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The BUZZ – of The Fremont Hornets V.1

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Somehow managing to wing it for now over **42** years...

Welcome

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

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

A LOOK AT UPCOMING YEAR EVENTS

A REMINDER OF EPIC FACE PROPORTIONS

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 February 11 2019 afternoon)

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

YES! Now # 86 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!



“ SAY WHAT ? THIS IS MARCH WHY DOES IT SAY FEBRUARY? ”

Well yes in fact it is Wednesday March 10 2019 as this Editor finally manages to wrap up this issue begun on the February date following that Hornets Nest meeting As forecast, he has now managed this “BONUS ISSUE” which has coverage of Fall 2018 Hobby Expo + NEWS for this upcoming year. The February bit is on purpose



This merely his way to remind himself “Tempus Fugit” so choose wisely, PUBLISH FASTER. More coming in form of a BUZZ 87 soon as I can. For now, enjoy and there's a timely reminder for you below here—mick

NEXT Hornets Nest Night **Friday MARCH 08 @ Irvington Locale**

IMMINENT REGION NINE EVENT NEWS FOR MARCH 2019!



Silicon Valley Classic # 6

“ FIGHT FIRE WITH FIRE ”

COMES TO NAPREDAK HALL

770 Montague Expressway San Jose CA

SATURDAY MARCH 16 2019 9AM Sharp

THANK YOU SILICON VALLEY SCALE MODELERS & Contest Director Mike Woolson !

A Look Back At Fall Event You May Have Missed In Wine Country

A Fine Event That The Editor Managed to Show Up for Thanks to Family Intervention (wanted to get me out of the house!)

Text/Photos: Mick Burton



A better (very) late than never tale about October 27 2018 Sonoma County IPMS Show



Yes, you can clearly already see Burton did not make this event solo by any stretch.

P.A. and Frank Babbitt for two, found to be well in the thick of it. While this event in Region 9 did again fall on the same date as the Region 8 IPMS-AVG show, the less populous turnout was more in keeping with trend for the 2018 year it now has seemed.

Missing timely chance to be covering this production, at least a try to share show now

as there's a better than even chance the team will repeat this fall and many ought to go

Held entirely inside the Rohnert Park "Fundemonium" Hobby & Crafts store, Hobby Expo 2018 provided plenty of competition, display and shopping opportunity to all who came, along with social gathering extravaganza. Food court inside the shop, too !

So now look back without apology, the Editor's selection not a balanced gallery ☺



Contestant # 29 Model # 4 Category # 9
Subject USS EAGLE
Scale & Kit Manufacturer 1/700 Scratch
Comments ALL US Coast Guard



Sir Francis Drake's Golden Hind joined the USCG training ship Eagle to represent proudly the ships of sail, in scale.



The 1944 Bedford QLD truck in all its purposeful 1/35th scale glory.

With a fine WW2 Harley Davidson in that same field.



The US Army Air Forces made an appearance here too, in tractor form



Another way to look at all three, giving perspective !



A pair in 1/48th of seldom or never seen subjects in any scale at contests, which had similar real life finishes! Above, the Grumman XF5F-1 Skyrocket in original short nose form. On left is the SB-17G “Rescue Fortress” of the USCG with the giant lifeboat it carried as belly cargo.

Both in aluminum lacquer/chrome yellow

Yellow accents of this 1/32nd scale BF-110 attracted me to it.



As did the scheme of this N1K2.

“George” most often seen done in combat colors of green/grey.

