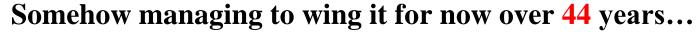
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## Welcome

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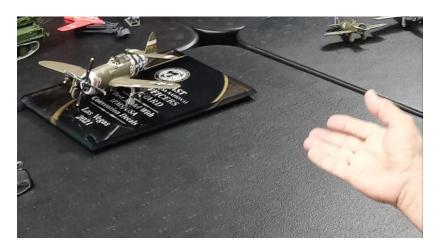
(basically in the listed order, tho a stream of consciousness device)

#### TWO of LATEST BUZZ

(Issue's Editorials, both bearing no relation to the picture on the right)

AS PROMISED, LOOK BACK @ 2021 IPMS NATS (Twice, even) & A LOOK AT UPCOMING YEAR EVENTS

You May Call This BUZZ A "SECOND LOOK AT A MODEL LIFE"





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 October 19 2021 0210 PM)

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

**YES!** Now # 90 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!

# " THANKS for BEING 1st and CONGRATS on YOUR 51st, FRESNO"







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Damned hard to hold any outfit for a long haul together, and when your planned show for your 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary gets cancelled for a pandemic, it's an injury atop insult. Yet Ernie Gee, Domenic Ortiz and crew of Fresno Scale Modelers managed for those that



showed up, to have felt they were at place "Where Everyone Is Welcome".

My Big Props to IPMS Mt Diablo, Randy

Rothaar, Free Hornets Mike W., Ben P., David B. & clan who made this show as well as the NATS feel their effort noticed and appreciated, as yes we never forget.

Glad FSM hosted this 1st R-9 show of '21 mick



## IMPORTANT UPDATE for the 3<sup>rd</sup> and final 2021 show in Region Nine – LOCALE CHANGED



#### PRESENTS

SOARING INTO THE FUTURE"

MODEL EXPO AND CONTEST

CELLEBRATING THE FUTURE OF SCALE MODELING

NOVEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>, 2021

9:00 am. to 4:00 pm.

#### Hope Point Nazarene Church

600 N. George Washington Blvd Yuba City Ca. 95993

Vendor tables, Buy Sell or Trade

Awards include Best In Show, Aircraft, Automotive,

Armor, First Time Modeler Entry.

#### \*FREE GENERAL ADMISSION\*

Doors open at 8:00 am Registration from 9:00 to 12:00

Entry Fees: Adults: \$10.00 Up to five entries.

\$ 1.00 for each additional

Juniors (10-17) \$2.00 up to five entries.

\$ 5.00 for five or more.

Juniors (9 and under) \$1.00 up to five entries.

\$ 5.00 for five or more

For more information call (530) 777-9072

Facebook or Instagram @Dragonladyscalemodelers

THIS IS THE CURRENT FLYER WITH CURRENT (NEW) LOCALE in YUBA CITY

### SO, AS PROMISED ON PAGE ONE, A FIRST LOOK AT 2021 IPMS NATS ...

#### WITH TOUR OF FEW FREE HORNETS WHO WENT AND HOW IT WENT FOR THEM



Starting here with a shot in the vendor room on last day of the show, Mike Woolson conferring with Postoria Aguirre. The vendor room proved to be one of my best encounter areas. I first espied "Builder Bob" Meyers here on my Thursday arrival, as well as Mike, P.A., Randy & Eugenie Ray, Dave Parks to name few.

Chris Bucholtz, there at his Obscureco venue.





Notoriously camera shy **Jim Priete** was there, I have this picture of his Seattle Space Needle entry to show. We'll see more of Jim ahead in the aftermath section of this treatise.



Another camera averse gent was **Mike Meek**, who is on the other side of **Ben Pada** here on the left in a hat. No doubt they were discussing race potentials of KISS VW Bug. Another of Ben's passions is racing Bugs. In fact, he went to a race right after NATS!



**Free Hornets** managed to elude me shoots of them pretty well, but I did encounter the likes of Cliff Kranz in this room too, no pic.

