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## *February Turnout Shows We're Small But MIGHTY ...*



### *AS OPPOSED TO MIGHTY SMALL*

Photos: Mick Burton Text: Mick Burton Prez: Ron Wergin

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



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**“ WITHOUT A DOUBT , EDITOR HAS PLENTY TO SAY BUT NO SPACE TO PLAY SO GET WITH 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***

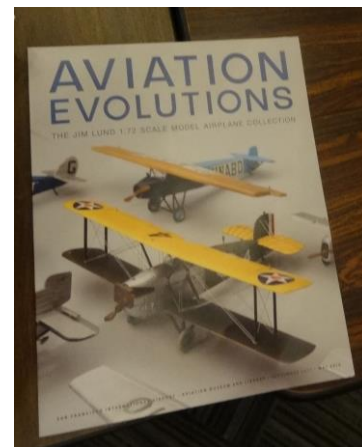
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**Ken Miller** has finished an AeroPacífico Boeing 377 using the Minicraft 1/144<sup>th</sup> kit, he brought it for display with his latest project of a Super Guppy conversion for a comparison.



Ken also brought along book that was produced in support of member Jim Lund's lovely donated collection to the SFO Museum. The Editor gently, as asked, did let Ken know that he'd already wrote up the news about Jim's models in a November issue, as attendee of the official debut Oct. 28.



While there are still models to show, lack of notes and room here precludes further revelations. Check [mickbmodeler.com](http://mickbmodeler.com) in near future for a limited time photo gallery of the February 2018 Meet items not shown.



In our Club contest, “ **Tubular Bells** ” we had NO PARTICIPATION.

The Editor having bored everyone to death with his own collection of Bell Aircraft products in various scales, decided against entries if he were coming with those which weren't built NEW. Although he was threatened with possible other parties bringing entries for this, no such creatures materialized. A blessing in a way, as now less to be late with in writing about later .

And the model of the month went to... TWO MODELERS ! President's Final Answer, after consult with his secret panel of experts (alumnus Prezes), was to stick with decision that BOTH equal worthy so it would be patently ridiculous to come up with a scheme to rank them otherwise...not logical !

Aaron Rhetta's silvery Gundam and Landon Carr's Boba Fett took home this honor, deservedly.

*– mick fini*





At the opening of February SVSM Friday meeting night, the Editor arrived Just In Time, after having sent out the February OSS e-publication just a couple of hours earlier. This, after finally having a truly publishable Fremont Hornets Buzz just ahead of it, only week past meet that that item was to herald.

A feeling of relief having broken a logjam would have been understatement. But also accurate as basis for why he *did NOT* have any plans to do anything more than take some pictures at this SVSM meet.

SO NOW YOU KNOW in short, why this is going to be a very scantily dressed with text issue on the meeting. As nearly no Officers present ( Secretary did not arrive as expected, learned later of that fact ) and those who were, already charged with enough to do that night. Hazards of volunteer organizations.

**At the February Meeting...** a brief review of the NNL West 2018 show was given by Greg Plummer and Mick Burton: A very pleasing success in both the show turnout and the during/after show remarks from attendees, staff. Plus, now plans already in the works for 2019 event in Santa Clara. Stay tuned !

A reminder that the SilverCon 2018 contest & show that is the Kickoff for Region Nine year would be next day. Held in Sacramento, hosted by of course, IPMS SilverWings, now in their 51<sup>st</sup> year as chartered club.

