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The BUZZ – of The Fremont Hornets V.1

Issue 19

June 21 2014



Somehow managing to wing it for now over 37 years...

Welcome

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A PROMINENT REMINDER – JULY 2014 Meeting is SUPER AUCTION NIGHT !

A LOOK BACK FROM THE FRONT – May We Met ! Club meetings, greetings. bleatings

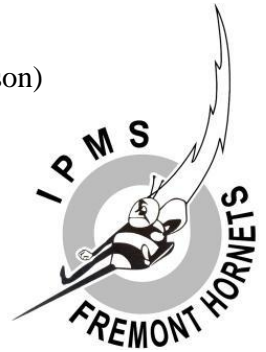
FLYER, FOOL ! Seeing to remind all of GRUPPE BUILD 2014 Airfix P-51/F-51 Mustang 1/72

MORE FLYER, FOOL ! Seeing to remind all of TRICITY TEN “ Out of Africa “ (Fall 2014)

THE Latest BUZZ (as of June 21 2014 evening)

(a Short Take On Present Buzz) by Mick Burton, Buzz Editor (& Hornets Treasurer a Deux, Current Contest Director for 2013/14 season)

YES! Now #20 In case you are a new reader, the Issue number is off by one always, since #0 was outset of this lark. That clarified or muddied, let's get to some actual important business!



“ Look To Lockheed for Leadership “



Here are two model examples of this premise, with vintage advert to dress it up.

The models are two of the incredible string of remarkable successes from one man's very strong leadership, C.L. “Kelly” Johnson. The 36th employee of a company that has truly been able to show the best of what makes the USA, its people unique. As we approach the “Fourth” I encourage you to take a moment to study the history and people of this particular clan. Might just renew your faith in what a small team of

truly dedicated passionate folks can do, even when ” it's clearly insane to even try such a thing”. – *mickb*

The Hornets Nest Night coming up Friday July 11 @ Irvington Locale WILL BE

Minimal Business (ELECTION) and SUPER AUCTION Night

Saturday, June 28 2014 – IPMS Ontario Region 8 “MiniCon” Ontario Community Center, 225 East B Street, Ontario CA

Friday, July 11 2014 IPMS Fremont Hornets Meeting Irvington Community Center – TBA besides the usual dull E-Board ELECTION

Friday, July 18 2014 – IPMS Silicon Valley Scale Modelers meeting Theme “ Day of Trinity” Nukes, Delivery Vehicles, Triads of all sorts

Saturday, September 06 2014 – IPMS Reno High Rollers Show 2014 “Home Means Nevada” theme, Stead, NV

Sunday, September 28 2014 – IPMS Fremont Hornets host TriCity 10 , Theme “Out of Africa” MCC Main Auditorium, Milpitas, CA

RELAXING WITH RUSSIAN ARMOR IN SCALE, BY RW

A MAN NEEDS A BREAK ONCE IN A WHILE FROM "THE USUAL SUSPECTS", SO WHY NOT MAKE TRACKS? Text & Photos by: Rodney J. Williams © June 2, 2014



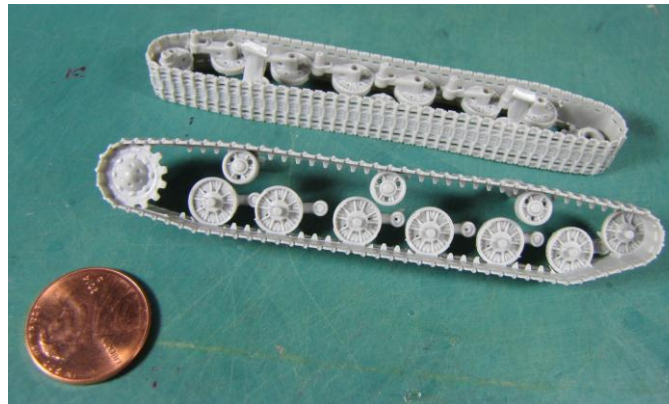
1:72 Scale Trumpeter "Russian JS-3m Tank"



1:72 Scale Revell "Russian Battle Tank T-90"

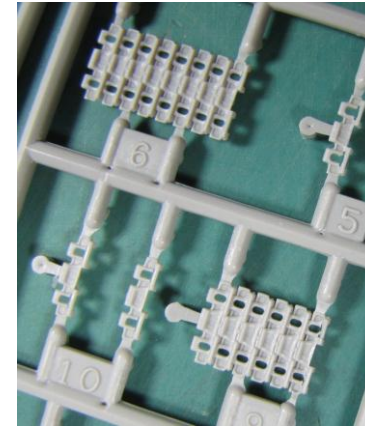
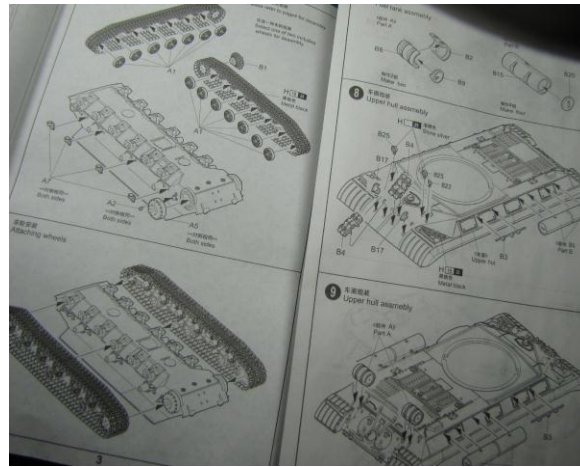
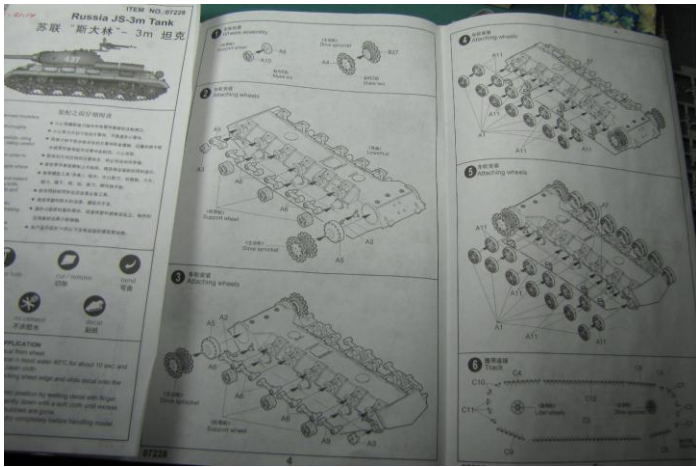
If sometimes you get tired of building airplanes and cars, try building a tank or two. It is less time consuming and it's a new learning experience. Out of 233 models I have built and have here at home, these models make up "number sixteen and seventeen" in my armor collection.

I bought Trumpeter's 1/72 scale "Russian JS-3m Tank" along with the Revell's 72nd scale "Russian Battle Tank T-90." Upon receipt, I open both kits and check them very carefully for deformed/broken and/or missing parts. Even though these kits are from different companies, they are both 97% free of flashing and other model flaws. On the 20th of last month (May 2014) I got started building the "JS-3m" tank. It was ready to go to the paint shop within two days.

