# The BUZZ – of The Fremont Hornets V.1

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Somehow managing to wing it for now over 40 years...



## Welcome

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

A LOOK AT NOVEMBER'S NEST

AN ANNOUNCEMENT OF EPIC FACE PROPORTIONS

A FUN LOOK BACK AT A MUSEUM DISPLAY DAY

**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 December 08 2017 evening)

(a Short Take On Present Buzz) by Mick Burton, Buzz Editor (& Hornets Treasurer a Deux, Current Contest Director for 2016/17 season)

**YES!** Now # 80 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!

## "MAGIC NICE – Thank You For Sharing, Alumnus Hornet J.R.

#### A QUIET THANKSGIVING RECAP of JUST HOW MUCH Our R-9 & Hornets Community ROCK:

In hustle and bustle of the Fall/Winter Holiday season, it's sometimes lost, the true spirit of community, friends, that we share along with or in spite of our differences. Here is something I meant to publish at the Thanksgiving, recent events have delayed my plans here but better late than never, so read this below!

From: Jack Riggar <@sbcglobal.net> [Edit Address Book]

To: Fremont Hornets Club Contact <daze61283@mypacks.net>

**Subject:** Steve Travis Award **Date:** Nov 6, 2017 7:28 AM

Mick...and the IPMS Fremont Hornets

I wanted to take a moment to thank you all and to let you all know how deeply I appreciate the honor of receiving the Steve Travis Award for Service...especially on the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary on the club...

I was so surprised and deeply touched when you presented me with the award that I failed to express how honored and truly heartened I was at that moment...

I cannot thank you all enough for being my friends and for all the great times we've shared over the years.

Again...I sincerely thank you all from the bottom of my heart...

Best Regards,

Jack Riggar

As closing aside; Life has taken a lovely turn for me, sorry has meant I am late getting finished writing - mick

NEXT Hornets Nest Night Friday December 08 @ Irvington Locale
AND THERE'S MORE GREAT END OF YEAR NEWS

#### THANK YOU RICHARD PEDRO!

#### Now there's a FB Presence for the FH, and he's why/who's in charge

#### Come By and Meet The IPMS Fremont Hornets!

We are a SF Bay Area model club dedicated to the promotion of the hobby of scale modeling. A proud chartered chapter of the IPMS/USA, since 1977. Our meetings are open to visitors (membership encouraged) and frequently feature a monthly theme. Our membership of builders is diverse making our meeting atmosphere range from the sublime to the raucous, so come prepared to have fun and ENGAGE!.

Our club motto is "Come for the Models, Stay for the Sarcasm"



IF YOU'RE FREE ON SECOND FRIDAY OF ANY MONTH DROP IN FOR A VISIT WITH US

MEETINGS START 7:30 PM, IRVINGTON COMMUNITY CENTER 41885 BLACOW ROAD, FREMONT CA (across from Irvington HS) CHECK OUT OUR SITE @ https://fremonthornets.yolasite.com/









# November Hornets Finding Out Who Got The Message (about meet)

A Leap Ahead Of Game Courtesy of Armistice Day/Veterans Day Finds Us Gathered Week Sooner for Last Regular 2017

Text/Photos: Mick Burton



Above, a look at most of November 2017 Free Hornets Nest rolled out. The rest of the story rolling in late was the lead off tale for this scant narrative. For opening business:



President Burton had finally wrapped up his illicit affair with a bucket of KFC and could take requests such as from Region Nine RC Chris Bucholtz to be getting the floor when meet called to order. So be it!

At the time, no clue as to what nature of his need be, soon found out as did the other late arriver, Randy J. Ray. Both are now seen here in the Editor/President's candid camera as Randy soaks in applause for his Award Medal for 25 Years Continuous IPMS USA Membership, which Chris explained were not all ready in time for award at Nationals 2017

President Burton was next in short

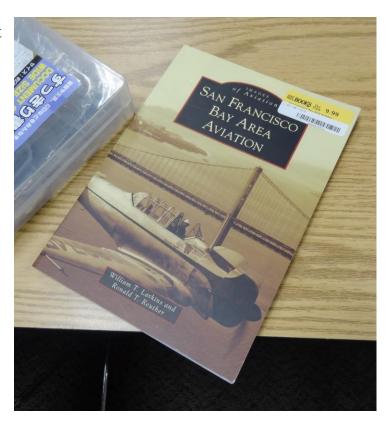
review if how our three paths (Chris B, Randy R and Mick B) had crossed only a weekend before hand, at unique event held at SFO International Terminal