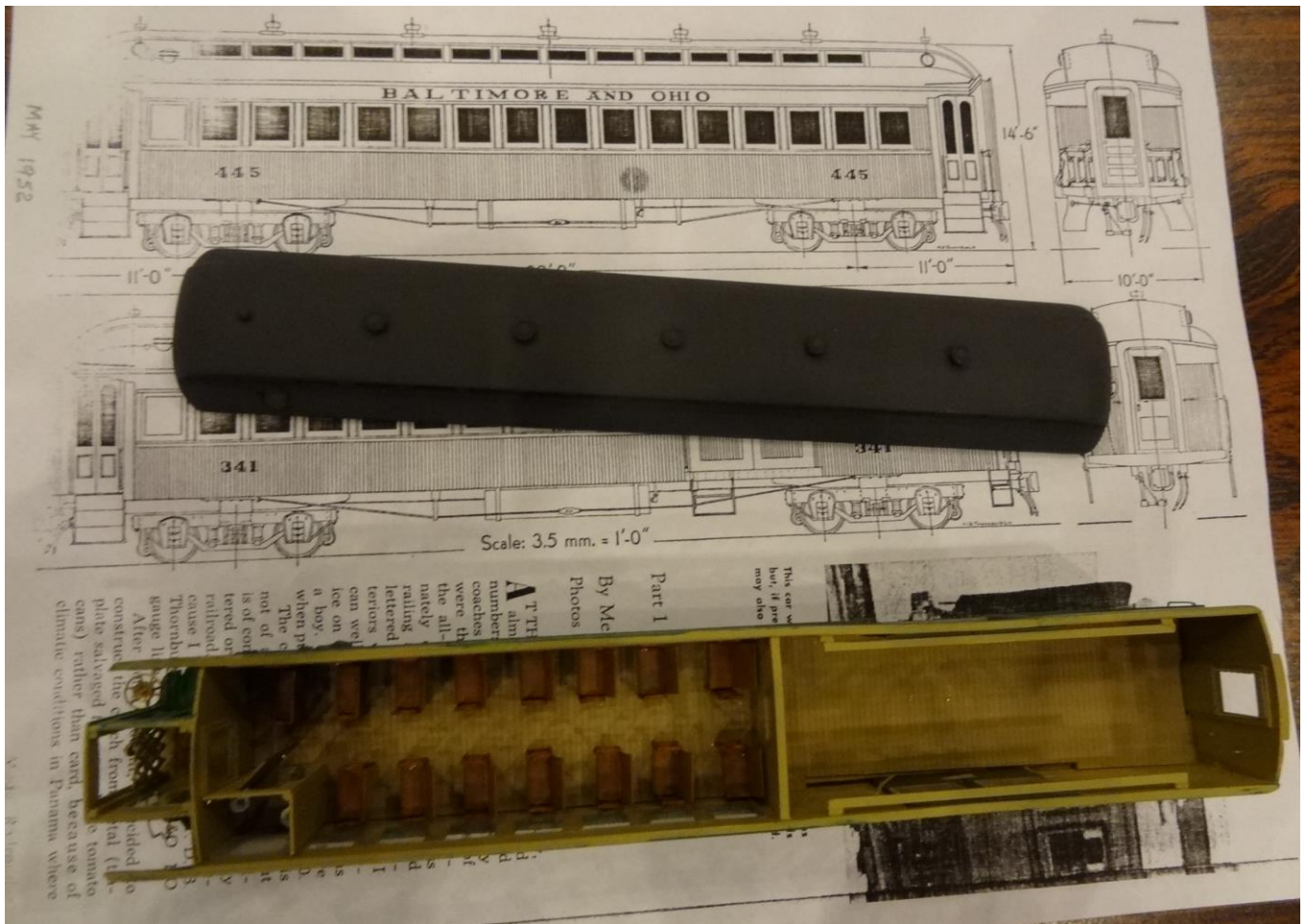
**In Model Talk**, **Ron Wergin** had a finished 1:48 subject on the table, Tamiya's M4 Sherman.



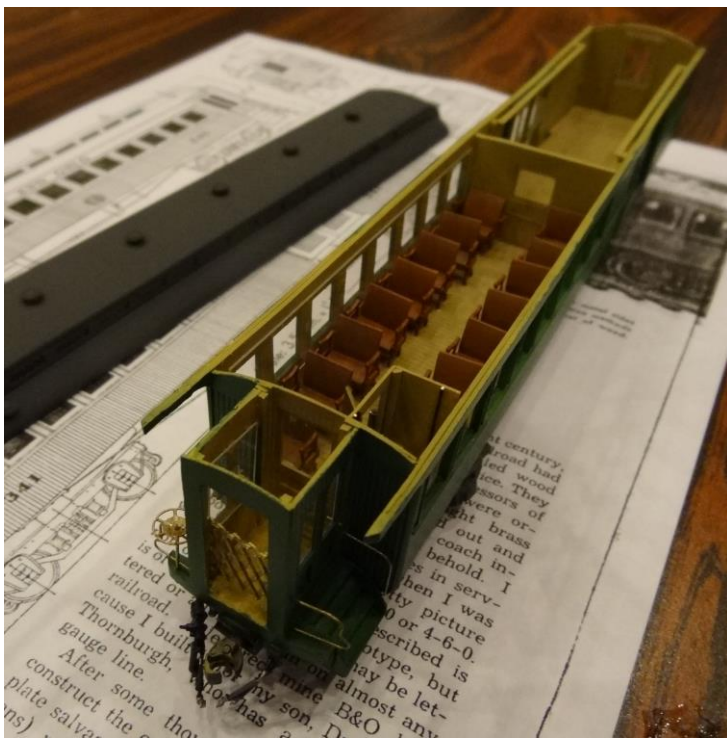




**Al Kuhn** has happily now finished his rail car in 1:87; he started this model in 1953!







**John Carr's** latest completed bust, sorry no details recorded... but you can see it's a nice art work !



**Kent McClure's** latest group of projects again include finished and WIP material, Plus of course, being Kent, it also includes eclectic mix of armor, aircraft, artillery, figures of fantasy, gaming, cinematic ...

