



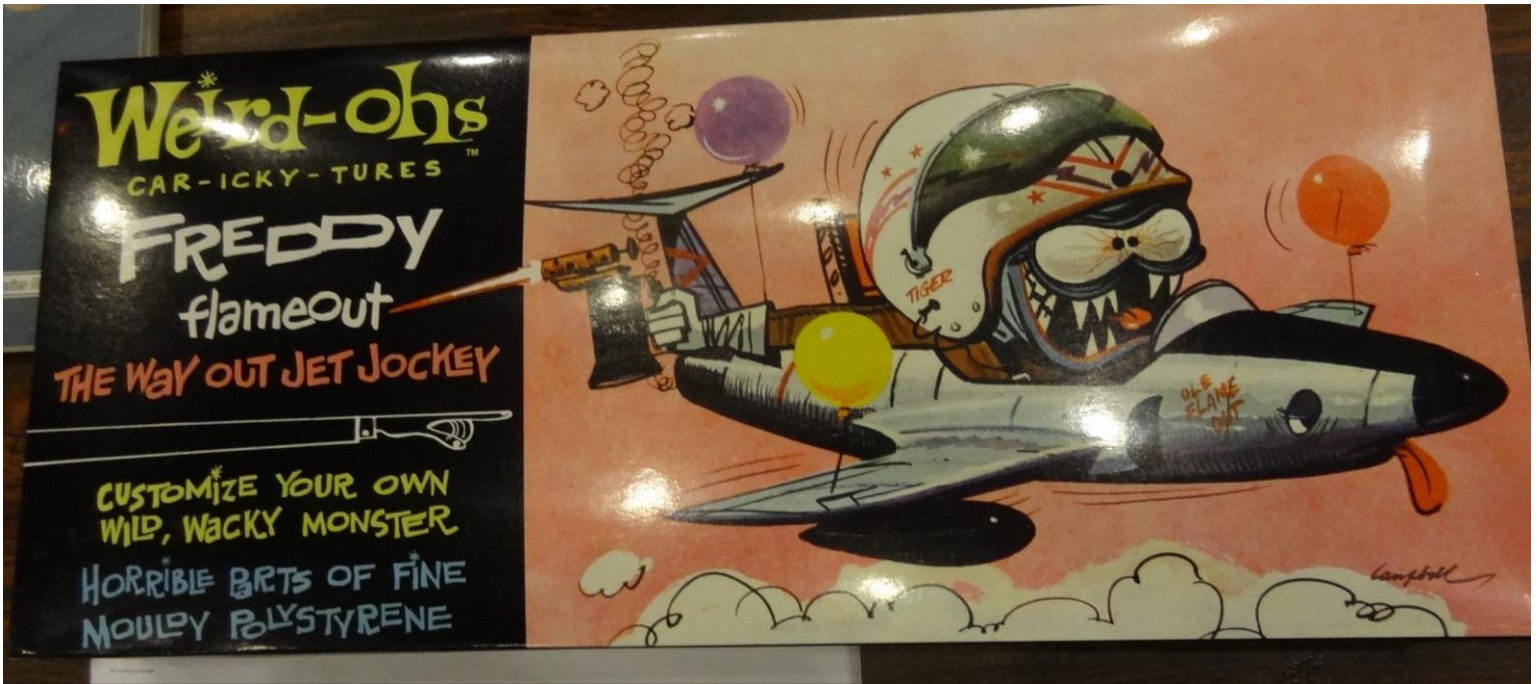
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From Editorial Flameouts to No Name Contests ...



MARCH MEETING & APRIL ISSUE HAS IT ALL

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Editor's Ravings – this month's editor, Mick Burton



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“ WITHOUT DOUBT, EDITOR HAS PLENTY TO SAY, NO SPACE TO PLAY SO GET WITH REPEAT SUMMA-RAY ”

Learning to love having a family who loves you back and supports you is tough. But it's worth all the effort and the stumbling steps to learn how to balance with so much more to be responsive too

– mick fini

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Our club contest for March was based on the color green, and Laramie Wright packed the field. The Meng FT-17 is all flat sides, but they fit together well, he reported – but be cautious about getting the tracks lined up! He finished this tank in U.S. Army markings. He modified a Roden Fokker Dr. I into



the F. I flown by Werner Voss, and he said he was happy at his first attempt at the Fokker green streaked camouflage. Laramie built Tamiya's 1:48 Bf 109E-7 as Helmut Wick's plane; he relocated the wing struts to their correct locations. And the winners were...

In third place with the 1:72 Neubahrfarzeug, was Laramie. He used the Dragon kit, which he says is a very nice model, to make his multi-turreted monster. In second place, with his KV-1A in 1:35, was Laramie! He used the Trumpeter kit to build the “uparmored” KV-1, and he said it was a great kit. And in first place, with his Char 1bis, was Laramie! His model depicted the tank as it appeared in 1940, and he says it's surprising how well the vehicle is documented.



– chris fini

Editor Rummages Together A Scantly Clad OSS Issue Again, March SVSM Meet ... (from page 1)



At the March meeting, Cliff Kranz presented a smart-looking 1:72 F/A-18E Super Hornet, built from the Hasegawa kit and sporting Blue Angels markings that are hypothetical today but which will be real come next year.



