



THE PATRIOT

IPMS Patriot Chapter Newsletter
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Meeting Info

The next Patriot Chapter meeting will take place on Friday, April 3 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 November meeting will be a build session with a business meeting, Show-and-Tell, and a raffle.



Bart Navarro did a nice job on this 1/32 scale M42 Duster, built OOB from the old Revell (originally Renwal) kit. He used Mr. Color acrylic lacquers, weathered with Rust and Dry Mud liquids from AK Interactive. The bushes and road sand came from AC Moore. Produced from 1952 to 1959 as an anti-aircraft artillery vehicle, the M42 was armed with twin 40mm Bofors guns. Not so effective against jets, the Duster was pressed into a point-defense role during the Vietnam War.

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Minutes from the March Meeting

CHAPTER President Dave Schmidt called the meeting to order at 8 p.m. About 20 members were present.

Dave started by announcing for the benefit of those not at last month's meeting that the December group build project is **Anything that Floats**.

He then reported on a trip to the Hudson Elks, where he had taken a look at the plans for the renovation. The work is extensive and will provide more opportunities for separate activities and extra space for vendor tables. Work is scheduled to begin in June. Some members expressed concerns that the work may not be ready in time for the September show.

Bill Michaels suggested that the Patcon committee begin to meet in order to plan the event.

Bill then proposed that the chapter actually hold a vote authorizing Patcon 2015. There was a motion to hold the contest; it was seconded and passed unanimously.

Dave then moved on to the subject of the group trip. After some further additions to previous suggestions, the list of candidates was as follows:

Museum of WW2, Natick MA
New Hampshire Aviation Museum, Londonderry NH
Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome, Rhinebeck NY
Owls Head Transportation Museum, Owls Head ME
Slot car racing at Modelville Hobby, Ashland MA
US Navy Submarine Museum, Groton CT
Wright Museum, Wolfboro NH

There was some discussion and whittling down of the topics. The final round of voting resulted in the club selecting the **Museum of WW2**. Dave said that he will contact the museum for information on times, dates and rates.

Alan Beeber informed the club that "changes" are coming to the UCC church we use as the meeting place. Alan did not offer specifics about the type of changes or when they might happen; but he suggested that should the club learn of other places to meet, we should entertain the idea of relocating. This comment initiated a somewhat lengthy discussion regarding possible locations and days for holding the meeting should the club find it necessary to move.

Bill Michaels announced that the Woods Hole Model Boat Show will be taking place on Patriot's Day weekend.

Treasurer John Touloupis delivered the treasurer's report. There was a motion to accept the report as read. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

This concluded the business portion of the meeting. There was a five minute break for the sale of raffle tickets, followed by Show-and-Tell. There was then a second sale of tickets, followed by the raffle drawing.

After the raffle, a number of members stayed on for a discussion of IPMS contest judging philosophy and guidelines moderated by John Walker and Pip Moss. We shared quite a bit of useful information, and the participants seemed to find the time well spent. John will be leading a discussion of Armor judging at the April meeting. It is hoped that these discussions will give members the skills to become more effective judges at Patcon and other shows.

Following the judging discussion, the meeting closed down.

—Rick Lippincott, Secretary

Show-and-Tell

Bill Michaels..... 1/100 M2A2 Bradley platoon (Zvezda)
Ken Myers.....1/72 Martin Baltimore (Frog)
Bart Navarro.....1/32 M47 Duster (Revell)
Richard Price..... 1/48 SBD-3 Dauntless (Hasegawa)
Ken Sullivan..... 1/32 1936 Ford Roadster (Lindberg)
John Walker.....1/35 Panzer 1a with Breda 20mm (Masterbox)

Raffle Report

March winners:

John Walker, DML 1/35 Sherman Firefly Mk.Ic
Mike Hirsch, Academy 1/72 P-39Q Airacobra
Ken Sullivan, Airfix 1/72 Swordfish Mk.I
Alan Beeber, DML 1/35 BRDM-3.

We sold \$82 in tickets, and the prizes cost us \$73, so we made \$9, bringing our year-to-date total back above the break-even point at \$3.

