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# The BUZZ – of The Fremont Hornets V.1

Issue 32



July 31 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 08-14-15

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

**HEY ! Somewhere inside, the Editor explains somewhat, how this picture of exquisite contentment came to be (last page)**



A LOOK FRONT FROM THE BACK – “ *Hornets vs The Flying Saucers* ” June 2015 Club meeting

“ GRUPPE BUILD 2015: Any BFs by AF “ advertisement to keep everyone aware and incentivized

REVIEW – JUNE 2015 HOBBY EXPO by a Free Hornet (or three) who made the journey

“ THE THRILL OF VICTORY, THE AGONY OF INNOCENT DECEIT ” An example of “ Best of “

*JULY HORNETS NEST REVIEW, PRESIDENT SURVIVES AUCTION for another year*

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

## THE **Latest** BUZZ (as of July 31 2015 evening)

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

**YES!** Now #33 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!



*“ Oh NO, **Don't Discuss It on HS** , This Belongs on Forums IPMS , **On THAT I Call ... BS !** “*

*Having just seen yet another very successful Columbus OHIO IPMS Nationals come to close,* (which I myself missed, though made the one in 1997 as Treasurer/Facility Layout/Table Salesman for the 1998 West locale IPMS Nationals, for my first of two Ohio visits (next was in 2009 )). Became my distinct pleasure to *finally see the true dimensions of an argument I have been having*, take excellent useful form. For four years running, I have been “lurking”, to use a dismissive term employed **by a haughty soul who did not participate**, oddly enough, in ANY of these discussions I am referring to gleefully THIS YEAR. To get intel and insight “**from the modeler man on the street**” as I see it, on Hyperscale “plane talking” forums. During the period just before and week after the IPMS USA Nationals. After a short opening, where discussion reigned that Facebook had overtaken HS PT Forum as “the street” for significant talk on this: Lo, *A HUGE TRUTH and Consequences outbreak occurred*, which to me, vindicated many points I had been “hawking and haranguing”. Now all has “safely devolved” into a pointless 5 thread rant on a lovely Thunderbolt that won BOSS there. But I have now all the REAL DEAL material from “Powers That Be” and their constituency, to rant with purpose. See last page this BUZZ for “**President's** Season One of **IPMS NATS DRAMA THEATRE**”. Deeper soon...

- mick

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### **The Hornets Nest Night Friday August 14 @ Irvington Locale**

### ***PLANNED TO BE***

### **Minimal Business, BUILDFEST, CLUB CONTEST “Silverplate”**

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**Saturday, September 12 2015 – IPMS Reno High Rollers 16<sup>th</sup> Annual**, Mt Bismarck Elementary, Stead, NV

**Sunday, September 27 2015 – Fremont Hornets “ The Good German ”** at Milpitas Community Center, 457 E Calaveras, Milpitas CA

**Friday, October 9 2015 – Fremont Hornets meeting,** “ Why oh Why Did We Have Contest? ” Irvington Community Center, Fremont CA

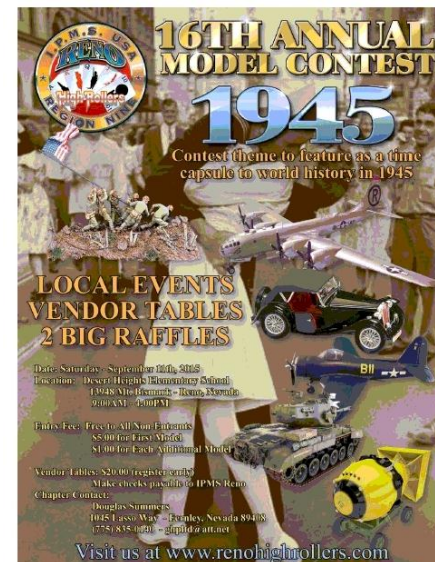
DON'T MISS OUT ! THE **MORNING AFTER OUR SEPTEMBER NEST**, HERE'S WHAT'S COMING

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

Stead, Nevada **Saturday September 12**

Theme is very topical, it's " **Home in 1945** "

