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The BUZZ – of The Fremont Hornets V.1

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Somehow managing to wing it for now over **46** years...

Welcome

IN THIS ISSUE – You will find:
(basically in the listed order, tho a stream of consciousness device)

LATEST BUZZ (*Issue's Editorial, bearing no relation to the picture on the right*)

CATCHUP with our first meet of 2023, **UPCOMING YEAR EVENTS**

You May Call This BUZZ The "EDIT"

ALL INSIDE THIS

CERTIFIABLY ANCIENT PRODUCTION

(well, maybe just the Editor)

Reminder : <http://fremonthornets.yolasite.com/> Just three little pages.
Not a lot to dig through , + **Events Calendar web page 3**, ALWAYS



THE **Latest** BUZZ (as of March 09 2023 0159 PM)

(a Short Take On Present Buzz) by Mick Burton, Buzz Editor

YES! Now # 103 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!

“ It's Even More Fun When You Actually Get To Be There In Person ”



NorthWest Scale Model Show

Saturday and Sunday, February 18 and 19, 10am to 5pm
Great Gallery

Displays and Seminars



The largest model show in the Northwest!

See backside for seminar schedule.

Being aware for quite a spell that this event occurs and by the dint of whom in many cases, I am pleased to opine that I finally made myself get to this show this February. Timing is everything

While I have been a fan and proponent of the essentials of what this type of show is for many many years, this moment in time it poignantly sealed the deal for me wanting to see another in mix

Part of why is contained in the schedule for the second day that I missed. In person I took a couple pictures for an upcoming bit that ties straight to the same point. Two more of the sort of folks who dream this, work this see to it happening, are now gone.

But thanks to the likes of Steve T, Terry M, and the community they were part of, the show goes on, grows and they even were there in spirit as well in model form. Thank You, NorthWest Scalers... -mb

Seminar Schedule for Saturday, Feb 18:

- 11:00 AM - Gundam 101 - An Introduction to the World of Gundam (Location: Fluke Theater)
- 12:00 PM - Tarps (Location: Under the Blackbird)
- 1:00 PM - Diorama Basics: Intro to Groundwork (Location: Murdock Theater (Fluke Theater))
- 2:30 PM - Using Oil Paints on Your Models (Location: Under the Blackbird)
- 4:00 PM - Canopies (Location: Under the Blackbird)

Seminar Schedule for Sunday, Feb 18 (all located in Fluke Theater):

- 11:00 AM - 3D Printing
- 12:00 PM - Airbrushing
- 1:00 PM - Home Photoetching
- 2:00 PM - Make Your Own Decals & Stencils
- 2:30 PM - Aviation Trivia
- 3:00 PM - Steven Tontoni Award

THIS UPCOMING EVENT that would be a shame to miss – FIRST OF THE YEAR FUN !

IPMS SEATTLE PRESENTS

Spring Show 2023



Scale Model Contest and Exhibition
SATURDAY, APRIL 29TH
DOORS OPEN AT 9 AM
Contest Entries Close at 12 Noon
Awards at 3:30PM

- Model Contest with 75 Different Award Categories!
- EXPANDED PARKING
- Huge raffle!
- Vendor tables!
- Every junior entry wins an award!

Adult Entries: \$20 (unlimited) • Junior Entries: \$5 (unlimited) • Spectators: \$5







**MAKE N TAKE
FOR THE KIDS**

**HUGE RAFFLE
DRAWING ALL DAY!**

Categories, model registration forms available online at: <http://www.ipms-seattle.org/Springshow>

Renton Community Center
1715 Maple Valley Hwy, Renton, WA 98057
15,000 SQ. FT. OF MODELS!

From I-405, take exit #4, Renton-Enumclaw exit. At Maple Valley Hwy, drive east to the second light and turn right into RCC.



For additional information contact:
Rick Taylor at
show-coord@ipms-seattle.org
Designed by KaylorMade Design • www.kaylormade.com

EVENT WILL BE CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL LOCAL AND STATE HEALTH DEPARTMENT REGULATIONS FOR COVID-19

*NOW FIRST OF THE YEAR 2023 NEST, Our FIFTH Success meeting at Al's Shop
The Free Hornets gathering at Hobbies Unlimited for JANUARY 2023 saw Visitors from afar, New Members, a fun meeting*





Came to this meeting with solid sense of it being a Great New Year but it was nice to find my just in time arrival presaged by Treasurer/2nd VP **Dave Parks** has already gotten quite a crowd inside including two welcome long distance guests !



