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Woman Puts Out Models , Men Drawn to Flame



SAM's SVSM Meeting, As It Happened & What Followed

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Scant Structured NON MINUTES for SVSM JUNE

As it were, when President Greg and I arrived, we found meeting area entry nearly impassable. As "Officer Table" helmed by Sam, seen here @ right. Very nice lass, (Continued on 3)



“ AN EXCLUSIVE : REGION NINE MEMBER FINDS THAT “THE TRUTH IS OUT THERE” ... (REALLY OUT THERE) ”



You just never know these days, what with all the movies and novels dealing with “shadow governments, rogue agencies and corrupt industrialists in conspiracies”, where the next “ who would have guessed” moment of revelation can come about. Just imagine the shock when, during an innocent bit of weekend lunch at local grill after another hard day of hobby shopping, this friend of ours found this, on his napkin ! Rumors of all future NATS being held at as yet to be named chain of hotels, if “ their member vote goes his way”, may yet be proven to be true ...



- mick fini

FINAL MOMENTS FOR JUNE MEET (from page 8) (Go To Page 3 if you haven't picked up from Page 1 story...)



Jordan's Hobby Boss 1/72 F-22 Raptor on the far left, a gift for HS Graduation Used Fujimi kit instructions to paint correctly as HB plans were far from accurate. Experimented to achieve what end result seemed to suggest he did perfectly, the odd tinted canopy finish. Above it, F-16 was a donor kit originally planned to be in Royal Netherlands AF, but switched to “Ace Combat Tryout” scheme from the Victory Games fictional world. Front of that, the blue ribboned 1/144 Bandai Mobile Suit diorama, a winner at a Fanime event. Jordan said the whole thing came from a 15 dollar original investment, to which he created the award winner you saw here. Next was his MPM kit of the Curtiss Hawk III, just started and will be in WW2 Chinese AF scheme. “Buzzing” that is the “night black finished” New Airfix molding of the BP Defiant. Jordan said was directly inspired by Jim Priete's recent sharing at a meeting of his Lockheed PV-1N Night fighter Ventura. He credited the Defiant's wingman, an Airfix Mk 9 in IDF/AF, as being inspired by Mick Burton's bringing an Israeli Aces book to earlier meeting. On table in front of that, his Heller D-510 in green Taiwanese scheme. Then 855 to 910 PM, had a break time,

and saw to it there was judging for Club Contest “You Mother”. (You can get all the story on the contest in detail, in the prior published June 2016 TAMS)



Dave Newman's nice 1/72 P-40K from Sword. Noted it has a Dragon Mouth, not a sharkmouth and how given nose art name translates into “Little Flower” Dave told of how this squadron's church had a P-40 lower cowl for a pulpit ! Lastly he had trio of 1/144 P-38s done in both real /“imagined” schemes. One as recce, one fighter, one eggish. Then we talked over Club Contest which was well attended. As aforementioned, has deep coverage already published. So for here, now, please wrap up with a congratulatory note to Model of the Month June winner, Brian Sakai for his I-400 & Seiran in 1/700. – mick fini

SVSM MEMBER'S CONTEST THEME JULY 2016
“ APOLLO ASCENDANT ”

SAM's MAD MODEL MEET EVENTUALLY DEVOLVED INTO REGULAR JUNE SVSM MAYHEM (from page 1)



There was a method to Sam's (Samantha) madness, yes. She knew of our club's meeting locale/timing thanks to her dad, whose scale model estate provided the excitement seen here. Turns out he was a long time local model railroad buff who'd had a sidecar interest in "other kinds of scale models. Sam is in midst of settling his estate, the proceeds from sales here go to her remodel for eventual sale of this home near SVSM site. Sam provided a great deal of great deals to all who made the "pre meeting" portion, and thanked us for response (I chatted with her at length prior, and briefly near meeting close) .

At 8 PM sharp, President Greg Plummer brought meeting to order. Calling for any notable upcoming event news, got our updates on Military Vehicle Collectors Association "NATS"

which comes to Pleasanton Fairgrounds August 11-13. Next, thanks to David Newman (in blue/tan, above left) we got appreciated detail updates on Fresno Scale Modelers Region Nine Regional Contest & Show.

Dave is an alumnus of the Fremont Hornets, SVSM as well these days, a major component of the Antelope Valley Group IPMS Chapter down in Lancaster. He is also an intrepid Road Warrior. He had updates due to his having been prior night, at a FSM club meeting. Reported now he was scheduled to make drive to Lancaster, in time for *Saturday's* AVG meeting to catch them up !

