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"Why It's An April Tale of Two Club Contests?"



Yes, The Editor Thought It Best To Split The Difference In Coverage



Photos: Mick Burton Text: Mick Burton

As it happens, more to cover than room in the OSS to cover it. Any Wonder the Editor bugged out, felt egged on with this?

“TIME AGAIN PERHAPS FOR A RANT a’ DEUX or ANEW?”

Third edition of **The AfterMarket Sheet (TAMS)** for 2023, again done in addition to the Original Styrene Sheet. Which got published in plenty of time as I prefer to do, however sorely short of space to get timely coverage of all I wished to.

Yet to have more to publish than time or space to do so, is a splendid editorial “problem” to have, and considering as I noted in the first TAMS of 2023 (Feb/Mar), that although this is 11th year of calendar for TAMS, there was an entire year 2021 that saw none crafted or published. The OSS also saw a year of absence, however it was neatly tucked into brackets of ceasing post July 2020 , a resumption at July 2021, so wasn’t quite as clearcut (trust me it was noticed though, seems I nearly had to join Mark Twain, a few others in correcting erroneous reports of my possibly passing... Sorry no such luck)

Part of the fun (and yes it can be like modelling and other aspects of life, frustrating fun at times) of putting together news letter vehicles like this is the chance to find room, material for this, the Editorial page. Not always in them, or very hefty if they are, but I do try to manage one and aim to make them model related. Yes, plenty of repetitive themes in them hardly a point in arguing that point. But quite often enough, worth repeating or revisiting, and I’m going to re-introduce three of my favorites as rant & roll (or role) here, to vibe from one I just did for my other club publication, the Hornets Buzz V.1 Implied or not, intent is to keep stimulus or act as catalyst, therapeutic and remind all last word is rarely that or ought be.

SWEEPS – While at the IPMS USA Nationals level it was decided in favor of “No Sweeps” quite a while back, it’s been left to the Regions and Chapters to decide case by case for themselves what “award sweeping” policy should be in place. In Region Nine, we seem to have managed for quite awhile to have become a “SWEEPS STATE” with those shows that have been hosted. However, it’s not always been so. Having caught up too late with his nifty President’s Blotter, I was sad not to be able to respond with an editorial or two to IPMS Santa Rosa, although a firm adherent to allowing Sweeps myself, I would have bet the fact Dev and his crew were offering a new show first up in the year would have gotten as grand a response as they did, No Sweeps or Sweeps regardless. Mayhaps another group will boldly go that way in future. Having kept up so many contest records for a goodly long time, plus being at/judging a fair amount of different shows, more often than you might know same person will sweep alright, because they were the only entrant! Oh yes, sometimes in a very few categories, dominant one or few will “shut out” others. Nonetheless, pursuing No Sweeps isn’t a deadly sin

JUDGING (or not) – We had a welcome resurgence of having not only enough Judges, but enough of a mix of new and Experienced, that Head Judge Chris Bucholtz was able to pretty smoothly carry off getting things done for Santa Rosa in their Return of the Model Show. Still, it behooves me to remind that Judging not only helps the show and the contestants, it sharpens up your modelling skill pretty damned well in shorter order than many other means. It also helps leaven one’s tongue in critiques at times in future after being in those shoes, and often easy then to spot someone who’s never done it but has all sorts of righteous fire about how someone else has done it so clearly wrongly... Also, you will possibly learn to judge all sorts of models, not just the ones you’re most comfortable doing, and find many common grounds, even perhaps new application or technique in the process of discussing the models you’re assessing, with the others you work with.

NEWSLETTERS (or not) – Right now, in our Region, I know we have at least THREE active pubs going on between SVSM, Fremont Hornets and IPMS Monterey Bay. That seems to be our historical average over last 20 or so. Just know that in the past I have written of (and read others who wrote virtually the same before and after me, even within our own past Editors) the fact that more often if you have a newsletter or similar vehicle, even if it’s not a monthly, your club has a tendency to hang together or on in times lean and mean as well as vibrant. Like when no meeting places can be had or a bloody national emergency blows up your whole existence for an indeterminate period or several. So don’t be shy , the social media won’t disappear if you commit to putting something together to share in an “old fashioned newsletter” .

But you might end up as a Guest Editor, so watch out ! You might find you like it and do it again. *-fini mickb*

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APRIL OPENED 2nd Quarter WITH TWO CLUB CONTESTS !

Editor Believes Only Way To Deal With This Wonder of Wonders, Eggstrordinary Exultance. Is To Fill Up The AfterMarket Sheet with Pictures and A Few Words Here and There To Tell





Seems fitting to start with the original planned event, which the Editor had put forth as Sponsor, at close of the "Pirate's Pleasure" Gift Exchange.

His last promotion for this, on left.

Wonders Contest

ANYTHING that is AMONG the 60 GIFTS in exchange for the December 16th 2022 Meeting (as listed in January 2023 OSS issue) IS ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE at the APRIL 21 2023 Meeting FOR 3 CASH PRIZES (1 each winning entry, no sweeps)

JUST TO MAKE IT MORE COMPETITIVELY INTERESTING & POTENTIALLY MORE WELL ATTENDED:

