The BUZZ – of The Fremont Hornets V.1

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Somehow managing to wing it for now over 45 years...

Welcome

IN THIS **EMERGENCY URGENT 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)

ANNOUNCEMENT: OUR FIRST OFFICIAL HORNETS NEST MEET (Thrice, even) & A LOOK AT UPCOMING YEAR EVENTS

You May Call This BUZZ "A NEW LEASE ON OUR MODEL LIFE"





CERTIFIABLY ANCIENT PRODUCTION

(well, maybe just the Editor)

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



THE Latest BUZZ (as of March 30 2022 1100 PM)

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

YES! Now # 92 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 to DAVE PARKS for BEING FREE HORNETS Faithful for SUCH A LONG SPELL, We owe him for all he has done to get us here "



Sorry I am getting this issue out in a different form than I began it weeks back, but it's splendid to have the problem of HOW TO GET THE WORD OUT SWIFT AS SWIFT CAN BE to spread POSITIVE NEWS we HAVE AGAIN HAVE A MEET VENUE and MEETING SCHEDULED for little more than a WEEK FROM NOW

We Free Hornets are now this year here strictly speaking, THIS EXACT TIME of March/April, celebrating our now FORTY FIVE YEARS RUNNING STRONG AS MODEL CLUB! WITH MEETING FACE to FACE TO BOOT, THANKS DAVE!

There's plenty to that tale and I will include some of the recent part later in issue...

FOR NOW PLEASE PUT THIS ON YOUR CALENDAR AND HEY, MAYBE EVEN TRY SHOWING UP FOR THIS ??

FREMONT HORNETS NEST (Model Meeting & Business Discussion)

FRIDAY APRIL 8 2022 from 730PM to 1030PM

NEWARK Round Table Pizza, Meeting Room, 5544 Thornton Ave, Newark

NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO BUILDFEST, however MODELS for DISPLAY/DISCUSSION Okay, There will be NO RAFFLE, NO INSIDE MODEL SALES, PLEASE. NO OUTSIDE FOOD OR DRINK

PLAN ON HAVING TO BUY SOME FOOD and/or DRINK as our price for reservation of the room @



IPMS Santa Rosa **Annual Model Auction**



When: April 9th, 2022 at 6:30pm Where: Petaluma Round Table Pizza 227 S McDowell Blvd, Petaluma, CA 94954 (in the Washington Square Shopping Center)

Everyone is welcome.

- IPMS Santa Rosa will buy the first round of Pizza & Soft Drinks.
- There is a Beer & Wine Bar available (for wallet lubrication) at your personal expense. (The club cannot provide alcoholic beverages).
- We ask that the members and other attendees donate kits, books, tools, or anything model related for auction and all proceeds go to benefit the club.
- Donated kits must be complete and in good condition, If there are any issues with the kit, please mark them clearly with a Post-it Note so that the information can be announced.
- Started Kits are allowed ONLY if a minimal amount of work has been done and it is clearly marked as such.

It will be a great time! See you there!

For more information, directions, or to just chat, please contact Randy or Jack:

randy.bumgardner@gmail.com_or_ipmsjriggar@sbcglobal.net

SO, JUST IN CASE YOU MISSED IT or WERE WONDERING WHAT LEAD UP TO THIS SPLENDID CONCLUSION OF OUR AGAIN BEING ABLE TO MEET AS A CLUB

I will give you a brief review of the most recent developments as Treasurer Dave communicated so well with: First part is from February 2022, as I had periodically pestered Dave and others had done more of the same.