—Bill Michaels, Vice President

Show-and-Tell Gallery

Two views of Ken Myers' 1/72 scale Martin Baltimore (Frog). Ken made a lot of modifications including scratchbuilt cockpit and nose interior; enlarged air intakes; added gun ports, shell ejector chutes and landing lights; added steps, hand rail and grab ring; scratchbuilt turret interior; added engine oil coolers and mesh intake screens on cowlings; scratchbuilt main gear wells and struts; added British style pitot tube; sanded and re-scribed entire kit. After-market items include Quickboost resin guns and Eduard PE gun sights. Camouflage paints are AK Interactive and Aeromaster. Decals are from various spare sheets.



Ken Sullivan's 1/32 scale 1936 Ford Roadster (Lindberg), built OOB and painted with hobby acrylics and Future. Ken adds, "I just grabbed a cheap kit off the shelf to practice with my new Master airbrush (the best I've ever used), but the more of the kit I completed, the better I liked it!"

Show-and-Tell Gallery (continued)

Richard Price's 1/48 scale SBD-3 Dauntless (Hasegawa). Richard used an Eduard Big Ed set that included cockpit, dive brakes and masks plus some exterior detail parts. He also re-fabricated the main struts using brass tube and paper strip with brake lines from copper wire. The forward 50-cal. barrels were made from brass tubing. The canopy pieces had to be thinned by 2/3 to fit in the open position. Camouflage paints are K4 acrylics with Model Master enamels for the interior and details. The insignia and tail stripes were painted; other decals are from the kit. Markings are for a plane from VS-2 aboard USS Lexington during the Battle of the Coral Sea in 1942.



Bill Michaels' platoon of 1/100 scale M2A2 Bradley IFVs (Zvezda from their wargaming series), built OOB and painted with Model Master and Vallejo acrylics.

Show-and-Tell Gallery (concluded)

Two views of John Walker's 1/35 scale Panzer Ia with Breda 20mm cannon (Masterbox). John scratchbuilt the cannon and added all welds. Paints are Tamiya acrylic Dark Gray and Dark Yellow with AK filter and wash for the dark gray. The model was weathered with powders and pastels. Decals, from the kit, are for a vehicle serving with the Spanish Nationalist Army in 1937.



Upcoming Events

- March 29 **Valleycon XXV**, IPMS Wings & Wheels, Knights of Columbus, 460 Granby Road, Chicopee, MA.
Contact Al LaFleche: ajlafleche@comcast.net or 413-306-1270.
- April 11 **RepLIcon 27**, Long Island Scale Model Society, Freeport Recreation Center, 130 Merrick Ave., Freeport, NY
Contact Robert DeMaio: taurleo@optonline.net or 631-707-3442.
- April 12 **Downeastcon 2014**, IPMS Southern Maine, Thornton Academy/Linnell Gymnasium, 438 Main St., Saco, ME.
Contact George Bangs: brokenyokefarm@gmail.com or 207-625-8007
- April 12 **BuffCon 31**, IPMS Niagara Frontier, Knights of Columbus, 2735 Union Road at William St., Cheektowaga, NY.
Contact Tom Faith: tkebj5@roadrunner.com or 716-683-4897.
- April 25 **Can Am Con 13**, IPMS Champlain Valley, VT National Guard Armory, 255 LaFountain Street, Winooski, VT.
Contact Chris Graeter: cgrae4906@aol.com or 802-878-1275.
- May 2 **NoreastCon 2015**, IPMS Northeastern NY, Polish Community Center, 225 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY.
Contact Nick Fillipone: bpbittern@frontiernet.net or 518 736-2434.
- May 17 **NorthShoreCon 2015**, IPMS North Shore, Gloucester High School, 34 Leslie O. Johnson Rd, Gloucester, MA.
Contact Dave Reardon: 978-325-0049 or nsscalemodeler@gmail.com.
- July 22–25 **IPMS National Convention/Contest**, Hyatt Regency, Columbus, OH.
Log on to <http://www.ipmsusa2015.com/>
- September 13 **Patcon 2013**, Hudson Elks Lodge, 90 Park Street, Hudson, MA.
- September 20 **Rocon 34**, IPMS Rochester, Webster Recreation Center, 1350 Chiyoda Drive, Webster, NY.
Contact Cliff Wiley: cwileyone1946@yahoo.com or 558-317-2702.
- October 17 **HVHMG Exhibition & Contest**, IPMS Mid-Hudson, Elks Club Hall, 29 Overocker Road Poughkeepsie, NY.
Contact John Gallagher: jgallag@entergy.com or 845-462-4740.
- October 18 **GraniteCon XXIII**, Granite State Modelers, Nashua Elks Club, 120 Daniel Webster Highway, Nashua, NH.
Contact Keith Touchette: touchettekr@gmail.com or 603-578-9231.