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



*which will include this NEW Special Award !*



## 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



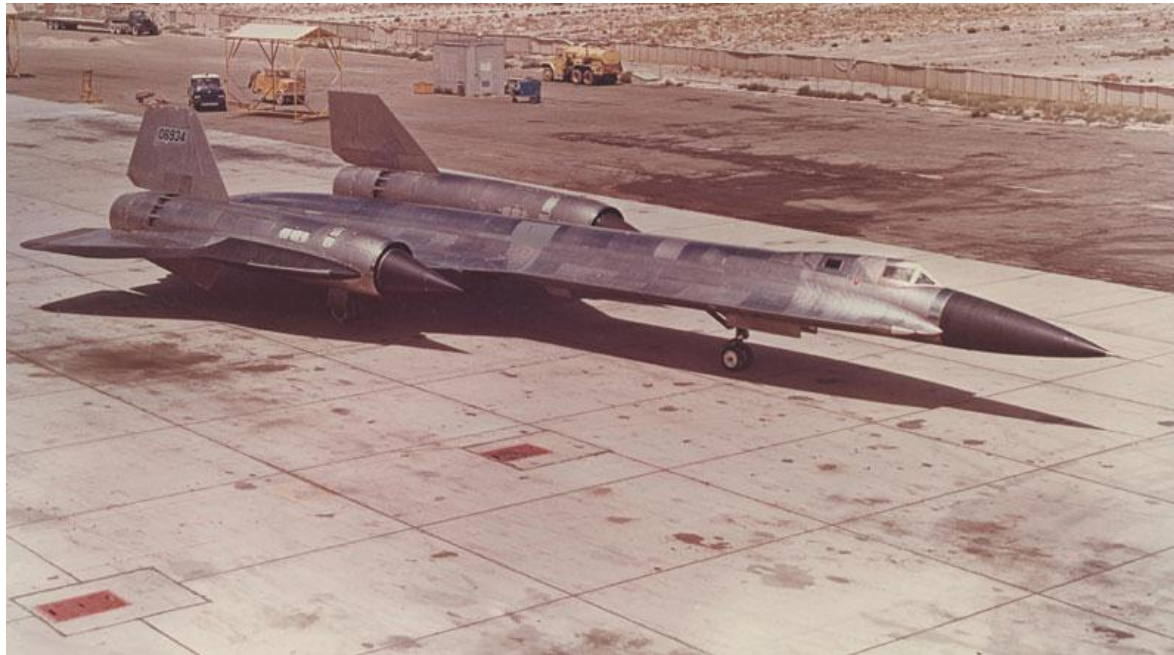


2015 AUGUST HORNETS NEST has a CLUB CONTEST to GO FOR !

## OPERATION "SILVERPLATE"

*Real Basic, Real Easy Rules for Entry*

"Operation Silverplate" vehicles and equipment all eligible, directly. Also, ANY Natural Metal Finish vehicle, of any period. (Not limited to aircraft, not limited to late WW2. Jets are very okay, Autos are welcome ! Like say, the DeLorean, stripped paint autos, polished or brushed finish body racers or street cars, chromed custom) Figures aren't excluded, think on Rolling Stones line "(I'll be your) Knight in shining armor", for one idea.



Looking to promote the fun side of this, consider any and all "silver/aluminum" *painted* finish subjects also eligible.

So plenty of auto, aircraft, spacecraft, etc can play in here

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MEETING



Suggestions shown here are all eligible, so don't think this is a "dull" contest by any stretch



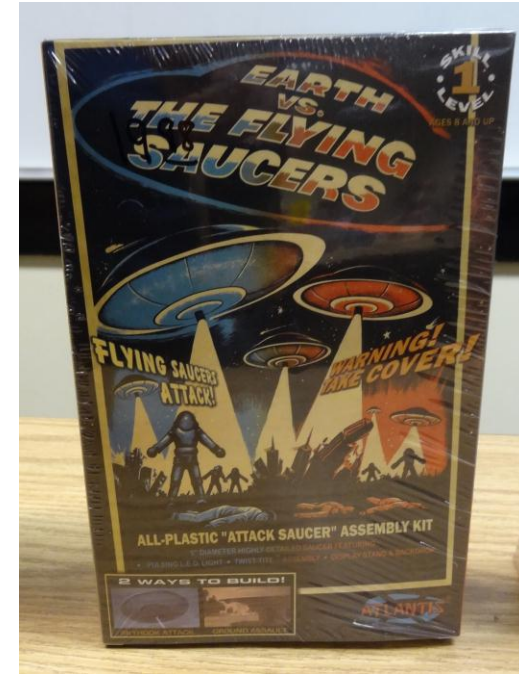
## Free Hornets **JUNE SWOON** Nest (an overlook from The Front )



*“ When  
Saucers  
Attack ”*

*Even though  
2015 Hobby  
Expo loomed  
on horizon as  
did 3 Saucers  
on the right ,  
the Free Hornet  
Membership had  
no worries here.*

*President Burton  
stood forth with a  
proud reminder  
to prompt as many as could find it possible to do so, a  
trip to relocated Hobby Expo would be worthwhile. A*



*pair of new to our crew folks (seen in front here, examining Model Talk table) would in fact be seen and met by President, the very next day at the aforementioned event ! While*



*protecting this fine offering of Raffle Prizes. “shadow Veep”  
Jim Priete patiently awaits the Burton deciding to start meet.*





While the meeting populace for this month was smaller, in all likelihood due to Hobby Expo 2015 coming up few hours ahead on next day June 13, we had a model turnout !

Thanks now for the showing, talking, to 3 Intrepid Hornets here. Three from Gabriel Lee, three from Cliff Kranz and last but not least by far, one from Mark Schynert.



Mark had just finished this latest of Airfix new mold models he's been enjoying.



Gabriel's threesome included some Deep Space Ties, while Cliff's trio, was positively Teutonic in tone.

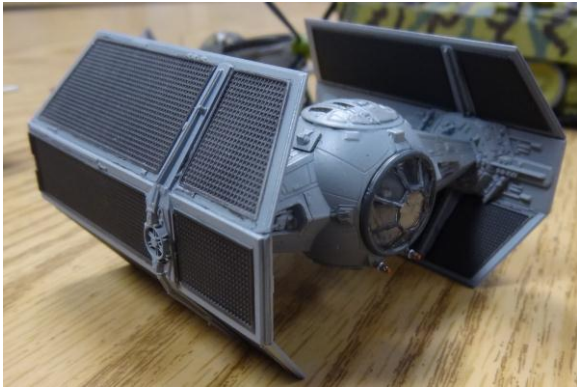
While likely mere chance not proximity, Mark's Airfix aura has

echo here on Patrick Hsieh model work.

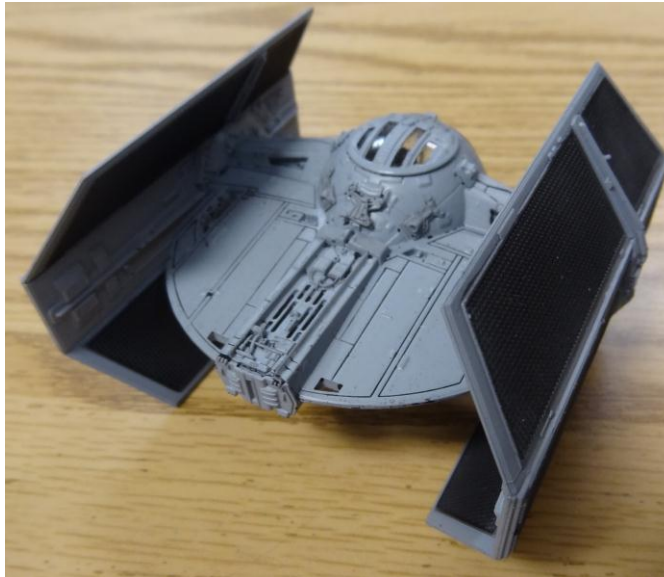


Kelly isn't telling, nor is Mark, as for their current Works In the Progress.





