



THE PATRIOT

IPMS Patriot Chapter Newsletter
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Meeting Info

The next Patriot Chapter meeting will take place on Friday, June 5, 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 June meeting will be a build session with a business meeting, Show-and-Tell, and a raffle.



We're happy to be able to present a piece of Alan Beeber's work on the cover—he finally finished something! This is his Soul Grinder, a 28mm Daemon Engine figure produced by Games Workshop as part of their Warhammer 40,000 gaming series. Alan built it mostly OOB, but added some extra parts from other Games Workshop kits. He painted it with Vallejo acrylics. According to the Warhammer 40K Wiki, a Daemon Engine is a nightmarish artificial construct used by the Forces of Chaos in their long war against the servants of the False Emperor. It is a fusion of a realspace vehicle or combat walker with a possessing daemonic spirit of the Warp. It is heavily armed and is driven by its own malevolent sentience rather than by a crew.

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May Meeting Minutes

CHAPTER President Dave Schmidt called the meeting to order at 8:00. About 20 members were present.

Dave started out with a progress report on the work at the Hudson Elks Hall: Work on the renovation has already started, and we should know by July whether or not the work will be done in time for Patcon. If it is not, our reservation at the Leominster Elks is set as a backup.

Dave reminded members that the annual club trip will be on June 13. The trip is to The Museum of World War II in Natick. Members should arrive at the museum by 10:45, and the tour will take about three-and-a-half hours.

Pip Moss brought up the fact that there are a number of unpaid members still on the newsletter mailing list, and asked for a recommendation on whether or not to remove them from the list. There was some discussion, followed by a motion that Pip be authorized to drop from the mailing list any members who had not paid 2014 dues by the end of the month of May. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

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

John Walker reminded members that the meeting was taking place on the 70th anniversary of the end of World War II in Europe. It was also noted that the commemorative activities of the day included a warbird flyover in Washington, DC.

Following the treasurer's report, there was a break for the sale of raffle tickets, and then Show-and-Tell. When Show-and-Tell had concluded, John Walker made a brief announcement that in April 2017 the Armor Model and Preservation Society (AMPS) annual convention will be held in Danbury CT, not far from the New England Armor Museum. After John's announcement there was a second break, followed by the raffle. After the raffle, the meeting broke up for the night.

—Rick Lippincott, Secretary

Show-and-Tell List

Alan Beeber 28mm Soul Grinder (Games Workshop)
Tony D'Anjou 1/48 Stearman PT-17 (Revell)
Matt Fleury..... 1/35 Panzerspahwagen (DML)
Mike Hirsch 1/72 Hawker Hurricane Mk. IID (Airfix)
Pip Moss..... 1/48 Sopwith 1½ Strutter (Roden)
Ken Myers..... 1/144 P-3 Orion (LS)
1/72 F-94C Starfighter (Emhar)
Bart Navarro..... 1/35 British SAS Jeep (Tamiya)
Richard Price..... 1/72 F-8J Crusader (Academy)
Jim Qualey 1/72 Avro Lancaster (Matchbox)
John Walker..... 1/35 Opel Blitz (Italeri)

Raffle Report

May winners:

John Walker, Dragon 1/35 Sd.Kfz.164 Hornisse
John Touloupis, Tamiya 1/48 motorcycle with sidecar
Tony D'Anjou, Tamiya 1/48 A6M5 Zero
Alan Beeber, Tamiya 1/35 SAS Land Rover Pink Panther.

We sold \$74 in tickets, and the prizes cost us \$38 (thanks to some earlier donations), so we made \$36, bringing our year-to-date total to \$56.

—Bill Michaels, Vice-President

Club News

Chapter Members Do Well at Local Show

A number of our guys made a very good showing at the recent NorthShoreCon. Here are the results:

Mike Hirsch: 1/48 Fairey Firefly, 1st
1/72 M3 halftrack, 1st
1/72 Hawker Hurricane, 2nd
1/48 2½-ton Truck, 2nd
1/48 Supermarine Attacker, 2nd
P-3 Orion collection: 3rd

Ken Myers: 1/144 RC-97G, 1st
1/72 F-101B, 2nd & Best Century Series Fighter

Jim Qualey: 1/72 F4U Corsair, 3rd

Richard Price: 1/48 Beaufighter, 1st
1/48 F3F-2, 1st
1/700 USS Texas, 1st
1/350 HMS Queen Elizabeth, 1st
1/72 F-8E, 2nd
1/48 SBD-3, 2nd & Best WW2 U.S. A/C

Dave Schmidt: 1/72 P-40B, 1st
1/48 F-84G, 1st
1/48 Nieuport 17c, 2nd

And last but not least: Richard Price earned Best in Show honors for his 1/350 HMS Queen Elizabeth.

