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1000 Plus Models Completed On Display Tables, Yet No Awards?



CONGRATULATIONS AGAIN to NNL Westies for SPECTACULAR NNL WEST 2016

Text/Images: Mick Burton

Models: MANY MANY Enthusiastic Modelers from all over

There are those who make it happen and those who simply talk about it. Never accept "can't be done" Only won't.

In early years of my life that powerfully simple distillation was given to me freely by an author I had already begun to appreciate the "wise to the ways of living" communicability talent of. James Michener is one of my writer heroes. A character of his in "The Drifters", a somewhat aloof, mistrusting authority & humanity in general alike "field tech", explains to a "lost soul of boy trying to be a man" (who was then in Spain, as an expatriate US draft dodger) how our world seems now to have lost (then in the present of the turbulent early 1970s, oddly echoing these days it seems) that ability to distinguish precision in language and thus, educate next generations. Namely, "can't" is not equal to "won't"

Thanks to NNL West 2016, I've yet another reinforcement of how that "opine" works out to be true. (cont'd on 3)

“REPEAT RUN WITH THE (Printer's) DEVIL – A THIRD LOOK BACK AS WE GO ONWARD”

10, 20 and yes, THIRTY years ago this month, below the “cover articles” for monthly Newsletter eventually named The Styrene Sheet. Three different Editors in view here too; in 1986 it's Alan Wolcott, an avid auto modeler so that's a handy echoing to the major editorial content for this “AfterMarket Sheet” currently. In that March issue you'll find a large debrief by then Contest Director Rodney J Williams on the just passed SJSM annual contest whose results are also in that issue. Might want to go contrast that with our upcoming SV Classic for some fun and education. Then you will see in the “30th Anniversary” issue for March 1996 (which refers to the Newsletter's birth, not the club's) we're a good way into the Editorship of one Chris Bucholtz, then and now Secretary of the SVSM. That issue is 24 pages, way more than the “mighty six” pages of ten years before! That '96 issue also happens to have an “automotive” linkage as the second of a series on “Dream Cars Modelling” by some braggart named Burton is a feature inside there, among the other writings. Apparently this same Burton was elected President that year in February, according to the minutes. ☺

Finally, the 2006 issue is the “swan song” for John Heck as Editor. As he moved to NATS Editorial Masthead, article on USAF Starfighter was his gift to us. Also there in the February Minutes recorded by none other than yes, Chris B, we find notation of someone named Greg Plummer reviewing this show called NNL West, that had something like 800 car models on display (he noted the count was down a bit from prior events...) There is also notation of a Jack Riggart from IPMS Santa Rosa, giving news about a new event hosted by that club plus IPMS Mt Diablo, in Petaluma. Hmm.

Oh and by the way, that “color” issue was not how it was seen by most of us then. You only got to see it that way later when, for a short while, PDFs of the Styrene Sheet would be posted on the SVSM Club Website. It is published by photocopying in grey scale, assembling and stapling, snail mailing out. Unimaginable terror to return to that method



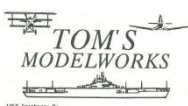
MARCH 1986
Next Meeting: March 21, Friday
Time: 7:30 - Juniors Workshop
: 8:00 - Business by Bauer
Hangar No.: Mercury Savings
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Cupertino

"You want me to lay on this couch? Sure, Doc. What's that? Oh yeah, why I came to see you. Well, you see, I keep having these flashbacks of this dream. Well the dream was that I was just walking along, kinda day-dreaming, and then I walked into this room, and I looked up and there were people, everywhere. I thought it was a Macy's white sale, but they were all men! And through the few spots that they were not men, all I could see was sounds of plastic, clear to the ceiling! My eyes were here!"

The room was full of people and PLASTIC KITS! There was no where to turn, I was trapped, swept along past hundreds, and hundreds of airplane kits. Hands were reaching, grabbing everywhere. One man grabbed a kit clear across a table and two others started crying for no reason. Several other men were jumping up and down wildly. Many of them were chanting "Here's Jay, Here's Jay" - I even dreamed some had no faces, just this collage of labels that said, Airfix, Frog, Heller, Revell, Aurora,....I tell you, it's haunting me! Am I going mad? What does it MEAN, this dream?!"

"WHAT?!" ... It really happened! It was, what did you say, an ipms meeting? Oh, an IPMS meeting! Great! Thanks Doc, I feel so much better. I thought I dreamed the whole thing!"

Well, as you can tell, I am at it again, running off at the mouth/computer with another issue of SJSM/IPMS NEWS. Just remember, whatever you think of my writing, at least it is not a Bill in your mail box. And you can always contribute articles, comments, tips or whatever. They need not be fancy, typed, or even full sentences or properly spelled. I will do the former, the computer the latter. Actually, I am quite lazy so I would appreciate all the help I can get. Plus it might give me some time to work on the styrene stuff.



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By George! Japan's N1K fighters in 1:72

By Chris Bucholtz
Reisen that float fighters were no match for carrier- or land-based opponents, and so production of the Kyofu was limited to six aircraft.
Kawanishi didn't wait for the JN's decision to start to develop a carrier Kyofu, but the company privately built nine prototype of what would become the N1K-J Shiden. The plane retained the mid-wing design of the Kyofu, but overhauling development was re-named with the Nakajima NK99 Homogeneous, which led to a shorter nose forward of the wing. The vertical stabilizer was also taller and less elongated than the Kyofu's.

The N1K-J experienced a series of testing problems not the least of which was the JN's reluctance to consider a plane not built to its own specifications. The JN didn't visit until mid-1945. The plane also had engine problems and difficulties with the long landing gear. These delays in development meant that the N1K-J first deployment to combat was some time with the 201st Kawanishi in Cebu, west of the Philippines. While the plane performed well, the N1K-J's flawed "George" in its air-lift system were overwhelmed by sheer force of numbers.

