

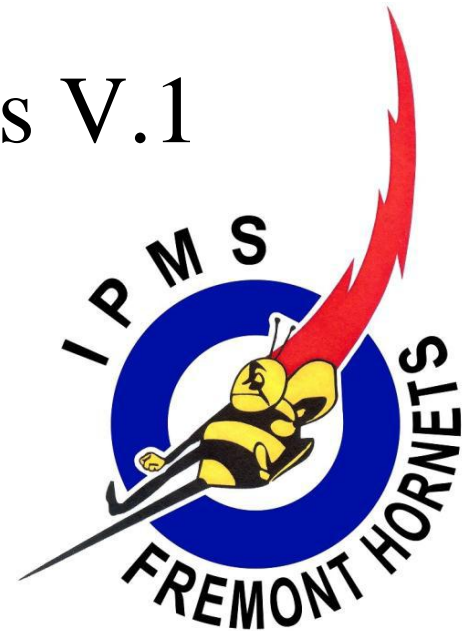
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# The BUZZ – of The Fremont Hornets V.1

Issue 30



April 30 2015



**Somehow managing to wing it for now over 38 years...**

## Welcome

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**A Short Take on Present BUZZ (Issue's Editorial, in case you need clarification) Reminder of upcoming Nest 05-08-15**

**Short schedule of upcoming near meets and events of possible interest to Hornets and their friends**

**HEY ! SEEMS A WINNING EVENT WAS HELD Free Hornets Show Up for Second SV Classic Competition**



**REITERATING – MAY 2015 Meeting has OUR NEXT CLUB CONTEST THEME “ Spy Vs Spy ”**

**A LOOK FRONT FROM THE BACK – “ FOOLED YA ! ” April 2015 Club meeting dissertation**

**STREAKING ACROSS THE PAGES “ *Special Hobby* ” of a Model in Article by R J “Red” Williams**

**“ GRUPPE BUILD 2015: Any BF's by AF “ advertisement to keep everyone aware and incentivized**

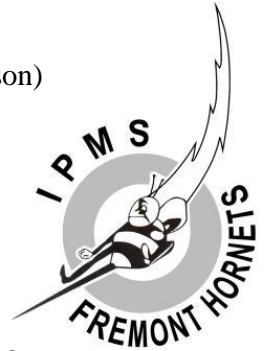
**11<sup>th</sup> of SEPTEMBER 2015 FREE HORNETS CLUB CONTEST SPECIAL REMINDER TOO !!**

***SPECIAL AWARD BEING ADDED* as FEATURE to TriCity 11 THANKS to MONTEREY BAY**

# THE Latest BUZZ (as of Apr 30 2015 afternoon)

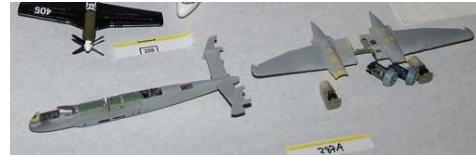
(a Short Take On Present Buzz) by Mick Burton, Buzz Editor (& Hornets Treasurer a Deux, Current Contest Director for 2014/15 season)

**YES!** Now #31 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 muddled, let's get to some actual important business!



## ***“ Why On Earth Do They Offer Such STUPID Categories ...? An Argument, For. “***

**Here** on near the 3 week past event day of the first R-9 show of the 2015 season, the SV Classic, thought I'd go stir up some with stinging commentary, as any self respecting Hornet should. Especially as a former (and current) Contest Director. With plenty of written and web-seekable evidence of *my* take on the “Unfinished” category for instance, permit me to have these WINNERS back me up on my premise: ***it's good.***



On top, show 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place winners in SVC 2014 contest, in “that stupid category of Unfinished”, as some like to loudly say.

Same two, below, now are 1<sup>st</sup> place finishers in their respective Fields of Battle, at SVC 2015. I think you can see, the ***BASICS*** of a winning entry were *already judgibly evident in 2014.*

Another favorite “ stupid category ” I am again putting into TriCity 11: “ Paper ” (3 sets of category) where I'm hoping this ***PAPER*** 1/35 Russian S27 SPG will show up

At SVC 2015, didn't win, but I think it deserves



a chance in its own modelling merit category. **Basics of Con-Directing.**  
*Making Model building FUN* and getting the turnout for everyone. - mick

**The Hornets Nest Night Friday May 08 @ Irvington Locale**

***PLANNED TO BE***

**Minimal Business, PLENTY MODEL TALK, BUILDFEST & CLUB CONTEST**

***HERE BE NOTIFIED !*** Contest Director Proudly Announcing **NEW AWARD**



**TRI-CITY CLASSIC XI** Scale Model Contest and Exhibition

# “ John McLane Memorial ”

## **IPMS Monterey Bay Award for the Best 1/48 scale WW2 Aircraft Subject**

We of the Free Hornets are honored to be selected as the host chapter to present this competition opportunity to our contestants, by our dear Friends in the Monterey Bay Chapter of IPMS-USA. Award given in Memory of Mr. John McLane, IPMS –MB.

The best way to convey the spirit in which this award is given and give a fuller context of the man being honored, I think, is to put forth a brief from one who knew him, and I am pleased to present this offering from Mr Lester A. Tockerman of IPMS-MB

John moved to the Peninsula from L.A. in the mid to late 1970's. He opened up McLane's Historical Models on Munrus Ave., Monterey. John is survived by his wife Jan, a son and daughter. He had a wonderful and loving family that he was devoted to.

Besides being a master modeler in 1/48 scale WW II aircraft, John was a master teacher. Every Wednesday evening, he stayed open until 9 PM. He got out long tables & chairs, fired up his air compressors and welcomed , on average, 15-20 modelers each night. We worked until closing. After the shop closed its doors for the last time, John also taught at our monthly Monterey Bay IPMS meetings, and gave demos .

About 8 years ago, John came down with lung cancer, but he continued living his life with no changes. Like a true ‘Nam (era) vet, (USN), he kept putting one foot in front of the other, went on living and loving his friends & family. He died with dignity, surrounded by his family.

*John will always be remembered as a consummate artist, family man, friend, and modeler.*

There will be a sign up sheet at Registration to simplify the Judge’s task of locating what surely will be a large field of entries

Again, our appreciation to our Monterey Chapter colleagues for choosing us to be forum for this award of honor in memory -mb

***2015 MAY HORNETS NEST has a CLUB CONTEST GOING !***

**SPY vs SPY**

***Having some MAD fun with the Memorable Month You Might Say, OK***

MAY, in these modern times has become somewhat identified with Revolutions (May Day) Evolutions (Cinco de Mayo) and Wrecked Recce Solutions (Powers U-2 Shootdown). In that vein, and in view of our own recent past Gruppe Build of “*Eyes In The Sky*” which perhaps has a few “unfinished threads”, President & Editor chose this theme for a tryout.

***Real Basic, Real Easy Rules for Entry***

***QUALIFYING:*** All entries must be FINISHED to be eligible for awarding.

Any and all Recce craft/subject (Air.Land.Sea)

OR

any Primarily Black or White or BOTH (unblended, Greys don't qualify regardless of 50 (or more) shades available).