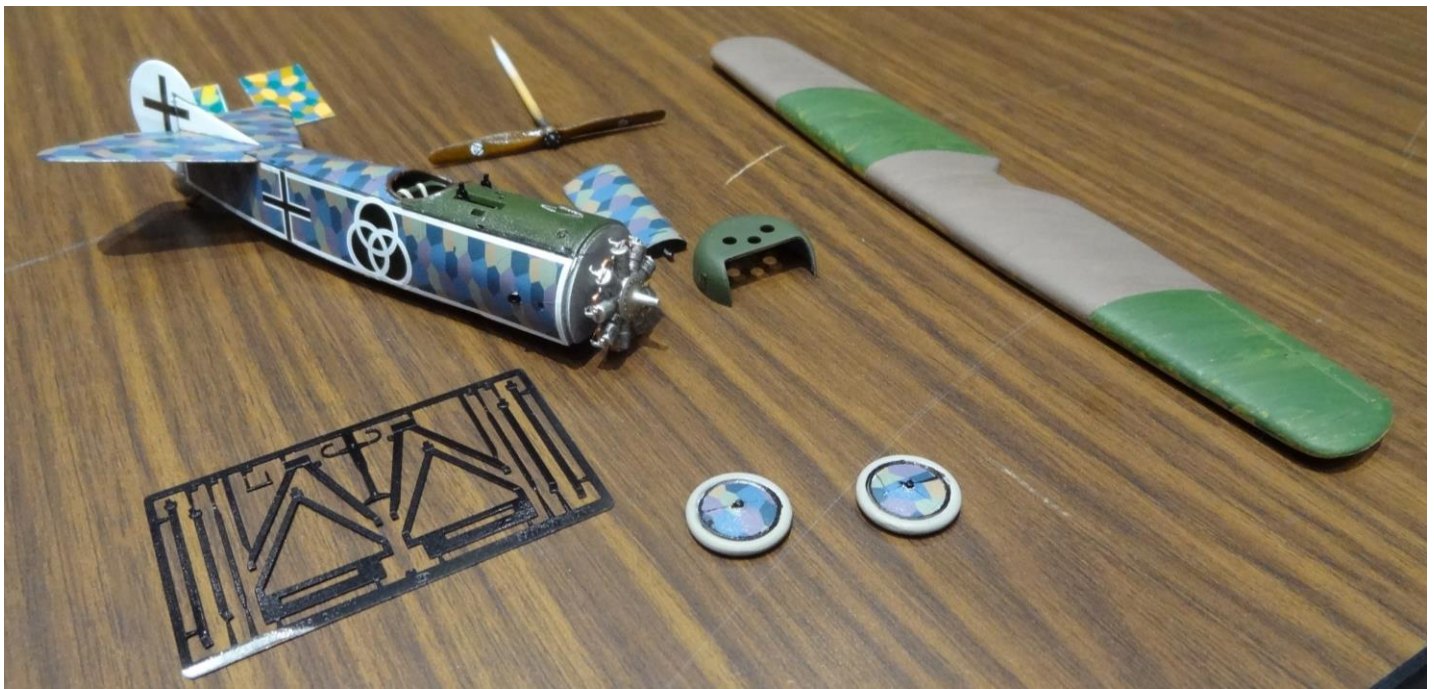
WHILE THREE AWARDS POTENTIAL, ENTRIES MAY ENTER as FINISHED or UNFINISHED (from still in the wrapper to nearly done) The FINAL DECISIONS on what is AWARDED WILL BE MADE at end of JUDGING so DO NOT WORRY ABOUT THIS JUST ENTER, OK?



Pleasing to show up and find new membership taking pictures of the entries, and that there were entries, too

Best of all, there were not only finished but also greatly appreciated, an "unfinished" entry. In the recent TC 14 contest this would have ranked as "Less Unfinished" since there were two categories, just as future reference. Much of the work is done, mostly careful assembly and many details left. A "More Unfinished" version of this was how it looked last month, no where near the painting or decal work, some assembly also not this far along then. Again, just an aside. On to review:





Randy Ray's 1/48th scale Dragon Models kit.



As in example of the mounting struts for wing being PE. So "out of box" being flat when the actual ones were aerodynamic in planform.

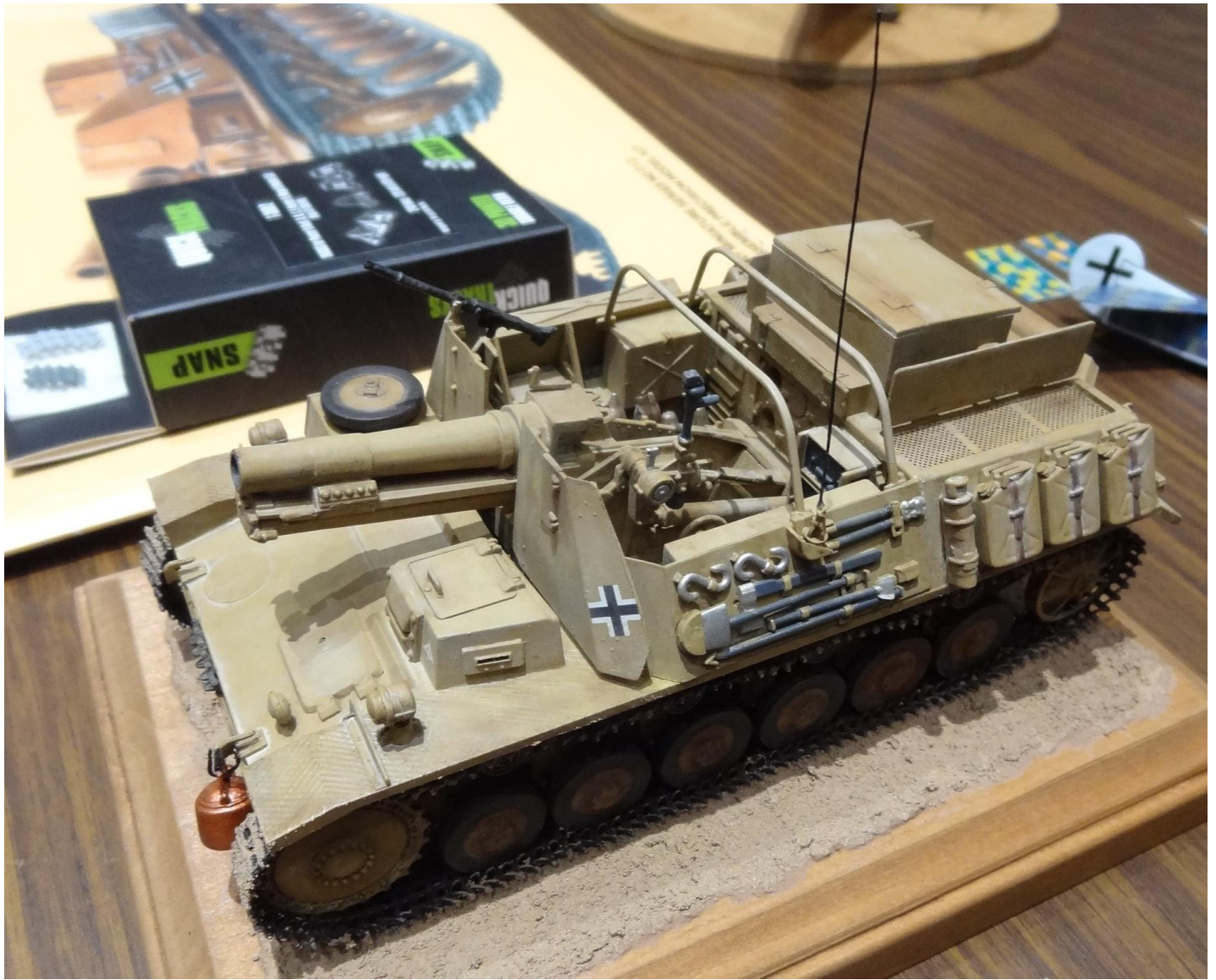
Randy does not do a lot of 1/48th aircraft, so his spares box for them is spare. So tales of great community assistance in getting decals and other items have been part of his model talk. He said he's about a week from finish.

