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Wicked, Wicked Ways of an AUGUST Turnout



SVSM August Meet, As It Figures in Editor's Estimation

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Scant Structured NON MINUTES for August 2016

Perhaps it was the lazy last full month of summer pace, or the fact we were now two weeks past the latest year's race (IPMS USA Nationals) to the finish, or old fashioned good luck. Our August meeting attendance was clearly more abundant than July. Great variety in models on table turnout to go with it. (Continued on 3)

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

(shameless plug: www.mickmodeler.com)

“BEST OF ALL POSSIBLE SUMMER OUTCOMES – Two More of Our Model Clan Rose To The Challenge, Stood & Delivered”

Yeee HAAAW. Saturday, August 27th saw Region 9 served well by Fresno Scale Modelers returning to contest circuit after 4 years with a new locale and a Regional. Reno High Rollers followed that up with their 17th Classic two weeks later, vigorous varied response to their “As Seen On TV” theme. Both having in common a larger theme. Namely good hard working folk with faith enough to plan, execute another event for their community, an act truly of good faith and investment in our mutual trust. Namely that for all the effort, enough folks will show up to participate, enjoy. Even have enough sense to know what it takes to even go forward with this effort, thus more likely to share the good times, maybe keep to themselves the lesser nitpicks at least for awhile. - *mick fini*

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



Kinley Calvert was making major building progress on his Alpha Moonbase type I Laser Tank in 1/48th scale, a resin kit from “UNCL” (in the UK).

Jordan Li shared 2 WIP and 2 finished this time out, and I am going to wrap up this OSS issue with his items. Sorry, there's not any more room



and I don't have much for notes beyond modeler names for what pictures I have left, anyways. Making the best of situation as time and editorial logic dictate.



Top right, WIP Star Trek spaceship. Above, finished Northrop YF-22 in 1/72. To the left, WIP Saab J-35 Draken in 1/72, below it is finished Dewoitine D-510 French WW2 fighter. Fine selection, Jordan.

Coverage of Club Contest “It Figures” was in August TAMS.

Model of the Month, you will see on page 9, went to Cliff Kranz for his Leduc 022 from that impossible to build Mach 2 kit. - *mick fini*





The call to business promptly at 8 PM was followed by an assessment of the soon to arrive end of summer show hosted by Fresno Scale Modelers. Followed in two weeks hence by the Fremont Hornets' TriCity Twelve, itself being followed two weeks hence by the OC IPMS hosted ORANGECON 2016. Short reminder, our next SVSMM Meeting would be our "Super Auction" to fund raise for the SV Classic # 4. President Greg signaled so then we went on to ... (what follows is Editor's best recollection & muses, as no minutes on hand at time of publication)

OPEN INTO MODEL TALK – Al Kuhn is just one hell of a fine modeler with a great variety of tastes in what he will model, and how. While I didn't record the identity of this local architecture, I did record how it seems to have caused some distressed movement on the part of Laramie Wright, seen here next to Al. What it





amounted to for me, was Al giving an excellent short tale about his travails and triumphs in rendering in 1/87th scale, this old house. Marvelous work.

Eric McClure had his own tales on this wavelength, a Hawker Typhoon on wood toothpick landing gear in 1/72nd scale beside turret of 1/35th M36 Tank Destroyer



Brian Geyer (seen behind Al Kuhn in picture above) had a happier ending to his tale about construction of the old HAWK Model Company MiG-15 & Monogram MiG-15



Hawk kit he said, allegedly 1/48th, actually scaled out several ways above or below. Considering kit is nearly as old as the real plane, probably pretty accurate for its day. Brian made it “flying on stand”. His Monogram is a lot closer to “real” 1/48th scale, and he posed it on its gear, with canopy open, all shiny in its Natural Metal finish.



Temo C, our newest member on board, had his 4 vehicle group this meeting. A Pickup, NASCAR, new VW Beetle and a two door that I don't have ID recorded for, my bad!



Cliff Kranz lead off with his traditional remembrance of one pair of “hot August” days, among his four new table items. That’s a 1/72nd “Enola Gay” B-29 Superfortress “special”, the big R on tail marking it as part of the 509th Composite Squadron out of Tinian, 1945. This being the scheme that it flew to deliver “Little Boy” gun type uranium Atomic Bomb to Hiroshima. The red banded B-29 behind her, is “Bock’s Car” which took the “Fat Man” (prototype for early future A-bombs in USA) to Nagasaki 3 days after Hiroshima’s inauguration.



Cliff also had this M48 Patton tank done, that reminded him of his service in the US Army.

His most amazing item of the night however, was this silver Leduc 022 supersonic research plane. Not only for the rarity of subject matter, being a French “X-plane”, moreover for his having to make it from a Mach 2 kit .

(A speed at which some less fearless modelers might have thrown this kit at a wall during construction...)





Sean Fallesen said he will be held over with his TDY assignment to our end of California, for work reasons, so he helpfully shared his leap in progress with four of his US Battleships now finished in cases and now two more underway. My apologies for not having recorded any details, I am sure Chris B did in his minutes taking though.