Other familiar faces did have time for me to say hello though, one being intrepid modeler of Anaheim as well as appreciated vendor at TriCity and SV Classics for years. Yes that is him here, Mr. **Herb Deeks**, vending next door to Military Hobbies. He has another of his fine shows coming up later this year too.

Another model gent who forgave my passing by his corner in vendor room several times in first two days before I finally stopped to say hello: Mr. **Curt Raitz** 

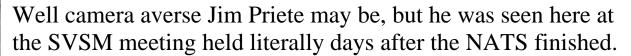
As ever friendly, Curt let me know we'd have a chance to come out to Hollister again soon to see another NNL model car show in his neck of the woods, once pandemic permutations settle down in California again. Hoping to see him at our Santa Clara NNL West show January 2022 so I can get more details for that potential Hollister gig.

Okay, so now you know some of who made it to NATS. Perhaps we can see how they did or what they found? *Yes!* 









He had his award winning Bolivian AF T-33 made originally for the SVSM Shooting Stars club contest, and some of the goodies he found in the "world's largest floating hobby shop" at NATS.





Some nice 1/72<sup>nd</sup> and 1/48<sup>th</sup> aftermarket detail items, wood art were bits of fun found by Jim while away in Las Vegas. His

award on left an example of 1-2-3 standard. Next, the model!





As it happens, Ben Pada also managed to make it to that same SVSM meeting that came two days after close of the 2021 Las Vegas IPMS NATS, happily enough. We see him here discussing some of the finer points of that event, probably at this juncture his surprise at winning the Special Award his P-47D is sitting atop. It's pretty sweet win, being the Past IPMS/USA National Officers Award for best use of an IPMS National Convention Decal. Ben went after this with his 1/48<sup>th</sup> Tamiya in grand fashion, and used the best known of the 3 different decal sheet sets that were made for 1998 IPMS Nationals in Santa Clara, hosted by IPMS-SemiCON. Quite a nice "full circle" result, hey?

Alright, that's it for my snapshot of Free Hornets at 2021 IPMS USA Nationals in Las Vegas. There's another small article ahead in this issue, on the whole event ... -mick







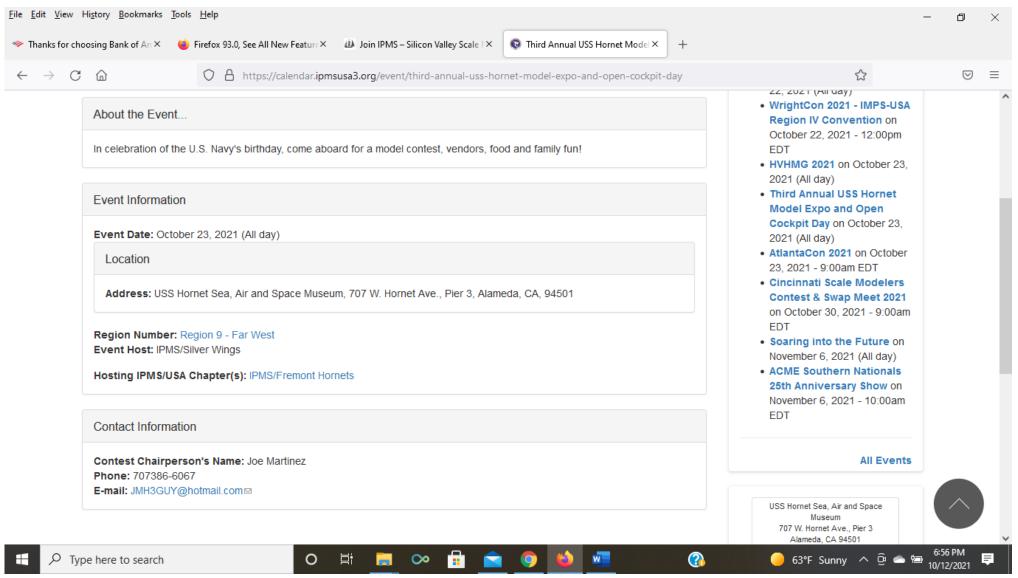
# OUR BIG FREE HORNET SURPRISE OF OCTOBER \* (see next page...)