Gabriel Lee has done superbly with his recent render in 1/72 scale of the TIE fighter, from Fine Molds kit.



Gabriel had finished this latest Latin American F-51 contribution for the next day's entry of the Fremont Hornets Gruppe Build 2014. "Airfix Mustangs" into "Collections" at Hobby Expo 2015. This effort made as the last permissible use of this club build. Thanks!



The "striped tiger" is in a Salvadoran AF service schema that gives the "FAS" (Fuerza Aerea Salvador) meaning.

Joining in the Gruppe, Gabriel brought out the earlier of his recent builds for it, the Guatemalan AF here, which a more boorish viewer might make sport of in the marking.

The Gruppe Build of 2014 definitely is a notable GOLD Milestone in the Free Hornets club history. Thanks Gabe



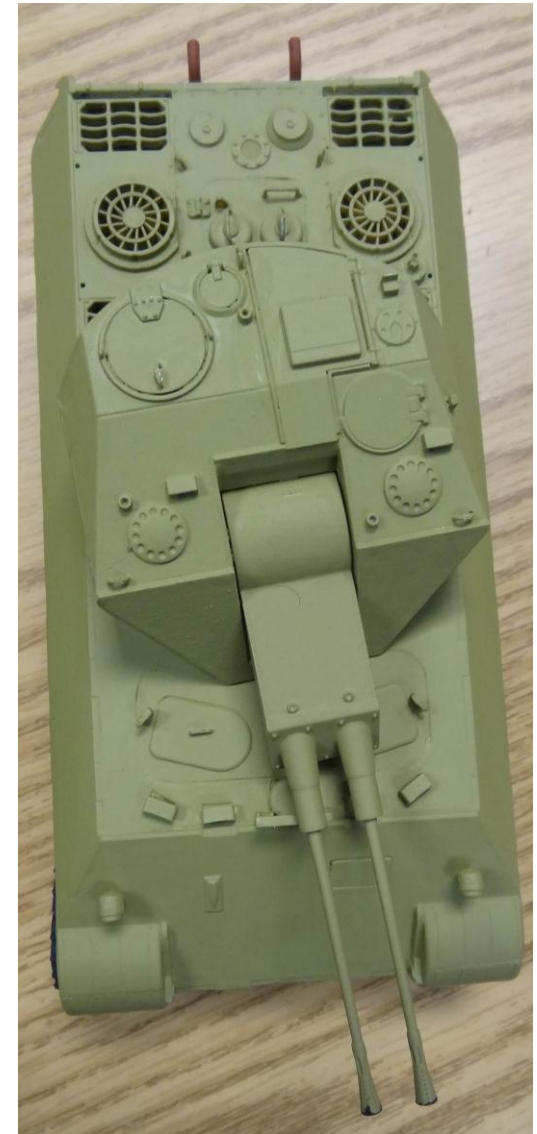




Bergepanther Hypothesis, ala' Cliff "Trucker" Kranz. There's plenty of evidence that Cliff's an engine of production with Fruimodellismo metal tracks, here's one reason why ! 1/35 scale, hand painted, all of course.

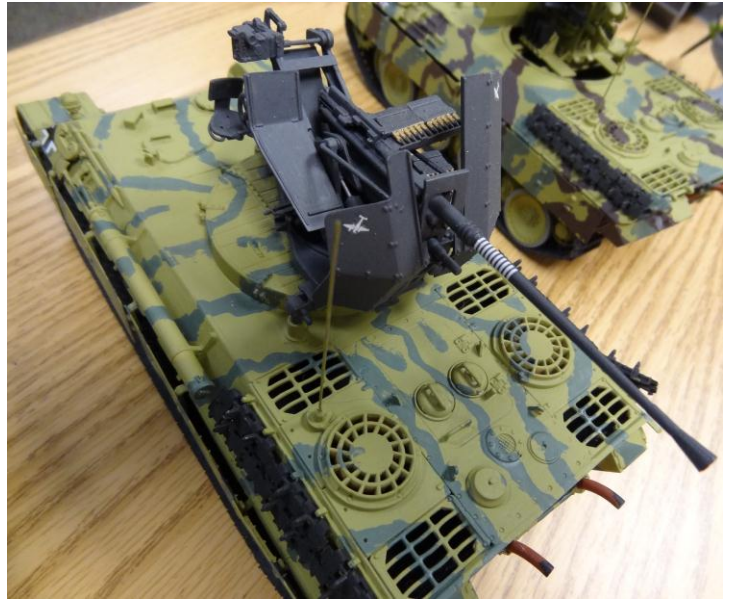
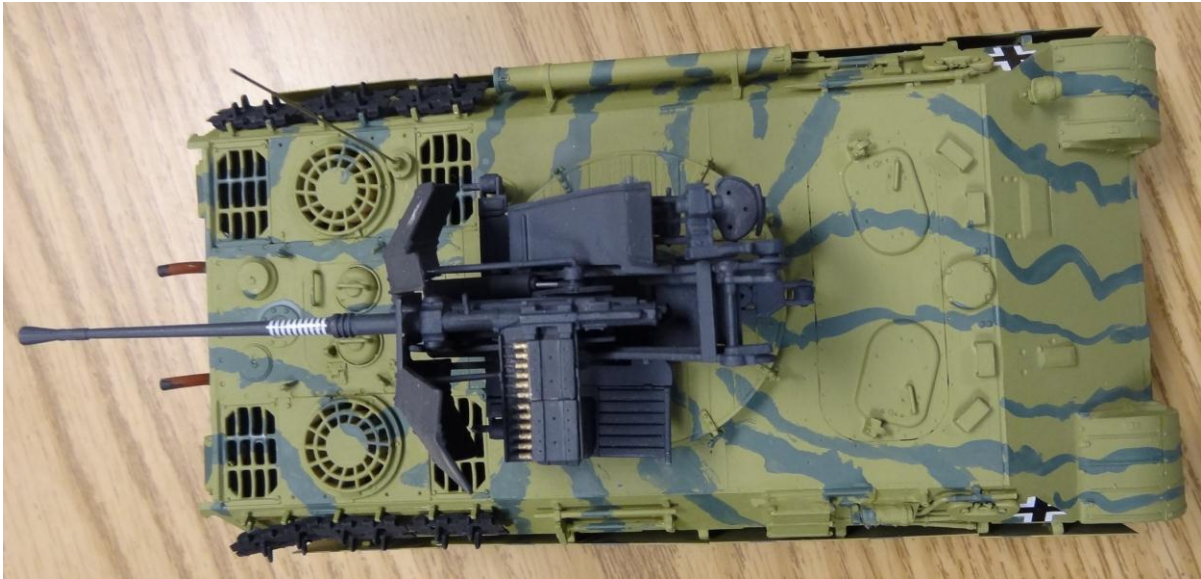