This being a "grand opening" of a spectacular scale model exhibition of history that included a tribute to the Bay Area gentleman who was the generous donator of all of the base resources, by the contributor to book seen at meeting on right:

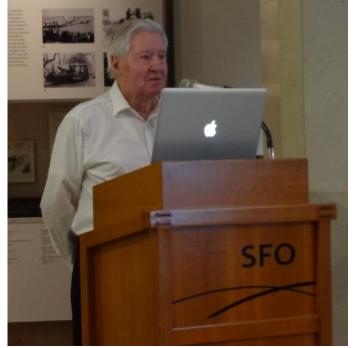


Here on left in the white and black is he, Mr. Bill Larkins, with Mr. Jim Lund in center frontline and Mr. Ray seated directed behind guest of honor, at SFO fete. Mick took this shot whilst Chris B. was at the podium making his own lecture effort at the event on what else; Accuracy, History, Scale Mod.

As Burton pointed out at this November Nest, he had foregone a traditional travel to the AVG Desert Classic in Lancaster to be at this event which was a signal moment, wished others had made it there too







This museum is tucked away in SFO Airport International Term on floor 3, easily and FREE to access without any trouble, with easy reach by auto or transit.

Mr Warren J. "Jim" Lund is a Bay Area treasure who has been a lifelong aviation historian and scale modeler. Jim has been an IPMS USA member since start, blessedly became member of the SVSM chapter in early 90s and was a singular force in the 1998 IPMS Nationals, where his

"Bay Area Aviation History In Scale" was given a Special Award by fiat as this magnificent display work was not entered into the contest. Jim earlier in process had asked Event Floor Chairman (Burton) if he could get some floor space set aside for this effort he planned, "to support you guys doing all this hard work" as his "little part". Little part indeed, Jim SCRATCHBUILT A 1/72<sup>nd</sup> scale USS MACON as part of this "display only" project, which meant the a scale model of the very vehicle which was sole reason "Hangar One" at Moffett Field came to be built, was proudly there for all who showed up to that Santa Clara soiree!

If you want to see this superb example in scale today, you'll have to get to the Moffett Field Historical Society Museum at the Field, as Jim donated this huge Work to them years ago. If you want to see the one and only real deal you'll be in bit of a jam, it's deep underwater off the coast of Monterey where it crashed at sea February 12, 1935. If you have no idea what a 1/72<sup>nd</sup> scale ZRS-5 Macon model means, imagine a NEAR ELEVEN FOOT LONG, NEAR TWO FOOT IN DIAMETER cigar shape hanging above you in your house...

Oh yeah, if you got to the SFO event in time, you got a tour from Jim (at left)





As a bit of luck, while Burton didn't make it to the 21<sup>st</sup> Desert Classic hosted by IPMS Antelope Valley Group, notorious world traveler Peter Long (seen here in a "mug" shot on the left, next to Kevin "AFV" Gonzales) splendidly did show there.

Thanks to Peter, we had representation at both June's inaugural "Insane Model Contest" in Mission Viejo and at this annual Lancaster show. Some of you may know already that members of IMPS (Mission Viejo) were TDY with us over the last couple years and that a "dual passporter alumnus of Free Hornets/SVSM" is a long time member of AVG, namely Mr David Newman of Muroc Models.

So not exactly polite for no one at our end to show up for their end of model CA!

Peter shared photos taken with his phone at the AVG event with the Editor and brought his winnings to the November Nest to illustrate in 3-D more about it all.





Louis Orselli generously lent a hand in helping illustrate the "Presidents Award" which is given at AVG every year, selected by the Chief Officer of that club for that year. Peter won it to his surprise, with "an old model, my 1/48<sup>th</sup> P-47". More on that, ahead.







Above, the three awards Peter took at AVG-21. Below, a look at the raffle prizes he brought courtesy of Hobbies Unlimited...





A better look at "Peter Long's Old 1/48<sup>th</sup> scale P-47" which took 1<sup>st</sup> in 1/48 Aircraft SE Allied Prop and President's Award.



This Italian AF F-104G in 1/48<sup>th</sup> was originally built for Free Hornets "Special Hasegawa F-104 Gruppe Project" years ago, stood the test of time to take home First Place 1/48 Aircraft, JET. Classic lines, this Lockheed is a senior now (55 in Nov 2017)



Burton and Long weren't the only ones sharing items of "off site singular amusement" from past month this November. Ben Pada, seen here working swiftly next to Randy Ray, shared the last days of the 747 at SFO with us. Ben's a member of the United Air Lines family and very much part of their 747s...