Finished in time and right there next to her husband, **Eugenie Ray** with this lovely Bison II, from the Alan kit, in 1/35 scale, what else?

The kit dating back to the days when they were DML (with the familiar Dragon logo however)

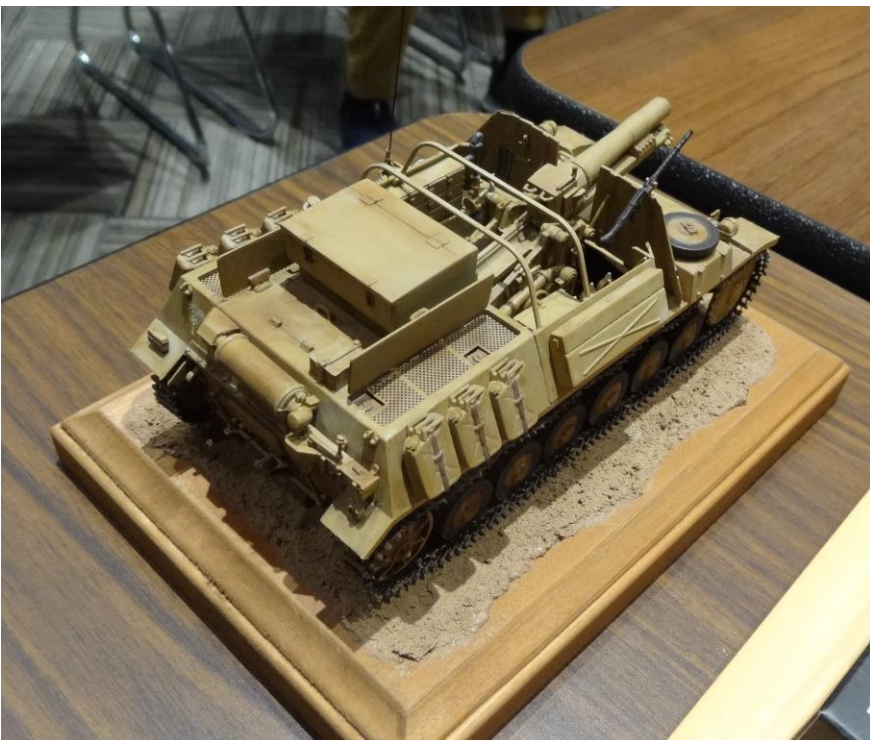
Kit being the Fokker E.V (aka D.VIII). Which was nicknamed "The Flying Razor", based on its high wing monoplane construction. This is a fine example of the then maturing "multi-media" mass market plastic model kit, with a set of photo etch items included. These were in some ways as Randy relayed, not so much help more as an utter hindrance.





Mayhaps it's not so lovely to you. Yet seeing it done and so well, it's so to me, as one who put damned kit in the exchange game. Never saw any more chance of me getting it built in this life or next.

That teapot? Part of the kit, yes ! Charming for me to learn of this





Eugenie learned many new things on this build, and stuck to it, props to her. She makes a great case for working an “Adult Modeling Course”, though she did this one on her own like three that preceded it. Yes, her 4th model ...

Watch out Eugenie, a competitor may be “ground strafing” you here. No, it’s our intrepid President Greg