Next in his lineup of "Possible Pantherdom", was his twin 50mm gun turret on Panther hull. Overall Dunkleleib (German Dark Yellow) coat

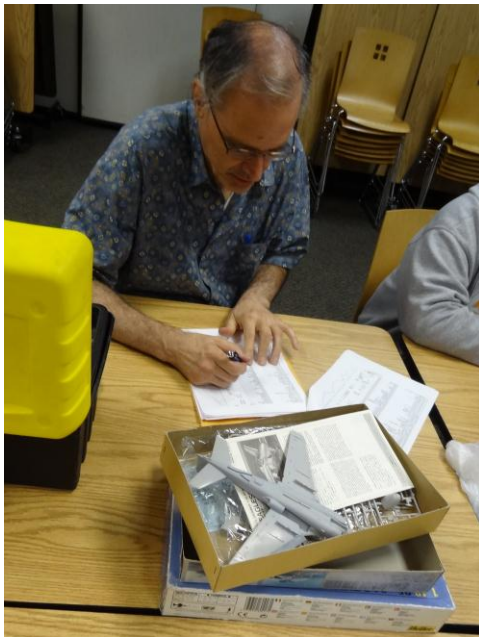


Thirdly, Cliff had this sweet 37mm AA gun on a Panther. Four photos, a Gallery unto itself. Yes, I liked it.









Cliff makin' tracks while solving world ills with Tim W. Gabriel working up a Latin American Corsair, Frank B.'s taking a break from his A-6 Intruder to do a little shopping.



Steve Ng keeps an eye on Brian with a "Sweet" Claude, as Kent "scopes out" a new Anime lass.

As you will see, June's complement of modelers truly compliment the art of model building, in all manner and variety.



One more quick look over Kent M's table, he's got figures, SpaceCraft, Russian Armor all in progress. Gabriel Lee's sticking to his Corsair story.



Parked by their very full outfit, new Free Hornet Jon Ehlen and son are hard at it. AFV Aplenty, the major theme you'll soon see.

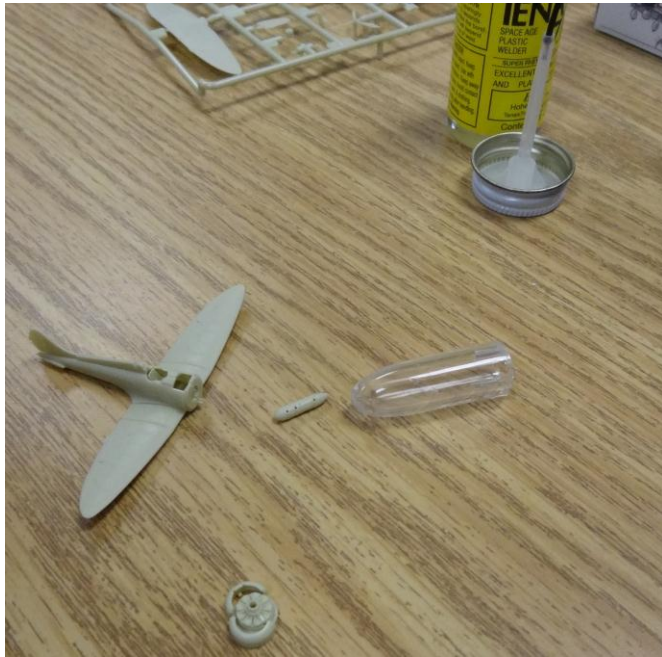
Jon determined he'd like to try us for a fit as an IPMS Chapter, to re-introduce modelling as one hobby to share with his sons.

Jon came prepared for buildfest and the two of them "engaged", for a decent interval. Father and

son left before meeting end, as it turned out so they'd be early arrivers at Hobby Expo in morn.







