



THE PATRIOT

IPMS Patriot Chapter Newsletter
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Meeting Info

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



It isn't this year's theme. It isn't last year's theme. Nope, this is Kurt Kunze's cross-dresser from 2010, a 1/35 scale T-55A in Czech Army markings, built almost OOB. Kurt added a log (a straight twig from his back yard, just visible at the stern end) and scratchbuilt styrene straps for it and brackets for the extra track links. He painted the model with Model Master Russian Armor Green and weathered it with Model Master French Earth Brown. Decals are from the kit. Kurt, we're glad you finally finished something!

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Minutes from the December Meeting

THE meeting began at 7 p.m. with an hour of socializing and eating. About 20 members were present. Thank you, Kurt Kunze, for making the arrangements for some very tasty pizza; and thank you, various members, for bringing desserts and other treats.

Chapter President Dave Schmidt began the business portion of the meeting shortly after 8 PM, updating the members on the search for a Patcon site. Dave has a number of locations and photographs of each; he would like to make a decision on the site by the next meeting. Dave said that there are several possibilities that are affordable and big enough for our needs. The three most promising are in Billerica, Leominster, and Hudson NH. Dave said that he will get the photos out to the members (either via the web or a special edition of the newsletter) so that the members can make an informed choice about the location.

Dave said that following selection of the site, we will form committees to get all the necessary work done. The target date for the show is mid September 2013.

The club then held elections for the 2013 E-Board. The incumbent members of the board were all re-elected:

President: Dave Schmidt
First Vice President: Pip Moss
Second Vice President: Bill Michaels
Secretary: Rick Lippincott
Treasurer: John Touloupis

After the election, the meeting moved on to Show and Tell. Following Show and Tell, the club held the annual Yankee Swap. After the Yankee Swap, the meeting broke up for the night.

—Rick Lippincott, Secretary

Show and Tell

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| Tom Boisvert..... | 1/8 Iron Man (Moebius) |
| George Caswell..... | 1/72 Armored Core (Kotobukiya) |
| Mike Hirsch | 1/350 Thunderbirds TB-2 (Imai) |
| | 1/48 Curtiss R3C-0 (Fine Molds) |
| Kurt Kunze..... | 1/35 T-55A (Tamiya) |
| Rick Lippincott | 1/72 Phoenix (Italeri) |
| | 1/350 USS New Jersey (Tamiya) |
| Bill Michaels..... | 1/72 Rat Patrol Collection (Heller/Airfix) |
| | 1/20 Flintstones Flintmobile (Lindberg) |
| | 1/35 Trojan Rabbit (scratchbuilt) |
| Pip Moss..... | 1/350 Klingon Bird of Prey (AMT) |
| | 1/48 P-47D-25-RE (Tamiya) |
| Mike OfKeefe..... | 1/6 Darth Vader (AMT/Ertl) |
| Jim Qualey | 1/72 F-8J Crusader (Hasegawa) |
| | 1/72 A-4E Skyhawk (Fujimi) |
| Ken Sullivan..... | Lost in Space B9 Robot (Polar Lights) |
| John Touloupis | 1/20 The Jetsons Spaceship (Polar Lights) |
| John Walker..... | 1/35 Mk. IV Male Tank (Emhar) |

Raffle Report

December Winners

Alan Beeber was finally able to get the 1/48 Eduard Typhoon he wanted from the Premium table.

Winners from the standard table were

Bart Navarro: Eduard 1/48 P-39 Airacobra
 Mike Hirsch: Academy 1/72 Fw 190
 Bill Michaels: 1/48 Tamiya Kubelwagen.

We also held the special draw for participants in the 2012 Group Build. Colin O'Keefe won a 1/72 Revell F-16, and Rick Lippincott took home an Academy 1/35 M113 Zeld.

2012 was a good year for the raffle. We sold a lot of tickets, got great deals on purchases, and received a very generous donation from Bob Hale's estate. Over the course of the year, we sold \$742 worth of tickets and spent \$348 in purchases, so we added \$394 to the treasury. At the same time, the value of our raffle inventory basically doubled: we started the year with about \$300 worth of kits and are ending the year with about \$640 worth of kits. (This figure is imprecise since the value for all the donated kits is a conservative estimate, based on what they might fetch on the secondary market.)

—Bill Michaels, Vice President



Show and Tell Gallery

Tom Boisvert's 1/8 scale Iron Man, built mostly OOB and lit with a 9-volt bulb and battery. Tom adds, "I had lots of fun with this model. I'm going to do another one."



