



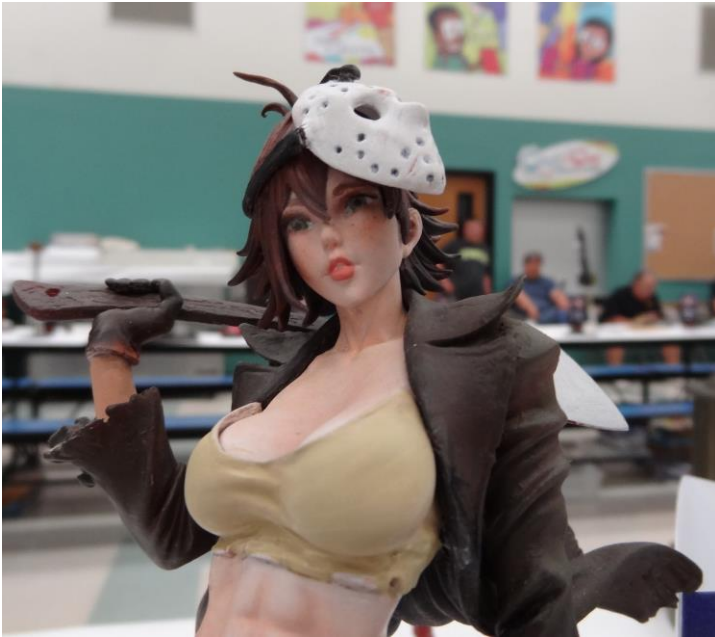
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September Turnout Has Editor Absent



A LOOK AT WHAT MAY HAVE DISTRACTED HIM SHOWING UP FOR MEETING



Photos: Mick Burton Text: Mick Burton Keeping All Running Smoothly: Prez Ron Wergin

Let's see on page 3...

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



(shameless plug: www.mickbmodeler.com)

“ WITH THIS LATEST WORD FROM CHRIS Z, EDITOR ABLY PLUGS The SPIRIT OF REGION NINE As A REMINDER ”

Since last issue, a LOT as you well know has been in news and NATURE has been reminding us who's boss.

Before I go to more local tragedies narrowly averted, I want to put in a word on behalf other modeler friends not so fortunate, on the other coast. Several whom are regular readers that I have yet to hear from or about, namely a crew of passionate folks in Puerto Rico who comprise IPMS-Borinqueneers. My prayers for their return to better days ahead and a reach out to offer any meager assistance I/we here in Region Nine may be in position to offer.

NOW TO ANOTHER MEMBER OF OUR CLAN WHO IS LUCKY TO HAVE SURVIVED Santa Rosa Fires! (Chris didn't tell me, but several who do know well gave me hair losing details behind slight info on his house)

I include both his and Fundemonium letter info here as I think this best illustrates “Spirit of Region Nine” which is why we'll continue to be there when life serves us disastrous turns to foul up everything or tries to take us out

Letter to the Editor received while I was away playing on the USS Hornet, from Mr Chris Zanella, IPMS -SC

Hey Mick,

I hope your having fun at the Hornet today.

Because of the recent tragedies up here we have decided to postpone our show next weekend and instead hold a community outreach event for the kids and families. Not sure when we will schedule the show, we lost most of our club's property when I lost my house to the fires. We had some items at the shop, so not a total loss.

I'm hoping you can help pass this along to everyone.

Below is the info from Steve at Fundemonium...

Fundemonium IPMS Model Show Update

The Contest is Postponed - We will host the Gundam Challenge and Free Build Day Instead

Most of the contest supplies and raffle models were destroyed in the fire. Also many of our model club members are still dealing with evacuations and other fire-related issues.

While the contest is postponed we will be hosting a model themed activity day:

Gundam Speed Build Challenge: 1:00pm - 2:00pm, \$5 entry with prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. See link below for details..

Free Model Make-n-Take: Bring the kids to build and decorate a snap-together plastic model with help from our model club members and Fundemonium staff. (While supplies last)

Free Stomp Rockets: Build and launch air powered stomp rockets with help from our model club members and Fundemonium staff.

Model display: We will have tables set up for any modelers wishing to bring models for display.

See full details at: <http://www.fundemoniumtoys.com/event/?id=8034>

Many thanks to ALL OF YOU for being there for your friends in the R-9 community and beyond and my own hopes for us to have a greater return from all this stress by Thanksgiving . A stab at something to say, apologies

– mick fini



Editor Reveals Where He Has Been Lately, Allegedly (from page 1)



SEPTEMBER 09, 2017 – Reno High Rollers 18th Classic !