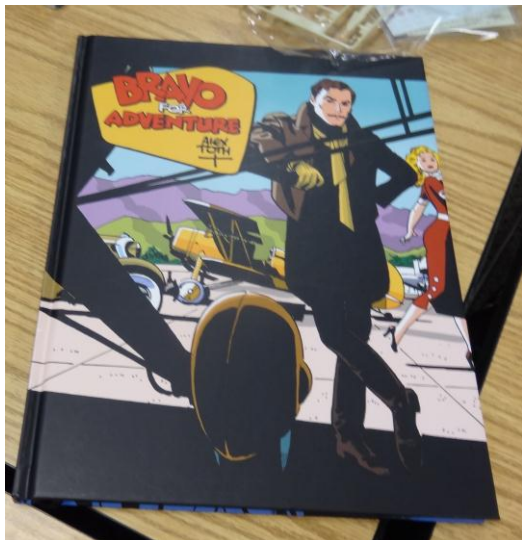
Brian's project in hand here speaks well for itself, reminds me of my favorite capsule description for the Air Museum I do cent at



This 1/144 scale kit of Japan Early WW2 (China) Action, a "Claude" in Allied parlance, is "Small but Mighty, as opposed to mighty small".

Sweet is the brand name of kit and it aptly describes product.

I look forward to seeing how The Whale (A-3 Skywarrior) fares, when Brian sees fit to be crafting it. Definitely be some contender for another club's "in house" theme contest come next February... since it's one of Heinemann's Heroes !



Steven Ng shared another of his superb finds in the graphic arts, "Bravo for Adventure" by Alex Toth, in lovely Hardbound edition no less.



The Raffle Prizes for June 2015 were quite a blend, thanks to Louis Orselli working with Al G of Hobbies Unlimited, wizards both of them. On the Start of this article, you saw the "Earth vs The Flying Saucers" kit part of trio. Here's the T-Rex and AH-1Z companions. All excellent and NEW, as always you can see as well, excellent trade-in values for the winners who don't love them as much. That pretty much wraps up the June Meet ...

***But wait, there's more !***





## OUR BIG FREE HORNET SURPRISE OF JUNE !

*Congratulations to  
Model of the Month winner,  
Mark Schynert*

Going home early, Mark didn't know he'd been awarded this for

his new mold adventure of Airfix 1/72 Hurricane, out of the box! Nice job to be sure. *Mickb-fini*



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*”



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



## ***JUNE HOBBY EXPO 2015 PROVIDES MANY SURPRISES AND SUPERHERO FUN***

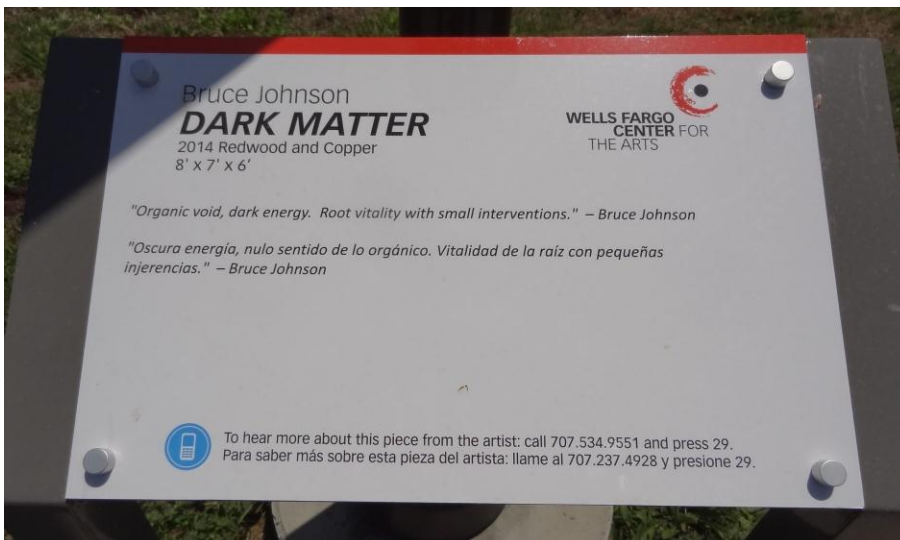


***No, not some trick or weird segue here.*** Just my look forth, as we three Hornets (Alaska Jim, Racer Mike & Editor Mickb) return from lunch to the Wells Fargo Center for the Arts, rejoin “in progress” the Hobby Expo 2015. The big roof in distance...

IPMS Sonoma County & IPMS Mt Diablo clubs host this big show, and this year they had moved the event date into June, as opposed to Jan/Feb period of years past. The locale moved up the highway too, from Petaluma Community Center right off the 101, to WFCFA, right off the 101. Only in Santa Rosa, now.

Theme this year, “Heroes and SuperHeroes”, and a salute for all the military services/folk alongside recognizing heroic day to day work of Police, Fire and Rescue “civilians”. Excellent in also being timed to fit with the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE/VJ Day, the end of World War Two, and all that real life heroism.

There were exhibits aplenty throughout grounds, inside and out, static and very dynamic, on theme. Their goal to have new and returning exhibits, exhibitors with more breathing room for them as well as the customers, struck me as well met. Also fine response from new & old customers in attendance, enthusiasm for the show, in my humble estimate. Hearty congratulations to the event hosts, I know too well what risk in having to make locale and date moves are for this sort of model event is like, from the inside as well as customer standpoint. Heroic effort, rewards.