Yes, this is my SECOND EDITORIAL

As some managed to miss the opening Region Nine Contest & Show for 2021 grandly hosted by Fresno Scale Modelers, I'd like to point out now here. That if you manage to skip the second of ONLY THREE SHOWS IN OUR REGION this year, you'll be providing even more disincentive for bothering at all to NOT ONE but TWO HOSTING IPMS Chapters, one of them being US!

\*Don't believe me? Here's a screen shot from the IPMS USA site for this event, see for yourself



# NOW, FOR ANOTHER LOOK BACK AT IPMS USA 2021 NATIONALS IN SUNNY NEVADA







After leaving my tenth floor room at the Rio Hilton (view lookout from it above) which was about as far from event area as one could be, began some soon common long distance walk. The hallway at left is sample of how far just a halfway mark was for me. Along with an idea of hallway length just from my room to elevator At this point one would have walked equal of three of this hall end to end view. As I said, this is half way. Picture below left is view from hall end above, looking to just before you enter the main rotunda of the convention.

Below is your look back up that same hallway, as you turn into the rotunda. A full shot next:



YOU HAVE REACHED THE ROTUNDA. At time this was taken, most of the business offices were now done. On the right you would have seen the registration desks and related entities being crowded. Now most is done.



Give yourself time to familiarize yourself with your IPMS USA NATS at Las Vegas Greeter, Allen Alien.

He didn't speak much but he stood fast and seemed to be ready to accept gifts.

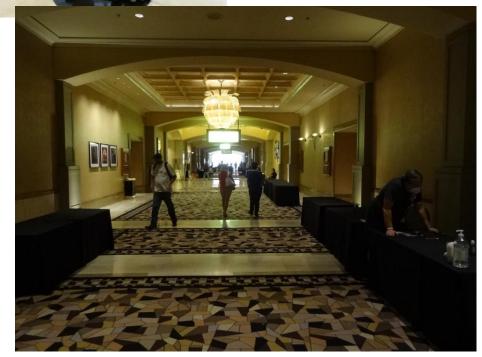
Or begging NASA to allow him to pass,

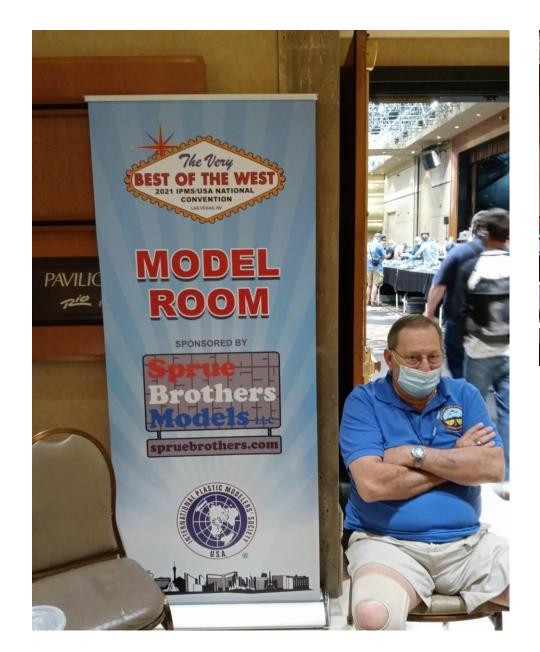


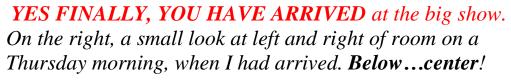




as you also pass when making your way down this one last big hallway on your right from the rotunda



