



THE PATRIOT

IPMS Patriot Chapter Newsletter
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Meeting Info

The next Patriot Chapter meeting will take place on Friday, September 7, 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 September meeting will be a build session with a business meeting, Show- and-Tell, and a raffle.



It's hard to capture a biplane from just one angle, so here are two shots of Bill Michaels' neat build of the recent and well-reviewed Airfix Swordfish in 1/72 scale. Inspired by Charles Lamb's autobiography, "To War in a Stringbag," Bill built the model as "2Q," the plane flown by Lft. Lamb as a member of 815 Squadron, based aboard HMS Illustrious at the time of the Tarano Raid, 11-12 November, 1940. Lamb's plane carried a drop tank, bombs and flares instead of a torpedo since his primary mission was to drop the flares to light the way for the torpedo strike aircraft.

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Minutes from the August Meeting

CHAPTER President Dave Schmidt called the meeting to order at 8:05. About 15 members were present. Tony D'Anjou made a brief appearance, his first following some medical issues. His spirits were good, and the members were all happy to see him.

The first order of business was a brief report on the planned group trip to the USS Constitution. Dave said that he's going to contact the museum for additional information within the next few weeks, with the intent that we would make the trip at some time in September. As the trip will take place after the first weekend in September, we will finalize plans at the September meeting. Dave said that he would forward to the members the information that he gets from the museum, and from there we should be able to finalize plans for a date, time, and meeting place.

Dave also congratulated Pip for his efforts resulting in "The Patriot" being selected as IPMS Newsletter of the Year for Region 1 as announced in the most recent issue of the IPMS Journal. Dave remarked that he's always felt the newsletter was well designed and well crafted; other members agreed. Pip said that the IPMS decision was a pleasant surprise and thanked those who had entered the newsletter on his behalf.

Bill Michaels addressed the club regarding an exhibition at the Chelmsford Senior Center. See the Special Club Notice below for details.

As there was no further business, the meeting transitioned into raffle ticket sales before Show and Tell. After Show and Tell there was a brief break, the raffle, and then the meeting broke up for the night.

—Rick Lippincott, Secretary

Show and Tell

Matt Fleury..... 1/35 M41 Bulldog (Tamiya)
Ora Lassila 1/72 BTR-60PB (ICM)
Bill Michaels..... 1/72 Fairey Swordfish Mk. I (Airfix)
Pip Moss..... 1/48 Seafire FR Mk. 47 (Airfix)

Raffle Report

August winners:

Mike Hirsch—1/350 Tamiya I-400 sub

Matt Fleury (from John Walker)—1/48 DML Fokker D.VII

Pip Moss—1/48 Tamiya A6M3 Zero.

We sold \$62 in tickets, and the prizes selected cost us \$60.

There will be some more new items added to the raffle at the September meeting, thanks to the "After the Fourth" sale at the Spare Time Shop. Be sure to bring some pocket money to buy tickets at the meeting!

—Bill Michaels, Vice President

Special Club Notice

Chelmsford Senior Center in October

We have finalized arrangements with the Town of Chelmsford's Senior Center to do an exhibition and to hold our October club meeting at their location. The Center is located at 75 Groton Road in Chelmsford. Here are the details:

Model Exhibition

We'll do an informal display at the monthly Veterans' Breakfast on Thursday, September 27. The building unofficially opens as early as 7:00 a.m., and the veterans start to come in at 8:30. The breakfast officially starts at 9:00 with the pledge of allegiance and then breakfast. They usually start to drift out beginning around 9:45.

Our goal is to have 3–4 tables worth of models set up, with 3–6 people present to answer questions, etc. For planning purposes, we need to find people who can help from around 8:00 to 10:30 or so. We're looking at this as a low-key affair—not a big effort like we do for the Museum shows. The Senior Center will provide us with tables in their main hall, which is a huge space—we'll be in the room where they hold the breakfast. All we need to do is show up with a variety of models and be ready to chat with the visitors. (Bringing along something to work on would be a good idea, too.)

We'll also have a flier there, inviting people to come see us at our next meeting, which will be held at the Senior Center on the following Wednesday evening.

Club Meeting

Our regular October meeting will be moved to Wednesday, October 3rd, and will be held at the Chelmsford Senior Center. Note that this meeting is replacing our regular meeting night of Friday, October 5th. We'll have the use of the facility for free and can stay as late as 9:30 pm. (We did an informal survey at the August club meeting, and most people said they'd be able to attend a meeting on a weeknight.)

This invitation is a result of an ongoing attempt to find possible low-cost meeting places (I have recently reached out to the staffs at the Senior Centers in Billerica, Bedford, and Chelmsford). A secondary goal was to get the club exposed to possible new members. I think this is a real opportunity for the club—a chance to do an exhibition for what is bound to be an appreciative audience. It also may attract potential new members, and it could link up with some veterans for whom we could build some models.

Please contact me at bill_michaels@verizon.net if you're interested in participating at the exhibition on the 27th.

—Bill Michaels, Vice President

Show and Tell Gallery



Two views of Ora Lassila's 1/72 BTR-60PB. Many of the smaller details—handles, etc.—had to be scratchbuilt. The suspension is all scratchbuilt as well. Ora used Polly Scale and Model Master acrylics. Serial numbers are from the kit decals; roundels are from a Galdecad sheet for the BAE Hawk (!). Markings are for a vehicle of the Finnish Army, Armored Brigade, late 1970s.



Pip Moss's 1/48 scale Seafire FR Mk. 47, built using a whole bunch of resin replacement parts from several Cooper Details (Roy Sutherland) sets: propeller blades, chin intake, rocker covers, exhausts, radiator cores, outer landing gear doors, pilot's hatch, stabilizers, elevators, rudder and sting hook fairing. In addition, the kit cockpit was replaced by a resin set from Cutting Edge, and the sliding canopy was replaced by a Squadron vacuform. Paint is Pactra and Model Master enamels. Codes and stencils are from the kit decals; roundels are from an Aeromaster sheet. Markings are for RN No. 800 Squadron, HMS Triumph, Korean War Theater, late spring 1950.

Show and Tell Gallery (continued)



Another view of Pip Moss's 1/48 scale Seafire FR Mk. 47.



Two views of Matt Fleury's 1/35 scale M41 Bulldog.



Upcoming Events

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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