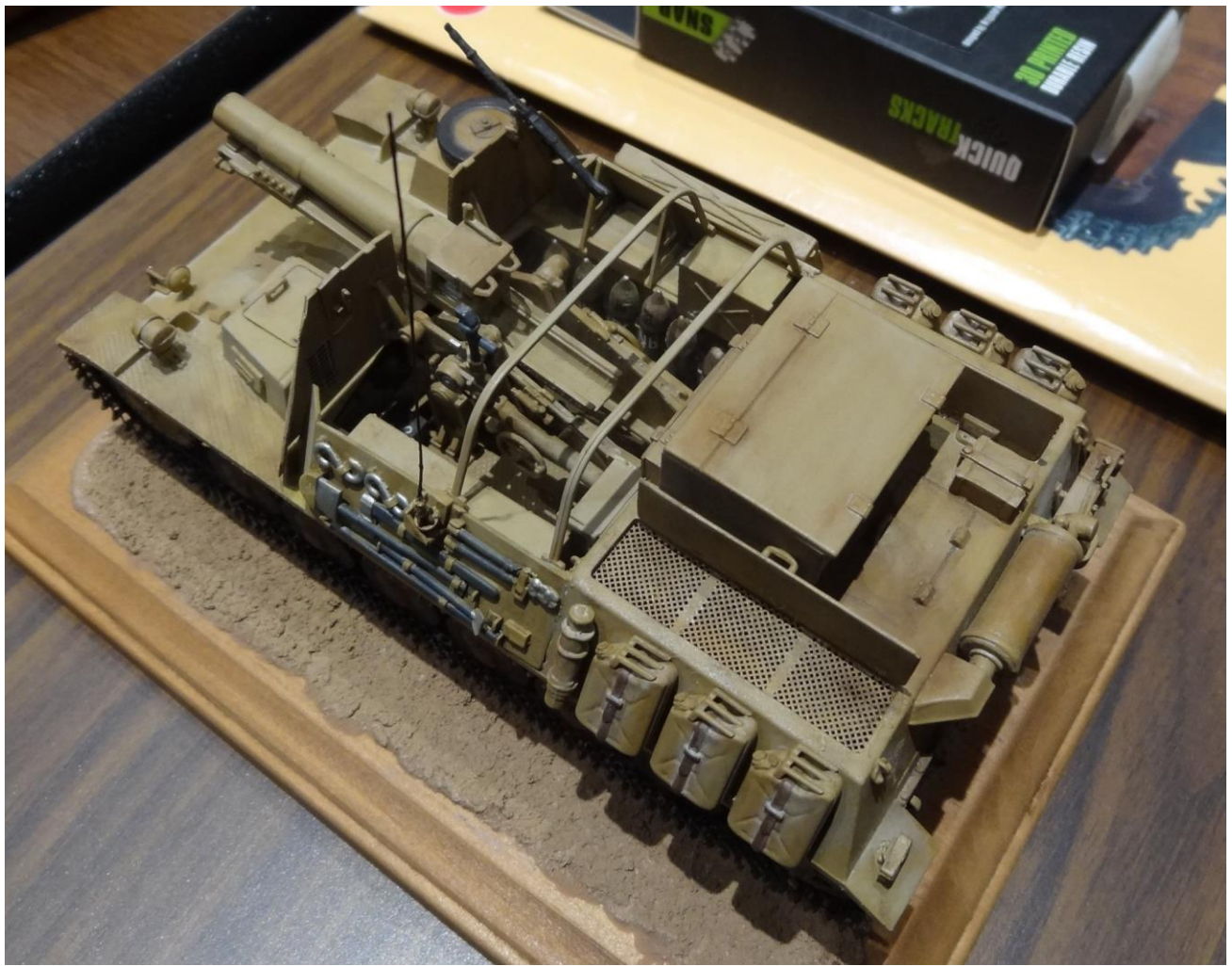




*A nice up close look into the business office of **Greg Plummer's** entry for the 120 Days gig. That's right, not only he is our current President (again) along with being one of the key part members of NNL West, plus all around good guy, he's a hell of a modeler. Greg's Kawanishi Ki-61 in 1/48 scale is from the Hasegawa kit. As he said plus definitely shows here, it's pretty good and stands up well out of the box, in compare with years younger Tamiya kit of same.*

Well, there you have it the three who dared to show up, compete for my cash prizes... SO?





FIRST PLACE – FINISHED CATEGORY – 120 DAY WONDERS SVSM Club Contest

BISON II EUGENIE RAY





SECOND PLACE – FINISHED CATEGORY – 120 DAY WONDERS SVSM Club Contest

KAWANISHI Ki-61 (“TONY”) GREG PLUMMER

FIRST PLACE – UNFINISHED CATEGORY – 120 DAY WONDERS SVSM Club Contest

FOKKER E.V (D.VIII) RANDY RAY



“The EGG-stror-dinary Club Contest” @ 4/21/23 Meet

The short and sweet of it? If your chosen entry vehicle or figure or what have you includes “The Easter Egg offered Free to Compete” at the March 2023 meeting as part of your entry, then it’s ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE



In case you didn’t see them here are sample images of said eggs with laptop for scale (no banana, sorry)



Examples are left to your imagination as the rules are simple and clear.
THANK YOU to Sponsor Max Balderrama



APRIL’s OTHER CONTEST

Thanks to Max Balderrama, we had double header fun for first Club Contests of 2023.

As outlined in the title banner above, this apropos event was fiendishly simple to do.

While short notice, this uncomplicated set of contest rules with eye to fit Easter theme of the upcoming month, seemed tailor made for a creative turnout. The 2nd meeting at the Game Kastle for March also gave Editor cause to grow hope on that score, as Mike Schwarze had a menagerie of Eggcentrics underway. Sadly, Mike was unable to make April meeting. Still, we did garner 3 entrants

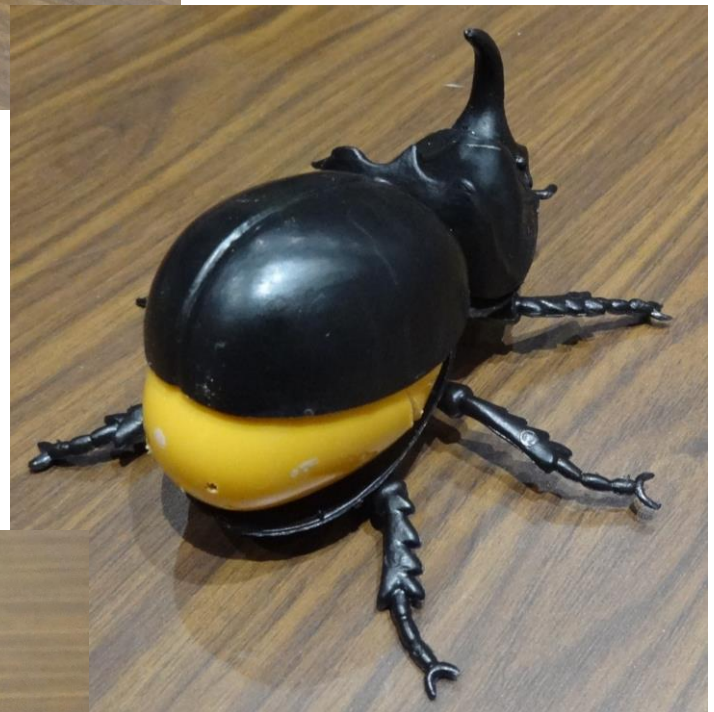




*We'll start our look those three with the one who made sure the Editor managed to make the grade. Thank you from him to the **Mysterious Madam Uschi**, whose Egg Thieving Ory is seen at left*

Thanks in part due her very astute observation that I had three Heller "bug kits" just gathering dust in my house. Along with my sullen mood at having not figured out any alternative for my ambitious "USS EggSurprise" STOS Spacecraft for my two eggs.