Kawanishi wasn't done with the Shiden yet, however. The company redesigned much of the airframe, giving the plane a more traditional-looking plan, a larger fuselage and an extended nose.
The JN realized from its experience with A6M2-NV The Styrene Sheet is a monthly publication of the Silicon Valley Chapter of the International Plastic Model Society (IPMS). Articles and comments should be submitted to: Chris Bucholtz, Editor, P.O. Box 30090, Milpitas, CA 95036.
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The N1K-J had the most direct offspring of Kawanishi's N1K-J1 after the war. Note the shorter nose and forward set landing gear.

With the central position, floats and struts associated with floatplanes, the Kyofu was quick with top speed near 300 mph. The JN realized from its experience with A6M2-NV



Hasegawa's 1:48 Lockheed F-104C Starfighter

By John Heck
In this how it works for you? I often make a list of what model or models I want to build next, either on paper or in my head. Usually I get all excited about a particular model after a somewhat rare 40-minute or so decision that this is the kit that I am going to build as soon as I get done with my current project. No matter how much "research" I have done or how many other model goodies I have amassed, I never fail that during the extended period of time that I am working on, I find a reason to choose another subject.

Sometimes things are a bit more elaborate. I might act on the couch and flip through my database (I've actually built a modeling database) to decide what my next several projects will be. Recently I had decided that I would build one model from each nationality that is represented in my stash. In the database I marked off the future projects so I would not forget. I did all this instead of actually working on a model.

I had bought a nicely detailed Arco cockpit for an F-304G since the "C" version was unavailable. The Arco set came with the early Lockheed C2 seat, which was correct for the aircraft I was going to build, so I figured the "C" cockpit was close enough. The problem, as usual, was getting the Arco cockpit parts to fit. I have talked to so fit. I have talked to others who have told me that they got the thing to fit perfectly, but after a lot of sidewall trimming and sanding of resin, I was able to get the side walls installed but I cut me some of the great detail on the switch consoles. I could have just left the Arco sidewalls off but I was committed to using them since the kit sidewalls were incorrect and since I had removed all of



Cylindrical and points, the Lockheed F-104C Starfighter looks as if it has been cut-and-paste. The F-104 was a "regular" aircraft throughout the West even if it did not serve long with The United States Air Force.

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OKAY – see you next time, and ENJOY – mickb

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Classic Reflection of Having Fun Sharing Model Building and History as opposed to just “knowing stuff” (from 1)



For over 30 plus years running now, NNL West has demonstrated admirably a will to make it happen, means it can happen. Namely, you the folks who believe it possible that you can offer an event with modelers showing up to display, be positive social forces, share community with one another and anyone walking in the door (plus PAYING 15 DOLLARS A HEAD to ENTER), for an entire day.

While there are many “knowing heads” in the USA IPMS among “other than NNL car model clubs” who faithfully and with great aplomb maintain “beyond NNL this otherwise CAN’T BE DONE” for “sound reasons”.

Well, sorry, we *KNOW IT CAN*. Just as “sound” reason is mostly their many “oh so knowing experienced voices” drowning out the few voices. Even those as mighty as Lynn Ritger. He hails from highly experienced IPMS USA Nationals Hosting Veterans of IPMS Tidewater, who say otherwise. Lynn and others, like myself attempt to overcome view as “presupposed fact”, more like comfortable BS. They know what we have here is a failure to communicate. More the reason for factual basis why “it can’t happen” is not due to insurmountable obstacles.

Merely due more simple human fact of, “it will not”, which is a failure of will

The NorthWest Scale Modelers up North (Washington State) have for several years now (as a local example that’s not NNL) managed to have a TWO DAY “display only” event which hosts many hundreds, even THOUSANDS of scale models for public viewing enjoyment. It is held in the Seattle Museum of Flight as the venue, which I think qualifies as a “decent” locale with “good impress”.

So, when you hear or read some “wise model org sort” denigrating or reiterate the “fact” that having a “model show that doesn’t offer awards only display” when an effort or suggestion to launch a try to do this sort of thing, JUST CAN’T BE DONE... remember, this sort of undermining opine goes a long way to be insuring “IT WON’T BE DONE”. Doesn’t change the resulting fact if something doesn’t happen, but isn’t proof that it was impossible. More proof that if you take enough negative at the start, there’s no point in trying waste resources to overcome it when there’s better use of your time than spending with “knowing nay sayers” dispiriting your humans.

Just let it be and come see here at the door with me next time, this cheering sight of modeler folks lined up as far as I can see, first thing in morning to fill a 25 thousand square foot area with scale models to view for the day. Just for fun

Spending a few hours in the Saturday morning of March 12, welcoming folks at the door to NNL West 2016 in fact, for me wasn’t “hard work as staff volunteer”. Instead, was pleasingly selfish reinforcement that this hobby of mine and ours, will continue to be vibrant, interesting, socially enjoyed, most of all remain FUN, when humans WILL make it so



OKAY, EDITOR Resumes to Regular Scheduled Program re: NNL 2016



Text/Images: Mick Burton Models: Enthusiastic Modelers from all over

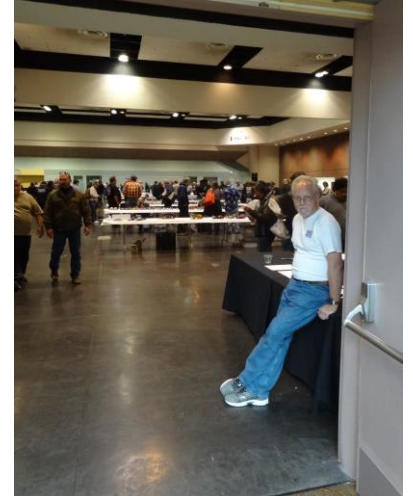
Really. Why look, a familiar SVSM/Free Hornets face here, on left !