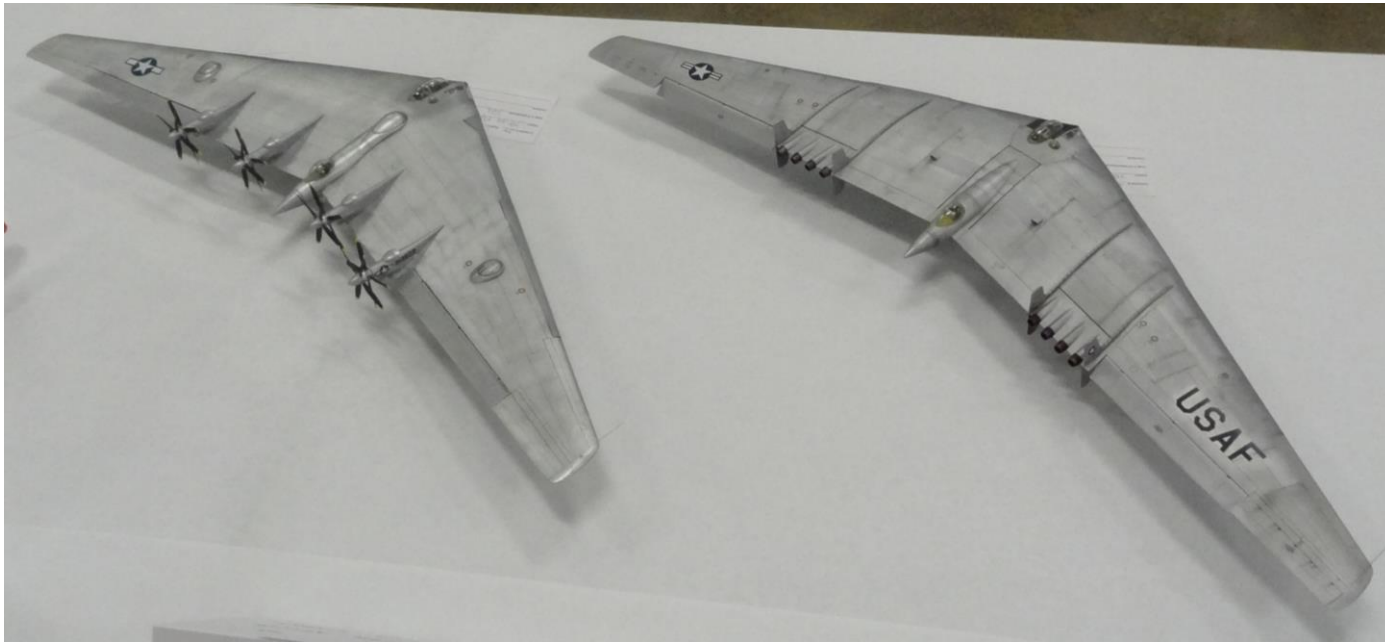


As further evidence that Editor could only seem to see bright colored aircraft at the Sonoma show, here's the best picture he has of the "Ole Yeller" that was famous civilian P-51D mount of Bob Hoover. Converted lovingly from the Tamiya 1/48 kitting.



Contestant # 14 Model # 1 Category # 2
Subject Ole Yeller
Scale & Kit Manufacturer 1/48 Tamiya
Comments _____

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Not often seen together at contest tables, due to one being propeller and the other jet engine driven, it warranted pictures for that alone.

Here is the glorious Northrops in 1/72nd scale presence hugely, the Category here being simply Air Craft, 1/72 and smaller.

Now feast on sight of the XB-35 Eight Prop original next to a later Eight TurboJet refit as the YB-49



Another 4 engine silver beauty who happened to also be in this same category of competition, was this Lockheed C-121 of the USAF. Upper left of this, another soon to be clear favorite of the Editor, in the 1/48th scale aircraft category, from the USN.





There is just something charming and reassuring about this “comfortably used finish” Gull Gray and White Corsair, why I took so many shots of it. A 1/48th scale pleasure to take in. Now, a reminder of its competition, including an F-86D !

