Ken adds, "This was an extremely easy build on a kit that was panned for lack of accuracy, but went together like a cinch and displays well on the shelf. It could be improved with photo-etch and rigging, which in this large scale would be a nice first attempt for someone new to adding those details."

Show and Tell Gallery (continued)



Another view of Ken Sullivan's
USS The Sullivans



Two views of Matthew Fleury's
1/35 scale M4 Sherman.



Show and Tell Gallery (concluded)



Two views of Julia Butler's scratchbuilt, 1/12 scale Megatherium, an extinct giant ground sloth. Julie started with a wire armature based on the skeletal dimensions of a sub-adult animal. She applied Super Sculpy clay and sculpted it, then added glass eyes from the taxidermy industry. The finished piece was baked and painted with acrylics applied in thin layers.



Another view of Mike Hirsch's LVT(A)4.



Upcoming Events

- August 8-11 **IPMS National Convention**, IPMS IPMS Pelikan, Orlando FL
 For information, go to <http://www.ipms2012.org/>
- September 28-29..... **AMPSEAST**, IPMS Northeast Military Modelers Association.
 For Information, go to <http://www.ipmsnmma.org/ampseast/ampseast-future.htm>
- October 7..... **Model Festival**, IPMS Stratford, Milford, CT.
- October 20..... **HVHMG 2012**, IPMS Mid Hudson, Elks Club Lodge, Overocker Road, Poughkeepsie, NY.
 For Information, go to <http://www.hvhmg.com/expo.html>
- October 21..... **GraniteCon XX**, Granite State Modelers, Nashua Elks Club, 120 Daniel Webster Highway, Nashua, NH.
 Contact Rodney Currier: nickmatt2@roadrunner.com or 603-726-3876.
- November 4..... **Baycon 2012**, Bay Colony Modelers, Knights of Columbus Hall, 304 Highland Avenue, South Attleboro, MA.
 Contact Robert Magina: treadhead@comcast.net or 508-695-7754.
 For vendor information:, contact Paul Champigny: pchampigny@cox.net or 401-737-1053
 For forms & more information, go to <http://www.ipmsbaycolony.com/baycon/>
- November 10..... **L.I.A.R.S. Model Car Challenge**, Long Island Auto Replica Society, Freeport, NY
 For information, go to <http://www.wix.com/liarsmodelcarclub/liars>

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