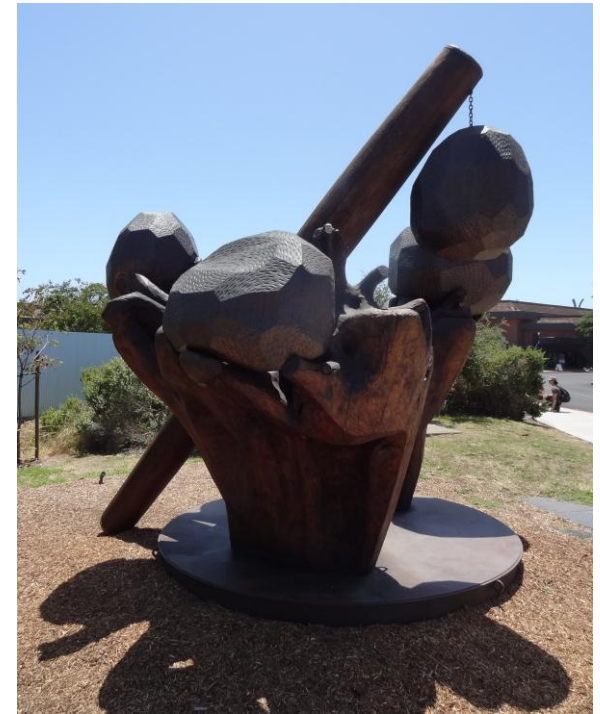


While I had no idea what to expect, I'd heard plenty of good reviews from those who had been to the WFCFA. I was happy to capture shots to record my first time, and also note important items like here, a sign warning of “Dark Matter” ahead. On note with these qualities: Organic void, dark energy. Root vitality with small interventions”. Clearly, NONE of this of any consequence to Alaska Jim, who has passed it by determined to return to Expo

Could be there's another kit lying in wait that he suspects I'll find ahead of him... Or, he'd like to get out of the blazing sun



Perhaps he could have taken a cue from Racer Mike, seen here giving his take on the “statement” made with this “militant” art, none but the brave even set themselves “into the piece” is how I took it. Thanks Mike, that shot’s a keeper ! Speaking of “militant art”, what does this piece on the right say to you?  
*Perhaps I’d better run on ahead, as the Center is clearly in the arc of fire and that hand looks ready...*



*You're right again, Mike, what the hell ?*

*The wood motif doesn't end outside, either.* This shot on the right is looking to Entrance of WFCA from end of the first hallway. The walls have some heavy duty “wood art” on them as you can see in contrast to the white painted blocks.

Those are not the “registration desk folks” up there, they are vendors. One of the other vendors, nearer in view, had this gaggle of sealed brown grocery bag with notation “ten dollars each, mystery but worth it grab bag of toys, etc”. No





idea what was in them still, as I didn't have ten to spare, but I overheard him telling others he has had great success with this at shows like ours. Fine.



The Hobby Expo is just that, a splendidly diverse range of hobby interests, some scale, some not so much.

Scale Model Railroading, of course, here amply promoted by Coastal Valley Lines, with a large active display center staged at one of the “spoke atriums” of the Wells Fargo Center for the Arts. But in the same area, you can see the banner for “The SciFi Air Show” which is going on outside that door, the 501<sup>st</sup> Legion (which I believe is a Gamer’s niche of some sort), several tables that look suspiciously like scale model kit vending types. What you don’t see ? Overcrowded spaces!



*AHA! Didn't I call it earlier? Here's Jim, hard at shopping.*



Redwood Empire Model Shipwrights had a fine bit of ship modeling variety, at another table I saw one modeler doing large hull plank on frame with such fervor, thought he was at it to enter “Unfinished”.

Like I said, just sampling of shots to demonstrate, a lot more spread out, with room to breathe, manage to move or window shop, at this new venue. Walk on more, ways to go yet.

By the by, when you reach this atrium with “Fundemonium” sign, *YOU’VE ARRIVED* at our destination.

Behind girl in green, model registry table.

Everywhere else out from this center, will be models on display, models in competition or models for sale.

There's a lot of pics of this show's model array [ONLINE](#), so I'll just go here with few specifics for my own specific purposes.







One of my favorites at this show, in the category of "models for sale"  
***Paul Fisher's Model & Pattern.***

He had this Italian Air Racer here being reached for, which sold out at midday, and it was over \$ 200 !  
*It's an incredible model and deal.*

His Constellation "improvements" and mods to make other types, are already legend to me thanks to my circle of folks who know, told me or bought sets with glee there that day in front of me... which again, I wish I'd funds to play that day of wanting to get both, then some.

C'est la vie, not so to be. Enjoyed.



*Two lively tables in some of my favorite areas, Collections and Dioramas. Gives an idea of the very active competition that Hobby Expo again entailed which was a joy!*







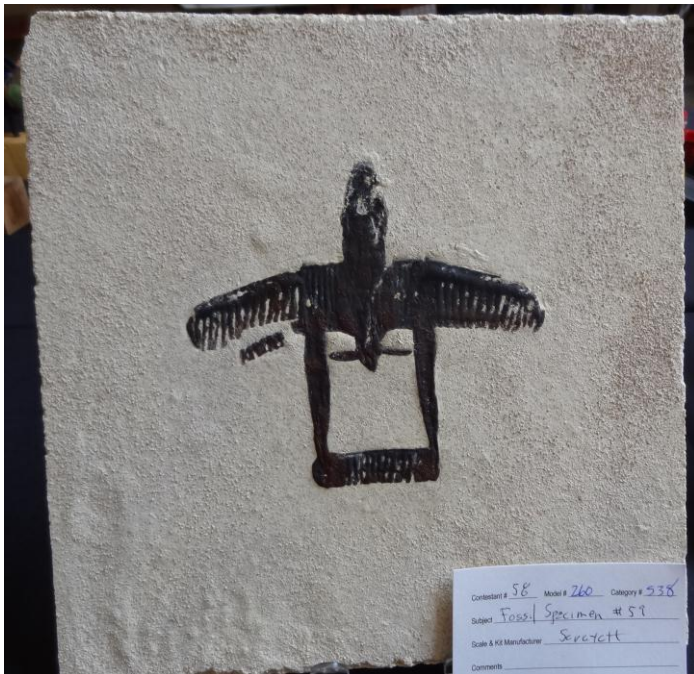
However, in the end, those who truly “get” why events, why contests, why Nationals, why any of this... the folks who actually do manage to enjoy themselves and be the ones you want to share a beer or a sandwich or moment of “hey how about that new kit with the fit so sweet...” they are those who make this “thing of ours” a meet of old friend making new. Seriously.