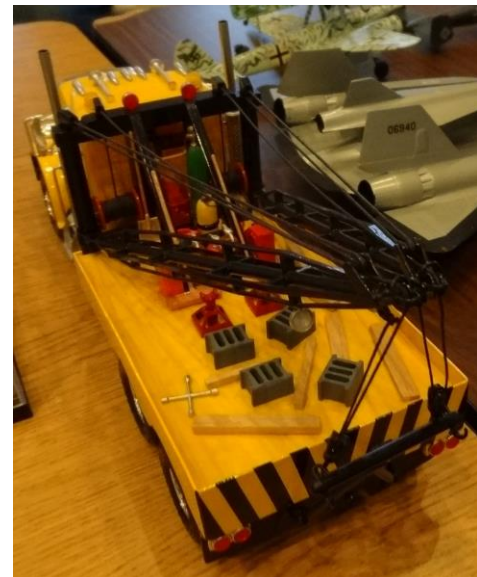


Burton followed this up with reminders of both Reno Club's show and Free Hornets TC-12, coming in September 2016. A notation about how this year's OHMS contest/show being in Portland OR, not at Museum in McMinnville like in the past.

Wrapped up with notes of the October schedule of Orangecon, then Hobby Expo 2016. Final, November's opening with AVG's 20th Desert Classic, thanks Dave Newman for flyers!

OPEN INTO MODEL TALK – *Cliff Kranz* carried on his tradition of June bringing out his AMT Peterbilt Wrecker conversion, with a special purpose.

This month he's celebrating his just having RETIRED FROM WORKING, congratulations to him ! For those who don't know this model, it's one of the first he'd ever brought to a SJ Chapter IPMS meeting, completed with LOTS of extra work, built during period April to July 1970 while he was in US Army at Fort Hood, TX.



Temo (a new potential member) was next, having brought this trio as you see first part of the premeeting, in a stack.

Temo says he loves to build nearly every/anything and he said he's planning to be at our meetings a lot in future. He had in 1/48 scale a Vought F-8, Northrop F-20 and McD-D F-4J as first time displays, all very nicely done.



Tom Trankle has been away from R-9 events and club meets for awhile. A return this evening finds him with a taut tale to go with his 1/48th scale Eduard kitting of Bf-110. As Tom relayed, done in the scheme of a Battle of Britain fighter, downed 75 years plus ago, and he's very glad to be finally done with the building of her.





Tom's attention for detail is something, it is very good to have him back on tables !

Peter Long also no slouch when detail is



key. Pete's latest "Out Of Box" is another example, which includes "legal aftermarket" for OOB purposes. As in being Tamiya 1/35 PhotoEtch turret basket for addition to their Leopard 2A6 German MBT, seen here above.

Pete wasn't of course slowing down any with his current production. He brought along his Meng Leopard 2A7 as a preview of a planned next model. Sure to be another "Long" runner.

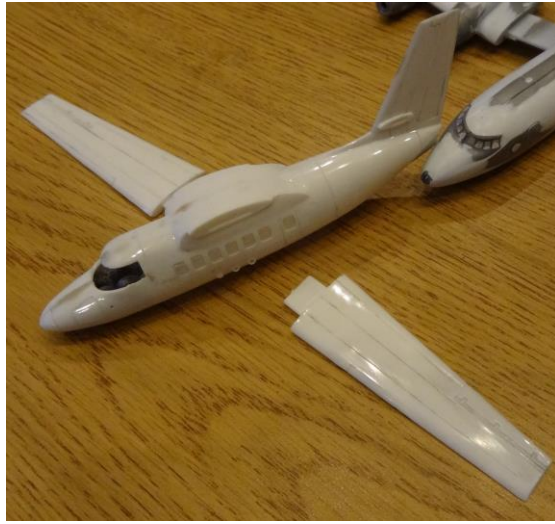
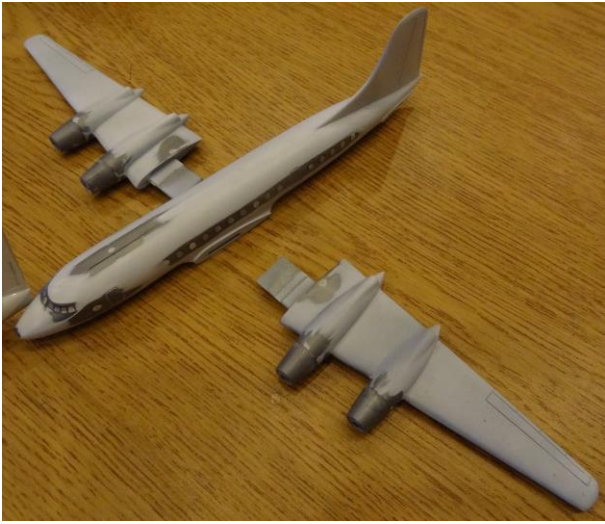


Mark Schynert wasn't slacking either. He has his 1/72 Special Hobby Lockheed 9R Orion single engine Airliner underway, now has the 5 windows in and fuselage glued.