Giving up on that project plan was okay however not having an entry was unacceptable she said. I could sulk all I liked but she needed my help with a loan of one bug kit, some assist in getting model done. Uschi is not a modeler but she is supportive and had expressed plenty of best wishes for Max's surprise contest when she learned of it. Choosing the Heller 4/1 scale European Rhinoceros Beetle



*(aka *Oryctes Nasicornus*). She did not let this project beat her, when we learned the plastic of the eggs was impervious to C-A (superglue) it was Uschi's expertise with a hot glue gun that came to the rescue. Seeing her project able to reach a suitable fruition left me no choice but to come up with my own entry More on that later. For now, here:*



You may be excused if my photo here leads you to conclude that the gents above are watching for the outcome of a race between Egg Thief Ory and the possibly familiar egg shaped vehicle

*Below, a close up look at **Cliff Kranz's** "scratch built" Souper Coop XR, ride of a superhero of old, the 1967 to 1969 American TV Saturday morning cartoon character "Super Chicken".*





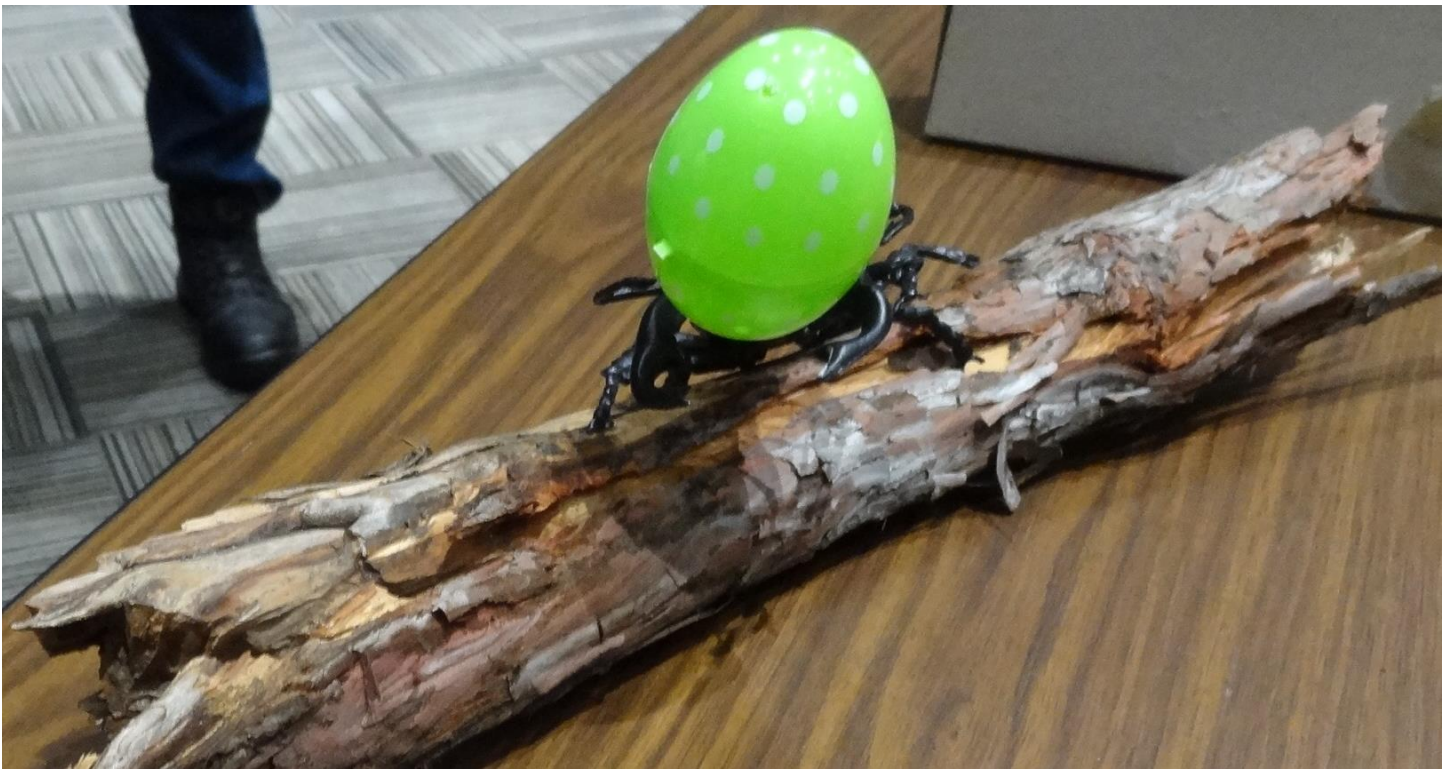
At left, a top down view of Cliff's Coop.

Cliff was quite enthused to come up with this as an entry, he said he realized after reading the newsletter that it would fit in spirit of the event Max had proposed



Above right, the 3rd competitor's entry is unhelpfully offering that only this type egg is eligible
*Below, overhead look at **Mick Burton's** entry now trying to "accidentally" drop egg on Ory...*