Jim Qualey's 1/72 scale F-8J Crusader, built with aftermarket ejection seat and painted with Model Master enamels. Markings, from MicroScale, are for a plane from VMF(AW)-232 "Red Devils," the oldest USMC fighter squadron and the third F-8 unit sent to Vietnam.

Bill Michaels' 1/20 scale Flintmobile as seen in the Flintstones TV series. The model was built OOB and painted with Polly Scale acrylics.



Show and Tell Gallery (continued)



Pip Moss's 1/48 scale P-47D-25-RE. Stock footage of this plane landing (minus a wheel) was used in the initial flying sequences of the 1948 movie "Fighter Squadron" starring Edmond O'Brien. The model was built OOB except for Ultracast wheels and seat. Overall color is Alclad Duraluminum. Stripes, nose color and antiglare strip were all masked and painted with Model Master enamels. Roundels and serials (cobbled together from two sets of markings) are Aeromaster. The codes were home computer drawn and laser printed. The actual plane, piloted by Stewart Bross, flew with the 514th FS, 406th FG. The emergency landing was filmed near Asch, Belgium on March 12, 1945

Mike O'Keefe's 1/6 scale Darth Vader, built OOB and painted with various acrylics.



Mike Hirsch's 1/350 scale TB-2 International Rescue transport and rescue vehicles, as seen in the British sci-fi series, "Thunderbirds." Mike built the model OOB and painted it with Model Master Interior Green. He used Micro Krystal Klear for the windows. Mike adds, "Quite a bit of sanding and smoothing, but on the whole, it was a fun and effortless build."

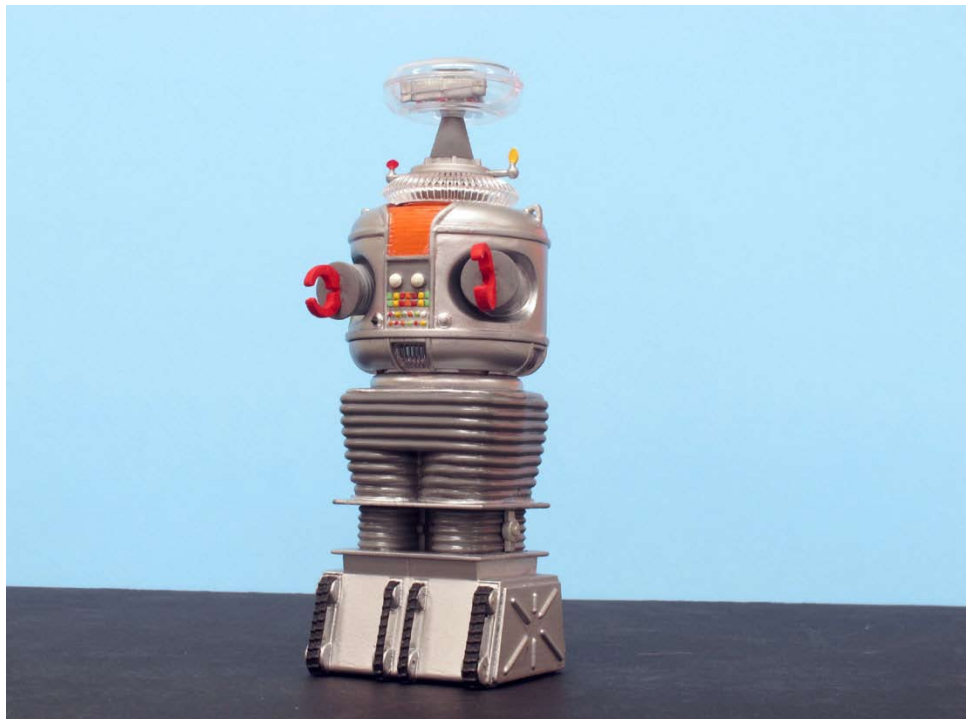
Show and Tell Gallery (continued)

Jim Qualey's 1/72 scale A-4E. Jim added a True Details seat and bombs from a Hasegawa weapons set. He also added the rear fuselage flare dispenser. Paint is Model Master enamels. Markings, from SuperScale, are for a plane from VA-152 in its final cruise aboard USS Shangri-La in 1970 before the unit was disbanded in 1971.



John Walker's 1/35 scale Mk. IV Male tank, built mostly OOB and painted with Model Master. Markings are dry transfer letters and numbers from Woodland Scenics. The model depicts Big Brute as seen in the movie "War Horse." John adds, "Lots of little tweaks—not a very good kit."