In front of that, Mark's Tamiya 1/72 109E Messerschmitt with plan to finish in Royal Yugoslav AF markings.

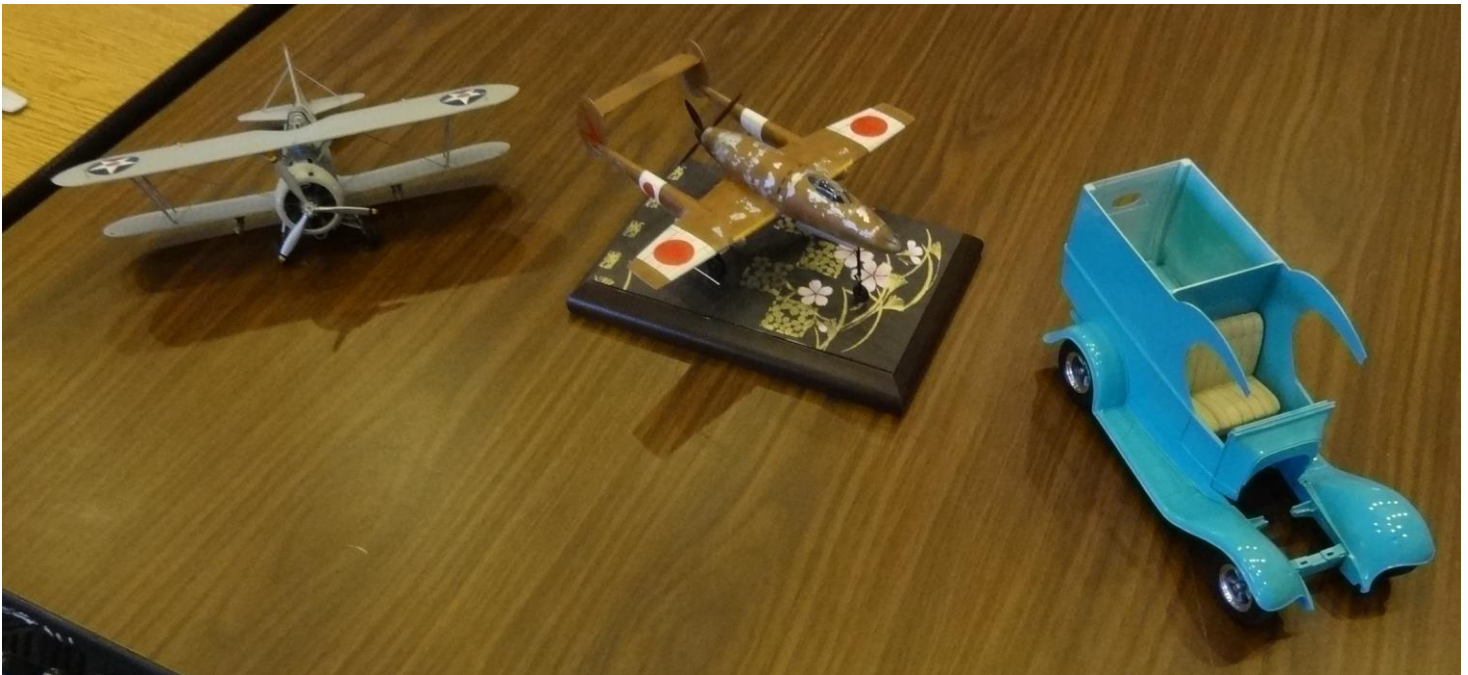


Most intriguing for the Editor was Mark's "twinned" project seen above. That is the classic Rareplanes vacform kit of the Republic AT-12 "Guardman" WW2 Advanced Trainer/Light fighter bomber, in white. The yellowish resin is also an AT-12 kit, this much later edition by KORA Models, and normally includes decals, other items. Mark obtained it at an IPMS Nationals as a "distressed special purchase", in that it was missing some items. He plans to combine the good parts of it (such as the better, "un yellowed plastic" canopies, which Kora gives two) with best parts of the vac, for a superior blended final product of this grand example of Republic aircrafting.



Kent McClure continued WIP work towards a pair for Gruppe Build 2016 of the Hornets. In form of 4 engine Britannia and a twin engine LET 410. An Ilyushin airliner joined in his effort, but no picture here. ☺

Greg Plummer is not just the SVSM President, he's the prolific producer of these three varied wonders here !