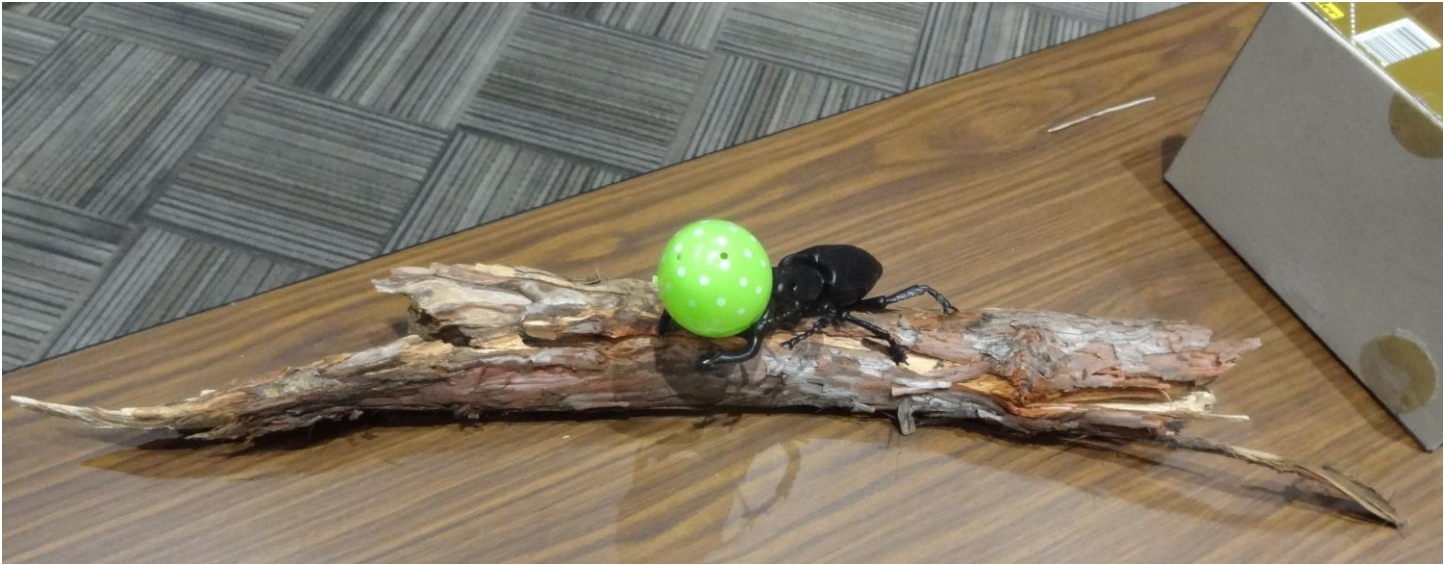
Yes, his “Blind Beetle” dubbed “ Green Egg & Stag”. Combine a Heller 4/1 Lucanis Cervus (aka European Stag Beetle) sans eyes, Max’s egg, a stray branch shard, voila’. Who won??





FIRST PLACE – EGG-STOR-DINARY SVSM Club Contest
SCRATCH-HATCHED SUPER COOP (from Super Chicken) CLIFF KRANZ





**SECOND PLACE – EGG-STOR-DINARY SVSM Club Contest
GREEN EGG & STAG (Lucanis Cervus) MICK BURTON**



**THIRD PLACE – EGG-STOR-DINARY SVSM Club Contest
EGG THIEF ORY (Oryctes Nasicornus) MYSTERIOUS Madam USCHI**

UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR AS OF 05-30-23

Saturday, June 3 2023 (*NOTE THIS IS A SO CAL LOCALE FOR THIS EVENT*)

IPMS/ San Diego Scale Modelers host their contest and model show at the San Diego Air & Space Museum Annex.

Friday, June 09 2023

IPMS/ Fremont Hornets host their meeting at HOBBIES UNLIMITED in San Leandro, CA. (D-DAY Club Contest)

Friday, June 16 2023

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meet at MPD Community Room (D-DAY DEUX CLUB CONTEST NIGHT)

Saturday, June 17 2023

IPMS/ Silver Wings host "SILVERCON 2023" Contest & model show , Town & Country Lutheran Church and School

Monday, June 26 2023

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting at GAME KASTLE in Santa Clara

Friday, July 09 2023

IPMS/ Fremont Hornets host their meeting at HOBBIES UNLIMITED in San Leandro, CA. (CORVETTE SUMMER)

Friday, July 16 2023

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting. (TWO CLUB CONTEST NIGHT, **MAGA & BBB**)

Monday, July 26 2023

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting at GAME KASTLE in Santa Clara

Friday, August 11 2023

IPMS/ Fremont Hornets host their meeting at HOBBIES UNLIMITED in San Leandro, CA.

Friday, August 18 2023

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meet at MPD Community Room (No CLUB CONTEST NIGHT)

Saturday, August 19 2023

IPMS/ Las Vegas host their contest & model show "BEST OF THE WEST" The Orleans Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas NV

Monday, August 28 2023

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting at GAME KASTLE in Santa Clara

Friday, September 08 2023

IPMS/ Fremont Hornets host their meeting at HOBBIES UNLIMITED in San Leandro, CA (109 CLUB CONTEST)

Friday, September 15 2023

IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meet at MPD Community Room (Reno NCAR Weekend, No Club Contest)

Saturday, October 8 2023 (*NOTE NEW LOCALE FOR THIS EVENT*)

CONTEST & SHOW Hosted by **RENO HIGH ROLLERS** , BPOE Lodge 597, 597 Kumle Lane, RENO NV. Theme is TBA

MAY 20 2023 Santa Rosa OPENED SEASON of R-9 CONTEST

MAJOR PROPS to Dev Sodagar, IPMS Santa Rosa, IPMS Mt Diablo & all who showed up for this great return !



Photos: Mick Burton Text: Mick Burton Appreciated Transportation to/from Show Provided: Dave Balderrama

Our Northern friends brought renewed joy with their returning to hosting shows and at a familiar venue



As it worked out, this was also the first Region Nine Show for 2023, with Silvercon to follow.

FUNDEMONIUM is massive shop, a good friend to many of the hobbyists of all kinds from throughout the area, not just of Rohnert Park. Thanks Steve & Jean, for again being solid help

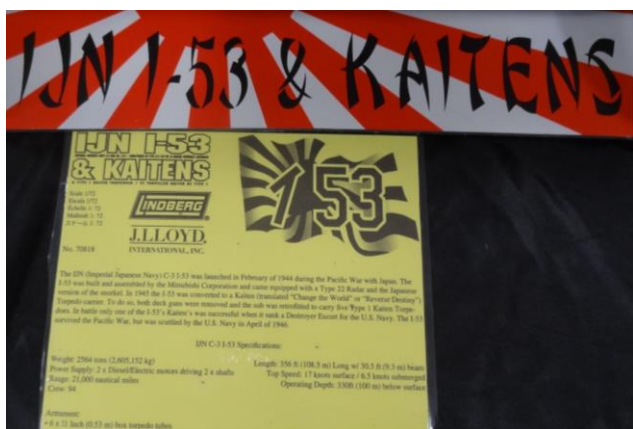
Upon our arrival, a fee of some model kits was exacted by Mr. Chriz Zanella before we got in.

