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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 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*)

AS UNANTICIPATED, EDITOR LOOKS BACK @ 2021 USS HORNET GIG
(possibly bearing relation to pic) & **A LOOK AT UPCOMING YEAR EVENTS**

You May Call This BUZZ A “ A NEW YEAR LOOK AT A MODEL LIFE ”

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 April 08 2022 130 AM)

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

YES! Now # 93 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!



“ THANKS AGAIN DAVE, for BEING FREE HORNETS STALWART ”

Sorry I am again pressed for time getting this issue out much later than planned, in fact. Many other pressing priorities in our magnificent “real life world”, sheer fact that my backlog became such, even with the “pandemic slowdown” make it so Well it’s still a First World problem to have and so forth. GREAT NEWS still is, that as announced in “emergency urgent BUZZ Issue # 92E “; We Free Hornets are going to meet Face to Face (sans masks even if you so choose) TONIGHT YES . We Free Hornets are now celebrating our now exactly FORTY FIVE YEARS RUNNING STRONG AS A MODEL CLUB !

Thanks to David Parks, our Treasurer and 2nd VP for making this happen and all the other great shenanigans he is up to.

So you and me now can promote the club as an identifiable, “not just virtual entity” BOO YA ! SO MODEL ON!- mick

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SADLY, I MUST ALSO PASS ON THIS NEWS, TOO

Shortly after publishing the Issue 92E to make sure everyone and their mother knew we Free Hornets were going to have a meeting again, I awoke to learn a short while later that our dear friend “Smilin’ Dave” Anderson had left us at 645 pm that night. Fellow Free Hornet Chrissy Anderson, his magnificent life partner/wife/best friend, had to be the one to inform me, in midst of her own deep shock at this sudden turn of events. Words fail me often at times like these, but I am bringing a card for signatures to send to Chrissy from us when it’s time to.

I will try to put together proper article later, but for now, R.I.P. friend Dave 03-30-22



IF YOU HAVE NEVER GONE TO THIS EVENT NOW IS THE TIME ! IF YOU HAVE LIKE ME, BEEN THERE, YOU KNOW WHY I EMPHASIZE TO GO!

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:

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SO, AFTER THE 2021 IPMS NATS ... WE HAD 3 CONTESTS IN REGION 9. HERE'S # 2



Thanks to JOE ! for this event

Standing tall in front of his third Expo underway, with our own Free Hornet “Builder Bob” Meyers right there, backing him up. “H3 Guy” Joe Martinez as Contest Director of this enterprise, had able assist of the club he’s been a member of since I ever knew of IPMS, Sacramento’s Silver Wings, for this go around.



That was made clear in the official flyer for the event, as well as online support from the Museum. However, if you went onto the IPMS USA website events page, you’d see that the IPMS Fremont Hornets were also the sponsoring chapter. Well, glad to have extra prop and hey, as I said, Bob Meyers (Head Judge) is one of us !

After suffering from the insanity of the COVID 19 pandemic and thus seeing event cancelled previously, with no doubt, this Model Expo 2021 was a straight up success for those who put it on and those who showed up.

And show up they did, as this view of the hangar deck after boarding at the rear ladder gateway shows...



This shot vantage point is near the front of the contest area, and all this is very near the stern of the ship.



This view is about 3 feet back from the vantage of above, just to show you behind the scenes as it were, plus emphasize the doorway lighting is the exit to USS Hornet stern observation deck.

That McDonnell F-4 Phantom you see under the medium blue work platform crane is one of a few active restoration projects of the Museum.

One of the many ancillary benefits of holding a Model show/contest aboard the USS Hornet is a chance to have a leisurely paced day taking in a number of things like this, while also shopping, competing, shooting the breeze with old and new friends.

Below, two more shots taken midday during show



Now, a first look at some of the tables filling or not, and then a few favorites of the Editor, then wrap for now





2x DC 10
MDC 30 47
MASC COLOR 30

30 46
SOUTHWEST
DC-10

30 46
EMBRY WORLDWIDE

30 46
OZARK

Models are not be
shaken, stirred,
or touched



20
Civilian Vehicles
Competition
HORNET





21
Motorcycles
HORNET

DON'T BE A WISE GUY AND TOUCH
THE BUSHES OR... OR IT'LL BE
OUR TACOS FOR YA SEE, CLAYTON!