IPMS/USA MEMBERSHIP FORM

IPMS No.: _____ Name: _____
If Renewing Address: _____ First Middle Last
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ E-mail: _____
 Signature (required by P.O.) _____
 Type of Membership Adult, 1 Year: \$30 Adult, 2 Years: \$58 Adult, 3 Years: \$86
 Junior (Under 18 Years) \$17 Family, 1 Year: \$35 (Adult + \$5, One Set Journals) How Many Cards? _____
 Canada & Mexico: \$35 Other / Foreign: \$38 (Surface) Checks must be drawn on a US bank or international money order
 Payment Method: Check Money Order Credit Card (MC/VISA/DISC)
 Credit Card No: _____ Expiration Date: _____
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 If Recommended by an IPMS Member, Please List His / Her Name and Member Number:
 Name: _____ IPMS No.: _____

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Please note new IPMS/USA membership fees for 2015



Wings & Wheels Modelers - IPMS

VALLEYCON 25

To celebrate our Silver Anniversary, we will have several non-competing retrospective displays by current members. Additionally, we will seek out previous best of show winners to bring their winning models for display.

SUNDAY 29 MARCH 2015

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
460 GRANBY ROAD
CHICOPEE, MASS.

Directions: Mass Pike Exit 5, left at the fork, right at the end of the ramp, left at the first lights, about a mile on the right.

Open Judging (Gold/Silver/Bronze)

Figures, Dioramas/Vignettes, Juniors,
Collections, Armor, Ships/Boats,
Sci-Fi/Space Machines and Miscellaneous

FREE RAFFLE TICKETS!

Download your Registration and Model ID forms from
www.wmodelclub.org, complete them in advance and
present them at registration to get 2 free raffle tickets.

REGISTRATION 9:00 A.M. TO NOON

CONTESTANTS - ADULT: \$5 for first 3 MODELS, \$2 for each additional MODEL

CONTESTANTS - UNDER 17: FREE for first 3 MODELS, \$2 for each addl. MODEL

GENL. ADMISSION - ADULT: \$5 (under 17 FREE with paid Adult admission)

ON SITE FOOD AND BEVERAGE

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR VENDOR RESERVATIONS CONTACT
AL LAFLECHE 167 PIPER ROAD WEST SPRINGFIELD MA 01089
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Open Judging

- 1 Super Juniors (12 Years and Under)
- 2 Intermediate Juniors (13 - 16 Years Old)
- 3 Collections (3 to 8 Related Models)
- 4 Ships And Boats
- 5 Space and Science Fiction Machines
- 6 Misc. Static & Scratchbuilt Models
- 7 Wargame Figures & Displays
- 8 Figures – judged on Painting Only
- 9 Figures – judged on All Aspects
- 10 Vignettes & Dioramas
- 11 Small Scale Military Vehicles (smaller than 1/48)
- 12 Tracked Military Vehicles (1/48 to 1/32)
- 13 Wheeled & Half tracked Military Vehicles
- 14 Artillery Towed & Immobile