Certainly an element of competitive dynamics comes into it, it’s a human enterprise, after all. But the ones who make the end all be all, all that, are the ones who get bitter and gripe in predictable manners, perennially. Haven’t seen one beat that yet, and doubt ever will or have someone prove other.

Meanwhile, friends like Dai on the left, Vlad on the right, a reminder for two, how to absolutely crush your opponents on the table while having real lives to share with yours, later.

Not spending incredible hours on “social media” arguing on

the validity of others take on which angels and how many should dance on head of an “accurate” pin. Bah!



Although I am utterly confident that Somewhere, on HyperImbecile or FaceItMoron or Twister, even now a pair of “experten” are absolutely ripping into the “merit” or “is this even allowable to be called model” for say, Daisuke’s brilliant fusion of Paleontology & Plastic Modelling.

Or why somehow the shade of olive on this Merlin is simply “utterly not Scale and the builder banned from any consideration, certainly” while bemoaning “the lack of new model folks in our hobby which is dying”

It’s never been healthier, just some know to avoid Plague Germs with a



pair of legs and petty dictatorship attitude is all. Every year I find anew, a few fine modelers who will politely but firmly defer any moves to have any possible membership or even simple loose drop in now and then association, with anything with the letters that IMP'S can rearrange to suit... a loss.





Then we come across a real steel deal like John Carr here, of long time membership in SVSM. A superb modeler, great supporter of positive club efforts, no slouch when hard work is called for, and in a great compliment to the sense of the Hobby Expo staff, the “guest” Head Judge this year.

I was honored to be asked not so many years ago, to be in this post for an Expo, and know the fun John was having here, so glad I could capture a candid shot in mid event. John, Semper Fi indeed.



Okay, wrapping up this portion of my HEXPO 2015 coverage, I close with a salute to the Faithful and True Free Hornets who made this 2014 Gruppe Build one of our record best.

That's our last foray (unless miracles occur and a brand new event/club shows up in R-9) for this “collection” as an entry in competition. You may in the coming months, see these in single fashion (allowed and encouraged under the rules of local and Nats IPMS) if the builders want to, but this was last show we could put them in otherwise. As it turned out,

the Yellow Hoover #1 of Chris Bucholtz won an award that day, via Gabriel Lee who had entered the group under his dime, and we had to get him to accept award, then we explained it, then he cheerfully handed it to Chris B. Amusing me. So thank you HEXPO 2015 Hosts, and all of you who went

-mickb fini



# Free Hornet Editor Marketing of How BOS is Picked Here

“ A SPLENDID EXAMPLE TO ILLUSTRATE FUN & AGONY  
of REAL LIFE JUDGING at a BIG MODEL CONTEST”

Text & Photos by: Mick Burton



*As a general rule, if I arrive at an event early enough, rested enough and calm enough,* my preferred practice is to try and offer my service to add to the pool of volunteers if they will have me. Generally meaning I'll be a Judge, Head Judge, Special Needs Judge, or the Ticket taker, Traffic Director or what have you. Because quite often enough, my own days at helm of a show, I'll be needing to ask for the same back from folks, can't ask if I won't do. I was even honored once to be the "Guest Head Judge" here, and I have been in trench more than a few before and after at this event. This year, I'd been feeling "less able" so not putting myself forth or politely declining when asked. But near the end of Judging, I was called upon and did join an existing team trying to rope in the beast better known as Best of Show, Senior. This is a brief illustration of that for a general knowledge increase and to get across that more should be part of this and understand better what it entails. If you see any of my recent editorial or rants of last 18 months, you'll know what I am shooting for.



Like a majority of IPMS clubs, the "Bests" are basically awarded from the First Placers in the Requisite Categories. While I do contend that

At a local or even Regional level, this can sometimes be a misleading or skewed assessment due to basics of math for the Sub Sets of Best Aircraft, Armor, Auto, Sci Fi, Dio and Figures (to name the common generic) this is NOT my critique of the BOSS at all the levels, as you will see the Math and Art both hold up well.



The BOSS (Best Of Show Senior, OK?) here will be selected from the BESTs and the Firsts of all the Judged Categories, and my photos here are of the majority of the examined contenders. I won't claim all were pictured here, as I was working and shooting the shots as time allowed, and besides, we were on a tight schedule and had to split off to re-view items so I didn't keep tight track (I wasn't the Head Guy, so I wouldn't have nor had to)



Keep in mind also, as you look, that our free form discussions of factors and feelings, prelim idea what was staying and going off the shrinking list to get the final five, won't be included.

Practical reasons include I can't record all this when I had not planned to in first place, it is lot of material you need context to even fathom the shorthand, and unless you Judge, I don't want to give away what we hard earn.

Become a Judge, learn with us !





Nay, have yourself a look at what we had to put forth a common context to judge fairly and quickly, and see how well you think you'd do in winnow



And to help you, keep in mind the Red/White/Blue AMC was the last one to come into play when we were already down to final five. Coulda been...





In the FINAL analysis, the final vote was for three contenders and on the right, winner Milt Poulos who took a Best Aircraft and BOSS Awards for the helo of his, below !

His Kiowa was just brilliant hard work and artistic achievement, and deservedly took a Unanimous Judgement for the final answer.

The agony for me ? Having again to keep my trap shut and my lack of poker face for the time ahead when I was near Milt, a fine model friend, as the Awards were given out and of course, speculation amongst us as everywhere in room, WHO and WHAT will win in BOSS?



Since I hadn't planned to be in the pool this time, and as it worked out, I was the only one who had been part of The BOSS Judge Team in my group watching/waiting, it again reminded me why sometimes tisn't so much fun to know ahead.

But I was pleased to have been part of it and happy that I was even asked.

Also gave me this real time up to now example to try out an idea for fleshing out Judging topics... Math vs Art.