Ken Sullivan's 1/12 (?) scale B9 robot as seen in the 1960s TV series "Lost in Space." Ken added door springs for arms and craft beads for the brain. Overall paint is spray-can dull silver and charcoal gray, with other colors in acrylics. Ken adds, "A fun old repro kit that looks nice on the shelf and doesn't require rivet counting."



Show and Tell Gallery (continued)



Mike Hirsch's 1/48 scale Curtiss R3C-0, built OOB and painted with Humbrol and Model Master enamels. Perhaps the finest air racer of the 1920s, this plane won the Pulitzer Trophy and Schneider Cup, setting a world speed record. The plane was also featured in the 1972 Japanese anime film, "Porco Rosso" (The Crimson Pig).

Bill Michaels' scratchbuilt 1/35 scale Trojan Rabbit, as seen in the classic film "Monty Python and the Holy Grail." Bill remarked that one of the biggest challenges was finding enough straight and properly sized twigs in his back yard.



Rick Lippincott's 1/72 Phoenix, kitbashed from an Italeri C-119 kit. Paint is Testors spray Aluminum. Decals are home made, based on photos of the aircraft and screen shots from the 2004 version of the movie "Flight of the Phoenix."

Show and Tell Gallery (continued)

John Touloupis's 1/20 scale Jetsons family spaceship as seen in the TV series "The Jetsons." John built the model OOB and painted the seats, dashboard and joystick. John adds, "A snap-tite kit, but I glued most of it. The figures come pre-painted."



Rick Lippincott's 1/350 scale battleship USS New Jersey, built OOB and painted with Tamiya acrylics. The model depicts the ship in her 1980s configuration. Rick adds, "December 7, 2012 is the 70th anniversary of the New Jersey's launching."

Bill Michaels' 1/72 scale collection of vehicles seen in the TV series "Rat Patrol." The halftrack was built OOB; the Jeeps weren't. Paints are Polly Scale and Tamiya acrylics. Bill adds, "Classic 1960s 'German' halftrack—a US M3 in German markings."



Question of the Month (concluded)



George Caswell's 1/72 scale armed Zaku as seen in the video game "Armored Core."

Pip Moss's 1/350 scale Klingon Bird of Prey, built OOB, painted with Model Master enamels and Alclad metallic lacquers, and weathered with oil washes, Rustall and drybrushing of acrylic Rust paint. Pip adds, "I wasn't really looking forward to this build, but it turned out to be quite fun and gave me a chance to do a lot of brushpainting."



Upcoming Events

- March 17 **MASSCAR 25**, MassCar Model Club, Holiday Inn, 700 Myles Standish Boulevard, Taunton, MA.
Contact Stuart Marcus: marcus_stuart@yahoo.com or 603-382-9724
- March 23 **Driver's Ed (Seminar Day)**, IPMS Mid Hudson Valley, East Fishkill Community Library, Hopewell Jct., NY
- March 24 **Valleycon 23**, 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.wmodelclub.org/
- April 6 **MosquitoCon 23**, IPMS New Jersey, Wayne PAL, Wayne, NJ
- April 7 **DowneastCon 2013**, IPMS Southern Maine Scale Modelers, Thornton Academy, 438 Maine Street, Saco, ME.
Contact George Bangs: brokenyokefarm@gmail.com or 207-625-8007.
- April 13 **CAN/AM Con II**, IPMS Champlain Valley, Camel's Hump Middle School, 173 School St., Richmond, VT.
- April 13 **RepLIcon XXVI**, Long Island Scale Modelers, Freeport Recreation Center, 130 E. Merrick Rd., Freeport, NY
- April 14 **BuffCon 30**, IPMS Niagara Frontier, Amherst, NY
- May 3-4 **NoreastCon 2013**, IPMS Rochester, Radisson Inn, 175 Jefferson Rd., Rochester, NY
Contact Ken Brent: kenneth.brent@kodak.com or 585-342-7098.
- August 14-17 **IPMS/USA National Convention**, IPMS Denver, Loveland, CO
- September 26-27 **ArmorCon**, NMMA, Danbury, CT
- October 19 **HVHMG Exhibition & Contest**, Elks Club Hall, 29 Overocker Road Poughkeepsie, NY
- October 20 **GraniteCon XXI**, Granite State Modelers, Nashua Elks Club, 120 Daniel Webster Highway, Nashua, NH.
Contact Rodney Currier: nickmatt2@roadrunner.com or 603-726-3876.

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