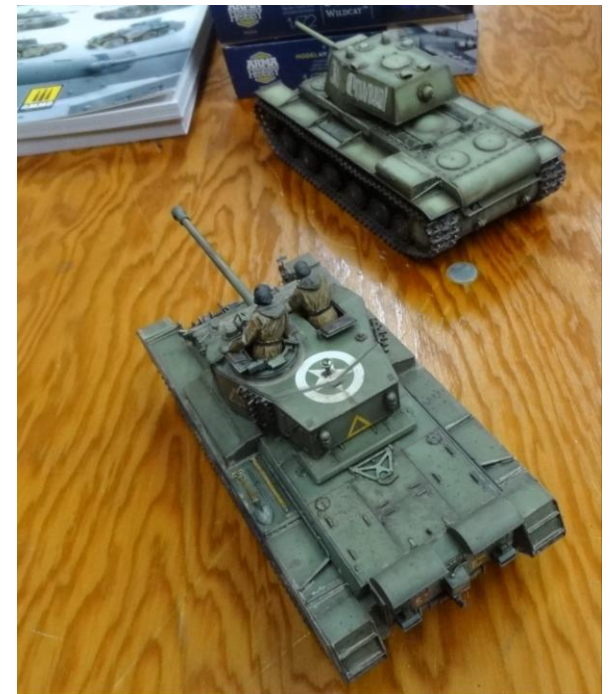
As a quick overview, in shots above you will see as I did almost all of our new recent membership in attendance at same time in early part of meet. All in my estimate part of our orbit thanks to efforts by Dave Parks and helped by support of membership



Due fact I am putting this issue together month plus past when I planned to have it done I am now jumping into a skim recall to highlight best I can. Starting with “**Builder Bob**” Meyers’ generous sharing, two new air kits, 3 books, two fine 1/35 armor...



ARMA Hobby Wildcats got a marvelous review of their value from Bob. Thanks to AI for stocking !





This very lovely Soviet WW2 of Bob's in 1/35th. I no longer can recall enough detail so just enjoy the photos along with those of what I think is an M46 Patton which is also his. My thanks to Bob for his entertaining model talk share for that evening too.



Likely you may have surmised this is in fact, a loose leaf assemblage of shots taken not necessarily in linear time line. Perfectly suitable for me to capture the meeting night, however I had to reconstruct whole set a second time thanks to another CPU crash.



The meeting did include a pretty full and I am sure tiring for some, discussion of the Club, Region and National IPMS business at hand. Which often inspires the President to lose his minimal ability to manage urge to rant, ramble and run amok before Model Talk. Just so it's recorded now as happened.

The Free Hornets Website and Annex have along with other means, most items that one might find useful that were noted at meet, a couple more BUZZ will be coming also for followup that will expand items discussed.



Okay, above a final look at Bob's lovely then latest AFVs. On right, another look to remind you some of table share and we then will get updated on where Gabriel Lee Hornet projects stood, along with the Tale of Two Northerners, a man on camel, and plenty more looks at January 2023.



Here on their backs in a box, F-18s of two different late vintages. **Gabriel Lee** making great strides on making his one Damned Fine Movie Maverick model in actual “E” configuration Hornet after a rough start with Airfix’s mislead offer.





As you may know, Gabriel has had to get an actual F-18E in 1/72nd form to work out if even possible to use the decals from the Airfix “Maverick’s Hornet” kit, as rest is not representative of the recent film craft.