Biplane is an Accurate Miniatures F3F-2 in Neutrality Gray vs the "circus wagon schema" San Diego Air Base markings, 1/48 scale. In middle, a 1/72 Ki-98, from Meng kit, done in a hypothetical Pacific 1946 scheme, real one was actually an unfinished prototype found in China at World War Two's end. Third one has some story !



The turquoise WIP is a '32 Ford with a scratchbuild "C" cab (basically a Model T body), intended to be completed as a "Nat's Bakery" truck. Testors bottle enamel and based on a 1/1 "odd rod" prototype. Nat is, of course, Greg's real life 1/1 wife whose baking is legendary.

Greg's Ki-98 heavy fighter features an extensive bit of weathering, and a very "poetic" display base.

Nat's truck deserves a second look

Ditto for the F3F-2, next.





Brad Chun (in case you forgot what he looks like, there is a helpful photo reminder below. Brad's in middle, with B-9 Robot on right, an alleged replica of Randy Rothaar on the left. The food is suspected to be just prop to lend air of "1/1 authenticity". No model on table, so that can't be the real Randy R, a known "mass producer of great models")

If you really want to find a Real Rothaar, rest assured he is reliably to be found within a habitat known as the Modesto Hobby & Craft,

located 401 Bangs Ave, Modesto, CA, working his tail off. Any good resemblance here of the sunglassesed version at our meeting, must be an accident of luck and timing. We may never know who this was, eh ?

Brad however, was definitely present as evident by presence of the "signature blue tape" on the "wheeled" WIP kit. Brad had three Fords underway, a '30, a '29 Roadster with '32 frame, '36 custom from a "distressed" kit he got, which will require a fair amount of work to bring to complete.



Ron Wergin proved out again this concept of a Triple Threat Trio, he had his Accurate Miniatures 1/100 scale "EZ Bild" model of "Bud" Anderson's P-51D, "Old Crow". Ron reported there was less than accuracy here, in that this was no fun, no "easy" build miniature. It came pre-painted, he said that meant it required a strip & redo process to increase his "fun".



Master Wergin's shares as well included two 54mm figures, both from WW2 Germany in character.

As Ron eloquently put it, a Hans Joachim Marseille with no ears for one, then lastly a German Tanker .



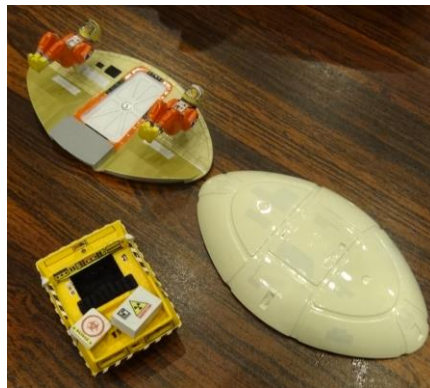
Laramie Wright had a Quad Squad of WIP. Start with grey 1/35 Stug C, green BT-7, sand shade Challenger 2 all by Tamiya. As is the 1/48 Brewster Buffalo to be done as FENF (Dutch). An older kit, which he's improving with research for wheel well detail

Kinley Calvert – LIS Robot B-9 (prompted an outburst by Cliff Kranz, “Warning Warning ...”) large scale kit with excellent lighting kit installed, on the back table. On the main display, Kinley posed Duelling Seaviews – Smaller one is the Polar Lights reissue of Aurora Movie version, really a bad kit. Larger one is the Moebius edition of the real TV series version. The base of that one is real eggshells using a tech learnt from Gamers SF on the web, for depicting simulated lava beds, Kinley got this down!



Next his Eagle SPACE 1999 in 1/48 is represented underway as a cockpit with two crewmen.

Lastly from Kinley for June, was that 3D printed model kit from Shapeways seen in yellow. A car like vehicle for SPACE 1999



Bill Ferrante showed up with an Out Of Box P-40 in 1/72 (for a past club contest theme, now it's done). He said he “ was so utterly disgusted by this kit, Academy is no way in compete to Hasegawa when it comes to 1/72 P-40s...” Some may recall, Bill was first member interviewed years back for a short lived Feature of the Original Styrene Sheet, called “ Does It Suck? ” Glad to know he hasn't lost his touch in reviews.

Jordan Li showed up with plethora shown on the right. His varied group will be covered more in depth on the “final moments” portion of page 2 of this Sheet, just below the Editorial

So for now,

ON TO SHEET TWO WITH YOU !





Congratulations to

Brian Sakai

FOR WINNING JUNE MODEL OF THE MONTH



7:00 PM OPEN, MEETING 8 PM SHARP

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JULY 15

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