10
Military Vehicles,
fully tracked, 135
& larger, post
Korea
HORNET

I touched the models,
even drooled on one.
Don't be like me.



1 1/35 TAMIYA M1A1 SEPTEMBER 1975 30 1/42

2 1/35 TAKOM CHESTNUT MC 10 10 56

12 1/35 TAMIYA M1A2 SEPTEMBER 1975 30 1/42







Thanks to Free Hornet Gabriel Lee, the category of Collections wasn't going wanting, Editor is a big fan of this category so always happy with it.

Gabriel's Latin American Sabres are a pleasing array with good variety in markings and also in subjects.

His Latin American Mustangs (below) also very nice gathering and again, educative with likely a few that even a seasoned Mustang fan may not have known of.

And nearby, Gabriel's MiG-17 "civilian" showbird.



The Rotary Wing, All Scales this go around definitely hit that right, with 1/144, 1/48, and 1/huge scale all in it

Sadly, Real Space category 32 didn't get nearly the amount of entries it warranted. But there was variety.



Being the actual Apollo Recovery Ship, USS Hornet, plus the event theme including it, might have been...



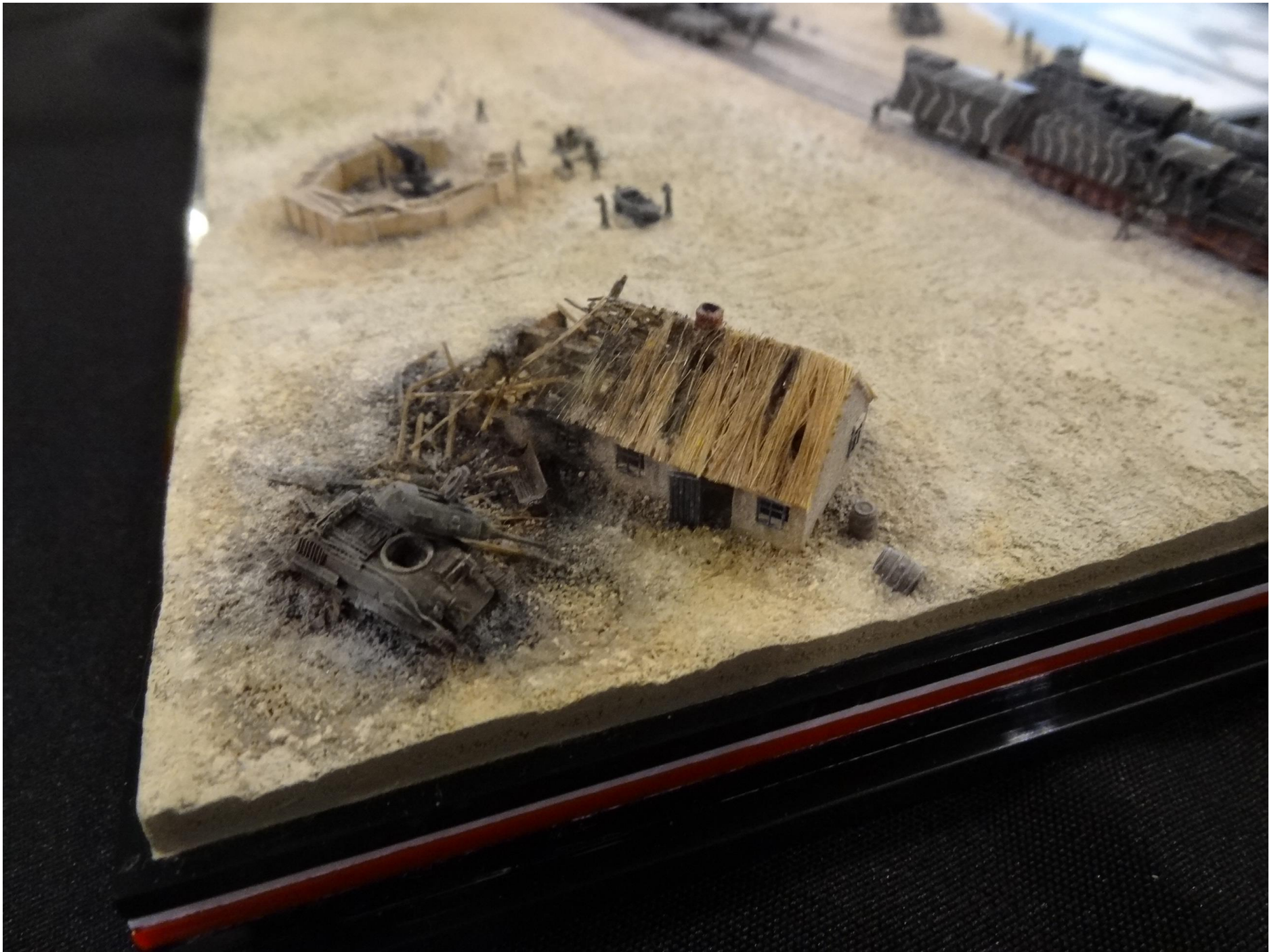


800mm German Railway Gun "Dora" June 1942, Siege of Sevastopol, Crimea