Show-and-Tell Gallery



Three views of Jim Qualey's 1/72 scale Avro Lancaster (Matchbox). Jim added and/or substituted antennas, nose transparencies, bombardier's window, propellers and rudder mass balances from a Revell kit. He also reshaped the radiator openings and added escape hatches to the dorsal fuselage. Paints are Polly-S and Model Master. Decals, from Almark, are for a late-war plane (1945).



Bart Navarro's 1/35 scale British Special Air Service Jeep (Tamiya). Bart added homemade straps for stowage bags. Paint is Mr. Color acrylic lacquer with AK Interactive weathering products. Formed in 1941 by David Stirling, the British SAS, originally a regiment, became a model for special forces throughout the world. Conceived as a commando force to operate behind enemy lines in the North African Campaign, its first mission was a disastrous failure, but its second mission, a raid on three German airfields in Lybia, resulted in the destruction of 60 aircraft without loss.

Show-and-Tell Gallery (continued)

Richard Price's 1/72 scale F-8J Crusader (Academy). Richard replaced the kit seat with a Quickboost item, and the pitot tube with two sizes of brass tubing (Albion Alloys). Paint is Model Master enamels. Decals, produced by Cartograf, came from the kit ("Awesome!" says Richard). Markings are for CAG of VF-194 "Red Lightnings" aboard USS Oriskany in 1970.



Matt Fleury's 1/35 scale Sd.Kfz. 234/4 Panzer-spähwagen (DML), built OOB, painted with Tamiya and Vallejo acrylics, and weathered with MIG products. Markings, from the kit, are for the Eastern Front, 1943.

Pip Moss's 1/48 scale Sopwith 1½ Strutter (Roden), built pretty much OOB. Paints are Model Master enamels: Radome Tan for the clear-doped fabric, and a mix of US No. 8 OD and 34086 Green Drab for the PCI0. NMF for the forward fuselage is a 1-1 mix of Alclad Duraluminum and Semi-matte Aluminum. Rigging is .004-inch monofilament for the bracing wires and invisible mending thread for the control cables, all painted Metalizer Steel before installing. Decals, from the kit, are for Canadian ace Raymond Collishaw's first mount flying for the RNAS in the summer of 1916.



Show-and-Tell Gallery (continued)

John Walker's 1/35 scale Opel Blitz with wooden driver's cab (Italeri), built OOB with some added fuel cans from Great Wall. Paint is Tamiya acrylics, weathered with AK Interactive washes and filter, MMP powders, and pastels.



Tony D'Anjou's 1/48 scale Stearman PT-17 (Revell), built OOB and painted with Model Master enamels. Rigging is 8-lb. fishing line. Decals, from the kit, are for a typical early-war USAAC trainer.

Ken Myers' 1/144 scale P-3C Orion (LS), built mostly OOB and painted with Duplicolor (white) and Model Master enamels. Ken added antennas and wires as well as weapons from an LS set. Markings are for VP-45 "Pelicans," based in Jacksonville, FL, early 1970s.



Show-and-Tell Gallery (concluded)



Mike Hirsch's 1/72 scale Hawker Hurricane Mk. IID (Airfix Mk. IIC). Mike removed the 20mm cannons, wing blisters and access panels, and replaced them with 40mm Vickers cannons in underwing pods (3D Models). He also replaced the kit propeller, wheels and exhausts with resin items from Valiant, and the plastic cannon barrels with Albion Alloys tubing. Paints are Model Master and Xtracolor enamels. Markings are for BN795, which served with RAF No. 6 Sqn., North Africa, August 1943. The plane was donated to the RAF by the mother of Wing Commander J.W. Gillan, who was shot down and killed near Dunkerque, France while flying escort duty in a Spitfire in August 1941.

Ken Myers' 1/72 scale F-94C Starfire (Emhar). Ken used True Details cockpit and wheels, and Eduard ladder and RBF tags. He also detailed the main landing gear bay and added position lights, pitot tube and canopy support. NMF is Alclad Aluminum, Duraluminum and Stainless Steel. Other colors are Testors enamels. Decals are from the kit and MicroScale. Markings are for the 27th FIS based at Griffiss AFB, Rome, NY in the early 1950s.



Upcoming Events

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.

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October 18.....**GraniteCon XXIII**, Granite State Modelers, Nashua Elks Club, 120 Daniel Webster Highway, Nashua, NH.

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