As Doug Summers had room at attention for a raffle (above left) Mick was shooting pictures of some favorites here.

Bob Phillips signals he was having a fine old time there, and RHR'er Neil Hulse had moved from stage front to back him up.



The P5M-2 and SS-2 were just two of them, the MiG-17 in 1/48th that took this cool award also sweet.

Thanks to Jim Priete, Mike Meek, Burton got to this excellent show again and was able to shoot over 600 pictures to record it. Still has to determine a better solution for posting them, however. Check out September 2017 TAMS for additional RHR 18th show coverage.





Doug isn't just one of the main engines of RHR Show Production, he's Grayhawk Productions' sole proprietor



Special Awards shown above are some of Editor's favorite staples of the RHR show, and Grayhawk is sponsor

Reno 2017 was where Mick first met this very aggressive little woman and her tablemate ...



Like "conversion Yoda" here, he would be running into them bit more in the next weeks ahead !

Reno was Burton's last break as his own Contest Directorship delivery now loomed 8 days ahead





SEPTEMBER 09, 2017 – Reno National Championship Air Races Opening Weekend

Where Burton is found wandering about, shooting pictures of brawny Racing Bearcats, Mustangs making as if merely SPAM in a can, B-25 making as if Air Racer. Not just Racers & Warbirds, there's old time Rods too





So at least now for first 2 weeks September, we're aware of Editor's whereabouts. But about the next week...





**09-17-2017 -
At TriCity 13**

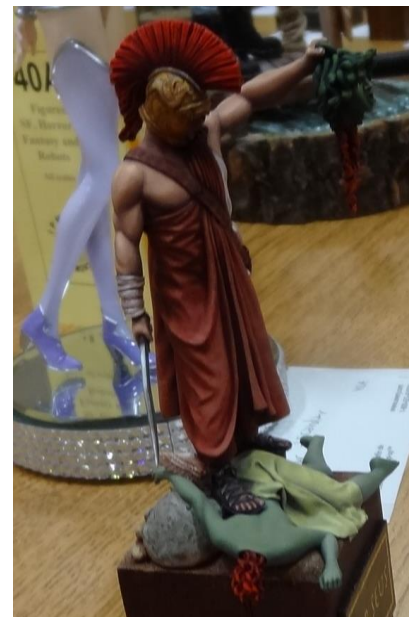
**BURTON
IS NOW
CAUGHT
IN THE ACT!**

A CAREFUL STUDY looking just behind black shirted Frank Beltran on stage, reveals Editor whereabouts
(photo taken by SVSM's intrepid investigator, Vladimir Yakubov, whom TC-13 Contest Director appreciates muchly)

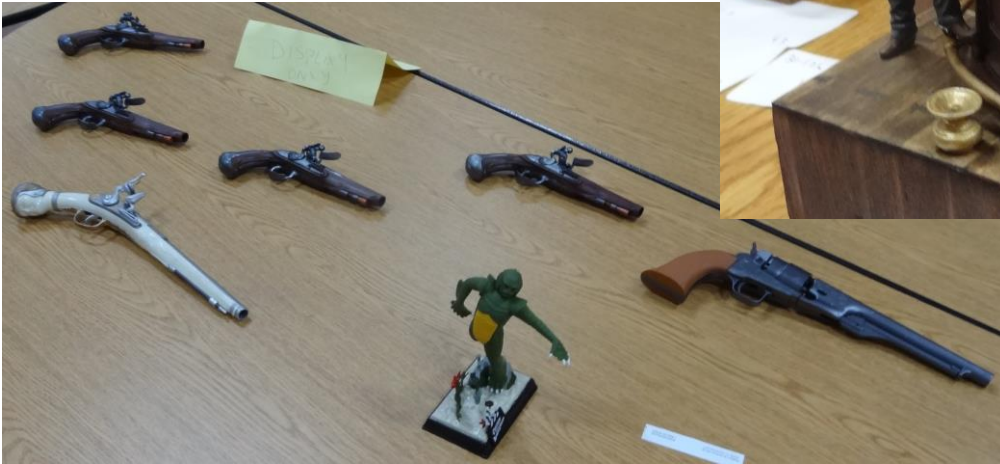
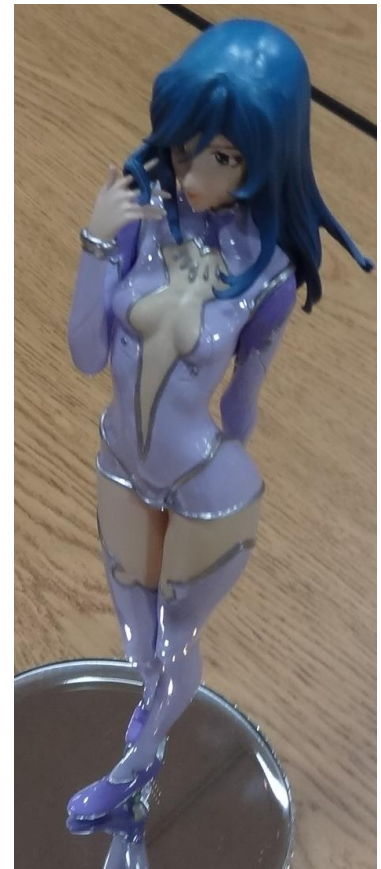


No that's not me in miniature being pulled gently from an Avenger.