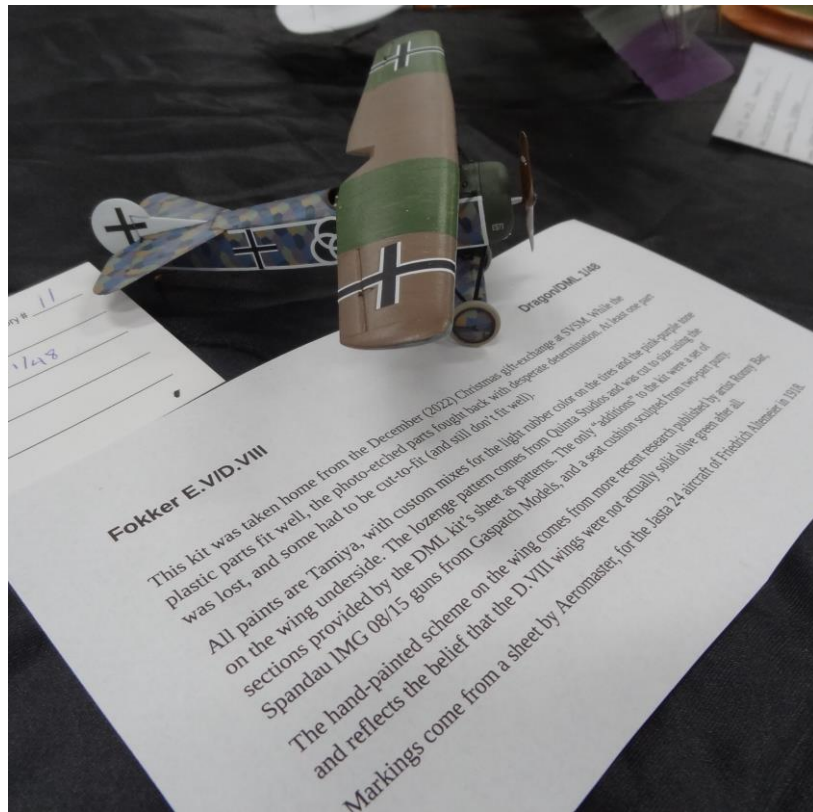
OKAY, I'm just kidding here !

Everyone welcome to go in free during business hours as usual

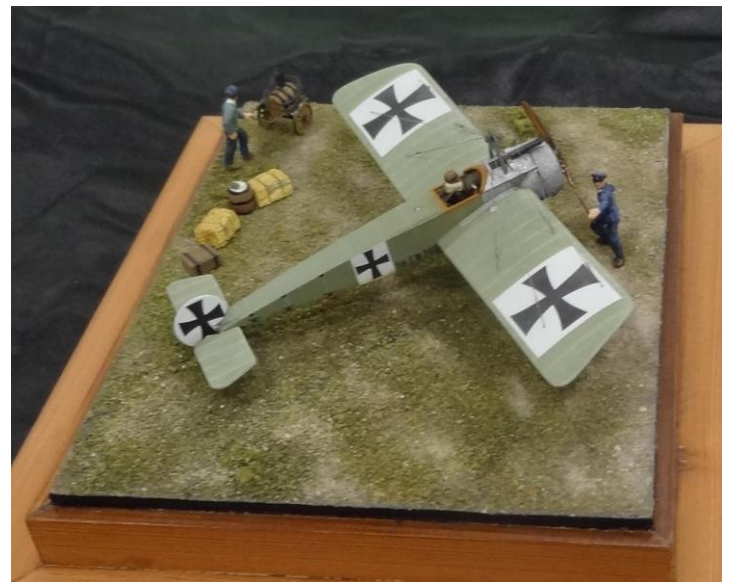


There were a lot more vendors than this, by the way. Also, more raffle prizes than seen above, amazing!
 This 1/72nd IJN Sub was an early arrival. Lucky too, seeing the growth in maritime entries by midday.





There was a very nice turnout in fabric/rigged aircraft of all sorts, including one that should be now familiar to a few readers, seen on left.





In 1/48th (above) and 1/72nd (below) Multi Engine Jet, some rarely seen favorites of mine were in evidence

Very nice that there was Blackbird near the M-50A, I know how big they are in real life, from museums. Not likely I'll be ever in Monino (Air Museum in Russia) to experience "Bounder" in person, this helps.

Gives me now better idea just how monstrous the " Russian B-58 " is in 1/1 scale.





This McDonnell Demon in 1/48 was also a delight, and considering it was an entrant not yet in Senior, I won't be surprised if a few "old timers" will find they have to up their game or be bumped by new folk.



Speaking of new folk, congratulations to Eugenie Ray for taking award seen here, I believe for her Bison II, which also won money for her at SVSM Meeting the night before

Definitely changed her mood from the moment earlier in the ceremony, as seen below, I'd say.



No, those aren't upset late comers on right

The Santa Rosa signature "Speed Build" Contest Surprise kit this time out was the Classic "Creature from The Black Lagoon" Apparently only 3 entrants braved this way to prove your modelling chops event, this go. You get an hour to start/finish your entry, with no idea what kit you get until starting.

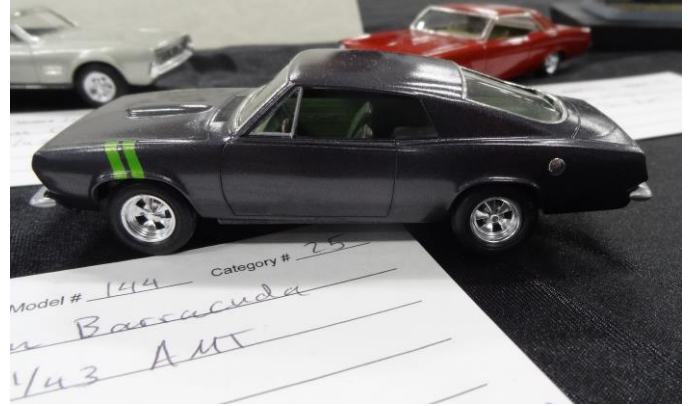




Ah yes, my suggestion for next year's Speed Build. Oh, I meant the M-50A's tow tractor, sorry my bad.