Ben showed footage of a unique low level takeoff/flyby which only those who made it to this event were privy to. As this sort of "showboating" as the FAA robots mistaken for humans would have deemed it, not allowed, ever!

Not one to be caught sleeping, Ben showed up late with two more WIPS here



Ben's 1/48<sup>th</sup> P-40 in a camo which wasn't recorded here

Ben's 1/48<sup>th</sup> Hellcat in TriColor USN







Speaking of knowing what he's doing, Dave Parks has a quiet and consistent manner of doing just that.

Every month he shows up with works either in the process or finished or both, of a grand variety with a splendid concise Model Talk to go with them.

If you're a regular reader of the Buzz or frequent attendee to the Hornets Nest, you may have already Gathered that whether it's "scale trees, aircraft, AFVs or figures or things which float", chances are you have seen Dave create one or more, excellently.

His "model on a cap" (a WW2 diorama!) still one of my all time favorites this last year. This to me, is a "true master modeler" class of artistry modelling.

Another Free Hornet not to be caught sleeping, Dave Parks here is viewing his Focke Wulf and Kent McClure's, Brian Sakai's works.

Jim Priete counts the money and Louis Orselli keeps eye on President who is taking the shot, just in case unforeseen circumstance occur and he needs to step in. An example of such might be President Burton exhibiting signs of knowing what he's doing, or other uncharacteristic alarming actions...





Another, overhead look at Dave's fine 1//72<sup>nd</sup> scale Hasegawa kit FW-190 that Dave said came from "an orphan sale" here at past meeting, and he did truly enjoy making. Makes the "greys" come alive, subtle, sharp, eyecatchy!

David's latest in 1/35<sup>th</sup> scale AFV modelling is a World War Two subject as well, this time German SturmTiger from the Tamiya kit I believe.

An amazing piece of weaponry of which only 19 were built, yet three still survived the conflict to be seen as 1/1 examples today! One in Russia, one in Germany and one in UK. In case you're wondering what the firepower is, that is a 380mm rocket shell launcher for main gun. Plus MG34 machine gun... in case something was missed.

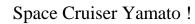


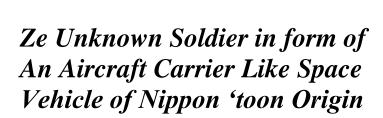


One more look back at Dave's German menace, as the work definitely warrants more views.

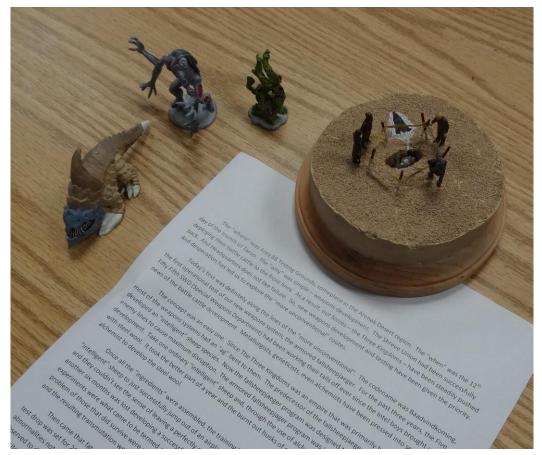
Then, below, a look at two from Brian Sakai's fleet of SciFi craft, the foreground one happens to be known somewhat to this editor thanks to a long time Free Hornet, Cliff Kranz. It's the Star Cruiser Yamato, trust me.













Now Kent McClure on the other hand, did not leave this Editor & President holding the bag on noting his table display items, in fact in the above case he thoughtfully provided an essay for it!

You will be reading that soon in another model publication this Editor purports to produce, when he's back on schedules. (look for the November 2017 TAMS from the SVSM news family tree...)