Previous | Next > | « Back to daze61283@mypacks.net Reply Reply All Forward... ∨ Print Delete Spam Move to.. ∨ More Actions... Date: Feb 21, 2022 8:18 AM Hello! Several of you have asked me for an update on the possible "re-start" of meetings for IPMS Fremont Hornets, and if we would still be meeting at the Irvington Community Center. Monday I reached out to my contact that was the supervisor at the community center and she referred me to the new supervisor. Jeff Giacoletto, Today, I was able to speak to Jeff, and I provided him with a history of the club renting at the Irvington Center for many years (more that 15 years!) and a quick review of the hourly rates we have paid (\$25.00; \$32.50; \$20.00, etc). Currently, the center charges \$49.00 an hour for the rental of 1/2 of the meeting room. This rate was established last year after the city conducted a city wide review of services they provide to the public. I asked Jeff if there was a possibility for us to continue to be charged a lower rental rate due to our long time relationship with the center. Jeff told me that he was not aware of any special arrangements or rates made by the previous staff at the center, and that the hourly rate at this time for renting half the meeting room would be \$49.00 an hour. We would also be required, as we have in the past, to provide a Security Deposit of \$275.00, that is refundable after the rental period and again each time we rent. Here is what renting for three Friday night meetings (three months) would look like: FYI, when I rent the meeting room, I rent three months at a time so that the room is secured for our club. \$49.00 per hour x 3 = \$147.00 (one Friday night meeting) \$147.00 x 3 = \$441.00 (three meetings, example Jan/Feb/Mar) \$275.00 once for security at time of renting. The initial cost to rent from the center will be \$716.00. \$441.00 for the three months, plus the security deposit of \$275.00. After the security deposit is on file, we would only be paying the three month fee of \$441.00. As a comparison, our last rental rate was \$20.00 an hour, see below: \$20.00 per hour x 3 = \$60.00 (one Friday night meeting) \$60.00 x 3 = \$180.00 (three meetings, example Jan/Feb/Mar) \$275.00 once for security at time of renting. Of course we obtain "dues" or "meeting money" from all members in attendance, but after a review of funds from meeting attendance from January 2019 to March of 2020, we only meet the threshold of \$147.00 on four occasions when we had 15 members or more in attendance and we charged \$10.00 per person. FYI our current balance in the Wells Fargo account is \$2,676.59. I continue to look for other meeting options that are less costly or even free, but have not had much success. I know that this is a lot of information to digest, but I wanted to give you an update. Thanks Dave

At this point, I was trying my best to stave off being depressed by this, or angry at Irvington CC head staff, or coming to defeatist conclusion we'd not meet at all in 2022 at this rate. Then, I formulated potential plans... While I was still in midst of potential pitch to Dave, he brilliantly puts this three page item out for comment:

Mind you, he put in the message that I was to get the feedback, I got exactly one, but luckily he got more.

JHOP - NEWARK

The IHOP located on Jarvis Ave. in Newark has a section of their restaurant that has been used for local club or organization meetings, such as the Optimist Club. The area that they use is located in the right rear portion of the restaurant. There are booths on both sides and tables between the booths. This area used to be separated from the general seating area by a wall with an open door way. The restaurant was recently remodeled and this was has since been removed. The area is now open to the general seating section. I spoke to the manager and he informed me that we could have our meetings in this area, free of charge. Our members would not be required to purchase food as a condition of using the room, but it would appreciated if we did.

ROUND TABLE PIZZA - NEWARK

Located on Thornton Ave., just west of Hwy 880 in the Newark Square Shopping center, Round Table Pizza has two meeting or event rooms next to the main seating/dining area. One of the rooms is best for our use because it is walled off and the door can be closed. I spoke to the manager (Sharon) today (3-12-2022) and she told me that there is no charge or fee for or using the room, but they do require purchasing of Round Table food and beverages when using the room. She said that the rooms are not used much at this time, and should be available for our second Friday meetings from 7:30 to 10:30 time frame. I do not have a listing of food and beverages and the related prices, but we could determine what is available and the amount we as a blub should spend there if we choose this as our meeting location.

MICHAELS - THE HUB, FREMONT

The Michaels's store at the Hub shopping center in Fremont, has a class room that they use for art and craft's instruction and events. An IPMS club (in the mid-west I think) have used this room for club meetings in their city. I contacted an employee at Michael's and learned that the company stopped using the class room soon after the onset of COVID, and at this time there are no plans to open the room back up for public use.

IRVINGTON COMMUNITY CENTER - FREMONT

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The initial cost to rent from the center will be \$716.00. \$441.00 for the three months, plus the security deposit of \$275.00. After the security deposit is on file, we would only be paying the three month fee of \$441.00. We will no longer be charged a reduced hourly rate (\$20.00) as we were in the past.

FREMONT MAIN LIBRARY - FREMONT

As part of the Alameda County Library system, Fremont maintains several libraries. The main library is on Stevenson Ave. and Civic Center Drive. They feature "Study Rooms" for reservation, but they are small and due to some continuing COVID restrictions, they limit the amount of persons who can occupy the study rooms. The available days for reservation of a study room is limited by library hours. For example, Friday's the library is open from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM, not useful four our needs.

There are libraries in the Centerville, Irvington and Niles districts in Fremont, but also have limited room access and times available. This is also the case at the Newark Library.

Newark: Monday, Tuesday open – 12:00 PM to 8:00 PM

All other days the library closes at 5:00 PM or 6:00 PM and the Library is

closed on Friday.

Fremont: "Main". Various open hours, and closing times are 5:00 PM, 6:00 PM or

8:00 PM. The Fremont Main library closes at 5:00 PM on Friday.

"Centerville". Various open hours, and closing times are 5:00 PM, 6:00.

PM or 8:00 PM. The Centerville library is closed on Fridays.

"Irvington". Only open Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and closes at

6:00 PM.