Suggestions:

P-38M, F-82G, F-87, P-70, P-61, U-2, A-12, F-12, SR-71, JPS F-1 car, “Bullitt Charger”

Simon Templar's P-1800 Volvo or later Jaguar, X-1, X-2, X-3, X-5, X-15, B-70

“Dazzle camo PT Boat”, P-51 Dazzle Camo experiment, Zebras, you get the idea I would hope



## Free Hornet's *APRIL* Nest (a look sideways from *The Front*)



*“ Soon Headed for the Beach ! ”*

*Eve of the #2 SV Classic finds plenty of Free Hornets relaxing with confidence in a Nest full of model activity and friendly support of our community, no fooling .*

*As you see, even President not required.*

*President Burton still managed to make himself useful, not just snapping pictures, by his habitual snatching of Five Dollar bills from innocent folks.*



Seeing to necessary business this month meant a bit more than “the usual and customary” agenda.

Our first contest & show of 2015 Region Nine, SVSM's SV Classic would be opening 9AM next day.

Burton asked for help with plan to insure timely registration of Free Hornets Gruppe Build 2014, in the Collections Category, since likely he'd be too late arriving himself.

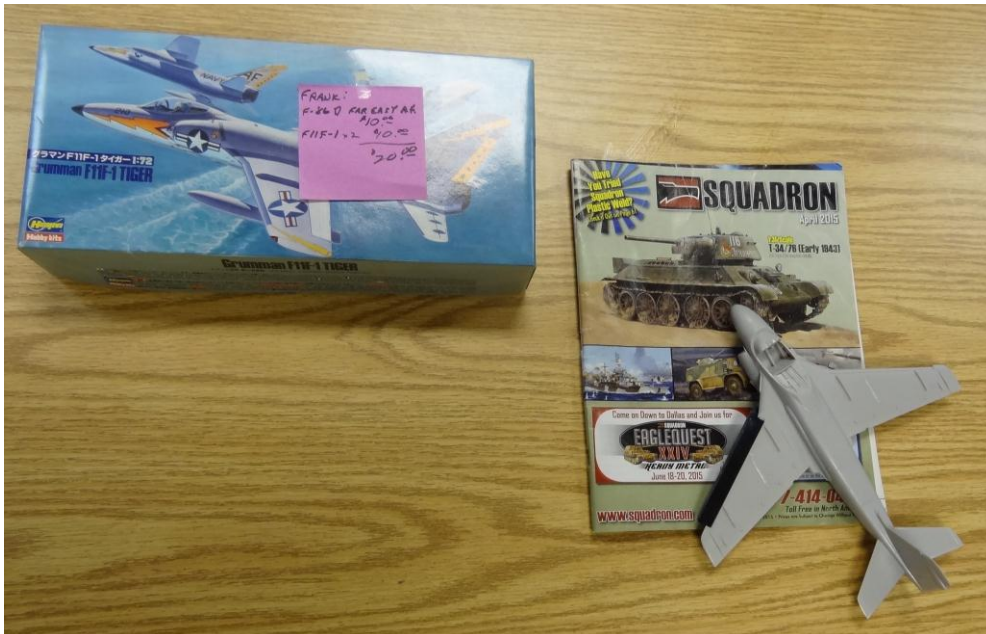
Kent McClure, Exemplar Hornet, swiftly took the responsibility on.



Handily, Mick Burton had just happened to have a few “spare” blank SV Classic Registration forms in his computer bag, and filled one out to leave with the generous volunteer to lead “Gruppe Build Entry Project”. You can see the evidence laying atop Kent’s work in the center picture below. As it happened, a little later, when Ken Miller arrived, he flagged Burton that he too needed some community assist with getting his entries in on time. Here’s Ken, assiduously at work doing his paperwork. After Burton’s tortuous plea caused Raffle VP Jim Priete to agree to bring Ken’s entries to the SVC, if Mick would only agree to shut up and let the meeting resume the industrious quiet you will see more of here. Ray Lloyd was ecstatic at that !



We had more models for “Model Talk” that April Nest than do appear here in the shot of front table, but they came later.



The \$10 F11F-1 here shown is courtesy of “Navy” Ray Williams who delivered this from his fine collection to Frank Babbitt

F-86D listed ? Not shown. As Frank, Prince that he is, sold it to Burton by the time this taken !

Overcome in all his glee at this, Burton forgot

to record whose 1-72 A-6 Intruder Work In Progress this is. We’ll call it Frank Babbitt’s ...



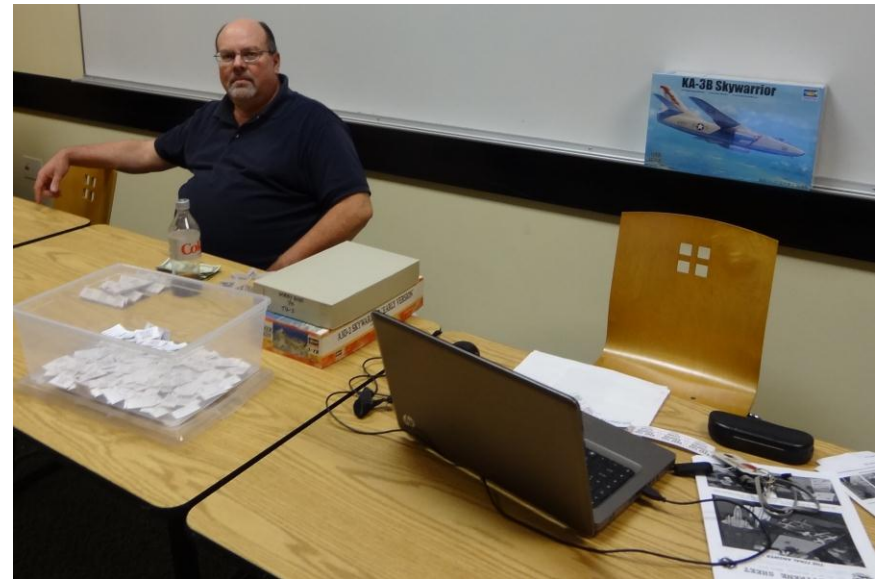
Another recipient of Ray Williams' excellent sales and delivery was Jim Priete, who is apparently surrounded here by Douglas A-3 Skywarriors. The excellent 1/72 Hasegawa "base kit" came from Ray, who had already run through several of the "aftermarket solutions" for backdating the A3D-2 to the lovely "gun tail" bird.

Jim will show us soon how he had *yet another one* of these to compare & contrast with this end result in mind, *after he finishes* giving Evil Eye to the photographer.

The giant A-3 on the right is on display courtesy of Brian Sakai. Who was greatly appreciated for donating this to the upcoming SVC as a raffle prize. Having gotten call from SVC Contest Director (& Free Hornet) Mike Woolson by this time at the meeting, Burton knew Woolson was wisely staying home to get some sleep. Thus, Skywarrior would travel to show with Jim Priete, along with Ken Miller's entries.