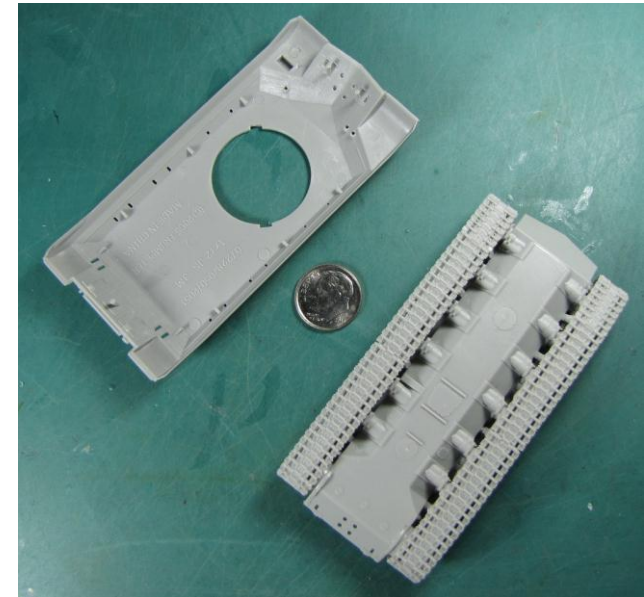
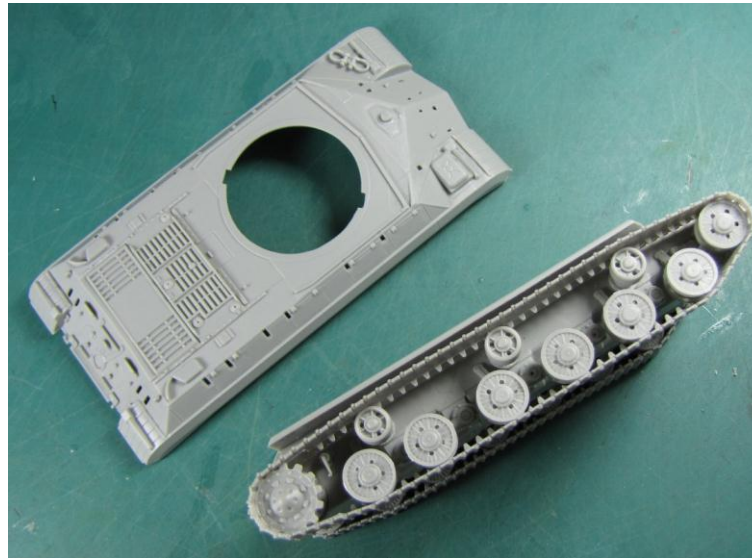
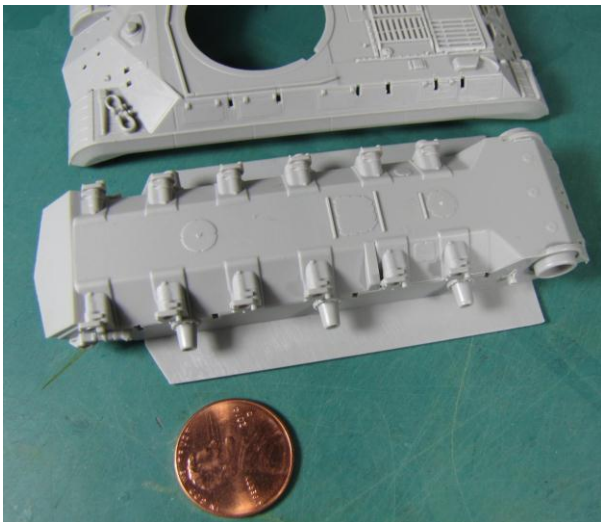


The builder has the option of using the pre-cast "roller wheel and tread" combination, or assemble all of the track parts via Step One through Step Six.

There are nearly 50 parts to the rollers and another 34 “super detailed” tread parts. There were 14 rollers to install and two big front rollers, including two sprocket gears to attach, (part #'s A-1 and B-1). There were another 10 smaller parts to install, which had no names and are shown on page three as numbers A-2 and A-7, (photo enclosed).

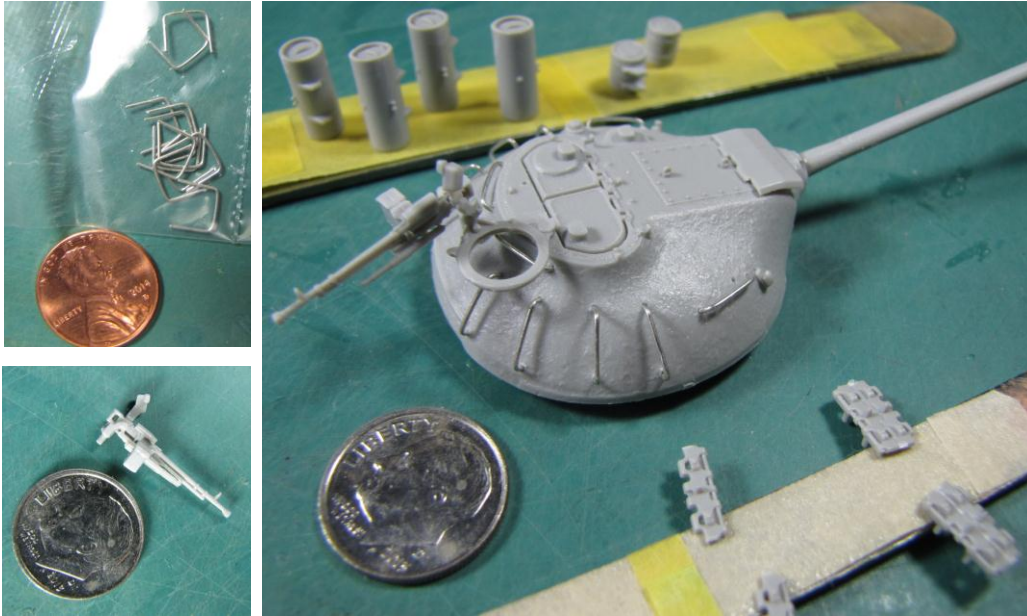


Since there were no flaws to fix, all of the roller wheels were installed and checked for proper alignment. A “micro-dot” of super glue is applied on each road wheel’s attachment point and this portion of the building process is complete. Both finished parts were attached to the pre-cast lower “hull section” of the tank.

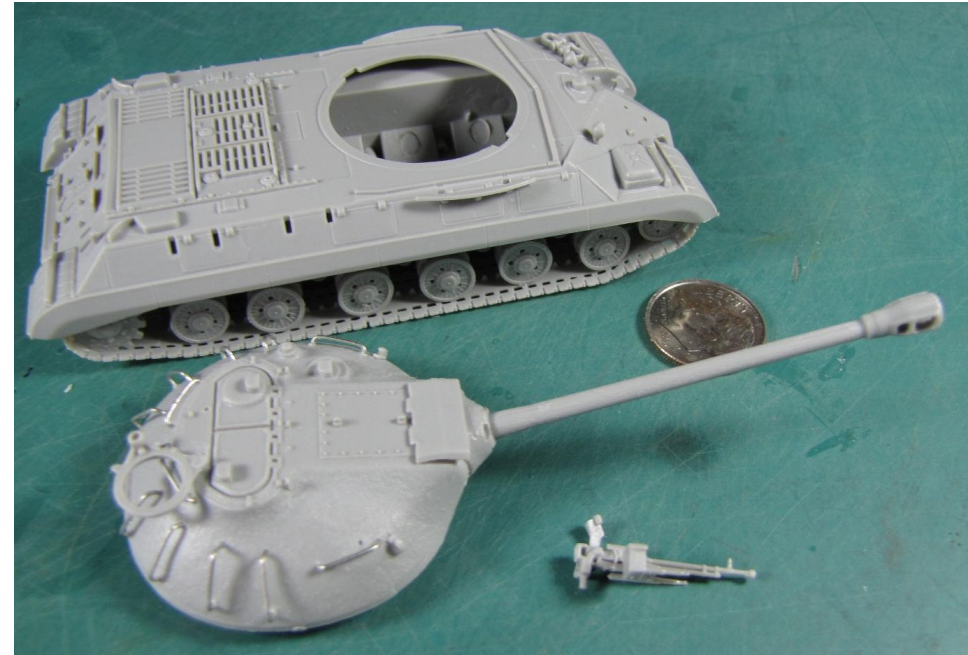


It was time to build some round drums as depicted in Step 7 through Step-9, on page six along with some lights, spare tank treads and other “unidentified” tank parts on the top section of the “upper” hull. Step ten shows how to mate up the two hull sections of the tank. The two halves fit together nicely with no gaps to fill, so this was gently super glued together.