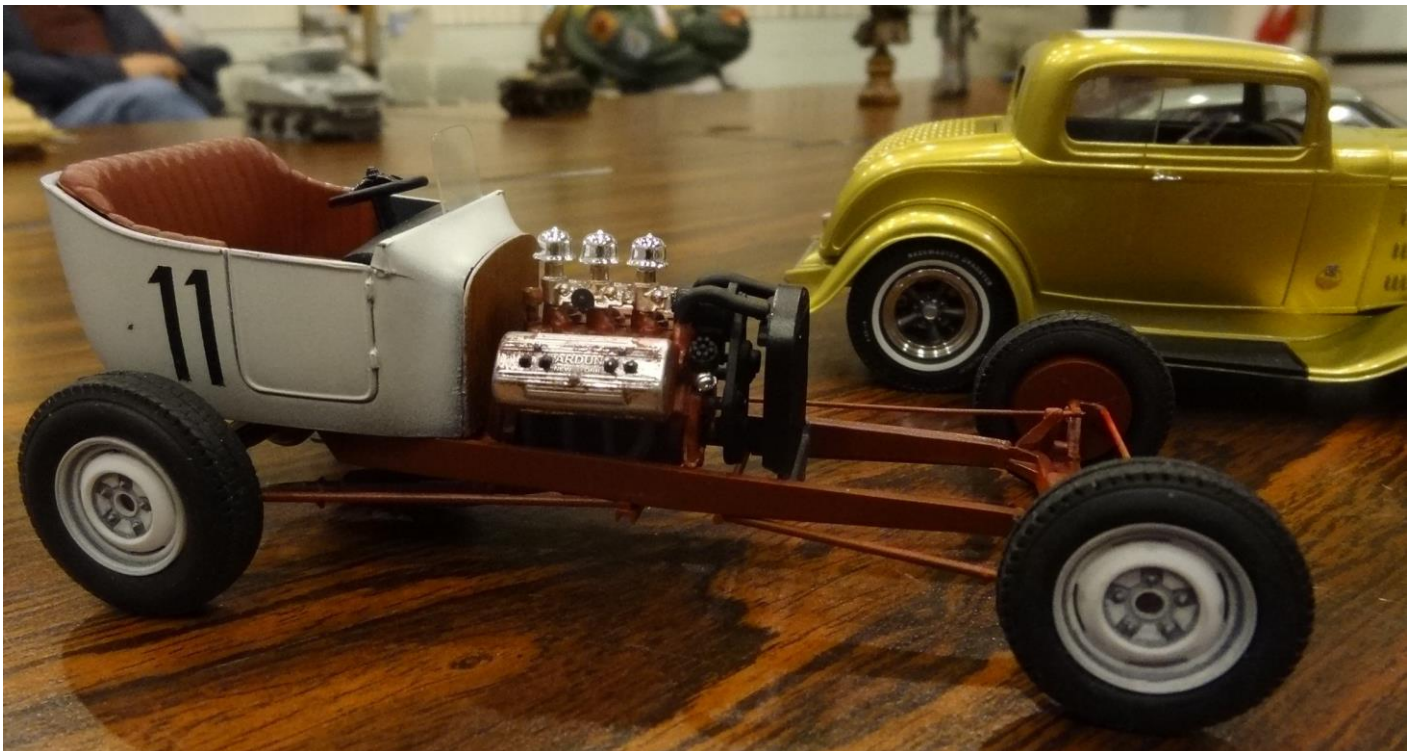






**Greg Plummer** the NNL West/SVSM and all around good guy? Well he had a terrific trio for the day. Theme for NNL West 2018 was “*The Race Of Gentlemen*” which Greg explicated quite succinctly, and his classic bucket/frame rod was exemplary of a qualifying item in 1/1 scale world. The sea foam metallic green sheen two door on opposite end? That’s apparently an excellent interpretation for another type of “TROG” vehicle, and in between was a classic 5 window Ford with some sweet new color experiments of Greg’s. The detail on all this sadly went unrecorded at the meeting...sorry.

However, the Editor has some pictures which help Greg’s works speak for themselves heretofore:







**Eric McClure's** M50 Sherman has advanced mightily since last month. Now with a coat of primer it even appears as if it were a single kit being built here, versus the true *mélange* of parts plus Eric Artistry actually here:

*( see page two for final bits of this meeting article ... )*







Congratulations to  
**Aaron Rhetta**  
FOR WINNING FEBRUARY  
MODEL OF THE MONTH  
( ONE OF TWO )







Congratulations to  
**Landon Carr**

**FOR WINNING FEBRUARY MODEL  
OF THE MONTH  
( TWO OF TWO )**





**7:00 PM OPEN, MEETING 8:00 PM SHARP**

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**MARCH 16**

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