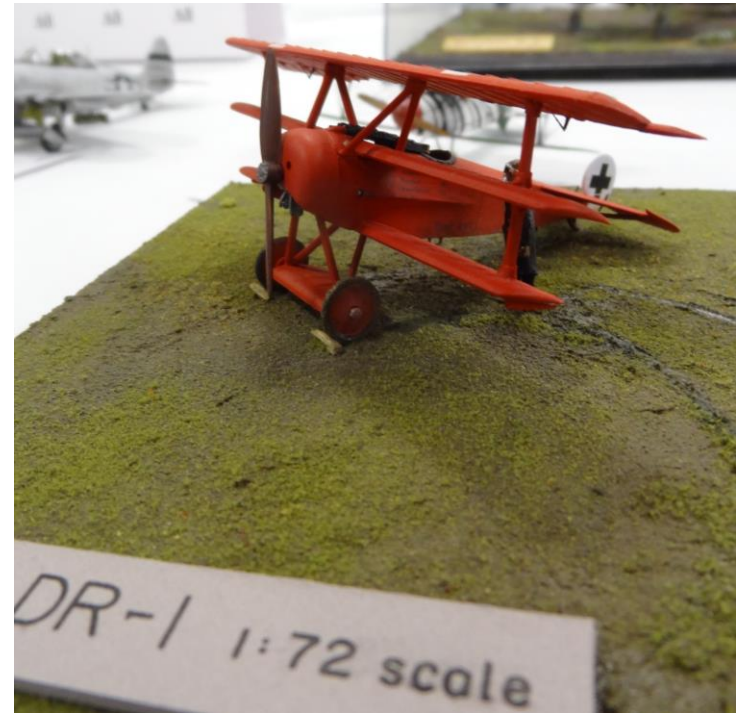




Now again, a chance for one who has judged aplenty to be relaxing and thanking model gods that he wasn't facing the unenviable task of finding 3 top finishers in 1/48th aircraft. Here I was just taking pictures of pair of lovely Airacobras, USN F3H Demon, USAF F-86D, as along with the Corsair, Mustang, Helldiver, Hurricane and few others ALL compete together for that ranking. Bless those who had to do this job.

Not that the other aircraft category judges were exactly lying in fields of clover with their choices, as I'll briefly sample for you

As here is four of the subjects to rank against one another in 1/72nd and smaller aircraft. The two Flying Wings could provide shelter for the Fokker Triplane in the same scale with room to spare for several other competitors, not to mention that the Su-30 twinjet also had same footprint, being all of 1/144th in scale. I didn't take note at the end of day who won in most cases, either.





The 1/32nd scale Aircraft facing off included this mouthy F-80C Shooting Star which had the yellow wasp nosed Bf-110 shown earlier and the pugnacious red nosed G.B. R-1 as two competitors among several.

Selfishly glad to have been arriving so late in the schedule that day to not be able to join in judging.

Mind you, the turnout of models was plenty and consistently high in quality percentage wise, also.

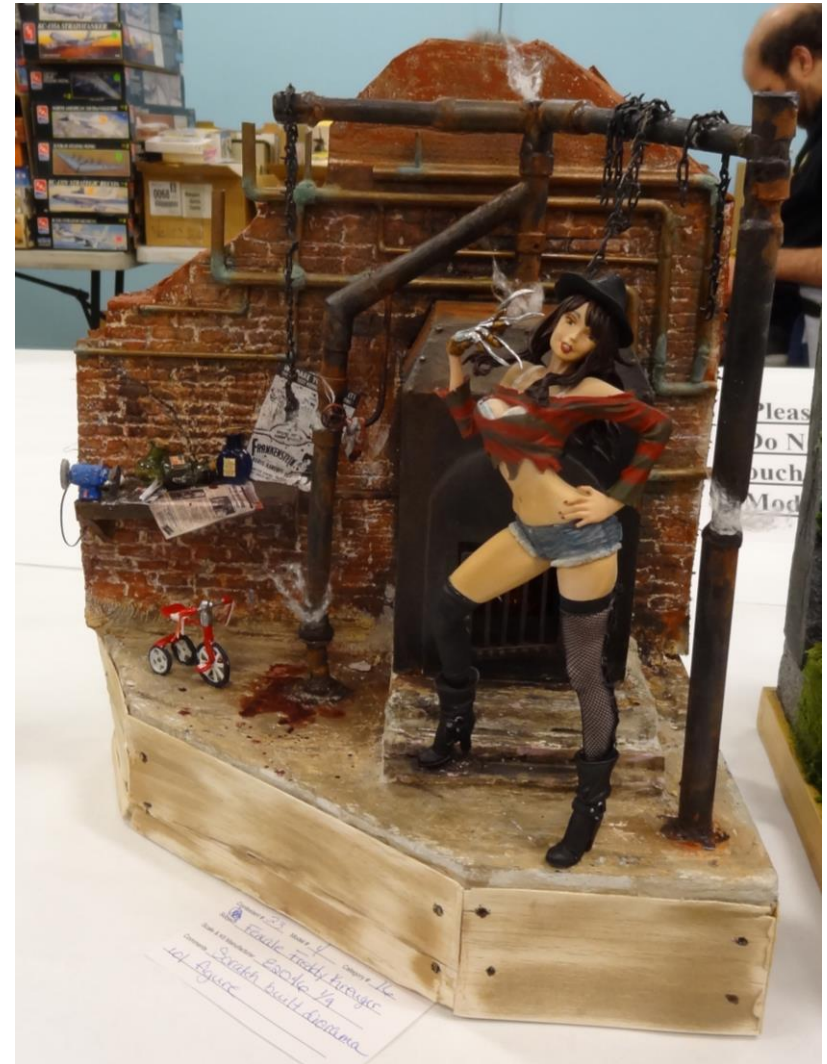
Nice “problem” if you’re the hosting chapter or the appreciative audience, not so much if you’re the one who has to be part of team to pick out the Winners for that day.