As you may be ascertaining, the pictures may make it seem the pre-contest Hornet Nest was a pleasant yet low key buildfest meet, but you can tell now it was busy at all manner of night before a contest Business nonetheless !

As Ray Williams' left fist on table indicates his presence, my eye on "loose Lincoln" on table indicates mine, here Jim, Ray and I engaged others in:



A *Serious* discussion about the various features, good and bad, of range in resin parts offered for making "Douglas Whale" (A3D) into earlier versions.

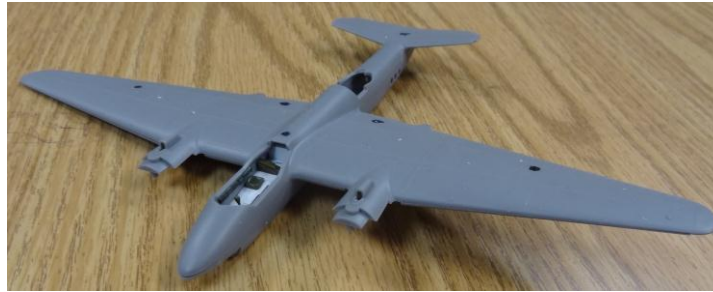
We all agreed that the "Blue" Whales were the prettiest, and hardest to recreate. Due, 99% were of the -1 versions. Which is what Jim's going after, with that odd engine nacelle by blue scribe in shot at right. This bit of resin had puzzled Ray.

Big Splitter in front end ? We told him, recognition feature of



Daah One, which he wasn't aware of, he said. Ray had seen plenty "Dash Two All Three Deads" in his time serving with USN, he told us. ( The **All Three Dead** was a grimly earned nickname for A-3D in those days. As originally designed, they had no ejection seats for 3 man aircrew. If you went into the sea off the front end of a carrier due to bad catapult launch, well...you see) "Whale" nickname was for aircraft's size, not swimming acumen.

Thanks also here now, from me to Jim “Hamill” Priete. By providing me an item that fits in April Foolishness while done utterly without guile. Now some readers may recall last month’s Buzz included a threading of “Bats” in our midst, for real ? Well, care to guess ASCC code name for next bird?



Here on the Model Talk table, is J Priete’s Tupelov Tu-2 in 1/72 scale, from a kit bash

My sketchy recall is that a Hobby Boss kit is part of the set, don’t have record of # 2.

Now, my bit of April Foolishness courtesy of Sir Hamill:

Even in its unfinished state, if you’re an old Cold War buff or obscure facts collector or somesuch, you’d have known then as did I, this bird was aka: a Tu-2 “**BAT**”

(ASCC i.d. ( B for bomber, a single syllable for Prop job ))



While Jim was giving us all a summation of this latest Bat to roost at our Nest, he also let me know I had to find out for him what the hell was in Ken Miller’s boxes that he was taking to SV Classic for Ken. Just Do It, Burton. Make it so !

So I spare you now the look on Ken’s face when I walked back to the other end of our room to instigate this process.

That’s Ken, those hands filling out the registration form I gave him earlier, in the picture on the left here.

Yes, the shot on right was taken earlier. I’ve put here now to begin “debriefing” procedure, as James “T for Tyrant” Priete had set me to task upon Ensign Miller

Ken’s two containers full of Easter grass (very style) had some nice work which got to tables for Modeltalk





Ken's Pokemon Airliner in ever popular 1/300 scale, the equally abundant "Egg Airliner" Category had an ANA 747 entrant ready, his lovely MD-80 I am known for misidentifying as a Boeing 737 in past (yes, I know, I am going to "bad ID jail" forever now, then Hell...).

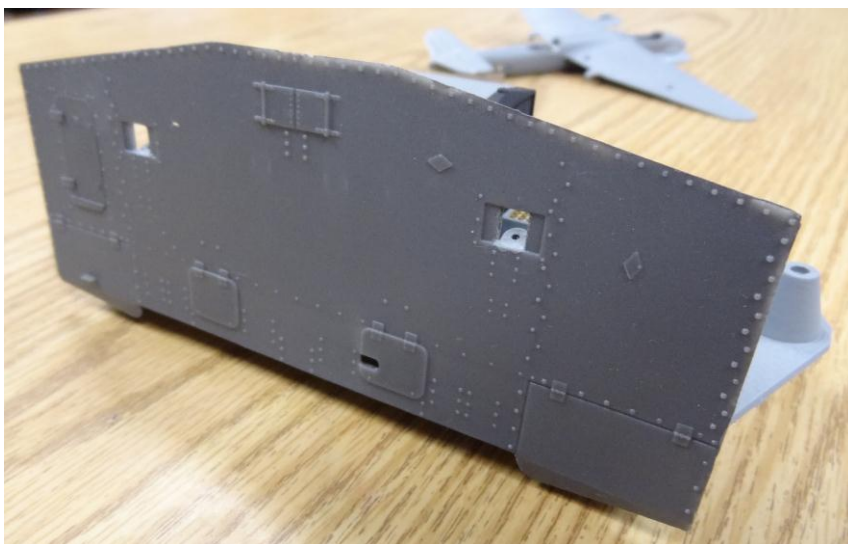
The 1/288 Blackbird and the 1/144 Tornado, both Revell, made it onto table in my picture on the left. Well camo'd (not) but safe in container, Ken's 1/72 (really!) SR-71A is below.



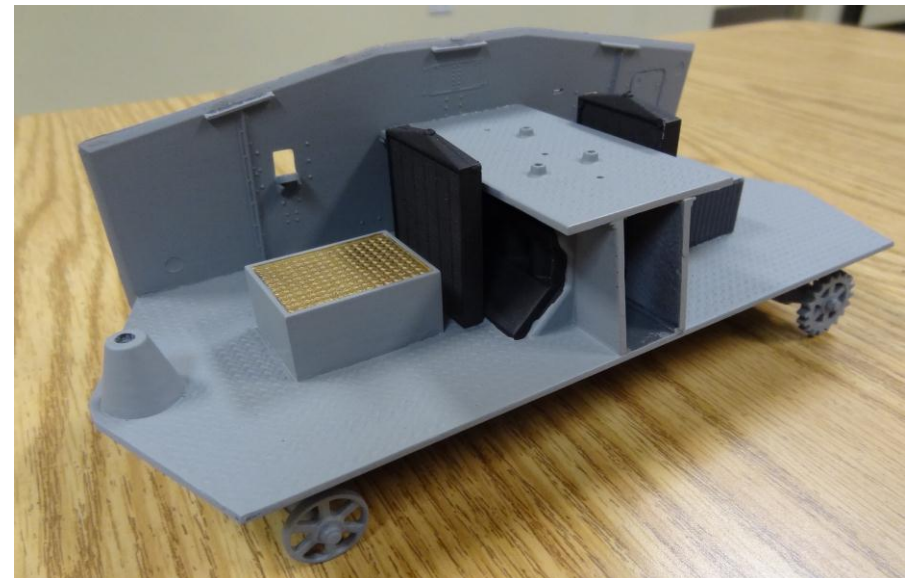
Ken's work was joining in progress material already on table, from Cliff Kranz. Who is shown here as the set of metal tracks and the instructions for the Work In Process of his second Tauro A7V German World War One heavy tank model in 1/35.