In fact the smooth running of TriCity 13 "Australia" utterly was my own award for the event whose final prep required missing SVSM's September meeting a week after Fremont Hornets. Combination of excellent staff, great vendors and the much appreciated enthused entrants, guests, precisely what the Doctor ordered. Though some lost their heads ...



Plenty of fun to make the work of it seem more play, and even managed to find time to shoot the show, not often case for this Contest Director. I chose some of my favorites and of course, these two femme figures that I ran into at Reno.



Even managed to have a Display

Jiro's Plane from "The Wind Rises"

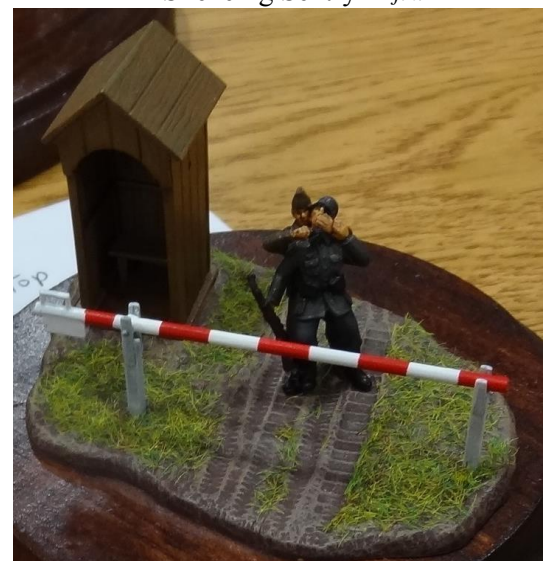
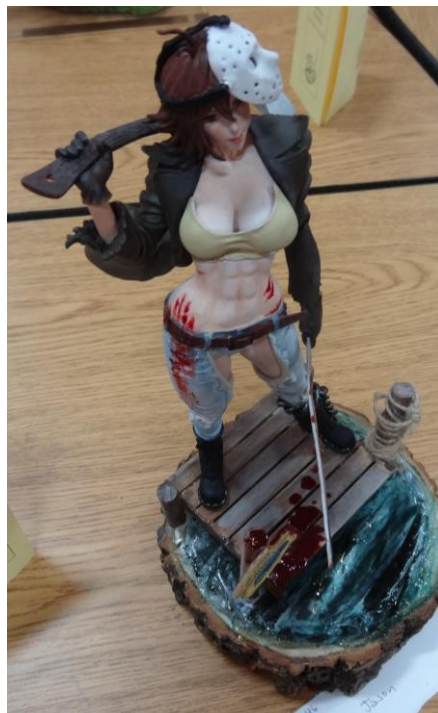
Amazing what one can do with 1/300th scale paper models!



This TBM Gunner diorama won 1st Place, and richly deserved it.

"Female Jason" had cut a swath at her showing in Reno, managed 3rd this event.

"Silencing Sentry" - fini



AHOY ! ABOARD USS HORNET FOR MODEL EXPO

October 14, 2017



Say hello and THANKS to the gent in the cap on the right. Mr Joe Martinez is the Event Director of the IPMS Silverwings portion of the joint effort with the USS Hornet Museum for "Model Expo 2017".

With great pleasure I can say "*I too, was there !*".

Great turnout of models, modelers and interested on board public to check it all out, from my estimate.



I was there from about 11am until closing, on the Hangar Deck the whole time. Made it onto a Judging team of three for work of seeing to it personally a total of EIGHT of the 28 categories got fair hearing

Last two of those were the populous Jet categories, not exactly easy.

Made a pest of myself in hourly dropping by to let Joe or other staff members know how much I hoped they were already planning to repeat this show in 2018

I know I was not the only one enjoying the day and had desire to repeat this...

I think one little girl took home a 1st place wish to do this again, eh Dad ?

And look, Ishtar of Reno via Iscandar, won again!

- mick fini (for now)



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

FRIDAY

OCTOBER 20

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