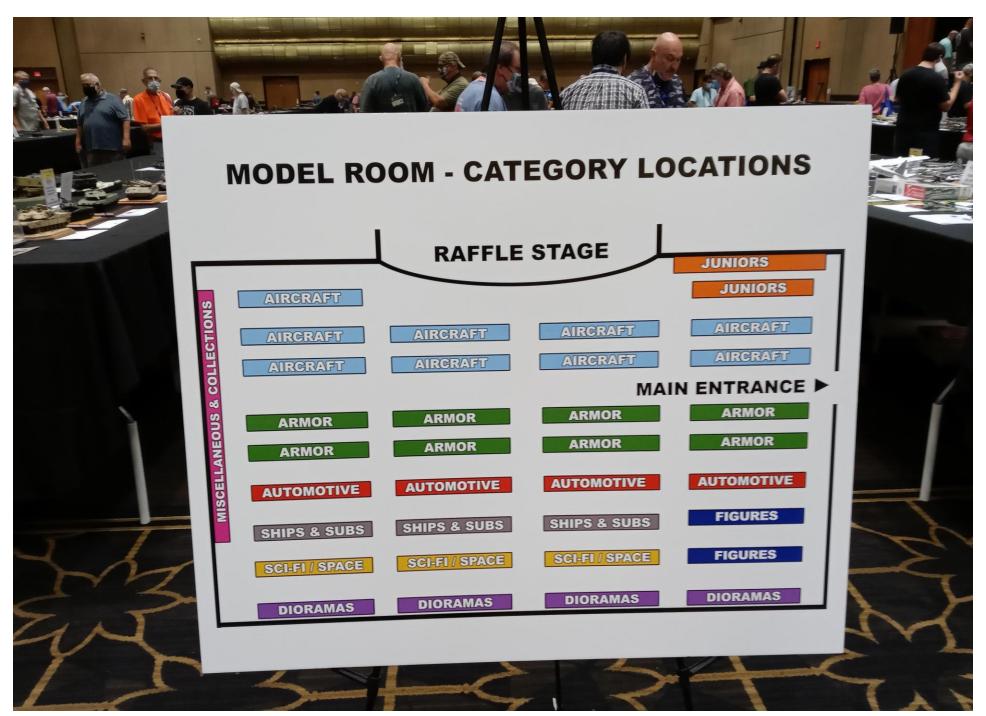












At times like this a good map is appreciated...there was one directly ahead middle of room.

# THURSDAY - First Day Tour, Editor's Favorites Sampling -

Again, while there was plenty to see I've been at NATS before so I try to stay calm and just chill, checking.

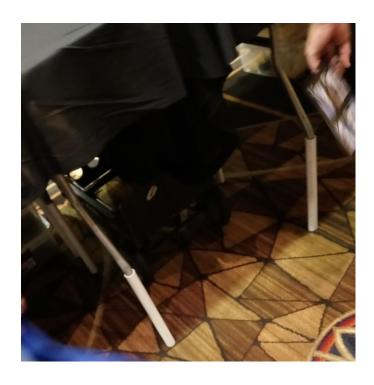


For the longest time, there was only the Comet/Aurora 1/54th scale desk model of a Stoof. Now it's heaven.



Just as I'm in heaven over Kinetic providing S2F choices in 1/48th, bless Kittyhawk for love of XF5U-1 in same