As Entry Checker/Greeter, Editor Burton was pleased to welcome to 2016 NNL West our own Frank Babbitt, a repeat customer, yes

On the right, caught a glimpse of one of the engines of NNL West, SVSM's own Bill Bauer. Bill here at registration desk, repairing "transport" damage to some of his latest displays.



Meanwhile, I observe that Box Office is doing "land office business" while our opening line finally has an end in sight



Our shifts are broken into two hour commitments which really isn't a huge drain considering you're saving 15 dollars and the event runs until 4. Chief of Operations, Andy Kellock, gave me break at door duties, which was to say, he stopped his work in Box Office so I'd be

allowed to relax.

While he'd still be having to work. My hat's off to a Leader who looks out for a crew, like Andrew does with a smile.

You won't see any shots here of Greg, or Natalie Plummer who were basically working most all of the NNL West day.

Many Thanks, y'all





Now here's a morning look for NNL West 2016, vendor side of the room on the left.

That yellow happy face mid shot? Balloon going up for those seeking to buy more Raffle tickets, handy marker

All those tables were taken, which impressed me again.

Vendors buy the traffic you supply at an event. So if you

sell out your tables, you're clearly doing some aspect pretty much right on, unarguable to me. NNL West wins again.

Now on the right, both in page shot aspect and in truth for room layout, the "Display Tables" of NNL West 2016 for your morning viewing.

One aspect I can't capture here which is shame really, that of the marvelous "soundtrack" of NNL West. Provided by none other than great "DJ Bob", who makes the day sound so good.

Anyone who made it to the Kickoff Classic 19 which was my retirement party for me and it, may recall the "music feature" that was part of that last time for me having SVSM show here.

That was thanks to my woman, Jaquie T and

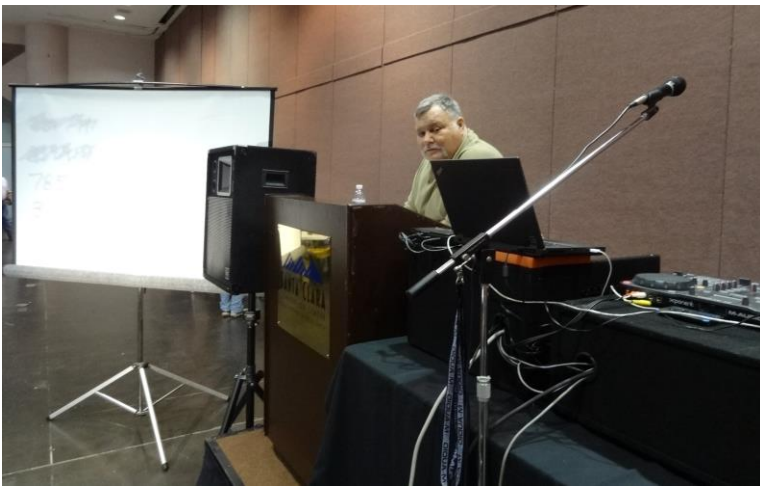
Natalie Plummer, contacting "DJ Bob" on my behalf and arranging things for that to happen. I just sponsored the gig.



Bob was splendid to work with and worked my preferred music list to the "T", and I'd heartily recommend him to any needing a DJ for event



Here is a look at the "Theme" tables for NNL West 2016, which had a GREAT response. Above, the "Trans Am" main theme, with many many fine examples of this sort of auto (that was to include both the "racing class" and the Pontiac automobile lineages...) Minor theme was "Rat Rods" and on right, you can see there were some of those!



On the left, hard at work at the DJ Bob's post, we see NNL's own Rex Barden. He was giving Bob some chance to catch some air that morning. The screen you see, has a few numbers left on it from first raffle.



On right, some table items that caught my eye on the way to get shots from "Rex Eye View" of staging.



Above, below, lower right, a "view from the stage" mid morning.



Then for a break, a two pic page look at one of Editor's favorite AMC vehicles, the rarely seen Trans Am Javelin



The Sunoco Javelin is a lovely racing vehicle, don't you think ? Finally got to see a "replica" one at "Big Bore Bash" last fall down at Willow Springs International Raceway, in the working area, not on the track, sadly for me.



Rumor has it that an SVSM/Free Hornet member has one of these Jo Han rarities underway and nearly complete...



Here's a former SVSM/Free Hornet, Mark Norhnberg, checking NNL



Then friendly faces count adds in Alan Ernat !



While I had no record of who did the Batmobile, I do know that Mini is Al's





There's a lot to see every year of the NNL West as several who have gone more than once can tell you

I am merely trying to capture a little of the flavor of this year's show with this picture essay.





Among the fun features of every NNL West is that there is always tables full of models from individuals, plus the wide variety of specific model clubs there to “show flag”

Look towards the wall in the picture above, you’ll see a set of examples we’ll give closer examination of bit later

Right now, take a look at part of the M.B.S.A.A. tabling.







Now, I did indicate plenty of clubs “show the flag”, but sometimes, at NNL West, *it’s really about the shirts...*











THAT'S ALL , FOLKS !

UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR AS OF 03-28-16

Saturday, April 02 2016

IPMS/ SV Scale Modelers host their **SV Classic # 3**, Theme “Clock’s a Tick’n” at Napredak Hall, San Jose.
See www.mickbmodeler.com

Friday, April 15 2016

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting. President’s Club Contest Theme “**Spring In Your Step**”

Friday, May 20 2016

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting. President’s Club Contest Theme “**It MAY Have Happened**”

Friday, June 17 2016

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers monthly meeting. Member’s Club Contest Theme is “**You Mother**”

Friday, July 18 2016

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers monthly meeting. Club Contest Theme “**Apollo Ascendant**”

Sunday, September 25 2016

IPMS/ Fremont Hornets host their TriCity Classic # 12 at the Milpitas Community Center, Milpitas CA. Theme is “Battle of Britain”, for all things British/directly related. 50 categories, 20 Special Awards, see website for details.