The turret was cast with a pebble-like surface, which looked “real.” The kit was supplied with some pre-cast “U” type of steel bars, each of which about .035” in diameter and about ¼” long. I had to finish drilling in the holes in the turret, then slip in the “U-bars.” I made sure that each “U-bar” stuck out the same distance, then carefully added super-glue to the bars on the inside of the open shell turret.

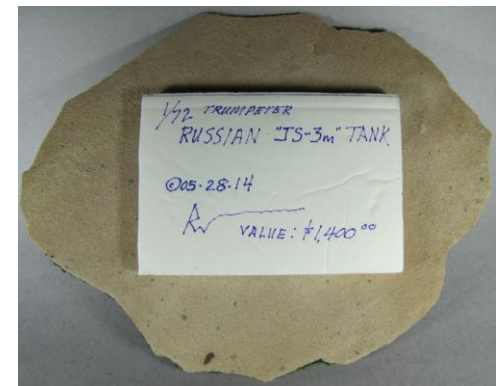
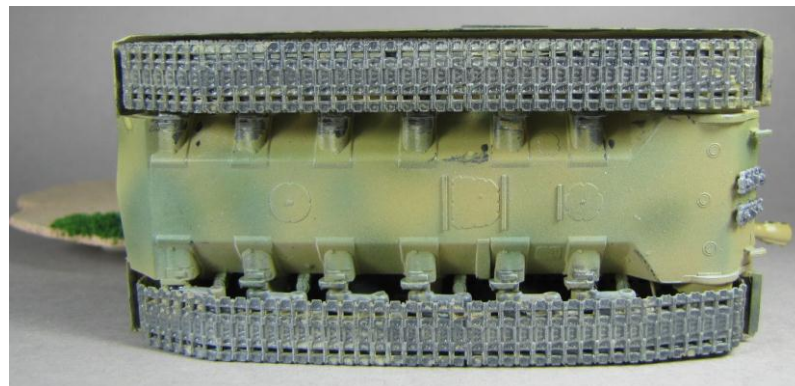


The turret was glued to its retainer ring, then I installed the “one-piece” gun barrel into its socket. These parts were movable, so I had to be careful when gluing the top section of it into the turret. The gun barrel moves up and down and the turret will rotate 360 degrees, (just like on the real tank). The kit’s machine gun was a real “jewel” and all it needed was some steel paint like the instructions call for.



I didn’t take any “in-progress” painting photos so I’ll add that I used Tamiya sand and green colors of paint. The model was gloss coated with Future floor finish so I could add the few decals. The model was over-sprayed again with more Future, then I added the dull coat by Microscale.

My base is another thin slab of Colorado sandstone and some model grass. I used Elmer’s white glue to attach some 1/4” pieces of foam board on the bottom of the sandstone, which let me get my fingers under the base to lift it up off the table. I also write “data” on the foamboard.



No antenna was in the kit so I made one out of .020" diameter Evergreen Styrene stock.

The model is finished so it was set aside and now waiting to have its portrait taken!



And now, on to Tank Number Two ...

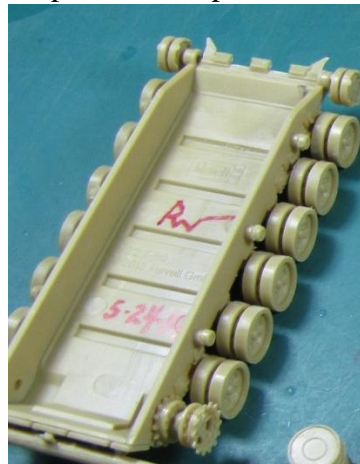
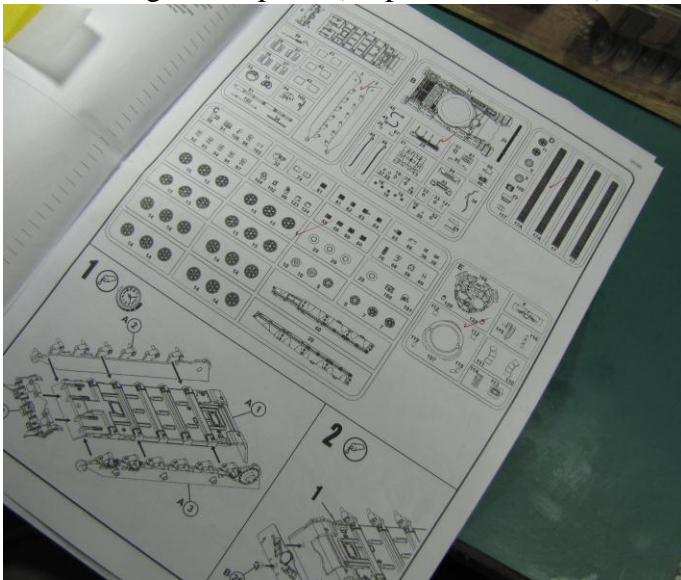
“RUSSIAN BATTLE TANK T-90”



This 72nd scale tank was issued by Revell. And like the JS-III Trumpeter kit, it was “free” of flashing and the parts were outstanding to say the least. There were a bit more than 40 building sequences to this small model.

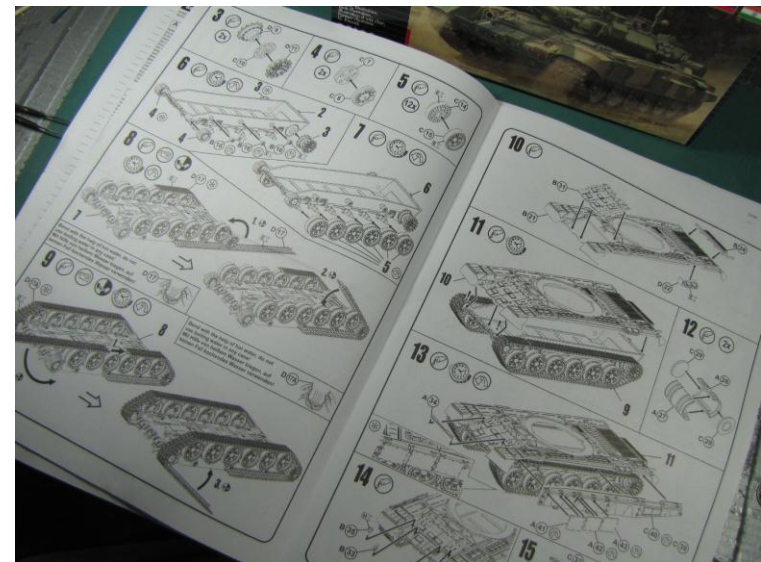


I started with what I call: "The Easy Project." Building the bottom section of the tank, as it only had 4 parts to sand lightly where they fit together and then glued in place (Steps One and Two). It mated up with the top section of the tank and would be glued together at a later date.