Above, a quick look at appreciated "step up" done on all contest tables

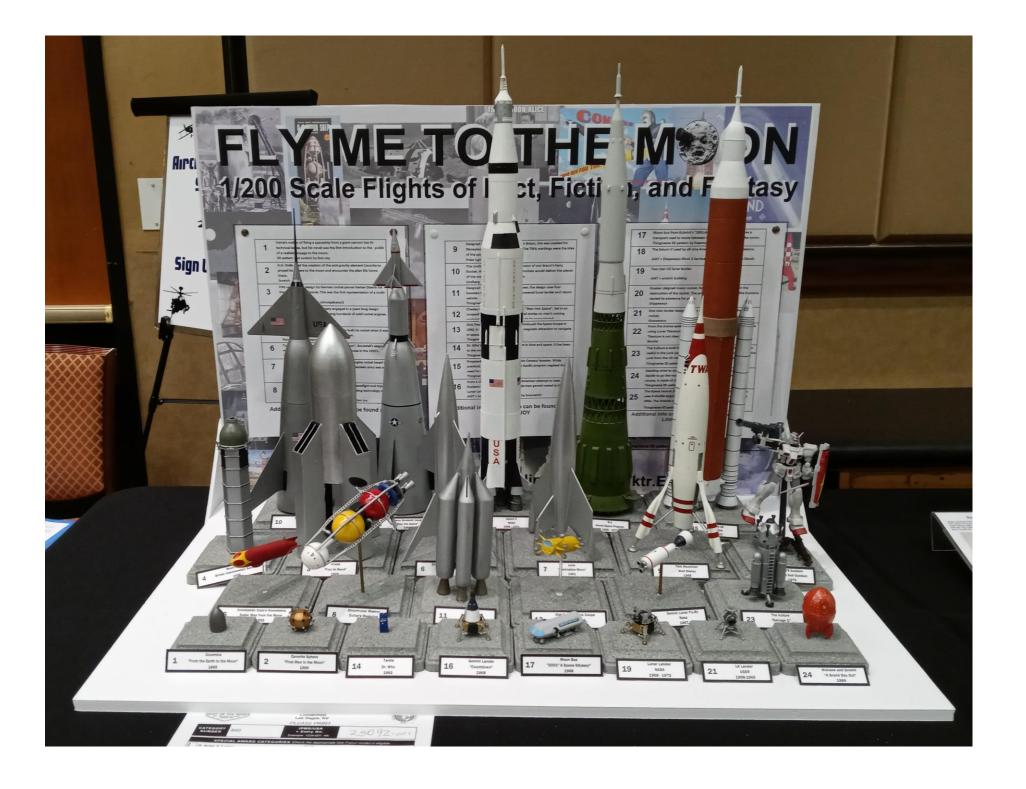
This P-40 Long Track SP Radar in 1/35<sup>th</sup>, a very cool find. I recall with fondness clambering on the 1/1 one that was resident at Littlefield museum

















This was a very nice set of GEMINI craft projects, many of which I had not a clue of before finding this entry.

The Winged Gemini was new to me and intriguing.

The Rogallo Wing, something I have known of long ago, thanks to National Geographic and the tiny Revell model.





The USN F-4 Phantom II in 1/48<sup>th</sup> adorned in VF-102 "Diamondbacks", just sweet.

The elegance of overall natural metal U-2, situated atop a subtly weathered tarmac, as ever took me. Been a passionate fan of the Dragon Lady since forever. Happily for me 2021 NATS had a special award offered for "Area 51 and Other Non Existent Places" That seemed to generate a goodly number of U-2s, some Blackbirds & other such.







Another well loved U-2 that I had to drop by to take gaze.

Meanwhile, in the less than 1/100 scale, found already a grand variety of "heavies" along with a P6M atomic bomber seaplane in play.





Rotary Wing this year seemed a bit more competitive in manner of their presentation, at least to me, more of a risk taking by more entrants than in recent past.

Not that I minded in the least, great to see vehicles posed with more opened bays, posed in stowed configurations, etc. Again though, could just be me













ALRIGHT! For now, as I am running low on space left to save as PDF to mail, I'll wrap us up with review for this issue. Here are a two doors we'll look behind next issue, the "Display Room" and "Vendor Room"



And don't forget to be already going to book for the 2022 IPMS USA NATS

They're already out of some rooms!