Saturday, October 15 2016

IPMS Sonoma County host their show “**Hobby Expo 2016**”. Lucchessi Center, Petaluma.

Friday, October 21 2016

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers monthly meeting. Club Contest Theme “**TBA**”

Saturday, November 05 2016

IPMS/ Antelope Valley Group host Desert Classic #20, AV College, Lancaster, CA SPECIAL AWARD Category “JURASSIC PLASTIC” Overall theme is “Vietnam War, 1946-1975”

Friday, November 11 2016

IPMS/ Fremont Hornets monthly meeting.

Friday, November 18 2016

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting. President and Editor’s Club Contest Theme “**The End All and Be All Contest**” See www.mickbmodeler.com

Friday, January 20 2017

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting. Editor’s Club Contest Theme “**1917**”

Friday February 17 2017

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting. Editor’s Club Contest Theme “**Northrop’s Notables**”
See www.mickbmodeler.com

Friday, January 19 2018

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting. Editor’s Club Contest Theme “**1918**”

December Gift Exchange Tradition
Returns to Club Meeting
Competition!

“ MARCH OF TIME’S UP ”

2016 MARCH CLUB CONTEST

Photos & Text : Mick Burton Models: Curly, Larry & Moe

Treasurer Bill & Editor Mick offer A **90 Day Wonder Club Contest !** That’s how we billed it and meant to present this

Basic, simple rules, none too onerous. Any gifts on record from December 2015 SVSM Meeting are eligible to compete.

They don’t have to be “original owner” entry. If you sold / traded for any of them, still perfectly fine to build and compete with here.

***Finished** any fashion you please, so ranges from Out Of Box to the Full On Competitive Killer You.*

As 49 potential entries on table, surely a few will do.

Amusingly for the sponsors, FEW ended up the watchword, with one of them being in the mix, no less.

Since the Editor did not partake in Gift Exchange, he had no horses in The Race, so he adjudged while he ran meeting & took pictures. In case you wonder why there’s nearly no

information detail on the eventual turnout here. (fair warning now to expect “non minutes” in the April OSS, no joke.)

Our three players came thru with these fine items, two of which were finished and all three were given “place” in awards, however NO PAYOUT for unfinished one. Glad to have the entry tho.

Heartfelt thanks again, to Marv E, Laramie W, and of course, sponsor William F, for deigning to play.

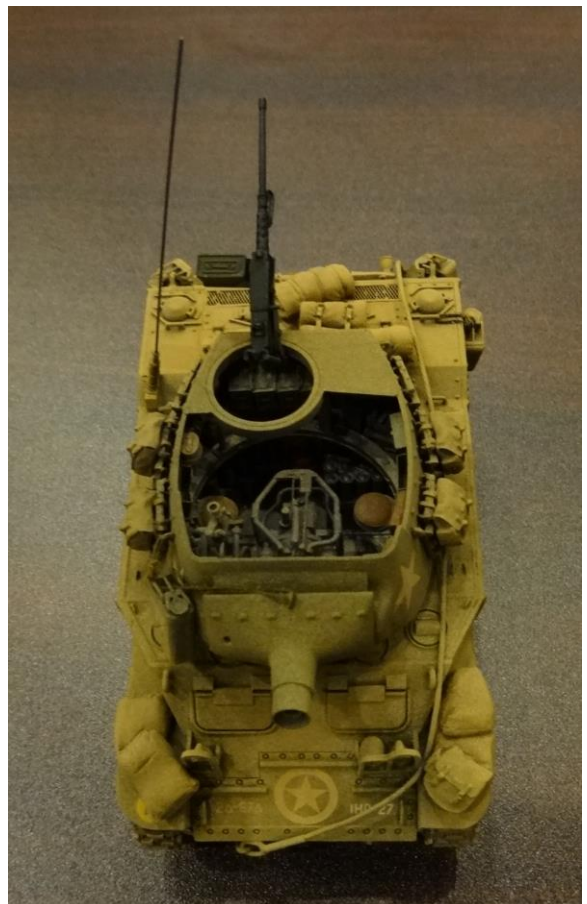
Now, on to WINNERS!





MARCH “*March of Time’s Up*” THIRD PLACE for “Tiger 1/48 Unfinish”
Laramie Wright

MARCH “*March of Time’s Up*” SECOND PLACE for “M8 MHC PTO”
Marv Everhardt





MARCH “*March of Time’s Up*” FIRST PLACE for “Pearl Harbor Zero”
William Ferrante

What little I could recall from all that had to take place simultaneously in my short term memory holding area: Zero is new mold Airfix 1/72 kit, OOB. Marvin’s Motor Howitzer Carriage is Tamiya 1/35, Laramie’s Tiger = 1/48 Tamiya



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Editor has reminders here now of what could have been, as no other records do exist for the 49 models of the 2015 night of thievery.