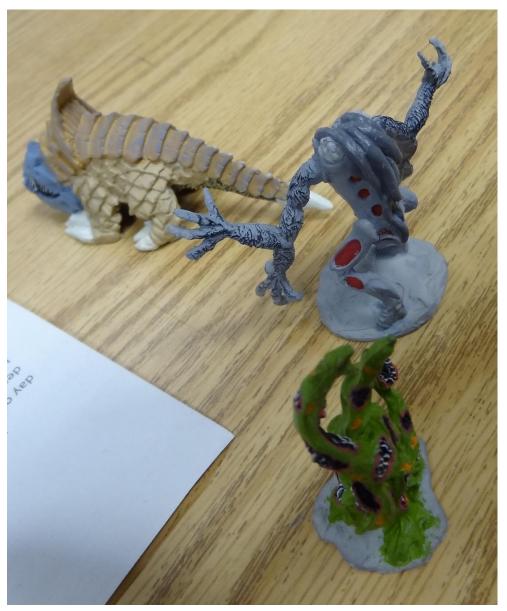
Most assuredly, Master Kent staying on top of his game here:

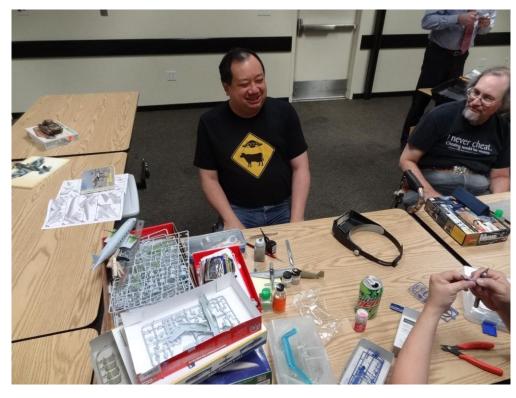




These three are part of a Gaming based series, and one day I hope I can get Kent to write a model essay to illustrate them

For now, my pictures will have to do that best I can here.





We wrap up November Nest now with Editor a week behind on this issue publishing (this was being finished while he was conducting December Holiday Nest...) with a look at who was there November

Above, Gabriel Lee in glee, Kent McClure witnessing. Right, Chris Bucholtz holds forth on his WIP MiG-17. Below, the Raffle Frenzy!



One More Item To Go...





# Really was a November Hornets Club Contest: "???" Show & Results

#### For Those Who Showed Up, A Profitable Turn of Events AGAIN

President Burton was again sad that he didn't manage having finished anything to be part of this fine idea of a contest which had been given life way back before in 2016 by none other than alumnus President (ret.) Ray Lloyd. Here was the last promo:

# The Hornets Nest Night Friday In NOVEMBER 2017 PLANNED TO BE CLUB CONTEST Theme Event as outlined:

# November 03- "HOLY MOLEY MEN It's 1977 All Over Again"

For the last regular Free Hornets Nest of 2017, we're going to close the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary year out with a contest theme thought up earlier in year by a long time Hornet, and it's another fiendish one.

Models from the year 1977 catalog or of 1977 schemes of earlier or later moldings, any kind or scale.

## One way to see where we've been and where we're going, you might say. ENJOY in any way.

No other restrictions were in place or implied, you were left to decide if entering an oldie or something brand new molding or new build would be your participatory means. No prejudice for either, merely hoped to get a nice turnout with a good variety.

Well, that was the intent and the sincere hope of it all from the President's side of things, at least. However, if even he can't get off his rear to show up with a model here, what business of his if not many else did any diff?

(Yeah, Editor, you roast that Bloody Lazy Model CEO good, in permanent record writing here, shame him!... oh yeah, same person...sorry I forget myself ☺)

Thankfully, TWO managed to participate, one Vet and one New Guy (first year just made) and here they are:



FIRST PLACE "That '77 Model Club Contest"

Bob Meyers

Tamiya (1<sup>st</sup> Molding) 1/35<sup>th</sup> Scale Mk II Matilda Infantry Tank "Classy Peg"



SECOND PLACE "That '77 Model Club Contest"

Ray Lloyd

Monogram 1/48<sup>th</sup> Scale P-47D Thunderbolt (Razorback) "The Scarab"

#### AND THAT'S A WRAP FOR THIS ISSUE -

- Mick Burton, madman at large - <u>DAZE61283@mypacks.net</u> (sole fool responsible for bad content or rude comment here)

# OUR BIG FREE HORNET SURPRISE OF NOVEMBER

Congratulations to

**NOVEMBER** 

Model of the Month Winner,

Kent McClure

Mickb-fini





An IPMS SILVERWINGS Event

# SILVERCON 2018

# FREE GENERAL ADMISSION and DISPLAY

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#### **CONTEST THEME:**

1918: WORLD at WAR

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#### **COMING UP**

### The Hornets Nest Night Friday In JANUARY 2018

# JANUARY 12 - "WOW SO GLAD WE MADE IT, NOW GET BUILDING & TALKING AS THERE IS NO CLUB CONTEST"

#### <u>PLUS IN A FUTURE NEXT EDITION</u>

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

WAAAAAAYYYYYYY

BACK WHEN



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