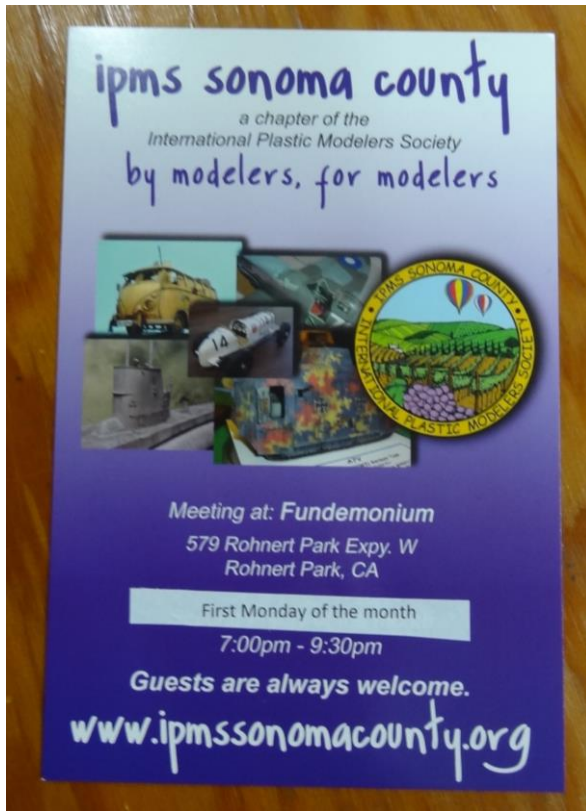


He is making the Airfix useful in making a late life “A” Hornet in Spanish service.

Gabriel came to using an airbrush fairly lately in his model life per se, but he makes clear that he is having plenty of fun with finding uses for the device. That’s Gabriel in the medium green by the way, 3rd from the left. Next to him, new members “Tanker John” Larson and son. More on them soon, just wanted to introduce them while I had the shot up right.

For now, we will take in what became one of the surprise charms for the President/Editor of that evening. The vivid winged creature on center of the right hand shot. It was guarding the pleasing stack of flyers nearby.





This grand dragon type creation is what I faintly recall in hopefully correct fashion, from a 3-D print limited edition production. It's been made on behalf of its original owner by IPMS Santa Rosa (nee' Sonoma County) member and President, **Dev Sodagar**. He and (Hornet alumnus) IPMS SR member Jack Riggart came to our meeting to visit and share.

Those nice cards are updated promos for their club, which they gave details about the then upcoming auction for which I had been trying to promote for them as well, earlier.



Dev's model here was his "therapy" for dealing with the frustration over a recent underway 1/72nd scale Fokker Eindecker





Well, as I said, I was charmed entirely by the work and the tale of this beastie plus appreciated the travel of Dev and Jack. I was as well pleased that young Mr Kaminaga here along with his dad, made it to the meeting. I met them at the recent TC-14 event



Jack Riggart brought along this recent new kit in 1/48th of the Me-109. Again I wish I had better powers of recall to give even a cursory worthwhile bit for everyone to get than these.