Cliff also had a lovely SH-2 Sea Sprite in 1:48 scale and a 1:35 Kettenkrad pulling a V-2, and in 1:35 he had an imposing 1:35 S-31 Soviet self-propelled howitzer, built from the Trumpeter kit.



Mark Schynert can't leave well enough alone, and is hard at work on another 1:72 Williams Brothers Northrop Gamma.



Gabriel Lee didn't win an award at the Sacramento contest with his Pegasus 1:35 great white shark with a frickin' laser beam, but it was easily the most photographed model at the contest!

Kent McClure's next project may or may not be the Freddy Flameout he found for a ridiculous price at a bookstore.



He lost the clear parts to his Revell of Germany 1:72 Dingo, but luckily they're all flat parts and can be replaced with clear plastic. Kent is also at work on a BTR-80, slowly driving himself mad by replacing all the grab handles with brass ones.



Jim Lund had a stock Lindberg He 100 built, and a conversion of the same kit into the racer used to set a world speed record.





Lou Orselli is tackling a Monogram 1:48 Spitfire, which he's rescribed and outfitted with resin interior parts from a grab bag he picked up when Adriano Panetta moved back to Canada.



Mark Balderrama's paper modeling endeavors have him working on a Blue Angels F11F-1, Convair XFY-1 Pogo and a German X-plane.



Frank Babbitt has an Airfix thing going on, with work in progress on the classic F-80 Shooting Star, the new-ish Fouga Magister, and yet another P-51D Mustang.

Ron Wergin's M10 tank destroyer came from the 1:48 Tamiya kit.

He used Verlinden figures to give it a little more life.

Brian Geyer brought in a Maisto 1:12 die cast 1959 Cadillac, which he says is very accurate.

He also showed a Hasegawa Aichi E13A1 in 1:72 built by Randy Vandraiss.





Chris Bucholtz is completing the CF-100 Canuck Mk. 4 he started in 2002, starting with a new clear tail fairing, scratch-built intakes next to the rear cockpit, and wingtip lights indented into the long-range tip tanks. He's also finished Eduard's 1:72 Fokker Dr. I, and he's modified a figure to resemble the pilot, Josef Jacobs.

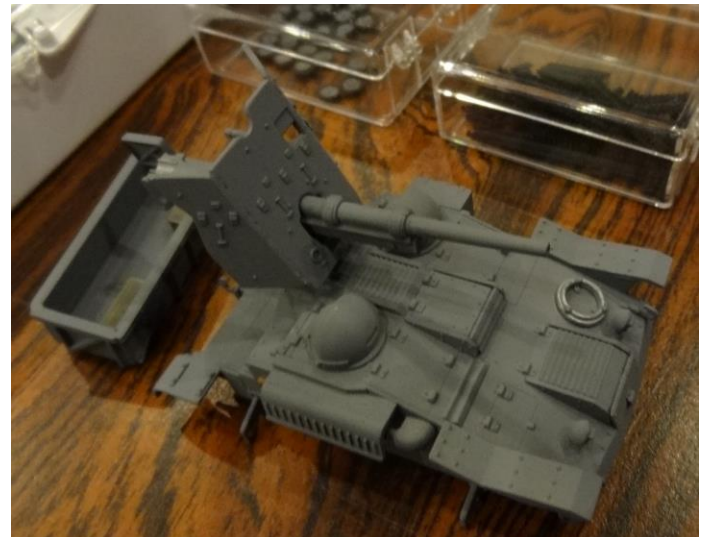


Al Kuhn completed the old 1960s-era Airfix paddle engine, and he never read the instructions until the very end!

He used old Floquil paints, and while he didn't use the electric motor, the engine still turns through manual power.

Al took three whole days to complete his engine!

Marv Eberhardt used the RPM kit to build his Renault EU-F, a German take on the French two-man vehicle that mounted a 37mm gun for anti-tank duties.





Laramie Wright is assembling an early release of Tamiya's 1:48 Churchill Crocodile, which he really likes because it's very accurate and has smart mold design that eliminates sink marks. There are a couple of bumps on the front of the turret that only late model tanks had, which he plans on removing, but the air filters are more accurate than on the 1:35 kit.

Bill Ferrante pulled two 1:144 airliners off the shelf of doom and has made significant progress on them, a Revell 737-300 and a Minicraft DC-3.

Ben Pada thinks that the new Tamiya 1:32 Bf 109 is a really great kit. He's also built the new Revell 1:48 Bf 109 and he's not so sold on it. He says there are lots of mold marks and scratches that need attention. Both of his Messerschmitts were painted using Gunze paints.



Randy Ray's Vulcan 2-pounder gun is painted and ready to be assembled. He was frustrated that the reinforcing bands on the carriage were depicted as square when the real ones were rounded – he replaced them with lead wire.



And the model of the month went to...

Jim Lund, who had an Italeri 1:72 SM.79, but it was there principally to illustrate the difference in his converted SM.79JR, which swapped the three radials for two DB601s. Jim used the same process the Romanians used to make the conversion: he stole engines, props and spinners from Bf 110 (in this case, a Frog kit)! He also added the top of the fuselage, made a new windscreen, and used a Lockheed Vega's nose cap for the clear nose of the bomber. (*see page two for final bits of this meeting article ...*)



Congratulations to
Jim Lund

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