Which all goes to show (in more ways visually than one), that one can indeed survive this kit once, and repeat it even.

In other words, there's two or more sides to this story below... I know this, too.



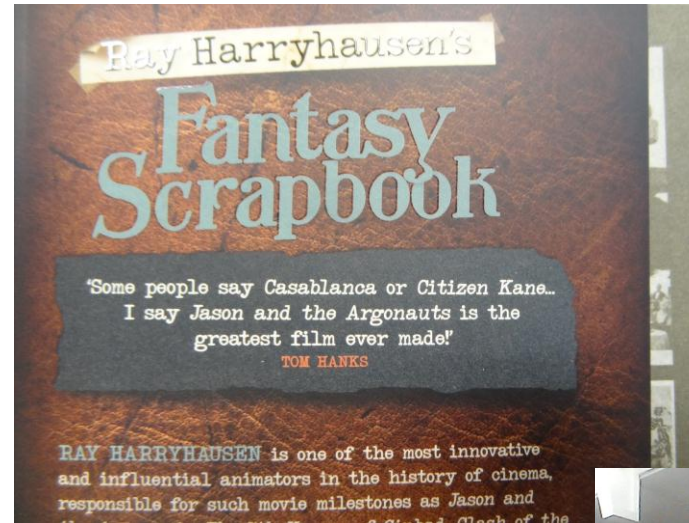
These old, gray, boxy bits under construct by Cliff for a second go? Remind the Editor, that Somewhere Dark and Deep in his house lurks, yes, the yet to be finish first Cousin of this same kit. Life is spooking me and it's only Bloody April !!





Louis Orselli, Ray Williams, Peter Long and “Relaxed” Ray Lloyd are amazed here as I manage to answer Steven Ang’s prayer here, and get his name right for the newsletter !

Steve’s a true gentleman, as he generously permitted me to thoroughly disappear from view in middle of the meeting, as I took in the wonders of this new book find of his.



Thanks to this experience, I’ve a higher opinion still of amateur historian named Tom Hanks. A few of you may have heard of him, I don’t know. Definitely he knows how to appreciate movie modelling magic of high art.

Steve sent me these two shots of his, of a statue which honors another movie model hero of a very local connect, that threads

Steve, me, Ray Harryhausen and this book



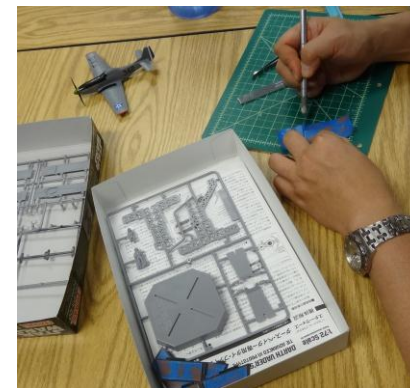
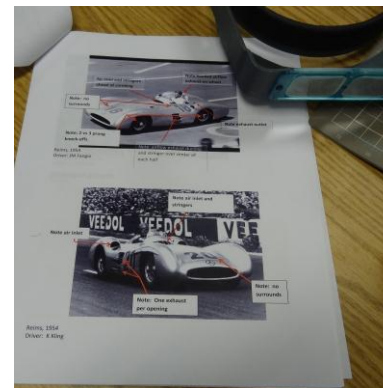
Say hello to original King Kong and his dad, Willis O’Brien



Statue is at the entranceway of the Presidio’s

Letterman Digital Arts Center. I think this is a fine tribute to Oakland born Willis O’Brien. An extremely creative gifted **MODELER**, and early successful pioneer in special effects, who was a hero and mentor to Ray Harryhausen. Our Local Talent pool in scale modelling has a rich history which not so many today appreciate. Which is why I wrap it all into here. Thank you for sharing as always, Mr Steve Ang, Free Hornet!





Peter and Ray are now happier, as I'm now clearly needing to wrap up this recap. Kent McClure had a resin female in a box, plus a nifty vintage race car project underway. He also assured his latest Airfix P-51D would complete by game time, to join the other (French F-6D) he'd done, for Gruppe Build collections entry. He definitely made good on that, making Latin American Mustangs a "subset" of our Gruppe Build, in fact !



Gabriel Lee (above right) was also on target to have another to add ( for our Santa Rosa entry )



All this Mustang Madness hasn't deterred Patrick Hsieh from continuing to model to his own drum, as another Free Hornet, we aren't shocked. But he is sitting just across from Gabriel ... ignoring me. ☺

The Grey Mustang in the center shot, is Gabriel's next Airfix Gruppe Build I mentioned. It's finishing to be in Fuerza Aerea Guatemala scheme, if you are not fluent in markings. Gabriel also sent along with Kent, his two completed Latin Am Mustangs for our entry at SVC, at this quietly busy Nest. Mustangs were also part of the Raffle, as you see here, along with the new 1/32 JU-88. Didn't record who won ...

But wait, there's more !





The “King of Unfinished Models” definitely reigns supreme. I know for a fact that Jim has won a Model of the Month award at least twice now, with an excellent “*work in process*” table item ( in past with SVSM, now here ! )

Provides more evidential support for the Editor’s (and current President) premise, that often the winning model is already clearly on that path for any Judge to see, even when far from completed. Pretty confident, that like his then unfinished WIP of the 1/72 scale Williams Bros. Martin B-10 (which won him MOM @ SVSM, and no, I wasn’t the one who picked it), his “Bat” will soon enough be finished and will finish “in the money” at contests.

*Mickb-fini*

*And if you’d like to see MORE pictures: link on here [www.fremonthornets.org](http://www.fremonthornets.org) (gallery) under Hornets Nest 2015 meets look for APRIL of course*

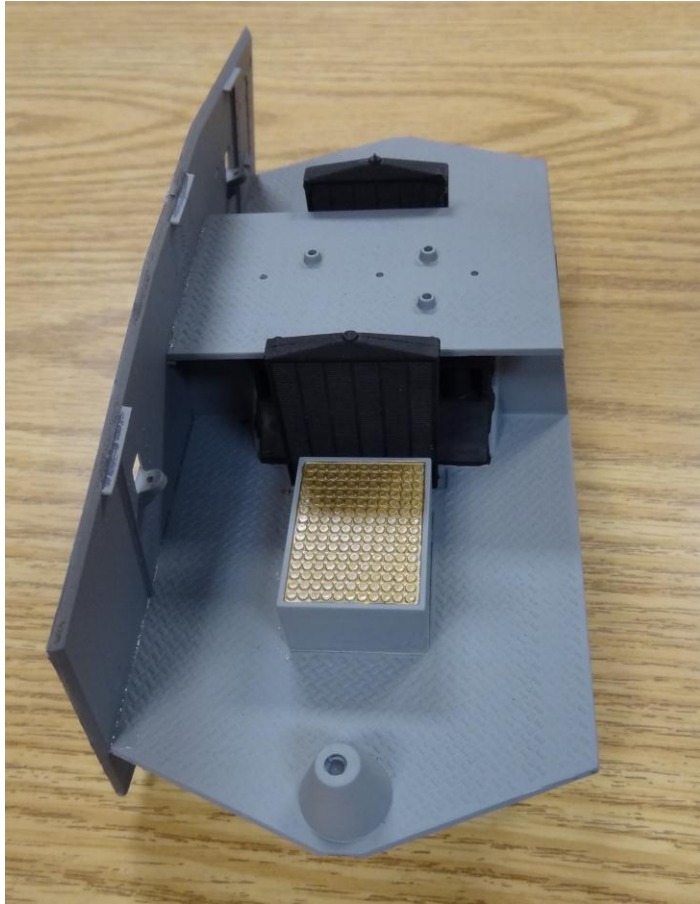
Mick Burton, madman at large – [DAZE61283@mypacks.net](mailto:DAZE61283@mypacks.net) (sole fool responsible for bad content or rude comment here) “Come for the models *Stay for the Sarcasm*”