As ever, if you’re in the mood to help out a contest crew, the single biggest assist is to be learning to judge or practicing it when you do.





Meanwhile, in Dioramas you would find yourself with this sort of generous range in subjects to assess and rank.





The turnout in Automotive categories didn't prove any less challenging, and pleasing variety to look at indeed.





In the Fantasy Figures category, movie characters again tended to dominate even if in ways not necessarily related at all to their original role in casting. Even that Velociraptor is in fact a member of the category, being the Jurassic Park rendition of the actual dinosaur, just saying.



Otherwise, poor Manfred von Richthofen may have had to make room on the awards tabling for a "real" Velociraptor would have been entered in "Historical Figures" like himself, alone





This fighter craft from later Star Wars movie always catches my eye on tables, yet I still can't recall what it's called !

Below, two examples of how much this Disney movie influenced Jules Verne's Nautilus submarine gets royal treatment when it comes to display bases.

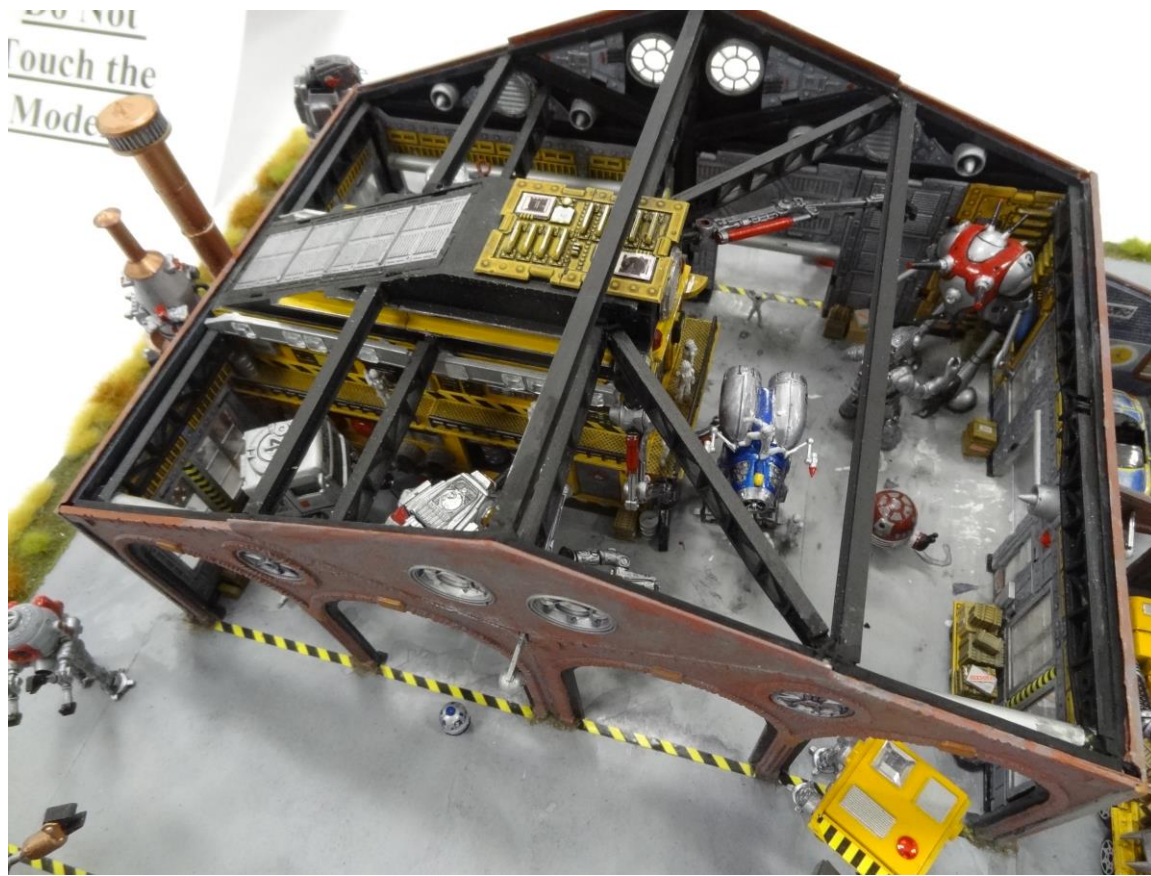
Perhaps I can ask P.A. next time I see him what his thoughts are on this, as I caught him definitely in thoughtful repose viewing the more "techie" of the two at the show.