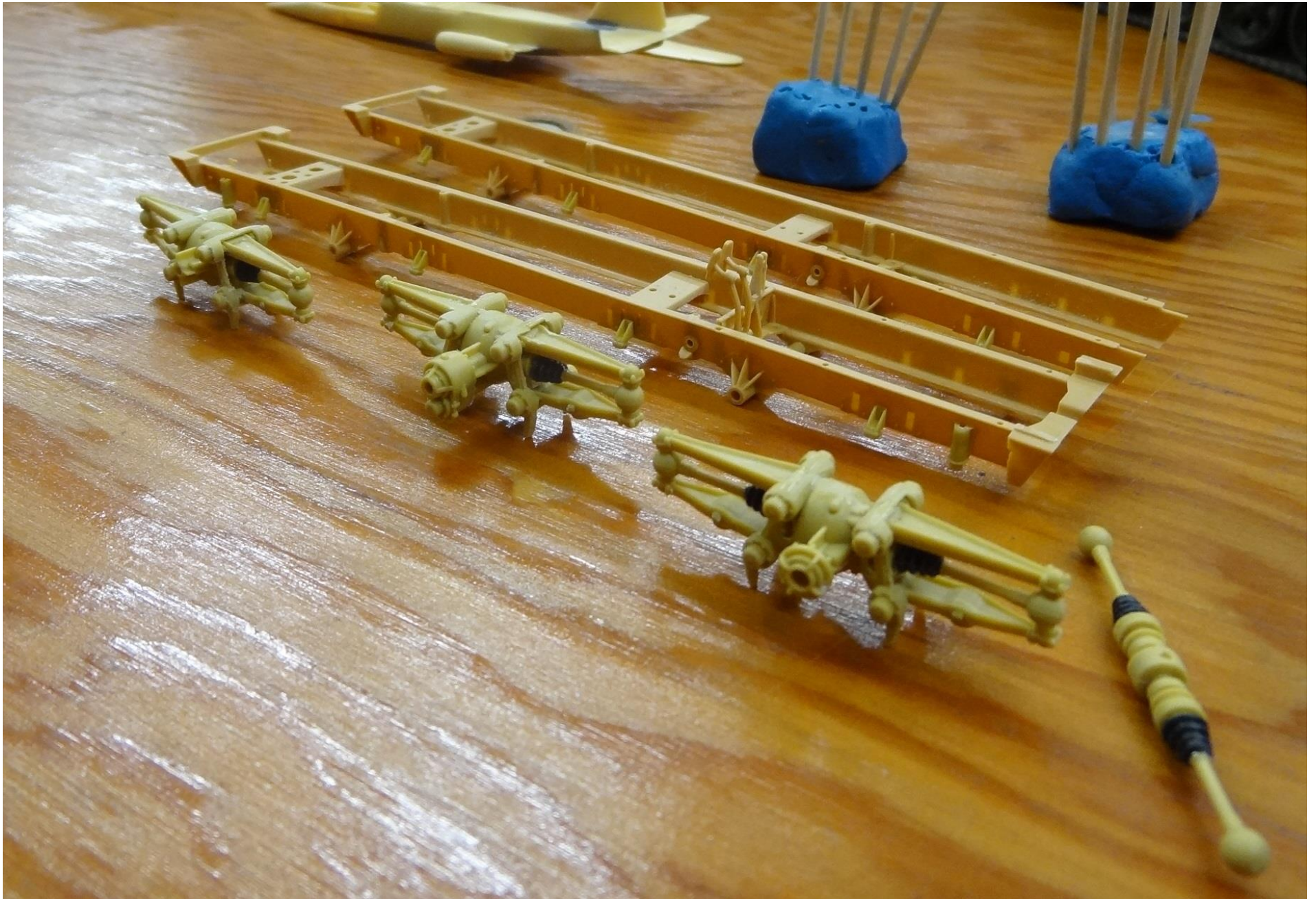


However, I can assure you he enjoyed the build and it was a recommend by him.

Well of course the laziest of effort by the Editor lead me to conclude that this kit's a Tamiya edition with these Mini magnets for engine bay covers. They were my scant clue from memory.

Okay now onto covering Chris Bucholtz's tabling.





Chris has a “pair kit” in 1/72nd scale of a WW2 German wheeled recon armored car, underway. Being of newer vintage, it’s as



detailed in many ways in form of separate parts, as many 1/35th kits of same type have been for years.

I admire this from engineering as well as artistic standpoint as much as any, but I felt more akin to pain Chris expressed in relaying “fun” he was having taking this deuce modelling on.

Chris made quite a bit of progress on his project for the man on the camel since I had covered it last.

Those heads on tooth sticks are a bit further along in being done, I can not however be any more in assist than that for explaining.

The resin aircraft WIP of his, is the 1/72nd scale limited run kit by Muroc Models of the incredible research project by NASA of the Ames (Bay Area) and Dryden (in Edwards AFB area) labs in large cooperation with Mr Burt Rutan in design. It's the AD-1 Oblique Wing testbed, which proved in a convincing manner you could make an aircraft flyable with a wing that could swing on center axis quite a wide range and fly.

What it never seemed to solve was convincing anyone that paying air passengers would board an airliner so equipped... Alas.



With his college schedule allowing him to attend on this evening, new member young **Mr Larson** brought his pair of postwar USA and USSR armor (below)





Mr Larson provided insights to his choice of painting tools and supply, and although less often chosen for armor model builds, we assured him results well spoke for themselves.







Arriving a little later to the meeting, **Ron Darcy** again provided an extremely generous sharing of his Koster Aeroforms conversion set for creating accurate very early NA Mustang in 1/48th scale.

Ron's box of tricks here tells a story all by itself, no?