IPMS Style Judging

- 15 Showroom Cars/Trucks (no modifications)
- 16 Street Cars/Trucks (limited modifications)
- 17 Custom Cars/Trucks (radical modifications)
- 18 Competition Vehicles – closed wheel
- 19 Competition Vehicles – open wheel
- 20 Working Vehicles
- 21 Single Engine Prop Small Scale (< 1/50)
- 22 Multi Engine Prop Small Scale (< 1/50)
- 23 Jets or Rockets Small Scale (<1/50)
- 24 Single Engine Prop Large Scale Axis
- 25 Single Engine Prop Large Scale Allies
- 26 Multi Engine Prop Large Scale
- 27 Jets or Rockets Large Scale
- 28 All Rotor Winged Aircraft
- 29 All Rigged or Multi Winged Aircraft
- 30 All Civilian Aircraft

SPECIAL AWARDS

Best Wargame Figure or Display
Best Auto Paint – Tony Ricardi Memorial
Best WW I Aircraft – Albert Calhoun Memorial
Best Display
Best US Navy Aircraft
Best Closed Wheel Sport/Rally Race Car
Best Drag Car - Strip
Best Drag Car - Street
Best Classic Muscle Car
Best WW1 Allied Figure
Best Female Figure
Best Naval Ship
Best Scenic/Base Display
Most Creative Model

**BEST IN SHOW TROPHY
COURTESY OF
PIONEER VALLEY HOBBIES,
West Springfield, MA**

*** Open Judging Award Recognition**

To recognize good modelers, and encourage promising ones, WINGS & WHEELS uses the “Open” system to judge entries in certain Classes. The number and level of awards will vary, based on the models entered, and will support the goal that no deserving exhibit should go unrecognized.

For our Show, an **exhibit** (one or multiple entries from a single competitor) is judged on its own merit of workmanship and modeling skill, not against other exhibits in the Class. Three Judges will decide which entry, within the modeler’s exhibit, is the best piece, and then independently score the selected entry on a scale of 0 to 4, for a maximum score of 12.

11-12 points will earn a Gold Medal, 8-10 a Silver, and 5-7 a Bronze.

Please see www.wmodelclub.org for a more detailed description of our Open System Competition and judging process.

General Rules:

1. Each entry must be substantially built and/or painted by the entrant. Die casts, pre-painted and/or promotional models may be displayed, but will not be allowed as entries in the competitive Classes.
2. In addition to the requirements stated in the Class description, awards are based on the modeler’s demonstration of basic modeling skills, and where appropriate, reasonable historical or factual accuracy. If your model is of a subject or version not generally known, or requires special knowledge to evaluate, please provide suitable documentation, with your entry, to assist the Judges with their deliberations.
3. **CAUTION:** Contestants who remove their models from the contest tables **before 3:30 pm** risk not having their models judged for certain awards or photographed for our website. If your travel plans require early departure, please inform the Head Judge no later than 1 pm, and we will attempt to accommodate you.
4. The Club reserves the right to remove from display or competition any entry which the Club deems offensive or inappropriate, as determined by the Head Judge. In the event a model is removed from competition, the entry fee for that model will be refunded.
5. **Entries must be made in person, or by proxy, between 9:00 am and noon on the day of the contest.**
6. No sweeps: only one place award per person per Class. If there are fewer than 3 entrants, we reserve the right to pick which prizes to award. Special Awards are not considered part of a sweep.
7. **Unless asked not to**, Judges may examine models from any reasonable angle; in Wheels and Wings Classes, this may include picking up any non-based entry.
8. Models in cases may be displayed; if they are to be judged, the modeler must be willing to remove the case or covering, if requested.
9. Entries may be displayed with nameplates, spec. sheets, etc. If the model depicts unusual or atypical aspects, the modeler is encouraged to provide supporting documentation for the Judges.
10. Models which have won any place award (including Honorable Mention/Certificate) at a previous WINGS & WHEELS contest are not eligible for competition. Adequate non-competitive display space is available.
11. The Club may add, split, combine or delete Classes, as necessary, to ensure a fair competition. These decisions will be made, in most cases, after the close of registration.
12. The Club will not be responsible for lost or damaged models, at, coming to or going from the event.
13. Award winners must be present, or have a designated person available, to accept awards. Due to the high cost of mailing, no trophies will be mailed to winners without a prepaid, non-refundable fee of \$10.00.
14. Decisions of the Judges are final.