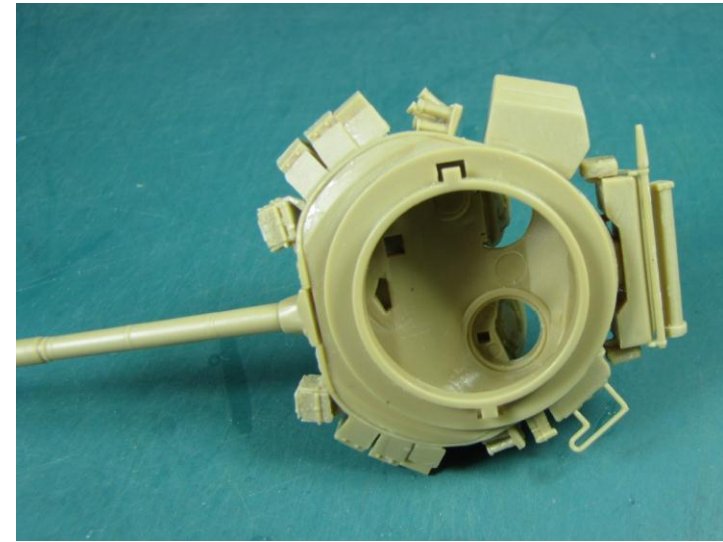
All 30+ road wheels and sprocket gears were dry fit, aligned to the 16 axles and then I carefully glued them on. I set the model on my flat green cutting pad and it appeared that all of the road wheels set firmly on the base, (photo enclosed – Step 3 to Step 9).

I finished building all of the other tank parts in Step 10 to 19 which went A-OK!

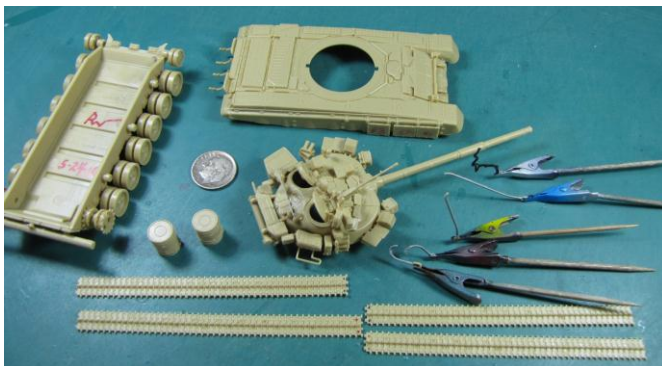
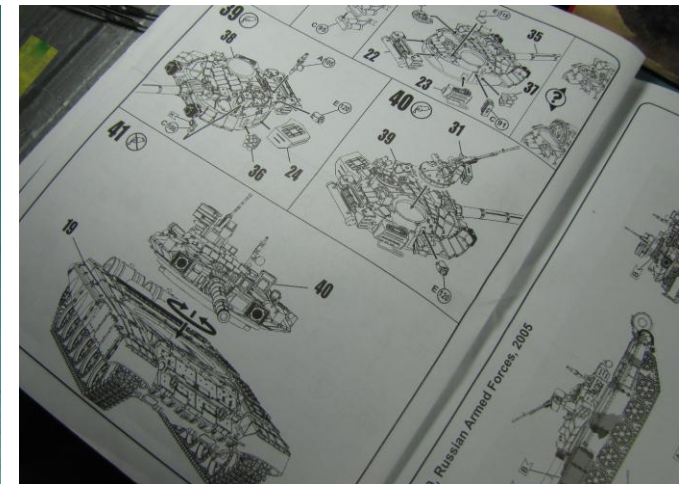


My next event was to build all items that were to be attached to the turret, (Steps 20 through 40). Some of the tiny boxes were no bigger than 1/8" wide on all 4 sides. With my shaky hands it was a chore and a half. Enclosed is a close up photo showing some of the tiny parts with an American Dime.





The finished turret was then attached to its mounting ring, then I dry fit the unit to the tank's top. Like my other tank, the turret could turn completely around, (360 degrees). However, the gun barrel was installed in its planned "FIXED" position, as Revell did not make the parts "movable."



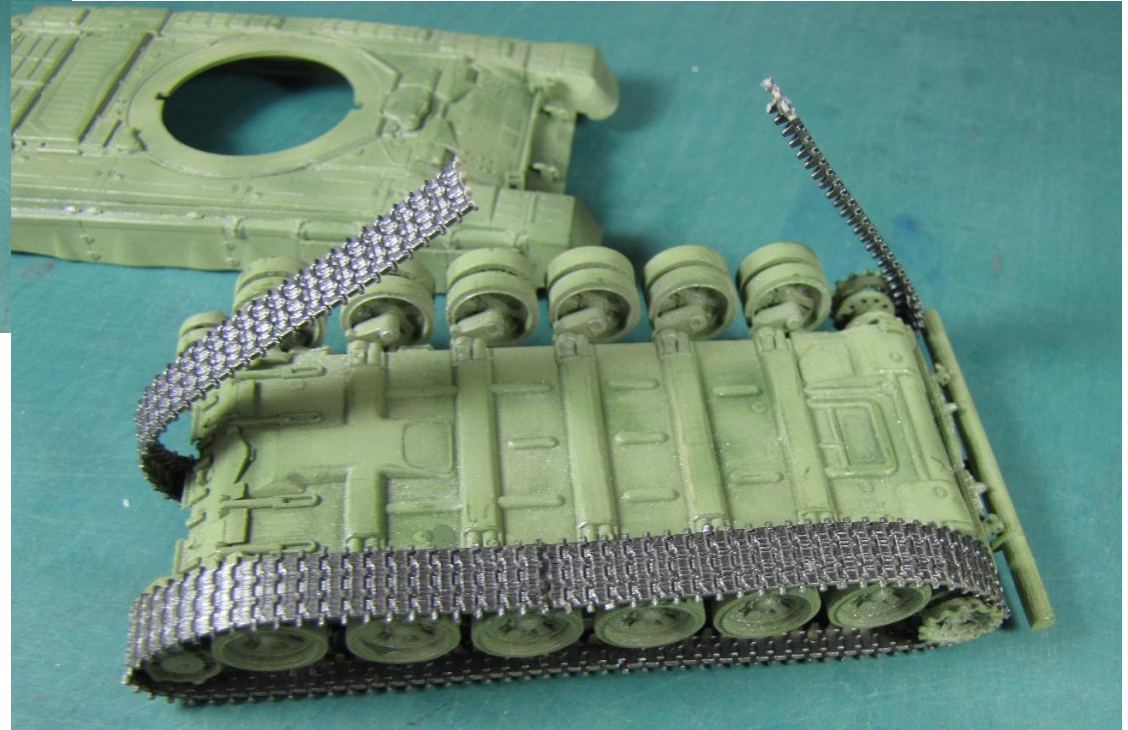
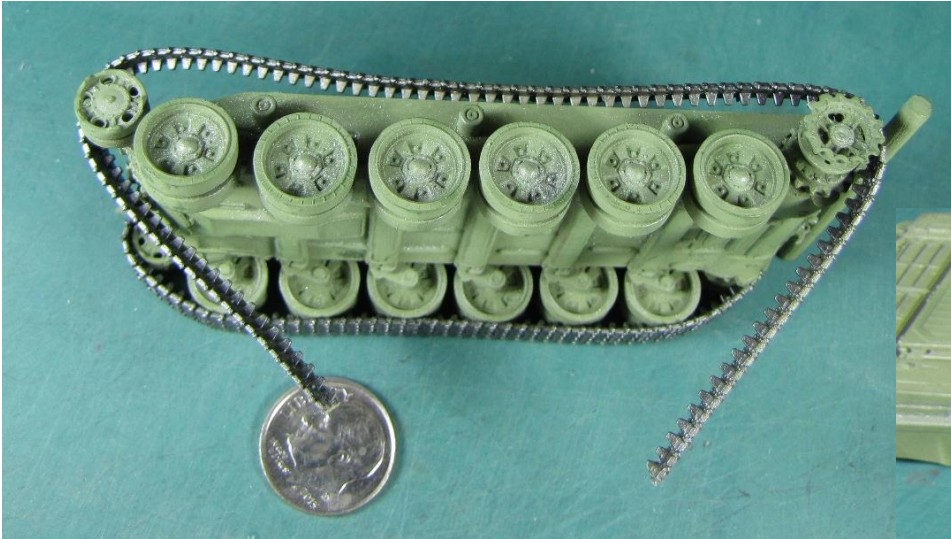
Instruction # 9 shows the builder how to dip the straight-flat "plastic" tank treads into hot water so they will bend in a half-moon curved configuration.