## OUR BIG FREE HORNET SURPRISE OF APRIL !

*Congratulations to Model of the Month winner, Jim “Hamill” Priete!*



*BONUS FEATURE –aka Post Scripting “ More Looks at April Fools ”*



## Free Hornets *ON THE BEACH* ( *Sun, Sand and Surf, courtesy of SVSM* )



*First things 1st ! If you're suffering "post event" from having had too good a time & found ways to spend too much money, here's guy to blame :*



YEAH. THAT's HIM ! The shifty looking tall guy on the left holding the 3 cavity frame award. That's Free Hornet Mike Woolson, the SV Classic Contest Director. The one holding the cup is Editor Burton.

Burton *used to* operate as a CD for SVSM gigs like this one.

Nowadays, he fills his time by showing up late to events, takes sneaky (he'd say candid) shots of hard working & focused folks like Woolson. Then, will go on to allege in sketchy



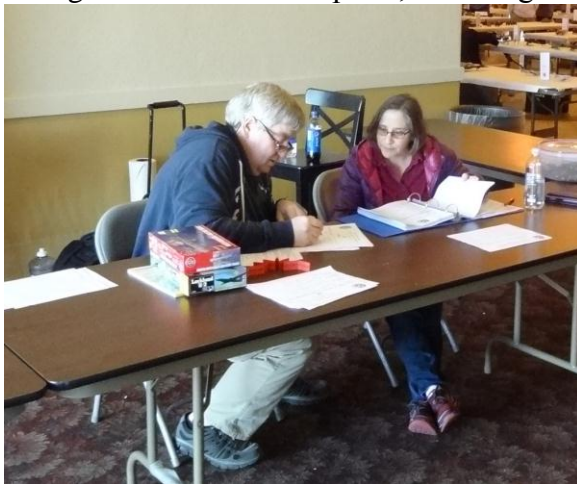
pubs like this, how they appear far too relaxed to actually be in charge of a smoothly running operation, like how Mike's second time at helm resulted

So, if you were wondering how it came to pass, that the Silicon Valley Classic # 2 (4-11-2015) arrived on schedule, saw 77 entrants with 279 entries, putting 302 models on these tables that are efficiently laid out and with good stuff? Well, now you know it's that damned Woolson character & team.

A team he composed, of such serial repeat offenders as “Sarge” Frank Beltran (FH/SVSM) who’s being pointed out by another member of his team ! and also his returning Head Judge, Greg Plummer (NNL/SVSM)



Along with the Usual Suspects, like Greg’s wife Natalie (NNL) and Young William Ferrante (FH/SVSM) doing the Devil’s Work all day long here !



While right across the way from them, the “Make ‘n Take” is crewed by the likes of Tom Orsua (FH/SVSM) David and Kris Balderrama (FH/SVSM), Lily Liu (FH/BAD/SVSM) . Still it’s a wonder, how it is they held it *again* in the Cocktail Lounge.

As you can clearly see from Burton’s “candid” shot, this is not necessarily a good atmosphere for some of the crew members.

Maybe with all this going on here, guy simply had had “too much to think” ...

*hmm?*



Obvious from the constant traffic in and out of the alleged Lounge which didn’t serve ANY alcoholic beverages, at all, ever, no matter how obnoxiously rude customers (Burton) interrupted the M & T crew of Woolson’s, that this team was doing something very right!





Then, there's *this*. I mean it, says Burton, see for yourself. It's just awful .

Why, look at all the incredibly well layed out table spaces for the contest and vendor areas. People can actually move around, collect in groups, talk, have fun, look at stuff, *actually relax* in a pretty full turnout of an event. *What is going on here ?!* When Burton was CD in this event hall, it wasn't like this !!



This is the second time this has happened. If this keeps up, why this Woolson guy might get stuck with **EVEN MORE FOLKS SHOWING UP HERE** in years ahead, like the Free Hornets and others. Oh, the humanity!



Yes. And it gets worse !

While many are enjoying excellent competition work on accessible table ways, with items like fabulous & well traveled 1/32 Gotha WW1 Biplane Bomber (it has been to McMinnville OR, Lancaster, CA, that I know for sure). Or this big variety in Collections, with Eastern European Sailplane set against Hot Rod Fords and sarcastic bunch of Free Hornets' Airfix Mustangs !



Why there's even a respectable turnout of "Unfinished" models at the end of that table, beyond imagination I say!

It is almost unconscionable. Here's this Grand Raffle Prize display above the regular prizes, and there's even this A-3 Skywarrior in 1/48 from Trumpeter. Someone said it was donated by one Free Hornet and delivered to show by another Free Hornet. Yea, right.



Plus there's stuff like this. SV Contest Director comes up with this "flimsy theme" of Sun, Sand and Surf, along comes some Southern Cal modeler who goes all creative on that ! Why, this is a perfectly fine Heller Models French Taxi, now it's been converted into a *California Surfer Wagon* !! **STOP IT !**



And all the while this madness is going on, what is this Contest Director doing? YES Burton caught him at it, on far right. He's enjoying himself, how selfish ! How dare he.





CD ought be tearing his hair out now, or manufacturing drama of some such!

Or being more like this Free Hornet, Kent McClure. We know for a fact the Salvadoran Air Force P-51D you see as part of the Hornets Gruppe Build entry, wasn't even yet done, the night before.

Kent, it is said, came through for Club by being the Leader and getting the -51s all registered for the team. It's told that Woolson didn't even make it to meeting on some excuse like needing some sleep



Why is it now, that everyone suggests how Burton might want to consider this old Chevy for his next car? "Grumpy's Toy", what's that even mean, anyways?

Speaking for himself, much rather have a shot at 1/1 version of one of these two, as that's definitely not my Grandpa's Oldsmobile, or his Chevy. Nice automobiles, eh

Finally, he says, there's these two last examples of a Contest Director on Crazy.