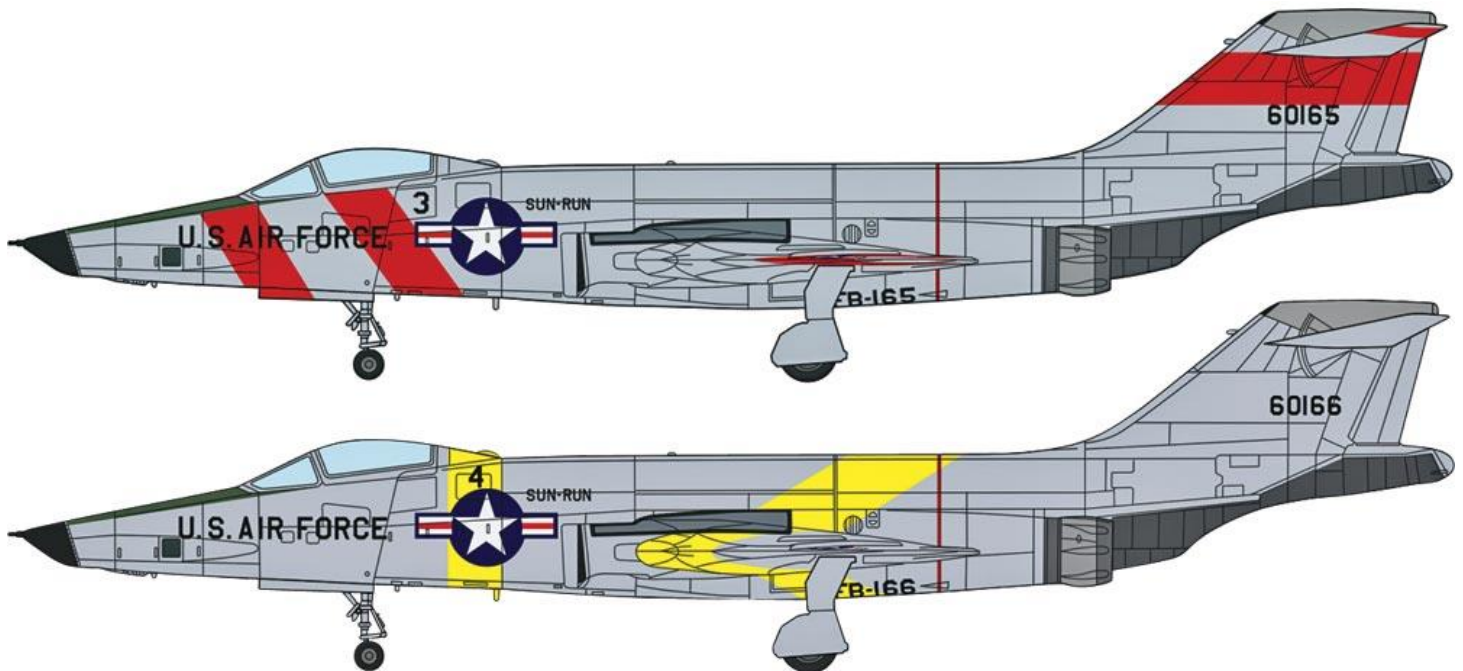
For this sponsor, a return to “dust bin of history” is order of the day for more **90 Day Wonders** Projects idea redux



COMING UP FAST IN SPRING OF 2016 !

Saturday April 2 2016

**THIRD Silicon Valley Classic, hosted by SVSM, at Napredak Hall,
770 Montague Expwy, San Jose Ca 95131**



ZOOM CLIMBS – CUBAN MISSILE CRISIS – LAND SPEED RECORDS – OPERATION SUN RUN – DRAG STRIP & AIR RACING

Theme is : “*Clocks a Tick’n*”

(see www.mickbmodeler.com for more details on this).

Vendors, contact CD Mike Woolson at swingwingklvk@gmail.com

Please note, CA tax permit required and **also be advised** number of tables is **limited**

CONTEST ENTRANTS BE ADVISED

There will be a SUBJECT of HONOR given in the name of Steven & Anita Travis

The award winning model may not necessarily be a placer in a category

Will be selected by Judges on qualifying basis of what S&A Liked, Built, or Thought was “Different”

San Jose Police Historical Society Display Project



The San Jose Police Department has a display cabinet at the officers entry to the police patrol division building. The San Jose Police Historical Society would like to fill the cabinet with models of San Jose Police vehicles in 1/24 and 1/25 scale (or helicopter in any scale). The Historical Society is asking for model builders who would be interested in building a vehicle to be put on permanent display. The San Jose Police has used a wide variety of vehicles over the last 100 years, to include the following:
(In the early 1920's through the 30's officers used their own vehicles for patrol)

- 1941 Chevy Sedan 4 door (black, unmarked with radio aerial only)
- 1946 Pontiac Streamliner 4-door sedan (3 cars traffic control)
- 1951 Pontiac 8
- 1951 Chevrolet
- 1953 Ford Customline 4-door sedan (V-8)
- 1954 Chevrolet 4-door (V-8)
- 1957-1958 Ford Custom 300 (V-8 352 Thunderbird engine)
- 1959 Ford Custom 300 (first official Ford police package car)

- 1960 Plymouth 4-door sedan
- 1963 Plymouth 4-door Fury
- 1964 Plymouth Savoy 4-door sedan (383 commando) including the station wagon (k-9)
- 1965-1967 Plymouth Fury I 4-door (383 commando)
- 1968-1969 Plymouth Belvedere 4-door (383 commando)
- 1970-1971 Plymouth Satellite 4-door sedan (big block 400)
- 1972 AMC Matador 4-door (360 engine)
Plymouth Fury 4-door (HP 440)
- 1973 Plymouth Fury 4-door (HP 440)
- 1975-1976 Plymouth Fury 4-door (HP 440)
Dodge Coronet 4-door (HP 440)
- 1977 Dodge Monaco 4-door (HP 440)
Plymouth Fury 4-door (HP 440)
- 1978 Dodge Monaco 4-door (HP 440)
Plymouth Fury 4-door (HP 440)
- 1979-1980 Dodge St. Regis (HP 360 and 318, CHP dumped all of their 318 cars on SJPD when they
Received the Dodge Diplomat)
- 1981 thru 1989
Dodge Diplomat 4-door (318 engine)
- 1990 Chevrolet Impala 9C1 4-door
- 1991-1993 Chevrolet Impala / Caprice 9C1 4-door (Predecessor to LT-1)
- 1994 thru 1996 Chevy Impala / Caprice LT-1 / 9C1 4-door 5.7 L engine 350 hp (corvette engine)
- 1997 Ford Crown Victoria 4-door (early model)
- 1998 thru 2012
Ford Crown Victoria 4-door (current model)
- 2014 Chevy Caprice V-6 patrol package (made in Australia by Holden)
- 2014 Ford Explorer police package