I have never done this before, so I was somewhat skeptical that it would work. I took a big round clear drinking glass and filled it with water, then put it in my "microwave" oven for 1 minute and 37 seconds. I carefully submerged

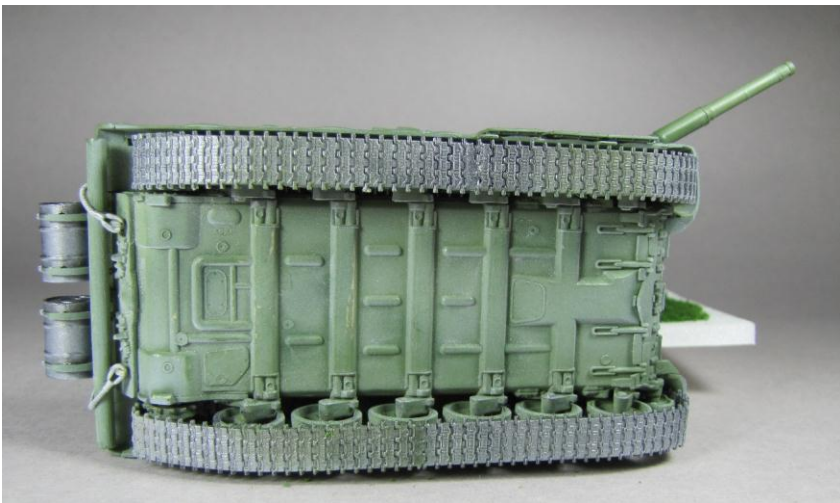


one of the tracks and “slow but sure”, it made my desired “half-moon” curve.

I just repeated the above process for the other 3 treads. The 4 tracks were left to dry and return to normal room temperature. I dry fit them to the road wheels. I could see that they would fit together with a bit of pushing and shoving the treads together so that they could be glued. The treads were painted per the instructions, with steel paint.

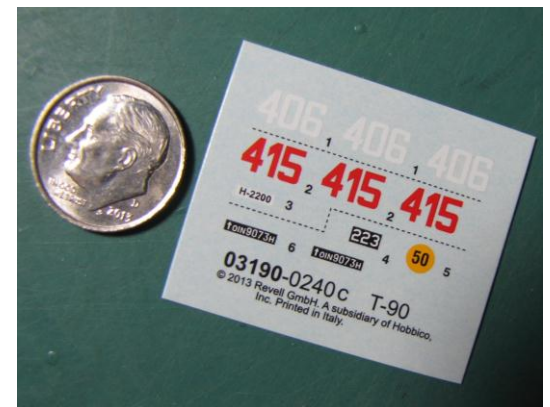


The entire model was painted with two shades of green Tamiya paint and over-coated with Future and then I applied the decals. More Future on top of the decals then I added some Microscale dull-coat all over the model.



On final assembly the treads were attached to the road wheels and glued.

The turret was installed and the .020” diameter antenna was attached.



The over sized machine gun, (maybe a 20mm) was attached.



The base was fashioned by using some 1'4" foam board. I added a sub-base like I did on the earlier JS-III model, so I could lift the T-90 off the table. I added some white glue. then sprinkled on some modeling grass.

I set up my roll of "Neutral-Grey" photo paper on my table, then took photos of both models with my Canon camera @1600x1200.

I would certainly recommend both of these models !

T-90, 1/72

Revell



JS-III, 1/72

Trumpeter



- *Fini R J Williams*



INVITE YOU & FRIENDS

**TO
OUR
2014 TRICITY CONTEST
FUNDRAISER AUCTION**

CURRENTLY SCHEDULED TO BE HELD ON
OUR MEETING NIGHT ON FRIDAY JULY 11 2014
AT OUR USUAL MEETING LOCATION

Irvington Community Center, 41885 Blacow Road, Fremont, CA

THERE WILL BE A 5 Dollar Door Charge, and plenty of bargains to be had!

Business begins promptly at 8 pm and everything must be concluded by 10pm

Queries may be directed to our contact at DAZE61283@mypacks.net, please allow 2-3 days response time

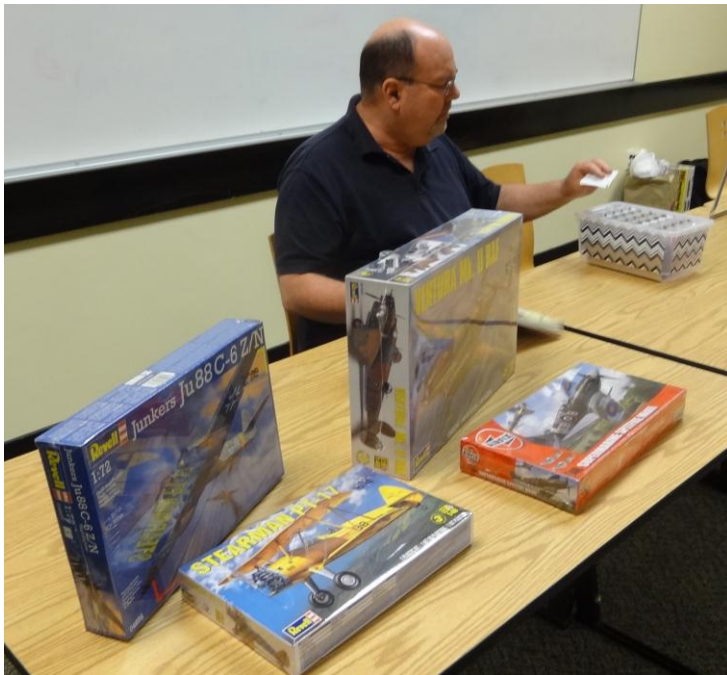
Hornet's *MAY* Nest (a look back from *The Front*)



WorkTable Space Again Seems at A Premium !

For the first part of the night, Editor was in charge of meet, which meant he was charged with making the unexpected announcement regarding the sudden passing May 5, 2014, of Free Hornet Bill Shipway.

Bill had only recently been at our tables again, bringing his youngest, son Lawrence with him. A Hornet from way back in the days when Garden Inn was our home, Bill was very good hearted man and friend.



Bill enjoyed scale models of all kinds, building SF and Fantasy genres most

these days, although Prehistoric Life was also a lifelong passion. Which I would kid him came from both of us having been around since dinosaurs.

William Shipway your mischievous manner is already missed. *Saluta!* .