Also WHY YOU ALL SHOULD BE JUDGES FOR A FEW ROUNDS IN YEARS AHEAD.

YOU meaning those of you who never or rarely do, so it falls on too few to hear the whines of the many.

When it clearly need not be and we all benefit in so many ways not so obvious until you "JOIN UP and ENGAGE". - *Mick fini for now*



# JULY AUCTION ! A BUZZ Scoop

*First things 1st ! Picture here was taken shortly before the Editor (And President for now, and Treasurer Stand in) brought auction to order.*



*The 20 minutes earlier shot had nearly as same look of population for the humans in chairs, with about HALF the models on table, yikes !*

Given Prez's particular brand of paranoia, the "smaller inventory" of course had him darkly forecasting a short meeting and his shorter temper, come TriCity Eleven Classic

Of course, actual likelihood, what prompted his dour remarks? Prospect of having now to conduct this "paper for plastic" affair nearly by himself, after long work week with no breaks night or day. Luckily, Jim Priete by the by showed up, he had kit donations. Plus more important, big donation of his time to finish getting the "numbers list" underway

so Burton could collect the night's door fee and get the Auction started. Thanks to Ray Lloyd, he was not the only Hawker. When RC Chris Bucholtz

arrived, he asked Burton if he could help in any way. Thus, he became the instant replacement for him hawking wares.

Burton would record that henceforth, things ran nicely with out him, save for the occasional winning bid. Shockingly, *No Gambling* was found to be going on here, but Treasurer



and TC-11 Director happily noted we raised 642 USG \$ this time. 200 more than last year. ☺  
My apologies to those who expect I should round up the usual suspects afterwards... *mick fini*

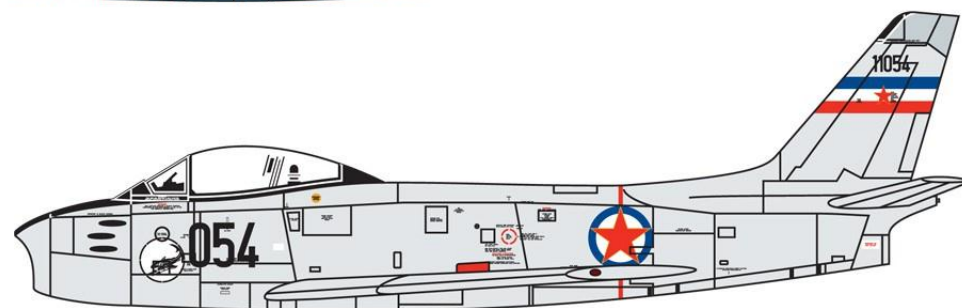
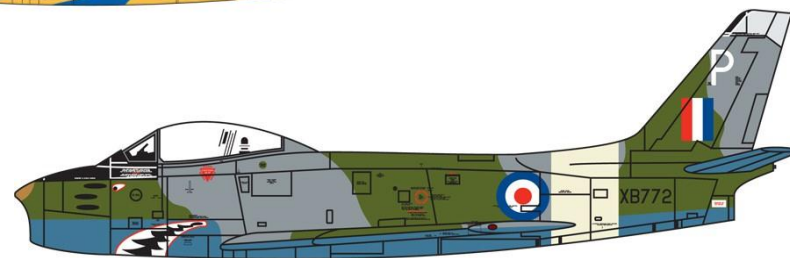
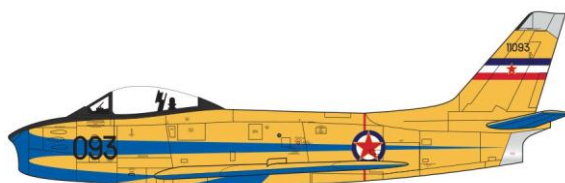




# GET YOURSELF " **ALL SWEEPED UP** " IN THE THEME CLUB CONTEST **FOR 9-11-2015 (FRIDAY) HORNETS NEST**



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.





**NEW AWARD**

**TRI-CITY CLASSIC XI**

Scale Model Contest and Exhibition

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

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

The best way to convey the spirit of this award and provide fuller context of the man being honored, is to put forth a brief from one who knew him.

So. Pleased to present this, from Mr Lester A. Tockerman of IPMS-MB

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

John moved to the Peninsula from L.A. in the mid to late 70'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.*





# FREE HORNETS PRESIDENT & EDITOR PRESENTS “ IPMS NATS DRAMA THEATRE “

*SEASON ONE – FINALLY THE REAL TRUTH IS SPOKEN DIRECT TO MASSES FROM IPMS HQ (thank GODS)*

*If you haven't read any of my editorials or heard me rant, you're lucky. What you're about to see and read is a VERY WELCOME SIGN OF HEALTHY AIR BEING PUT FORTH ON HYPERSCALE for the Benefit of ALL in/of IPMS USA. This was a response from the current VP in answer to this direct inquiry, and so appreciated that here on “the street” finally is the direct unvarnished and very useful TRUTH CURRENT about IPMS USA Nats Generation, with transparency and a clear responsibility assignment for all to digest. No old obsolete, repeat or tired rumors/misinformation, blessed REALITY*

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## IPMS Nationals bidding process?

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How is the location city selected? Is it really a "bid" process where a local chapter offers a dollar amount to the national organization and the highest one wins or is it some other process? How does a chapter win/lose?

A pipe gives a wise man time to think,  
and a fool something to stick in his mouth.

Author

**Dave Morrisette**

**This is the process**

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Here's the procrds. In the fall, letters go out to all 225 chapters inviting them to bid with a lot of information. Then its up to the chapters. Bids usually come in mid spring and questions/clarifications get done. The bids are presented at the Nationals. The E-board then compares all apects- location, costs such as entry fees, parking and hotel costs, space, etc.

Picking one is always tough. Two great bids this year. Omaha was the winner

Dave M  
IPMS/USA