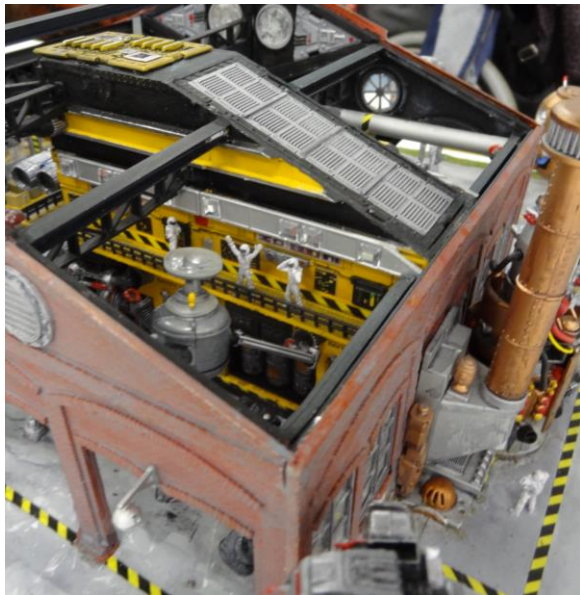


Now perhaps it seems silly, but I took a fair amount of shots of this diorama entry not just because I liked it, but also as it has a serious side for educating folks what “diorama” models especially for entry, should comprise. Somewhat more easily figured in cases like “Death From Above, Suwon, Korea” which had a photograph to explain it further (not knocking it, a very good piece)

When someone takes on a creative flight such as this one and succeeds largely on the main premise for competition in category, it’s often helpful to just have some big picture and small picture references to illustrate points for one’s self and for others.



The creator had taken the roof pieces off which did make the entire story telling much easier to read and also judge both quantity and quality of work here.



Alas, even the eventual fate of the B-9 Robot from Lost In Space TV series is to be discovered within, seen at left.

See Will Robinson, you really could not trust that Dr Zachary Smith, at all.

Oh dear, Danger, indeed, danger !