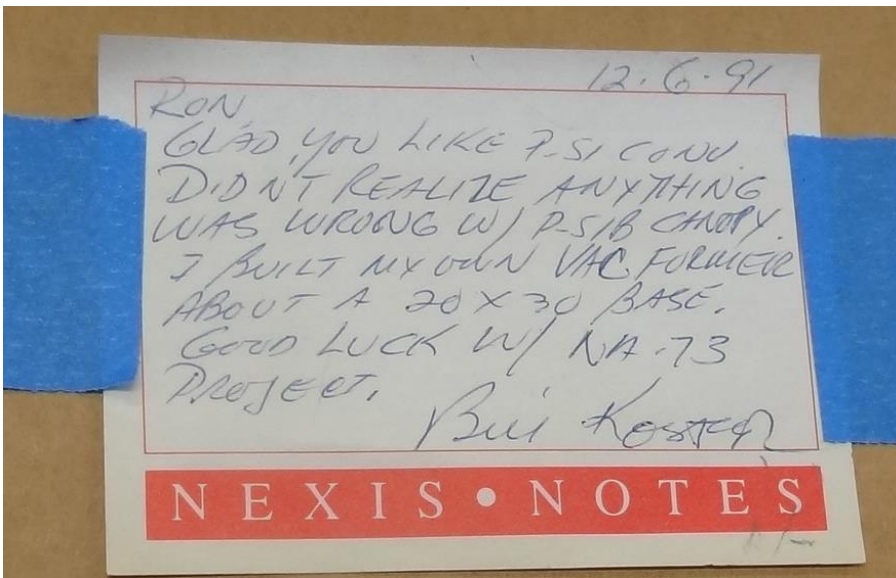
Ron's experience and expertise with vacforms and conversions combined with Bill Koster's premier production again made our sharing at the January Nest another sweet example of "old school social media at work" Thanks Ron, thanks Bill, club folk



Well for now I am going to wrap up this article originally set for publication early February just before the Nest which I am out to take shot to produce record of before March Nest tomorrow night



Hope you like this and I get to see some of you soon ! -mick



A BONUS GOOD MOOD tip of hat to 2022 Dragon Lady from me
Hope springs eternal and this Free Hornet looks forward to perhaps a '23 event from the fine folks up North in Yuba City



I first ran across McDonnell Phantom in print in a Nat Geo article, writer saying it “an airplane the hangar doors closed on”





At the time, there was only the F-4B and F-4C in service, with what was to become one of the early big stars of family the “E”

still on the way. But they all share the common characteristics that inspired the sentiment. The bent up wings, bent down tail, the pinched in fuselage. Most of the family powered by two classic GE Turbojet Model J-79 (shared by F-104, B-58, A-5, Kfir)



The IPMS DragonLady crew from Yuba City have now returned from a five year hiatus with two back to back successful and friendly welcoming competitive events to end our Region Nine year so very well. It's my hope we will again get the chance to have a triple threat from them. THANK YOU and thank you all who showed up for them, you were appreciated beyond word.

EVER BEEN TO A MODEL CONTEST
HELD IN A HUGE HOBBY SHOP ??**

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COMING UP – SATURDAY MAY 20 2023



Hosted by **IPMS/SANTA ROSA**
At FUNDEMONIUM, from 9AM to 4PM
Expressway Center, 579 Rohnert Park Expressway
Rohnert Park CA

Contact: **Dev Sodagar** (Chapter President)
ipmssantarosa@gmail.com

LOTS to DO and SEE

Website for updated info <https://www.ipmssantarosa.org/>

****GO TO THE ABOVE, YOU CAN SAY YOU HAVE !!**

AND NOT LONG AFTER THIS, SOMETIME
IN JUNE 2023 WE KNOW THAT MUCH FOR SURE

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REVISED 2023 edition

SATURDAY

JUNE 17 (Provisional)*

At **TOWN & COUNTRY LUTHERAN CHURCH**
4049 MARCONI AVE
SACRAMENTO, CA 95821

CONTACT : **RUSSELL NILES** (r_niles1@juno.com)

**subject to possible change, will not be getting lock confirmation on date from rented locale until after January, so be advised*

WE WILL POST CONFIRMED DATE WHEN IT COMES ...