Below, this very cool O3U Corsair on a catapult. At end, O3U wins this "Subject of Honor Award" in memorial to someone we've never heard of. A Free Hornet, name of Peter Long, apparently got Mike Woolson (FH/SVSM) to okay for this show. CD then makes Burton lead judge to select the appropriate winner here for SHA, damn!

Last shock. Junior Best of Show goes to a fictional Panther.



Oh, that's it.

THAT IS IT !

I STOOD ALL'S  
I CANZZ ...

AND I CAN'T  
STANDZ  
NO MORE !!



Next time there's an SVC, *I'm going to go, and complain at its success.* Again. – *fini mb*

# *Free Hornet "RED" Proves Better Custodian of Douglas's Test Tube!*



## **“ DOUGLAS D-558-1 SKYSTREAK ”**

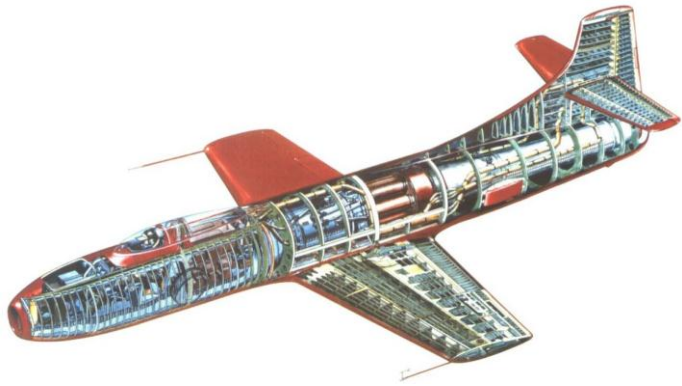
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In the late 1930's, I started building “flying balsa-wood stick models,” including solid clear white pine wooden ones which were then being made by firms like Consolidated and Strombecker. I was subscribing to a few airplane magazines like “FLYING” and “AIR PROGRESS.”

In one such magazine, they listed the D-558 wooden model for sale. They showed a photo of the real “rocket/jet aircraft” in color, including a black & white image. I do not recall the price of the kit, but in those days most kits sold for \$0.25, and as much as \$0.50 each.

I still have copies of front pages of several of my magazines and the price of \$0.25 was printed on the covers. Those were the good old days.





Needless to say, I bought the D-558-1 kit. Then built it, painted it red. That model sat around the house for a few decades with other wooden models.

At one point on time I built an “airport” out in the back yard, then fenced it in so that dogs and wild animals did not “molest” my airport and models.

In passage of time, I had over 50 wooden models in my airport. Where are they today?

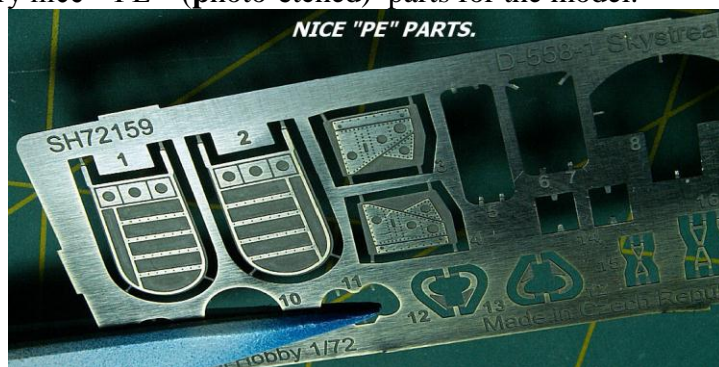
Just gone, to our back yard dump !

### ***“MY SECOND SKYSTREAK ”***

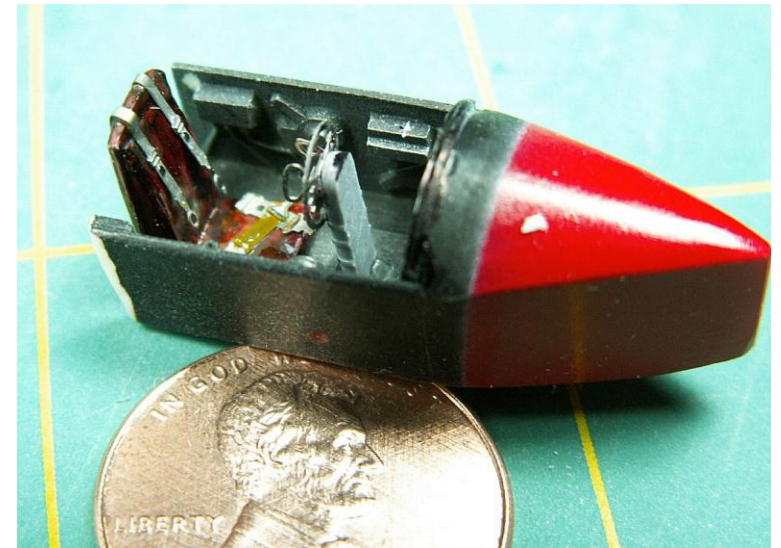
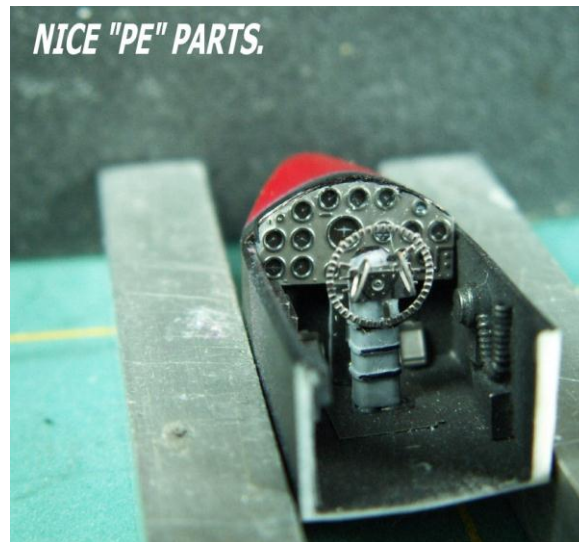
In 2008, "Special Hobbies" came out with the Douglas D-558-1 kit in both 1:72 and 1:48 scales. Due to the high prices, I chose on buying the 72nd scale model kit to build.



Upon opening up the box I discovered that they included some very nice “ PE ” (photo-etched) parts for the model.