Decals of the SJPD logo will be provided, as well as any photos or other related information. Any models purchased will remain the property of the builder and be available to claim at any time. A placard will be placed with the models to indicate they are courtesy of the "Silicon Valley Scale Modelers". If you would like to participate

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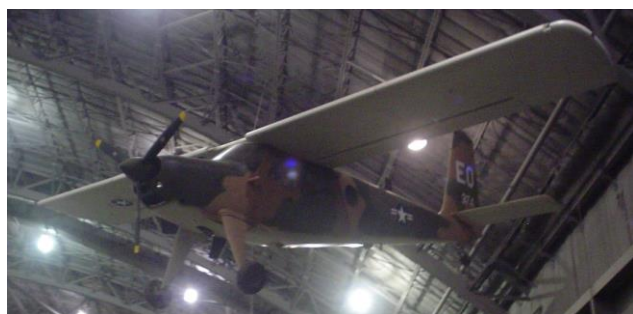
SVSM PRESIDENT'S CONTEST THEME APRIL 2016 "SPRING IN YOUR STEP"

Start with this concept: Anything over time that left the deck of a carrier (via catapult), or other shipboard applications of catapult launch. Such as this Douglas A3D here...



for this next aspect (since this is the Vietnam rescue Skyraider flown by Bernie Fisher, in a clear example of STOL...) Consider all the possible entries from the aspect of STOL (Short TakeOff and Landing) performance (Storch, C-123, C-130, Beaver, Otter, Dornier Skyservant, et al)

Like Helio Courier and Provider shown here...



Push forward into the ultimate "Spring" with VTOL (Harrier, Yak-38, the many X-planes taking this technology on...)



Gee, look, Harrier (V/STOL) and Panther (Cat launch)



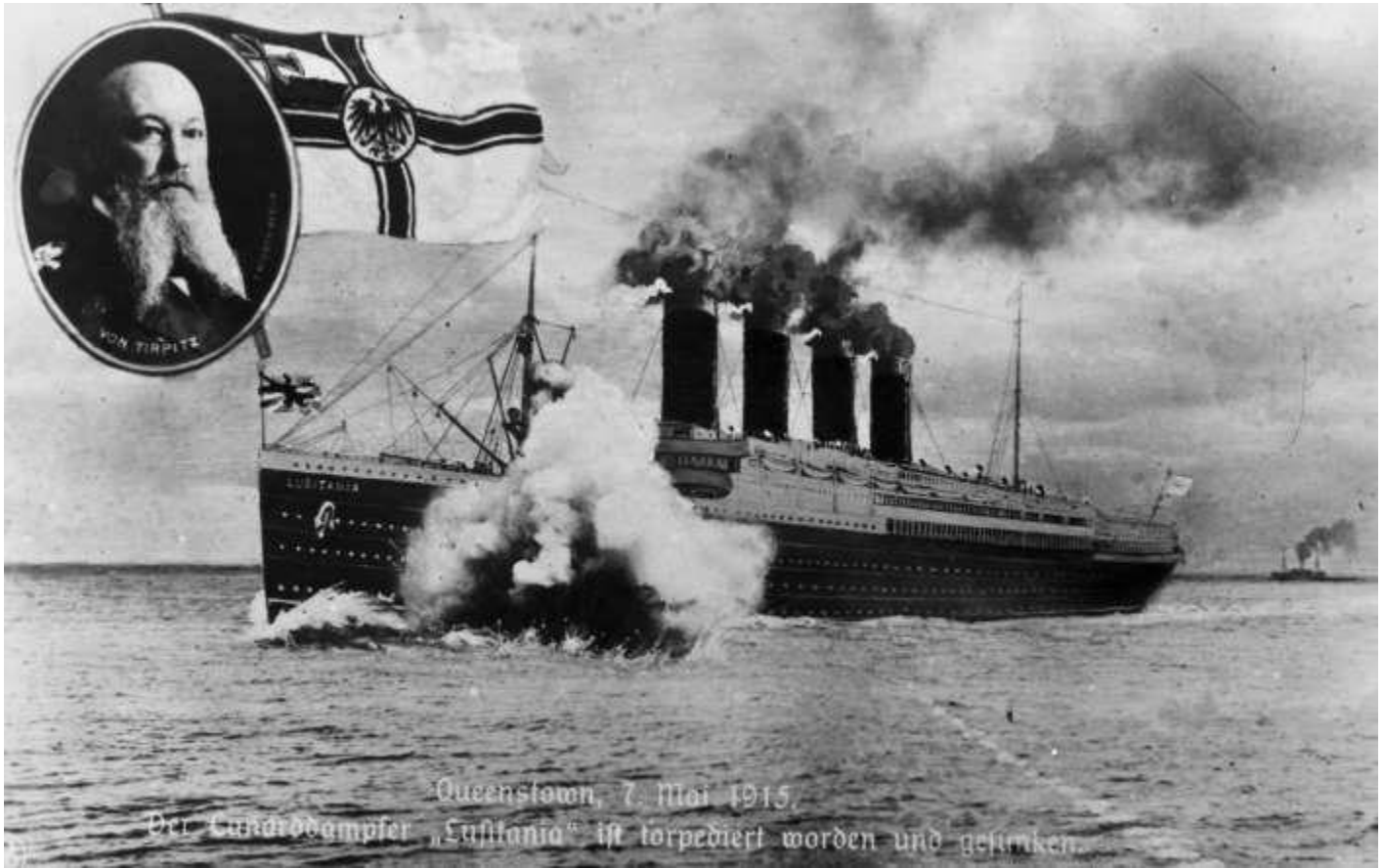
Then there's another V/STOL with the XC-142A, or the venerable Bell Aircraft XV-3 VTOL X-plane, or a "dicey"(in more ways than one) "spring to life:" VZ-9