THEN WE HAVE OF COURSE – IPMS USA NATS

AUGUST 2 thru 5, 2023 in San Marcos TX

THEN RIGHT AFTER ALL THE FUN IN SAN MARCOS TEXAS...YOU CAN COUNT ON FUN NEARER BY

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The banner features a dark grey background with a navigation bar at the top. On the left and right of the navigation bar are circular logos for the Pacific Northwest IPMS Chapter and the International Precision Modelers Society (IPMS). The navigation bar includes links for HOME, MEETINGS & EVENTS, GALLERY, BEST OF THE WEST, CONTACT, JOIN IPMS, and FRIENDS. The main content area is centered and features a large, ornate diamond-shaped logo for the '2023 MODEL SHOW & CONVENTION BEST OF THE WEST' by the IPMS LAS VEGAS CHAPTER. Below this logo, the date 'August 19th 2023' and location 'The Orleans Hotel & Casino' are displayed in yellow. The event is sponsored by Findlay Subaru, with contact information provided. Surrounding the central text are illustrations of a white classic car, a fighter jet, a model airplane, and a tank.

IPMS LAS VEGAS

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2023 MODEL SHOW & CONVENTION
BEST OF THE WEST
IPMS LAS VEGAS CHAPTER
Building Modelers Since 1948

August 19th 2023
The Orleans Hotel & Casino

Sponsored by our friends at
Findlay Subaru
6455 W Roy Horn Way,
Las Vegas, NV 89118.
702-495-2100

Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Contest & Show Admission:
\$20 entry for first 3 models, \$2 for ea. additional
General Admission (non contest attendees)
\$5 Individual or family, Children under 12 free
Active Military & First Responders are Free

With more good fun ahead in Early October , Thanks Doug & Crew



RENO HIGH ROLLERS

Host

Their 22nd Show & Contest

SATURDAY - OCTOBER 07 2023 - 9AM TO 4PM

RENO ELKS LODGE, 593 KUMLE LANE, Reno NV 89509

TENTATIVE THEME is "THE SWINGING '60s"

CONTACT - President Doug Summers GHPLD@att.net



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RENOHIGHROLLERS.com

*IF YOU LIKE US TO TRY HAVING SOME CLUB CONTESTS NOW AND THEN,
GOOD. BECAUSE HERE COMES OUR MID YEAR LINE UP ALREADY!*

JUNE 09 2023 Free Hornet Member's Club Contest Theme

" The D-Day Club Contest"

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

Examples include :

Douglas or Dassault aircraft, Daimler or Dodge automobiles, DUKW amphibians, any subject that clearly relates directly to June 6 1944, but don't be shy.

I barely touched the range of possible Destroyers of concept that this theme is difficult to find range in. Don't get me started on Dr Dornier or Doolittle...

BONUS FEATURE – The following Friday there is a Club Contest At SVSM meeting, “D-Day Deux”. Check this link for details: <https://www.mickbmodeler.com/august-2022-svsm.php>

CORVETTE SUMMER (*for you*)

Is JULY Free Hornets ClubCon

And part Deux will be at next Month on Third Friday SVSM

Simple rules: Your entry must be a Corvette, any period, style, etc.

Lest you think this is only for Chevrolet fans, let me refresh you:

Corvette noun cor·vette kôr-'vet

a warship ranking in the old sailing navies
next below a frigate

a highly maneuverable armed escort ship that is smaller
than a destroyer

*SO, there you have it, a grand experiment if you will, please try to
at least give it a chance. CASH PRIZES on offer, from the Editor*

Coming Up NEXT

The Next Hornets Nest Night Is **FRIDAY MARCH 10 2023**

REMINDER – Al Gerace has generously offered us the use of Hobbies Unlimited shop space After Hours to hold our meeting! Treasurer/VP Dave Parks has generously been willing to provide the chairs and transport to/from of these, as well as be in charge of attendance and access for the meeting at the Hobby Shop. Be Respectful of all that

“ WELL WE DO IT RIGHT (WE’RE HAVING FUN) ”
AND SOMEHOW EDITOR STILL ALSO BE PRESIDING ?

PLUS IN A FUTURE NEXT EDITION

WE FINALLY AGAIN RETURN TO CONTINUING A LOOK IN DETAIL AT FREE HORNETS

WAAAAAAYYYYYYY

BACK WHEN



And possibly, some explore in more detail of the FREE HORNETS TRICITY 14 event occurrence...

- 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 “