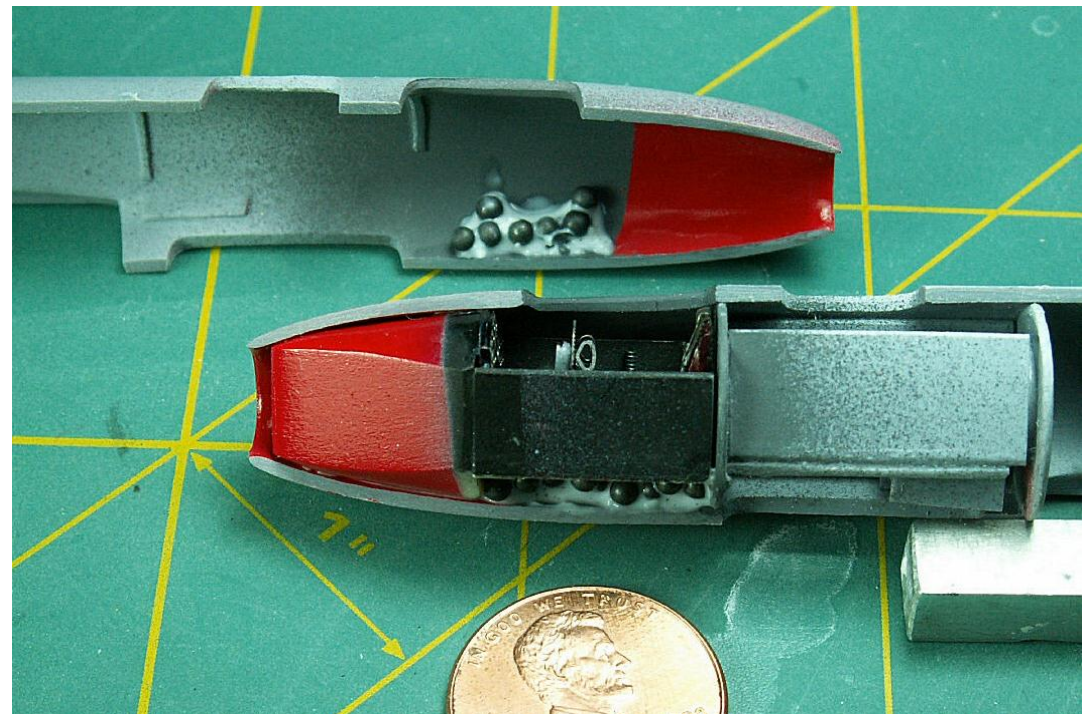
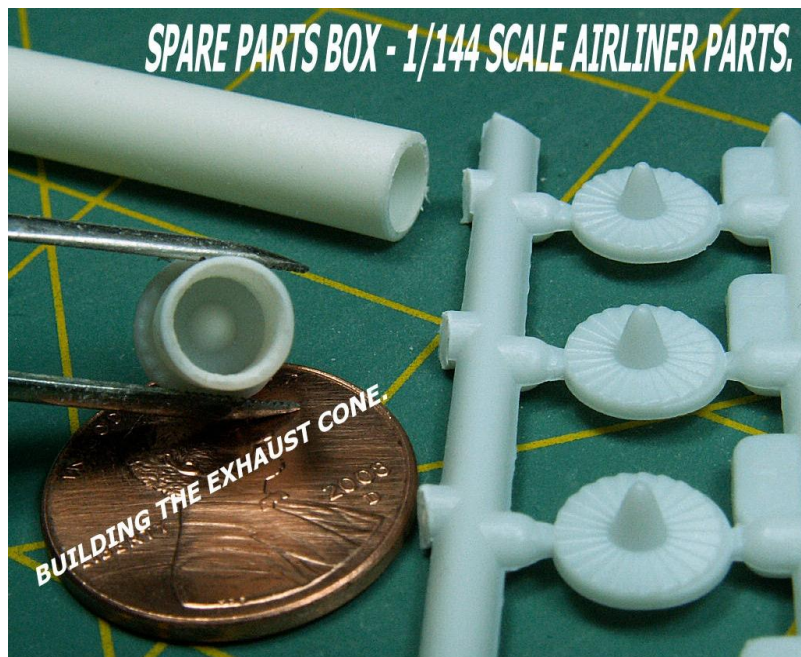
***SPECIAL HOBBY's 1/72 SCALE D558-1 SKYSTREAK.***



The intake on the aircraft had what I call a “V-Type Splitter”, which channeled the air around the enclosed cockpit.

That left me room inside for mounting some weight to hold the plane down on its nose gear, as you can see in my photo on right.

Here, I lucked out.



As I found the right size jet engine “exhaust” fan blades in my “Jet-Spare Parts Box”

So I improvised the kit's exhaust port and installed these parts.



I found a few minor flaws, after I had painted the model with some Tamiya X-7, a high gloss acrylic red paint.





***SPECIAL HOBBY's 1/72 SCALE D558-1 SKYSTREAK.***



I hunted up my black and white print on the D-558-1 in my WW-II Scrapbook so I am enclosing a copy of it.



I found more photos of the real aircraft on the web so here they are. Enjoy,



- Rodney

Questions/comments to [fox17439@gmail.com](mailto:fox17439@gmail.com)



*MORE LOOKS AT RJW's*



*VERMILION RECORD SETTER OF OLD*



***FREE HORNETS SALUTE THE NEWS of THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST's BIGGEST CLUB's LATEST TRIUMPH***



**News straight from the Source, clipped off Hyperscale by the Editor !**

## **IPMS Seattle Spring Show A Huge Hit**

Posted on Plane Talking Forum April 26 2015 at 3:43 PM

Just a quick shout out to all those who took the time to make the trek to our IPMS Seattle Spring Show yesterday, April 25th, at the Renton Community Center.

*It was a record show, with **809 Contest Entries**, and a total **individual model count of 977** (when you factor in Collections and our Display Only section). We gave away 400+ items in our Raffle, and our vendor table total of 69 was the largest yet for us, **including Barracuda Studios** up from California, [Scalefinishes.com](http://Scalefinishes.com) from Utah, MichaelMiniatures from Canada, plus a host of Washington State vendors.*

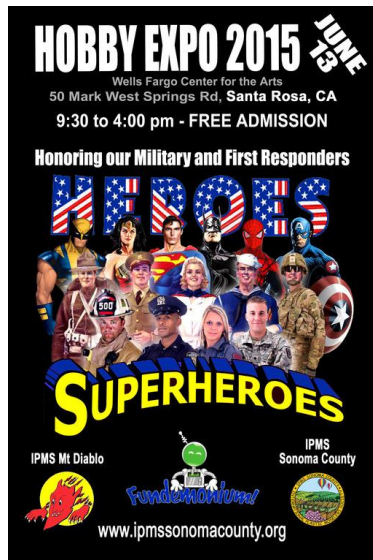
As always, the kids Make N Take was a huge hit with the younger generation of modelers.

Once we sort out the mass of data from the Show, we will be posting photos, videos (hopefully) and award listings on our Website, [www.ipms-seattle.org](http://www.ipms-seattle.org)

Again, thanks to all who attended, and made the show the success it was. A big shout out too for all the volunteers who judged the contest, and ran Registration, the Raffle, the Meet and Greet, and other vital background tasks.