"Niles". Only open on Friday's from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

GAME KASTLE - FREMONT

There is a Game Kastle located on Washington Blvd. in Fremont, not far from the Irvington Community Center. The Fremont location has two areas that are used for gaming purposes, (and sales of merchandise) the main part of the store and an area to the one side of the main area. I have spoken to the manager (or managers I should say, since they seem to change often) in the past and they have allowed clubs or groups of gamer's to reserve tables for meetings or playing games. The tables get filled up quickly and it can be noisy with high occupancy. I visited the Fremont Game Kastle on Friday at 7:30 (3-11-2022) and every table was occupied.

NEWARK COMMUNITY CENTER - Newark

The Newark Community Center is closed with no staff on-site during the week. It is available for weekend hall rental.

SILLIMAN COMMUNITY CENTER - NEWARK

The Silliman Community Center is located on Mowry Ave. in Newark with easy access from Hwy 880. They have a meeting room that holds at least 50 people, so more than large enough for our needs. The hourly rate is \$50.00 with a 2 hour minimum. The facility closes at 9 PM on Friday's, so we would need to end the meeting just before 9 PM (staring the meeting at 7 PM). There is a refundable security deposit of \$300.00. The tables and chairs in the room can be set up in a number of configurations. Below is an example of the cost for three months rental:

\$50.00 per hour x 3 = \$150.00 (one Friday night meeting) \$150.00 x 3 = \$450.00 (three meetings, example Jan/Feb/Mar) \$300.00 once for security at time of renting. The initial cost to rent from the center will be \$750.00.

Must clarify that Silliman Center will allow us to rent multiple months at a time, and if we will be allowed to build at the meeting.

David our implacable Treasurer and 2nd VP by virtue of all he does, got this excellent treatise out March 12. As I said he put in cover document to be pointing back comments, etc to me at the Editor's Free Hornet e-address daze61283@mypacks.net.

With all this extensive research that was current, it seemed we had very few practical choices especially in light of how long we had been "at sea" with nary a consistent means to meet face to face.

Still, I had not gotten but one (very well done) reply to his document here, 5 days after I got the analysis

And, of course, I had been very busy at my own life and dealing some with the fallout out of the cancelled SV Classic 7, so too had neglected to reply to David on my behalf. Rather poor form on my part after pestering Dave about this whole business over the months... Luckily for me, David soon prompted me with his own take which dovetailed as I told him, he read my mind.

So only ten days after he had put this all out, Dave advised me he had gotten some feedback, hoped I had got the email (as I had not responded to him this time, unlike the original February report he had put out) and if I could reply back soon to idea that we go ahead with a plan to book 4-8-22 at Round Table which he felt and he learned I was utterly on board with, although it would take a mind reader to have confirmed that then.

My explosive (in manner of shotgun reply in two parts, to get entirety of my less than coherent enthused buy in across to him, in no way negatively meant or delivered) response ended up in a several day game of e-tag.

For as it turned out, after Dave made the concerted effort to book if possible, the room, the manager was to be found not replying as out of area until several days later. Happily though, as forecast, David got her to be aware of our urgent request needing a reply yes/no, on Tuesday 3-29. With him emailing me answer you are about see direct message form of, Wednesday 3-30 (time of this writing). So I, being at work and a little more than usually overwhelmed, triaged the information dissemination to start with simplest PNG motif of Dave's email you will next read, uploaded to Free Hornets Website, (added also on Calendar of same). Then BUZZ Newsletter reformed from original giant issue into rough but serviceable "emergency" (urgent) version:

Message

Reply Reply All Forward Print Delete Spam Move to More Actions From: "Dave Parks" <
To: "Mick Burton" <daze61283@mypacks.net>.</daze61283@mypacks.net>
Subject: IPMS Fremont Meeting Friday April 8th
Date: Mar 30, 2022 11:45 AM

I just spoke to Sharon at Round Table Pizza. We have the room reserved (it's the one with ability to close the doors) for Friday, April 8th from 7:30pm to 10:30pm.

Round Table Pizza in Newark is located at 5544 Thornton Ave., in the Newark Square Shopping Center.

From south bound Hwy 880, take the Thornton Ave exit west, then a left on Cedar Blvd. (Chevron gas station on the corner) and then enter the Newark Square shopping Center.

From north bound Hwy 880, take the Thornton Ave exit west, cross over the freeway. Take a left on Cedar Blvd. (Chevron gas station on the corner) and then enter the Newark Square shopping Center.

From east bound over the Dumbarton Bridge, take the Thornton Ave exit (right turn) onto Thornton Ave. and follow it into town. The Newark Square Shopping Center is located on Thornton Ave between Saint Edward St. and Cedar Blvd.