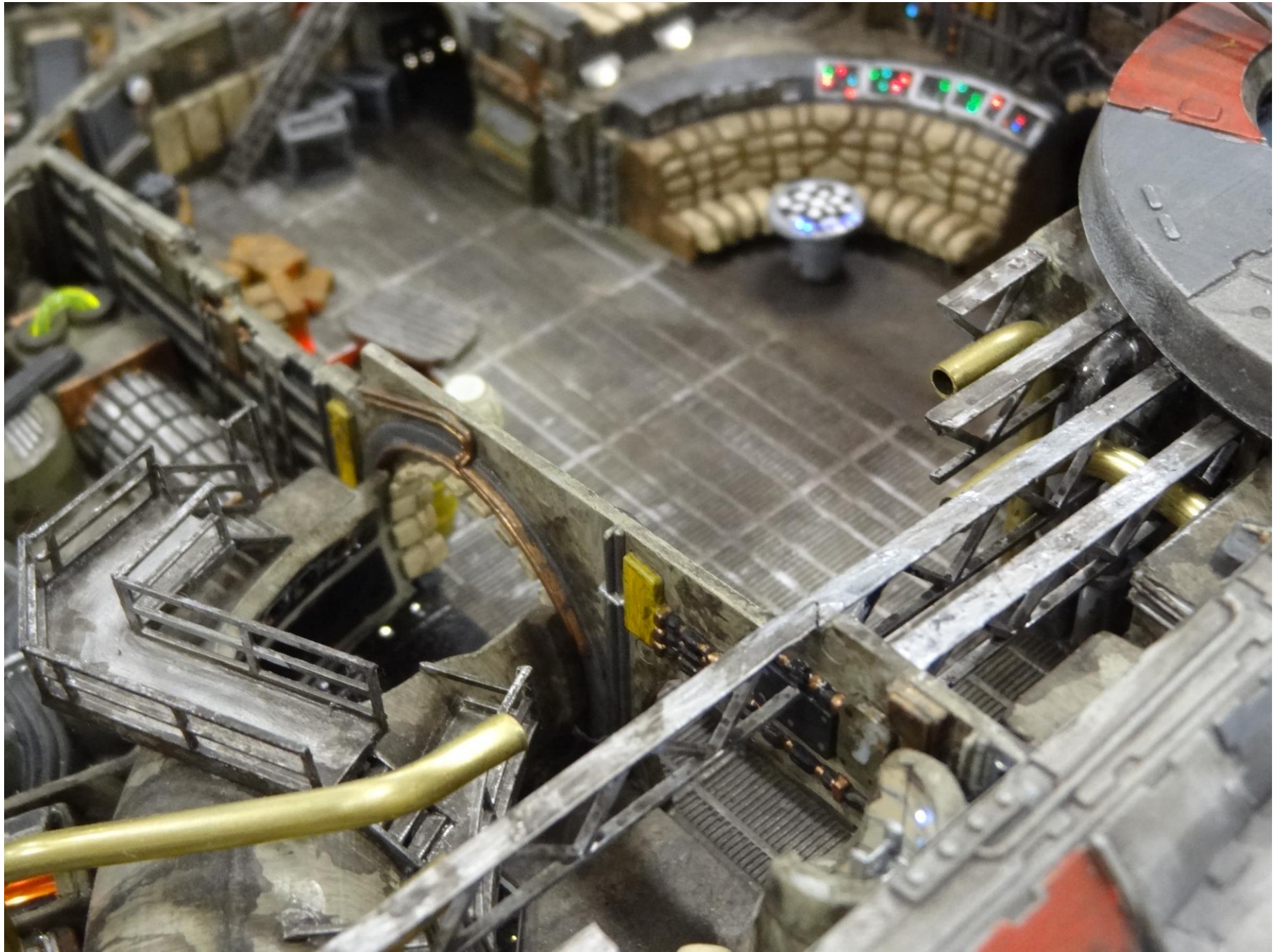




The Bot Shop's creator helpfully provided a little insight into what it took to put this assemblage together, namely over 50 kits worth of parts used in some way, with modifications in most cases. Over 40 robots, walkers, flying vehicles or trucks in piece, and the building is not only 3 HO scale buildings combined there's also a Mir Space Station as part of architecture. 15 months of fun for the entrant getting this idea into what you see here. Don't know if it won anything, but it does tell quite a big story.

There was a definite eye grabber in the more traditional sense over in the same area, in form of a Millennium Falcon with all the fixings, so to speak. I didn't get too many shots of it, but I would be remiss not to at least share best of what I did manage here:





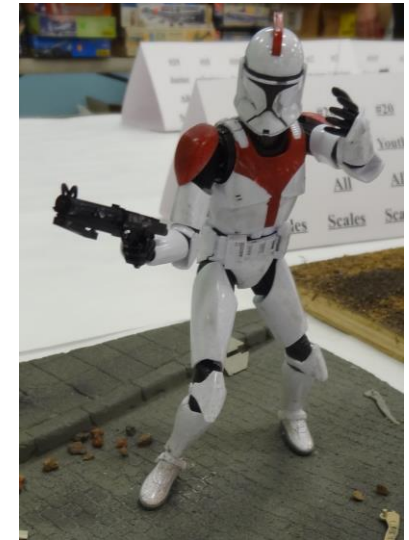
Now we'll have just a brief look at some of the awards given and then a bonus gallery to follow ...