Cheers  
Andrew Birkbeck  
President, IPMS Seattle  
Chairman, IPMS Seattle Spring Show

## MEANWHILE, OUT WEST BUT FURTHER SOUTH, HERE'S WHAT IS COMING UP



IPMS SONOMA COUNTY and IPMS Mt DIABLO

HOST HOBBY EXPO 2015 “Heroes and SuperHeroes”

WELLS FARGO CENTER FOR THE ARTS

SANTA ROSA CA **SATURDAY JUNE 13**

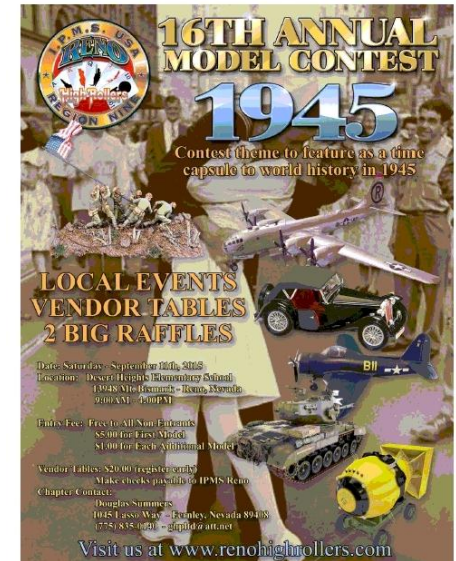
**COMING UP** the day after our September Nest:

**Reno High Rollers Present their # 16 Classic !**

Stead, Nevada **Saturday September 12**

Theme is very topical, it's “1945”

**At the end of that same month, some outfit called Free Hornets are hosting their own contest and show :**



### TRI-CITY CLASSIC 11

Scale Model Contest and Exhibition

**Sunday, September 27 2015**

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!



**“THE GOOD GERMAN”**  
(anything German or directly related)



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

“The Desert Fox” Award for Best Entry befitting the Contest Theme

“Vengeance Is Mine” (three awards for: Best “Marine”, Best V-Weapon, Best “Bulge” (not limited to German either)

“A New Germany” Award for Best Post 1945 German subject

Plus these: “At Dawn’s Early Light”, “Best Straight Wing Jet”, “Mightiest Mercedes”, “Best 1/48 WW2 A/C”

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 and 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 11 Contest” on subject line

## THANK YOU AS WELL, AVG

For announcing recently your decision to go with theme

**“The NIFTY FIFTIES”**

For your Desert Classic 2015

Scheduled for Saturday, November 7 in Lancaster, CA

Their SPECIAL AWARDS will include Best British,  
Best Russian Armor, Best X-Plane, other cool signatures



THE FREE HORNETS PRESIDENT PROMOTES HORNET “ HUN SENSE “ WITH GB 2015 !

*The Gruppe Build for 2015 is “ Any BF (109) as long as it's by AF (Airfix) “*



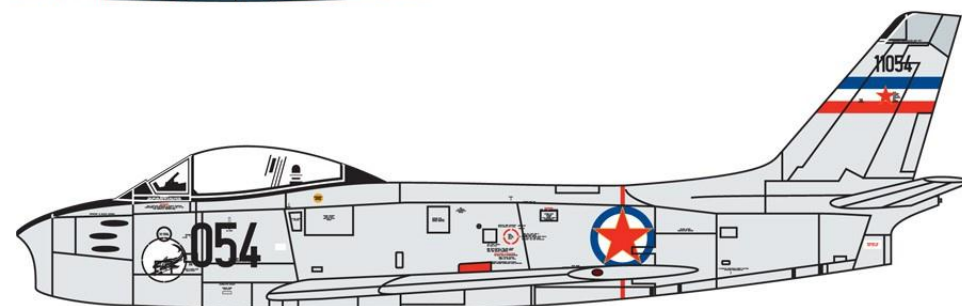
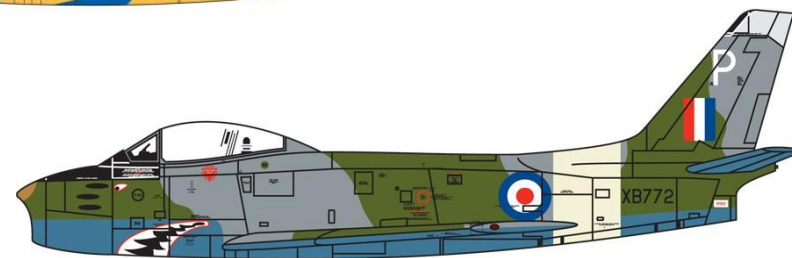
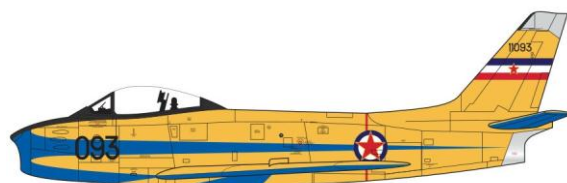
VERY SIMPLE RULES TO FOLLOW !

1. ANY Edition of an AIRFIX Messerschmitt 109 may be used to start with. Some examples of old & new shown here
2. You do NOT NEED TO FINISH IT OUT OF THE BOX, YOU JUST NEED TO FINISH IT (by 9-27-2015, 9AM)
3. Exercise as much or as little “creative, artistic, or of course, SARCASTIC” license in your entry(s) as you feel like
4. You must be a Free Hornet to play (participate)
5. No one is compelled to participate, it's merely another chance for FREE HORNETS to LET OUR FREE FLAG FLY

# GET YOURSELF " **ALL SWEEP UP** " IN THE THEME CLUB CONTEST **FOR 9-11-2015 (FRIDAY) HORNETS NEST**



HERE's HOW !



SO very easy to participate: These **NEW MOLDS** in 1/72 by **AIRFIX** offer extremely good values in terms of time and money to be spent. So **ONLY THOSE** kits **eligible** !

Choose one or more of either MiG-15 or a NA Sabre, and have kit done by meeting night above noted.

No, NO Out Of Box restriction, just go for it with these, a fine number of options. We're celebrating two Swept Wing Jets that directly tied back to German WW2 Tech, as recorded by historians ! **PRIZES AWARDED**, too.

# THE FREE HORNETS PRESIDENT & EDITOR WISHES TO ADVISE ANY READERS NOW:



There's always plenty of pictures a'coming to this home, which include the Monthly Nests (in galleries by Year, now complete dating back as long ago as \*gasp\* 2010 ).

Also the entire TriCity history in pictures ("Contests"), these odd Gruppe Builds & singular members models ("Models") and some of the Editor's favorite shows ("Events & Shows")

You will easily find it fast at [www.fremonthornets.org](http://www.fremonthornets.org) Note: if you check some of the tabs there you'll go to the **Fremont Hornets "Exile Site"** [www.yolasite.fremonthornets.com](http://www.yolasite.fremonthornets.com), which is always being updated by me.

Thusly you may see pictures like this pair, from time to time, to assist in locating missing in action Hornets :



Don't miss out on back issues of " The Buzz ", either ! There's the **Fremont Hornets Annex**;  
Where the back issues are all uploaded as PDFs for your download, or to read there, fun.  
Also there, *ALL the TRI CITY results, 1-10 NOW*  
Go to [www.yolasite.freehornetsannex2.com](http://www.yolasite.freehornetsannex2.com)

Lastly, the Editor's own site, [www.mickbmodeler.com](http://www.mickbmodeler.com), has a way to fill up your time too with unimportant news like this. Or also postings about Club Contests,

rude comments, previews of Upcoming Buzz or even back issues of another club publication ... - fini mickb