As a reminder, our club is not charged to rent the room, but we are expected to purchase food in exchange for the use of the room.

SO NOW YOU KNOW THE BACK STORY, so to speak, and why Editor for one, is very very happy as well as aware, how lucky we are that Free Hornet Dave kept at this diligence

This BUZZ containing all in one place, also, this important if for many, tedious detail of economics and the true versus supposed "available places to meet", exhaustively researched by Dave, for purpose of informing.

Because business of administering the club is something everyone will have an opinion, often strong, about as always, but we won't have time (never do, less so these days) to review or explicate salient items before there are decisions made or put forth for votes, in time ahead. Sure, it's always good to hear every one out, but not any way to run a railroad if you have to try to go back and over on things because someone couldn't bother to find time to read, be caught up beforehand. This Editor is getting this done at expense of his own sleep to be as timely and complete as possible with only 8 days effectively before this meeting we haven't been able to have, comes to pass. So, if any important time sensitive business comes up at this or the possibility for scheduling a May 2022 Free Hornets Meet where more of the same is on table, don't expect any quarter if you're not ready.

One of the potential business items that may come up at the next meeting or for sure by May, is just what goes on in the form of upcoming events, in light of the year opening with sudden cancellations and reschedules. As it is working out, actual available dates without conflicts or being extremely poor choices given past experience left in year 2022 are already getting minimal, for either planning a big event or rescheduling one again. Take a look at the events flyer'ed in this issue, and remember the IPMS Nats are in mid July this year. Enough said.

NOW FOR A THIRD TIME TO REPEAT SO YOU DON'T MISS OUT BEING TOLD:

IPMS / FREMONT HORNETS are HAVING A FORMAL MEETING for FIRST TIME in 2022

AT: Round Table Pizza 5544 Thornton Avenue, Newark FROM: 730 PM to 1030 PM

IT WILL BE A MODEL TALK & BUSINESS MEETING. BE THERE OR BE SQUARE

JUNE IS GOING TO BE A BUSY MONTH FOR MODELERS here's start of why:



Additional information and updates: +www.tpmasd.org + Bab Ekstrom + SDIPMSExpo@gmail.com

SIGNATURE

For category sponsorship, indicate the category number(s) you wish to sponsor and multiply by \$25.00

See Reverse Side for Swap Meet Information & Table Application Updated January 11, 2022

01/23/2022 an UNOFFICIAL FLYER from MIRANDCO Information deemed reliable and accurate but not necessarily complete





01/13/2022 UNOFFICIAL FLYER from MIRANDCO Information deemed reliable and accurate but not necessarily complete





UPDATED 2022 EDITION

Originally scheduled 02-19-2022 SilverWings show has now been moved out to

SATURDAY JUNE 25

At TOWN & COUNTRY LUTHERAN CHURCH
4049 MARCONI AVE

SACRAMENTO, CA 95821

CONTACT: RUSSELL NILES (r_niles1@juno.com)

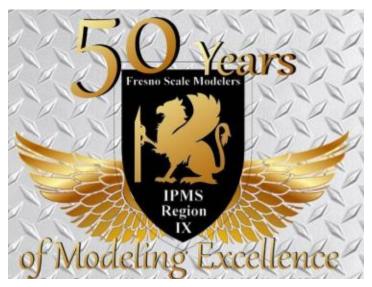




01/30/2022 UNOFFICIAL FLYER from MIRANDCO

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Fresno Scale Modelers Contest for 2022

About the Event... (information publicly accessible from the IPMS USA Events page)

Event Date:

October 22, 2022 - 9:00am to 4:00pm PDT

Location Name:

Clovis Veterans Memorial District

Address:

808 4th St, Clovis, CA, 93612

Event Hosting IPMS/USA Chapter(s): <u>IPMS/Fresno Scale Modelers</u>
Website: <u>IPMS Fresno Scale Modelers Facebook Group</u> (link is external)

Contact Information Contest Chairperson's Name: Rick Cooper Phone: 5594726041 E-mail: rickecooper@hotmail.com

COMING UP

The Hornets Are Invited to BuildFest Monday Night APRIL 25 2022

With Silicon Valley Scale Modelers at their alternate 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

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 mention in more detail of potential FREE HORNETS TRICITY 14 event occur...

Mick Burton, madman at large — <u>DAZE61283@mypacks.net</u> (sole fool responsible for bad content or rude comment here) "Come for the models Stay for the Sarcasm"

P.S.: If you wish at any time to find back issues for reasons such as my invite to review Issues 57 (2017) thru 82 (2018) in the editorial here, you can easily find them at this address, in PDF format and most browsers will open them right off site:

http://freehornetsannex2.yolasite.com