-mickb fini





### **INVITE YOU & FRIENDS**

TO

**OUR** 

### SV CLASSIC SEVEN

### **FUNDRAISER AUCTION**

CURRENTLY SCHEDULED TO BE HELD ON

#### OUR MEETING NIGHT OF FRIDAY

**NOVEMBER 19 2021** 

AT OUR MILPITAS MEETING LOCATION

Community Room, Milpitas Police Department, 1275 N Milpitas Blvd, Milpitas CA

Business begins promptly at 8 PM & everything must be concluded by 10 PM

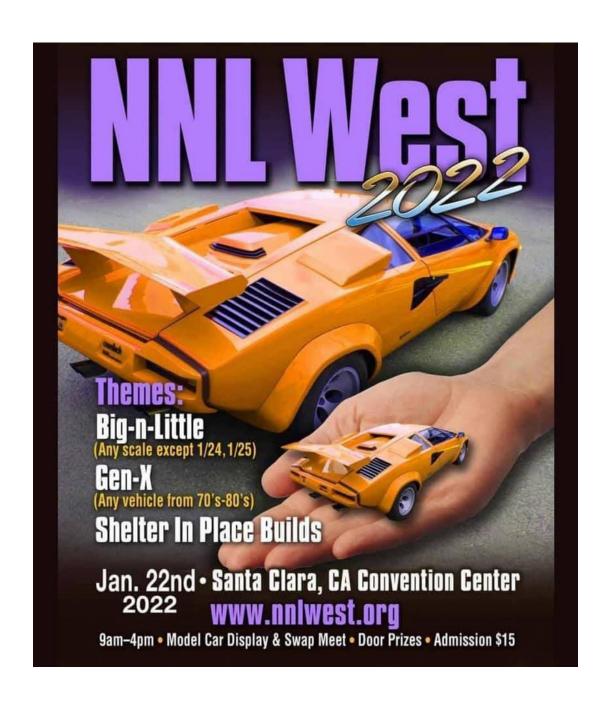
ADD TO THE FUN!

BRING AN UNSTARTED MODEL KIT (or two!) THAT YOU WOULD BID MADLY FOR TO GET BACK, AS A DONATION

NOTE: MASKS ARE REQUIRED INSIDE THE ROOM, NO FOOD OR DRINK IS ALLOWED

Queries may be directed to our contact - DENS25403@mypacks.net please allow for 2-3 days response time

## WE DO HAVE A GRAND OPENER for 2022 EVENTS thanks to Car Guys



#### FOLLOWED UP BY something directed by a Free Hornet... Thanks Mike Woolson

# THE SILICON VALLEY CLASSIC VII



CONTEST THEME "TAKE YOUR BEST SHOT"

March 26<sup>th</sup> 2022 9am-5pm Napredak Hall 770 Montauge Expw. San Jose,CA

Racing vehicles of all types (land,sea,air),military recon subjects,spy aircraft,space,Aerospace vehicle or subjects that pushed the limits of technology or drew negative feedback from others,early stealth projects,super weapons,WWII aircraft that saw service in Korea & Vietnam,fire fighting aircraft,China Lake,Point Magu,Tyndell AFB,Hollaman AFB,White Sands Missle Range,Red Flag,UCAV/UAV's,Land Speed vehicles,projects started by one and finished by another

12 NOON REGISTRATION CLOSES, 1:05 judges meeting, 3:30 Awards

Free Make N Take model building for kids being held all day. Two raffles held at 11AM & 2PM.

Competition open to the public (IPMS MEMBER OR NOT) in 47 categories of senior (18 & UP), 9 youth (13-17), sub junior (12 &under). (SWEEP ALLOWED)

SENIOR \$12 UNLIMITED NUMBER OF MODELS, \$5 FLAT FEE

PLEASE NOTE Due to safety restrictions within the contest venue we can not accommodate models or vendors that require wall power. Small battery power models are ok.

Vendor table sales and other contest related information please contact the contest director. Tables are on a first come basis and limited to two tables per person and non refundable or transferable. NO EXCEPTIONS. Valid state of California tax form/permit required and must be present at event.

"The fallowing awards will be awarded to a model that best fits the title,flavor,or the person would find of interest and does not have to be a 1-2-3 place winner"

Best Competition Auto, The Steve & Anita Travis subject award, Atlantis reissued model kit" (must be built out of the box with instructions present

Questions? Contact the contest director Mike Woolson swingwingklvk@gmail.com

Offical news http://www.mickbmodeler.com/sv-classic-seven.php

# **COMING UP**

# The Hornets Are Invited to BuildFest Monday Night OCTOBER 25 2021

With Silicon Valley Scale Modelers at their second meeting of the month

At GAME KASTLE, 1350 Coleman Avenue in SANTA CLARA @ 730PM

PLEASE BE AWARE MASKS ARE REQUIRED INDOORS, BRING WORK MATS, FOOD & DRINK ARE OKAY

### <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...