JUST BE SURE YOUR ENTRY IS FINISHED for a consideration of an award, no matter the approach !

LITTLE OUTLINES of CLUB CONTESTS for YEAR 2016

SVSM PRESIDENT'S CONTEST May 2016 *"It MAY Have Happened"*



Another rock simple decision for entry making. Did your subject have some significant existence of note in any of the 31 Days of MAY? If the answer is Yes, you're done and just need to wait til meeting night.

Some help in case you're really stumped here. MAY DAY saw some pretty awesome model subjects in the finest parade liveries tooling down "Red Square" in Moscow.

Hmm, recall dimly there might have been a Lockheed product over same general area May 1960...

Figure and diorama modelers might be inclined to consider that Cinco De Mayo celebrates a battle which may have happened to provide material for them.

Does anyone recall that USA's first man in space, Alan Shepard, took his *Freedom 7* Mercury Capsule into suborbital arc, May 5, 1961?

The sack of Rome by Germany, May 1527? Note the *Lusitania* passenger liner was sunk May, 1915? In May 1937, at Lakehurst, New Jersey, *Hindenburg* goes down in flames? How about that Dien Bien Phu falls in May 1954, stir up any ideas?

And that's just the first week of May for some small bits to start considering...

The original Hawk Lockheed U-2 was the A version and was first released in 1962. In 1978, the molds were permanently modified to produce the U-3C version, making the earlier kits collector's items. Kit from the John Andrews collection.

THE CLASSIC KITS — NUMBER 8 IN A SERIES

HAWK'S LOCKHEED U-2

The government was watching me!

BY JOHN ANDREWS

IT WAS A PROFOUND DISAPPOINTMENT for Hawk Model Company when, in October 1967, I learned with certainty that an airplane called the U-2 was flying over the Soviet Union. My interest was sparked and I began an intensive research effort. By the end of 1968 we at Hawk had acquired enough material to produce the model, but considering its secrecy, I contacted Lockheed to let them know we were about to manufacture a kit of the U.S. Lockheed model. "Sure, we can't stop you from doing the model but we ask that you consider holding off at this time." The implication was obvious and we decided to put kit production on hold while I continued my research. Then in November 1969, I learned the facts were still changing.

On May 1, 1969, Francis Gary Powers and his shattered CIA U-2 descended from Soviet air space and more information on the aircraft became available. We updated our drawings and provided clarity to make the kit as accurate as possible. Even though the Soviets had an airplane in their hands, we weren't given accurate drawings until 1978. We finished our own drawings by studying photos and the original kit No. 106, priced at \$3.50 was released in April 1969.

In 1988 scale, the model spanned 20 inches — at the time a big plastic kit. We intended to produce a more in-scale model that truly depicted the U-2. That had cost in 1969 dollars was \$25,000.00, and the kit consisted of 16 parts including a stand. With debate on the morality of aerial espionage still raging high, the U.S. Air Force, although flying the U-2, asked us to leave their markings out of the decal sheet. The kit's first markings were simple and depicted the NAVA sample, which was called out for the press at Edwards AFB following the Powers incident.

Later acquired Hawk in 1971. In 1976, it was decided to update the U-2 to a U-3C. The landing changes were intricate. A U-3C kit must be distinct from those before again. Anyone having either the Hawk or Tamiya U-2A has both a piece of historical controversy and a true collector's kit.

YOU MOTHER – JUNE 2016 SVSM Member’s Contest Theme



A rare and creative direction for competition with a wry titling ! Will be aeronautical in approach, but requires some forethought as you must plan for Mother & Child. Check it out.

Per Member who came up with this fiendishly fun scale fight, qualifying contesting entries are listed below. Note, they **must be finished** to be award eligible, and **“in combo”**, **not single ships**. Pylon references plus any requisite modeler tech to produce, not considered being outside your skill sets by the Member Sponsor.

LIST:

EB-29 + (X-1, X-2, D-558-II, XF-85) (Actual designation for “Fertile Myrtle” = P2B-1S)

EB-50 + (X-1, X-2)

NB-52 + (X-15, X-24A, X-24B, M2F2, M2F3, HL-10, Pegasus)

L1011 + Pegasus LV

Short Mayo Composite (Seaplane,AirMail Service)

DC-130 + (Firebee drones, other Ryan products of more “secret” nature)

747 Shuttle Taxi + (Shuttle Orbiter)

SpaceShip One & White Knight

German Mistels (real or proposed) series

Short Mayo Composite (Maia-Mercury)

FICON (RF or F-84 with GRB-36)

JB-36 Ferry (in transport of XB-58)

Tupelov ANT TB-1, TB-3 Zveno Project

Lockheed M-12/GTD-21 Blackbird combo

Project Tip Tow EB-29/EF-84 combo

Project Tom Tom B-36/EF-84 combo

Leduc 022 with her mothership

Byrd’s Antarctic Land Cruiser with Staggerwing

B-52 with GTD-21B

Dornier with Me-328

I-19, I-21, I-25 (sub carrier plus E14Y Glen)

I-400 (sub carrier plus Aichi Seiran floatplane bomber)

G4M Betty (when outfitted with an Ohka suicide bomber)

Sponsoring member suggests reference to https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mother_ship for anyone seeking additional guidance or an idea where maritime/land options lie.