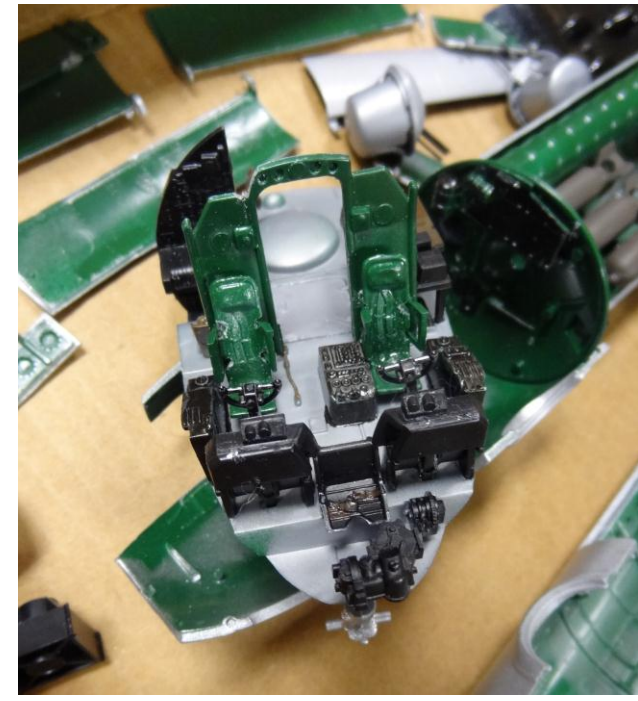


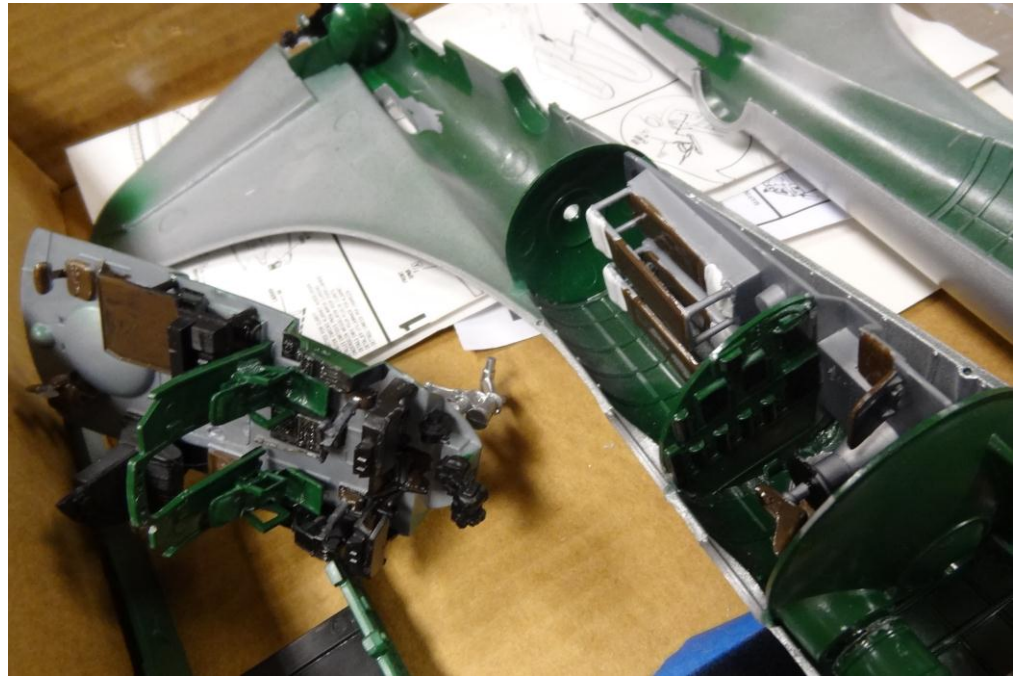
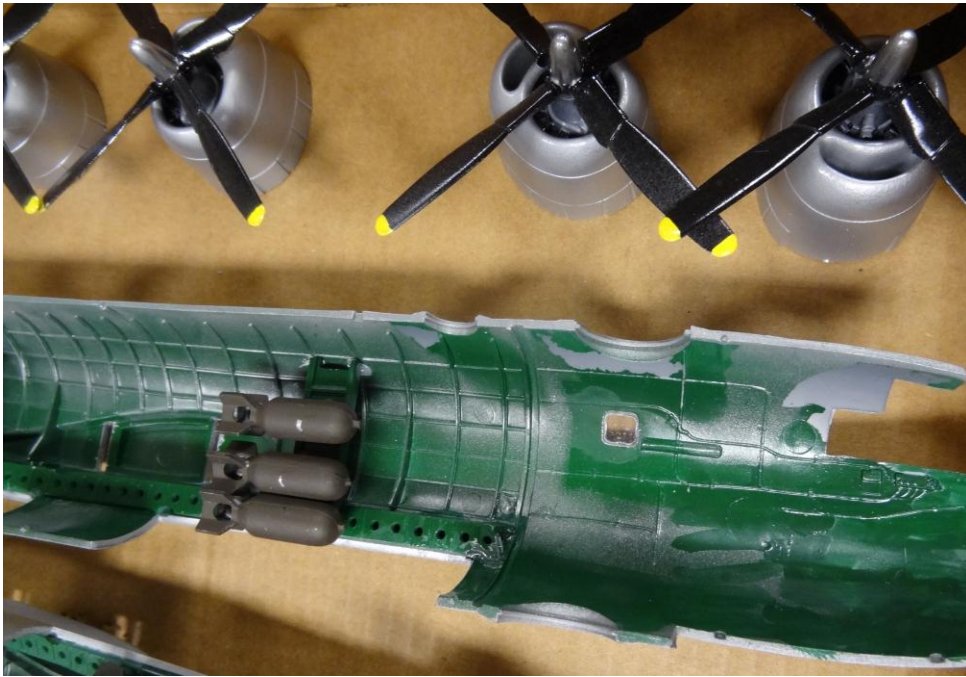


Switching gears, we went to introducing recent new members of our Hornets community. Ken Moore, returned again to become an Official Member of the Free Hornets this month.

Ken is working on a 1/48 scale Monogram B-29, he brought it this time for the express purpose gaining a second opinion (or three) on his project. Seated at table with Chris Bucholtz, and Louis Orselli already on board to show up for a consult, Ken got excellent start on his agenda here.

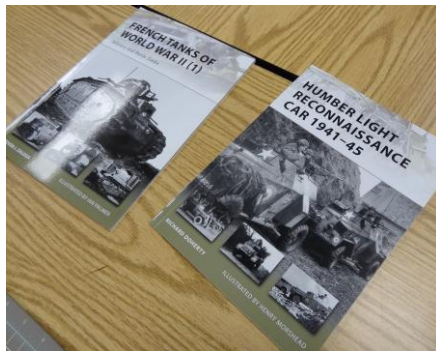
Big Business Model Talk, check out Ken's B-29 Work In Process:



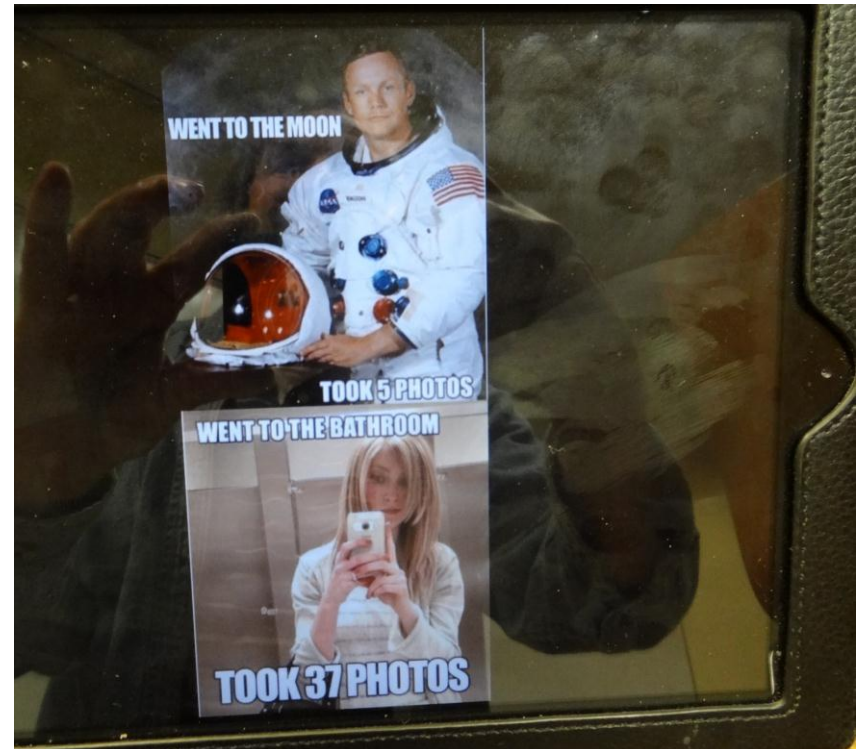


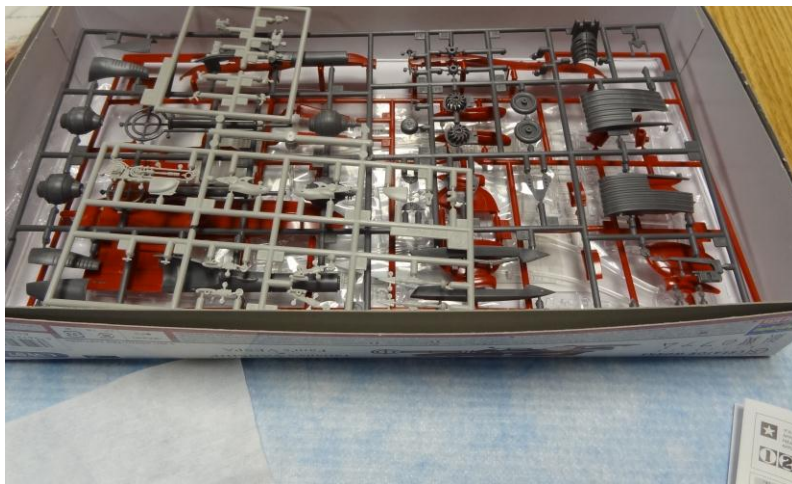
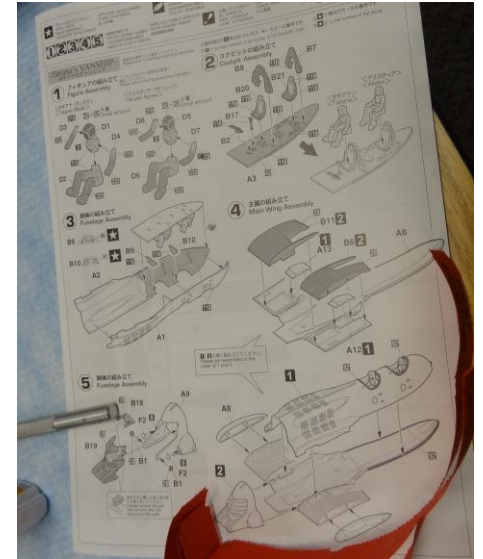
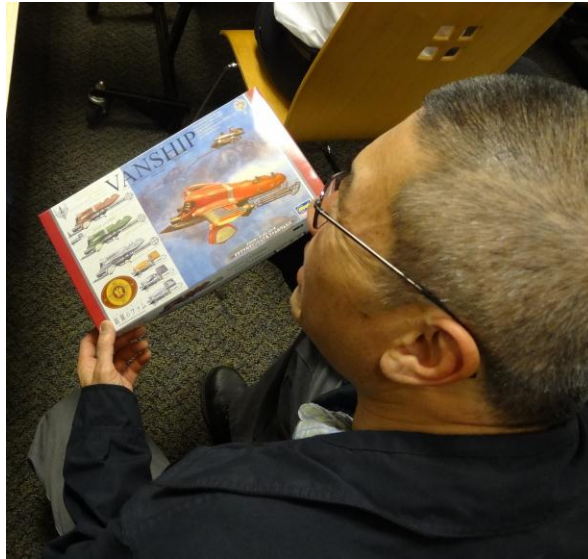
Perhaps this questioning look of Ken's for me, is perhaps due to his reading Ray Lloyd's always fun distractions, as I did, here.

Yes Ken, I am somewhat prone to excessive "shuttering" though I'm sure this time coincident here



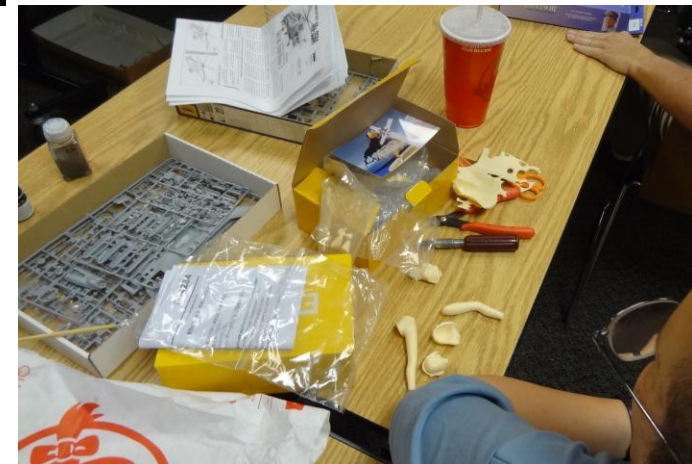
Books also provided for review of those present, by a member. ☺





Steve Kumamoto's journey to Blair Smith's work area helped guide my own curiosity satisfaction here. He had this excellent 1/72 Hasegawa kit of the "Last Exile" (2011) series for Titania's Vanship and Fam's Vespa.

Nearby, Brian Sakai has another of these "resin women" to assemble, an anime series character I neglected to record here, I am sorry.



Brian helpfully had an example of the finished work, a close up may reveal why I got idea at first she was an astronaut with a personal solar array !



Gabriel Lee made some progress on his Venezuelan submarine conversion and his "Gruppe Build 2014" Airfix P-51D project, but I haven't shots here to show.

There on the far right, a candid camera shot of Brian's shirt with a plea...for us?



Pleased to have such a blessing of riches to photograph and have fun with, but of course, Brian's shirt graphic told a larger tale than one I rescripted from it with a bit of editing/cropping.

Here's the full and true story, graphically



Dave and Christine had a plate full of fun too, again this time out Editor didn't get all details.

President Mike Woolson showed up with two very nice UAV models to get underway.

In 1/35, Academy's RQ-7B got Mike's fancy.

Appreciating this vehicle without a doubt, for he also has it now in 1/72 scale from Attack Squadron, a resin production.



Swing back to the tables finds Chris Bucholtz up, and away. So we can now examine items of "work in process" he has going.

Both are part of his long term plan collection of the aircraft of Korean War, in years 1950-53 in 1/72. As here seen, we find a MiG-15 and Fairey Firefly.