Ron Wergin had this M113 based Infantry Fighting Vehicle from "OZ" (Australia) that had a lovely camo application to go with the striking build, commanding figure he did.



Greg Plummer again showed being our President doesn't stop his output as a modeler one bit. His Kawasaki underway as he said, gives you idea how much goes into building a scale M/C, he also emphasized there's a lot of satisfaction "in the doing" t



Marv Everhardt was quite happy with his finishing the Tamiya 1/35 M3 Lee triple gun tank of the US Army, WW2. In the middle, his "ammo trailer" that several may recall as a "resin and wire Work In Progress" only a short while ago. Lastly, Marvin's very nice MHC in a weathered finish. All are 1/35th





Kent McClure nearly ready he said, for application of finish and decals for his Bristol Britannia, in scheme shown below. Fremont Hornets "FH Gruppe Build 2016" is the project he is providing this heavy support for,



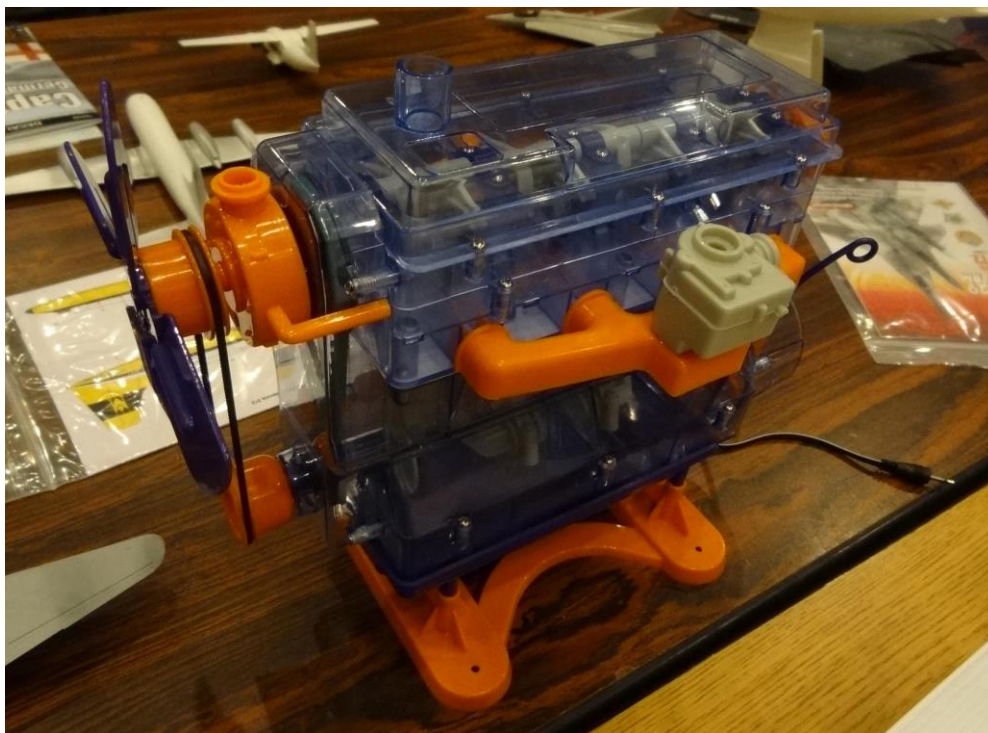
That white twin engine in progress below Brit, also entry for this. A LET 410 Feederliner.



Perhaps the most fascinating though was this bird on its back. Tamiya's 1/100th IL-28 Beagle when Kent bought it, he's at



a quite delicious conversion of this into the fairly obscure IL-20 "Airmail Beagle", that Aeroflot employed for high speed priority mail cargo in frozen North of USSR !



John Carr is never known to be shy in his choice of model subjects to tackle.

This modern automotive engine is another example, and if I recall somewhat in vague manner, there's way to "mod" like you would a real one to one motor.

In any case, another great inspiration from John C.



Gabriel Lee is nearly done now with his last month's "WIP FAV F-16" ! He is trying out his rapidly growing skills with applying via airbrush (new to him) a complex camouflage.

That is very well done, Gabriel, finish so we can see what looks like "under the canopy"

The F-86 is his as well, scheme is from the Forca Aera Brasilia, and he used the newest Airfix kit for basis.

Both of these are in 1/72nd scale, of course.

Mark Schynert is not letting things seem as if only Kent McClure has items underway for Free Hornets Gruppe Build "Airliners". That is his Special Hobby Lockheed Orion 9R single engine passenger plane , also nearing readiness for red.white NorthEast Air scheme. Then on a more militant note, Mark's 1/72 Scale Tupelov Tu-2 "Bat" is on Orion's tail.



Frank Babbitt went to the USA Nationals 2016 in Columbia, SC, "and all he brought back was a 2nd Place award for this RF-101C Voodoo" Oh so sad !

Just kidding. Frank was quite happy, and this conversion from F-101B in 1/48th, a demanding project. Kudos!



For the rest of our August tale, it's ON TO SHEET TWO WITH YOU !



Congratulations to

Cliff Kranz

FOR WINNING AUGUST MODEL OF THE MONTH



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