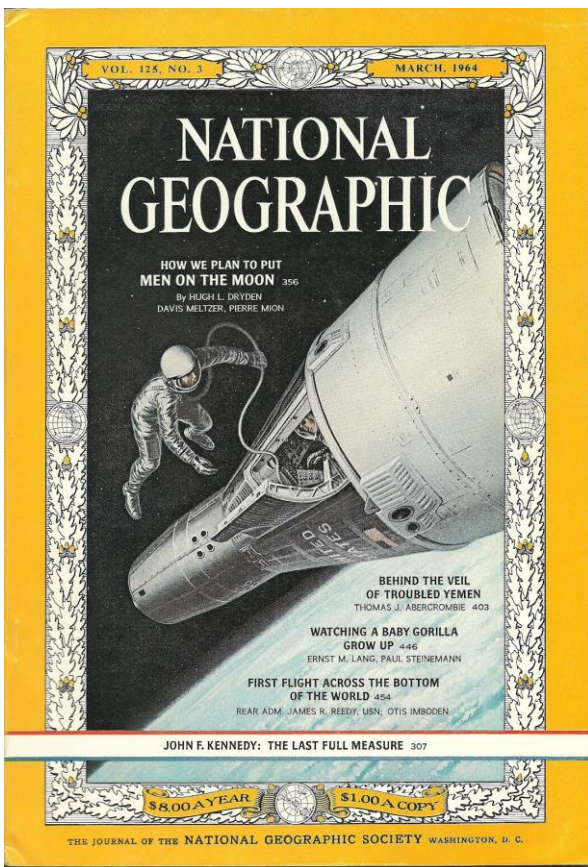
There you have it, now get two it ! You have some months yet (more or less) to get ‘er done.

SVSM EDITOR'S CONTEST THEME JULY 2016 "APOLLO ASCENDANT"

My MANNED SPACE PROGRAM club contest model competition celebrating 50 years since first of the Saturn 1B launches to test USA's Apollo hardware took flight in Feb 1966



Now, of course, one canny modeler competitor or another will likely realize as I will blatantly point out, that definition does include a LOT MORE than MEETS the eye, so if you're not a "flaming tube fan" or "spam in a can orbiter maker", there are several options still open to you.



Say, the X-15, X-24, M2F-1, 2, 3, HL-10 vehicles with direct tie to US Manned Space effort. X-20 DynaSoar may not have flown, but it counts too, like the USAF MOL project.

On the off chance that you're still not quite with this, or really not a fan of USA space hardware/programs, remember there's plenty of other options still here

Russia and China for two. There are others, but I can't do all your heavy lifting

FINISHED ENTRIES ONLY ones eligible for awards, but all entries welcomed



OPENING SEPTEMBER !



17TH ANNUAL MODEL CONTEST
Theme: **AS SEEN ON TV**

**LOCAL EVENTS
VENDOR TABLES
2 BIG RAFFLES**

Date: Saturday - September 10th, 2016
Location: Desert Heights Elementary School
13948 Mt. Bismark - Reno, Nevada
9:00AM - 4:00PM

Entry Fee: Free to All Non-Entrants
\$5.00 for First Model
\$1.00 for Each Additional Model

Vendor Tables: \$20.00 (register early)
Contact: Neil Hulse for reservations - knk41063@att.net
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AT OTHER END OF SEPTEMBER



TRI-CITY CLASSIC 12

Scale Model Contest and Exhibition



Sunday, September 25 2016

Milpitas Community Center 457 E Calaveras Blvd. Milpitas, California 9am - 5pm

56 Categories of Competition in Aircraft, Autos, Figures, Ships, Military Vehicles, Space & Fictional, *and* Paper Kits



This Year's Theme " *The Battle of Britain* "
(anything British or directly related)



NEW Special Awards in addition to traditional First/Second/Third place are:

“ On Her Majesty’s Service ” Award for Best Entry befitting the Contest Theme

“ London Calling ” (three awards for: Best SAS/SBS, Best B of B Air (RAF/Axis) , Best Dreadnought (not limited to RN))

“ Dr Who & The TSR 2 “ Award for Best Post 1945 British subject

Plus these: “ Mightiest Merlin ”, “ At Dawn’s Early Light ”, “ Best Twin Engine Lightning “, “ Best 1916 “

Also: Vendors, a raffle and other fun items announced on day of event!

Free Admission to all spectators!

Contestant Entry: \$ 10 for modelers 18 & older w/ TEN model entries or less (\$1 each additional entry) All modelers 17/under, FREE/unlimited entries

For Vendor Information, contact Lou Orselli by phone at (510) 481-7335 VALID CA SALES TAX PERMIT REQUIRED

Email Contest Director Mick Burton directly at DAZE61283@mypacks.net with “Tri City 12 Contest” on subject line



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*The **NNL West** Crew Has Booked 2-4-2017 for their next Show!*

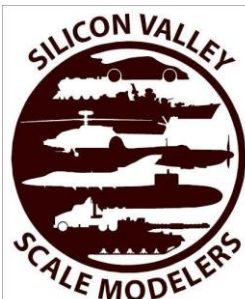
Based again at the Santa Clara Convention Center Hall of course. Theme will be Announced, Watch for it

PLEASE SHARE THE JOY OF OUR HOBBY AND FRIENDS

Because it seems sometimes more than a few forget this :

THE ONE TRUE RULE OF MODELLING (if ever there is).

*If you're having fun,
Then you're doing it right.*



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