Major props to IPMS Mt Diablo Chapter. Not only did they turn out in force with folk and entries, they hosted this excellent BBQ in the lot to make sure the Judges were fed before doing the hard work on the competition tables. Shawn Stewart at the helm, managing to find time to get some lunch as well as serve?





An early entry in Miscellaneous and I shot many more pictures of the “Mustang Mustang” to be sure. In small scale Auto, this 1/43rd scale AMT render of the Plymouth Barracuda brought back memories , but now it’s giving me wicked ideas of how maybe an old Fairey kit in 1/48th might yet still see light of day...

There was so much to see and shoot pics of at this event, my scant gallery doesn’t do any justice. But if you go to the SVSM or Santa Rosa club websites, you’ll see a grand collection of good photos from this!



Here’s the current President, look at their splendid BOSS and challenging you to go out fun and plan to be part of the

Dev Sodagar, giving you a award (Best Of Show Senior) and stretch your skills , have 2024 Model Show. See you !

-mick fini

AND COMING UP RIGHT AFTER THE JUNE SVSM MPD Meeting...

*ANNOUNCED IN THE OFFICIAL FLYER AUTHORIZED and OFFERED BY THEM
(below)*

IPMS SILVERWINGS

Presents:

SilverCon 2023

Model Show & Contest

Saturday June 17, 2023

Contest Theme:

The 45th Anniversary of

BATTLESTAR GALACTICA



Town & Country Lutheran Church
4049 Marconi, Ave.
Sacramento, Ca.

Hours: 9am - 3:30pm FREE ADMISSION

CONTEST REGISTRATION: 9:00am to 12:00pm

Adults (18+) \$8 first 2 models & \$2 each additional entry

Junior (7-17) \$4 first 2 models & \$1 for each additional entry

Children 6 & under entry: free

8ft Vendor Tables \$40, 2 or more \$35 each

Vendor Coordinator: Russ Niles 916-381-1395, r_niles1@juno.com

Chapter President Randy Canova: 916-212-6972, cynar067@yahoo.com

Head Judge: Joe Martinez, JMH3GUY@hotmail.com

Contest & Media Director: Eddie Andres, ejandres@hotmail.com

Updates and additional information will be posted on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/IPMSACRAMENTO/> and website: <https://www.sacramento-model-club.org/>

Then...

COMING TO YOU IN JULY 2023

The President and 1st VP are sponsoring A PAIR OF CHALLENGING CLUB CONTESTS

FEEL FREE TO ENTER ONE OR BOTH PLEASE!

“ **M.A.G.A.** ”

Which simply translates when expanded: Make America Great Again Subjects
Simple Rules:

Finished model representative through & through, of an AMERICAN origin:

American Kit, American Subject & Markings, MUST HAVE ALL THREE - Testors Paint prefer

Examples given for Qualifiers:

A Monogram P-51B or D out of box

A Monogram Pontiac GTO “Judge”

An American Motors Javelin by Jo-Han

Of course, these are merely suggestions to give some flavor to the competition in case you are stuck for an answer or unclear on the concept. Any scale, any type and of course, if you care to scratch build, feel free.

But make sure the materials are all of the same national origin (AMERICAN)...

for the chosen AMERICAN subject

Club Contest Sponsor has committed to CASH prizes, so he hopes some show!

“ **B.B.B.** ”

Which simply translates when expanded: Build Back Better Subjects

Simple Rules:

The finished TWO models must be same scale and of same subject representative throughout

One must be an early build or a crude kit, the Other must be one you have done better

(OK in using a better kit to start with, for an example)

Examples given for Qualifiers:

A Revell P-39 Airacobra in 1/72nd scale & a Heller, Academy, ??

A Revell P-51D Mustang in 1/72nd scale & ALMOST ANY OTHER P-51D in 1/72nd

A Lindberg Me-163 Komet in 1/72nd scale & ALMOST ANY OTHER Me-163 in 1/72nd

A Monogram B-26 Invader in 1/67 scale & ALMOST ANY OTHER B-26 in 1/72nd

An Airfix A-26 in 1/72 scale and an Italeri A-26 in 1/72 scale

A Lindberg Arado AR-234 in 1/72nd scale and a Frog Ar-234

A Frog Ar-234 and a DML Ar-234 in 1/72nd scale

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**DON'T
DUKW
OUT**

**CZECH !
THIS DOLPHIN COULD
BE ENTERED HERE**

DEHAVILLAND ? DAMN RIGHT



**THREE THAT
COULD
BE
AT THIS CLUB CONTEST
YOU SEE**



JUNE 16 2023 SVSM Member's Club Contest Theme

" The D-Day Deux Club Contest"

The short and sweet of it? If your chosen entry vehicle or figure or what have you has "D" finite linkage in its Designation then it is ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE

Examples include : Douglas or Dassault aircraft, Daimler or Dodge automobiles, DUKW amphibs, any subject that relates directly to June 6 1944, but don't be shy. I barely touched the range of possible Destroyers of concept this theme is difficult to find range in. Don't get me started Dr Dornier or Doolittle...

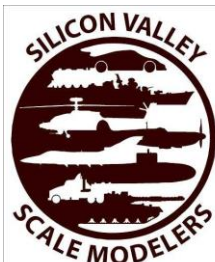
What do the Deux have to do with this? Why it's so delightful you asked. Basically it's a Duo or Dual devisement, if you happen to be part of the 2nd Friday of the Month meeting Fremont Hornets, well in June 2023 they have D same theme, so if du don't define your Subject D done in time for dat, now a chance for du to compete anew with SVSM's part Deux. With that I bid du adieu

**Check out home page of www.mickbmodeler.com,
go to drop down tab for "CLUB CONTESTS"
to keep up with all these damned goofy events ...**

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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