Not the least intimidated by the barrels from two M-109s and a Clone Trooper, Free Hornet Mr. Dave Parks smiles for camera as I caught him while placing one of several awards he took at this gig.

Stay tuned as I will have another small gallery of shots taken by an interested bystander who made it possible for me to have seen it all.





*A LOOK AGAIN AT SONOMA'S HOBBY EXPO
From The Lens of An Interested Bystander*



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Subject Motorcycle



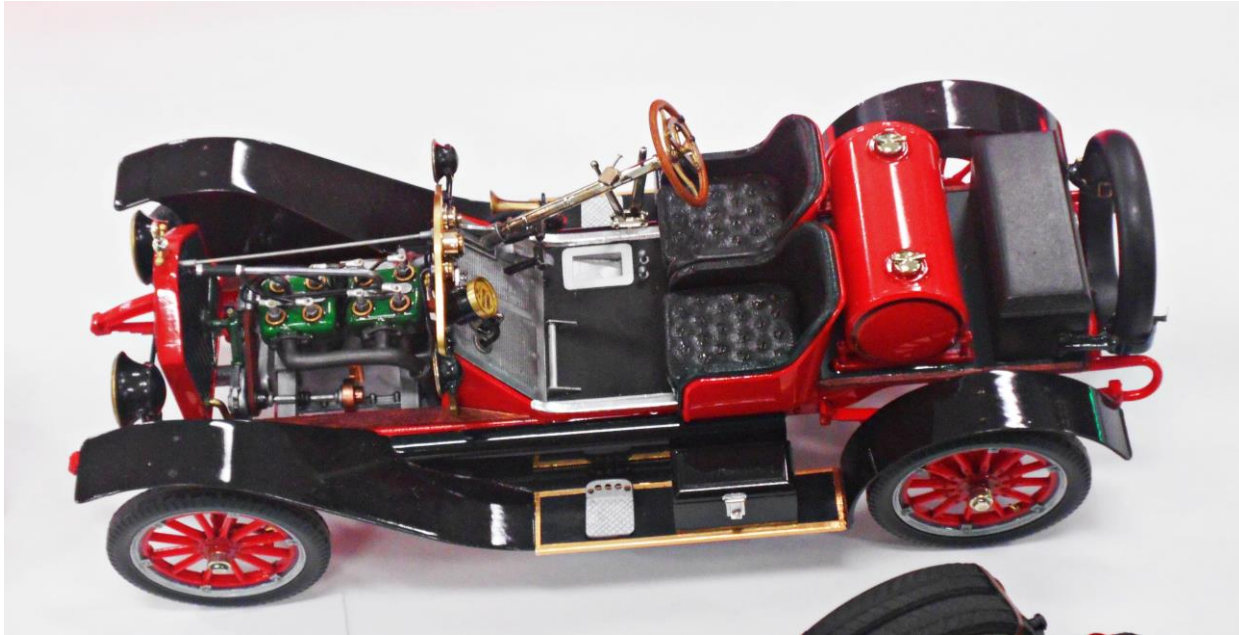
Contestant # 15 Model # 2 Category # 11
Subject Lotus

Contestant # 15 Model # 3 Category # 11
Subject McRae



Contestant # 17 Model # 12 Category # 12
Subject Batmobile
Ken Powell







OKAY FOR NOW. You can see more on the Fremont Honnets Annex Photo Gallery for a limited time

SO NOW MORE WELCOME REGION NINE EVENT NEWS FOR FALL 2019!



IPMS Reno's 20th Anniversary Contest

This is the 20th IPMS USA Invitational Contest we have hosted and we are celebrating by asking our members and visitors from out of town to dust off their old gold and bring it in for the show.

Any winners from any previous shows including previous National Award Winners are eligible to participate in this show so bring it on.

If you have any questions regarding our show or any of the other events in the Reno area, or you would like a suggestion for a hotel or restaurant, please email our chapter contacts.

Date : September 7, 2019 (All day) **Location:** Desert Heights Elementary School **Address:** 13948 Mt Bismark, Reno, NV

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