Chris returned to retrieve the aforesaid Fairey to undertake a mission, as these photos seem to indicate, he apparently aborted the sortie and veered at last minute. Or maybe this was a feint, as we see Kent McClure was quietly hard at work nearby out of shot, with an “EggCentric” PB Y underway...

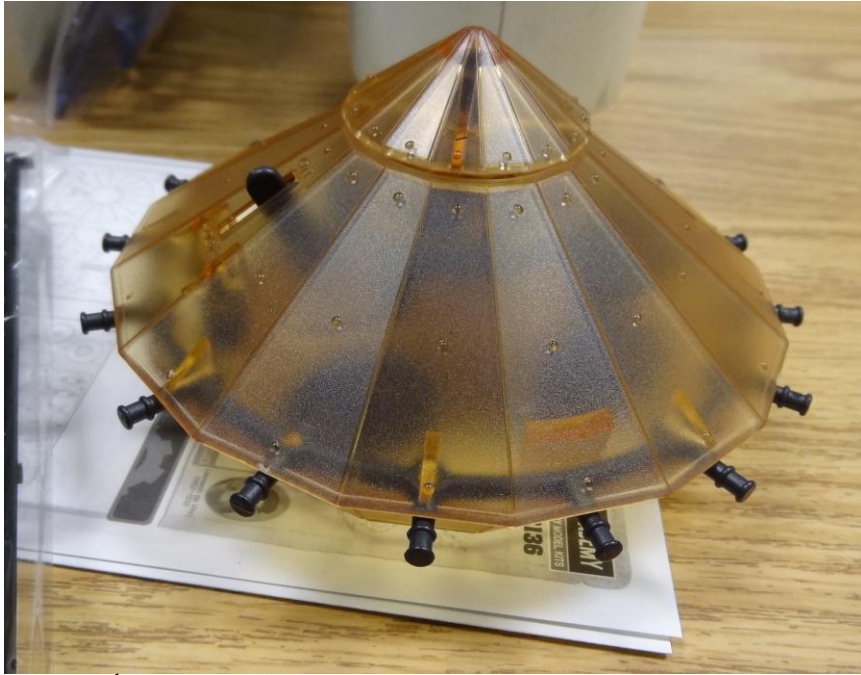


Louis Orselli exhibits true camaraderie, a Special Hobby Firefly of his own in hand

While Kent innocently whiled away at his PB Y, the Editor caught sight of another “shellular body” craft, Hasegawa’s Egg P-47D. That led him to find yet as it were, an even more bizarre model on the carpet !



“Golden Fleece-ing” of the Hornet’s Photographer it turns out. There above, then below left, is Cliff Kranz’s excellent rendering of a model Tank ala Leonardo ! As in Da Vinci, that legendary soul. Although I did not get the kit make or scale, there’s a good chance I can pester Cliff again for a return visit of this item. Cliff actually put the model on carpet to demonstrate the working aspect of “Tank”



This wasn't all Cliff K brought to display !



1/48th scale YF-12A in the “black scheme, a/c # 3” is also his on the far right, the trio of towed artillery in the center will be covered in greater detail soon, and last but far from least, Cliff Kranz’s signature modelling style. The Triple Threat 38 Special, crafted from Monogram’s still very worthy in any form, P-38 Lightning. Outfitted by Cliff in a style reminiscent in some ways of the early P-82 Long Range Night Fighter. For those readers who don’t know Cliff, all these works of his are hand painted. He simply does not wish to take up the airbrush.





Another look from above at the “Killer BlackBird”
and then lots of looks at the 3 artillery pieces



Last but not least, Mick Burton struggled in to show with this “one legged” PASSION WAGON. It is the P-51D early, from Hasegawa kit, out of the box. Finished complete, but Burton Managed to break and lose the leg before he could show bird.

That’s all the meeting notes for May 2014. But there’s more:

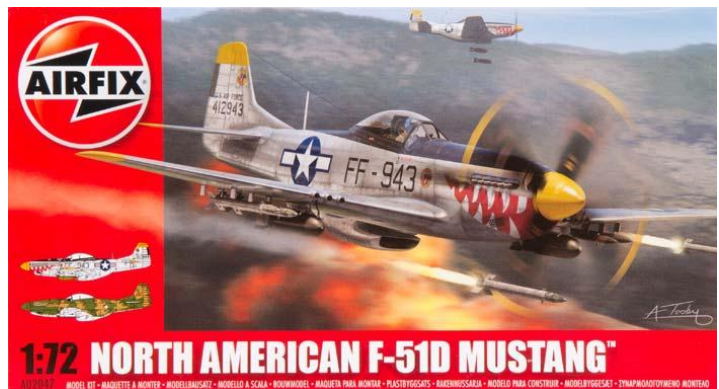
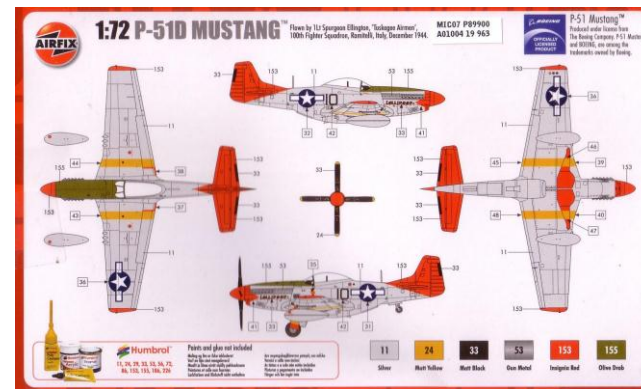


FREE HORNETS KENT McCLURE AND GABRIEL LEE APPEAR HERE TO HELP CHEER US ON WITH THIS MESSAGE THANKS GENTS !



REMINDER FOR ONE AND ALL of 2014
FREMONT HORNETS GRUPPE BUILD
“ MUSTANGS MUSTANGS MUSTANGS ”
VERY SIMPLE RULES TO FOLLOW

1) MUST USE ANY EDITION OF THE NEW MOLDING OF 1/72 AIRFIX “D”
 Several versions are shown here as example



- 2) **MUST BE COMPLETED** by **TC-10** so CAN BE PART of COLLECTIONS ENTRY That is September 28 2014, so you know now
- 3) YOU MAY BUILD ANY OR MANY AS YOU WISH. ONE IS GOOD, MORE IS A GRAND THING, NONE IS FINE, TOO.
- 4) ANY SCHEME REAL OR NOT IS FINE **NOT LIMITED** to **OUT OF BOX**, etc.
- 5) **FREE HORNETS ONLY, MAY PLAY.**



See you next issue — *fini mb*

And if you'd like to see MORE pictures: link on here www.fremonthornets.org (gallery) under Hornets Nest 2014 meets look for MAY of course

Mick Burton, madman at large — DAZE61283@mypacks.net (sole fool responsible for bad content or rude comment here) “ Come for the models *Stay for the Sarcasm* ”



TRI-CITY CLASSIC X

Scale Model Contest and Exhibition



Sunday, September 28 2014

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

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



" Out Of Africa " (anything African or directly related)



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

“ **The African Queen** ” Award for Best Entry befitting the Contest Theme

“ **Colonial Carbon & Chrome** ” (three awards for: Best South African, Egyptian, Congo 1960s (not limited to African either)

“ **Tears of the Sun** ” Award for Best Post Colonial African subject

Plus these: “ **Best WW2 Pacific Theatre** ”, “ **Diamond In The Rough** ”, “ **At Dawn’s Early Light** ” “ **Top TBD** ”

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

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