Fully assembled gun weighed nearly 1350 tons and could fire shells weighing 7 tons up to 29 miles. It was the largest caliber rifled weapon ever used in combat, the heaviest mobile artillery piece ever built in terms of overall weight, and fired the heaviest shells of any artillery piece.

1350 Bigblueboy
800mm German Railway Gun "Dora"
Siege of Sevastopol 23







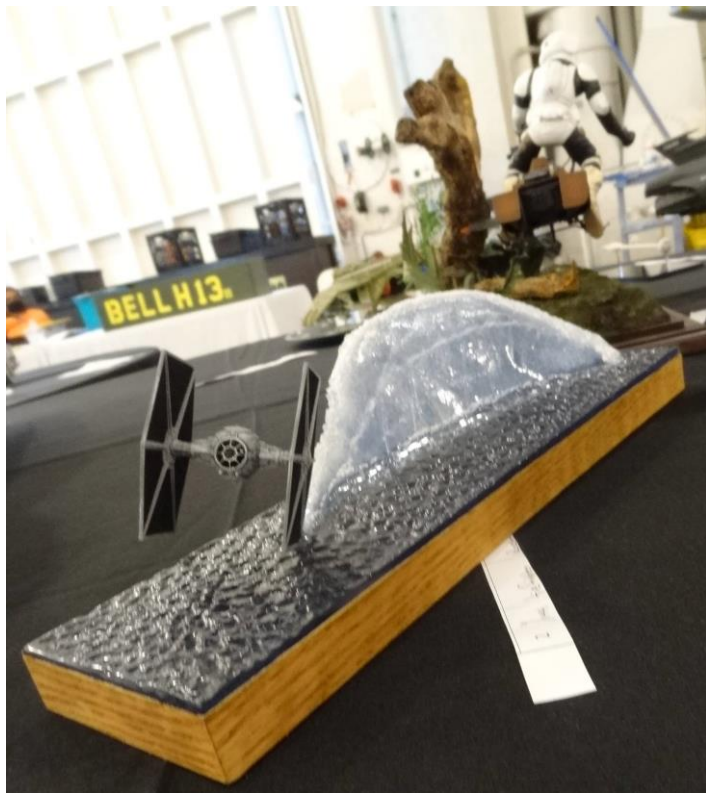




And again, if you have guessed this is another appearance by our Free Hornet Gabriel Lee, you are a winner !

This display really well executed. Seemingly simple enough, yet you know it took talent and hard work, a lot!





One more nod to the TIE Fighter surface tension disrupter, then I begin wrapping up this first part of my USS Hornet Expo review



First though, a few more looks at the amusing ways that this event handles signalling the perennial bane of all our sort of events. Namely, urge or just the banal thoughtless act of handling of people's all too fragile and time invested model entries, by others.



Not the end of my review of the 2nd show of 3 we luckily even had in 2021 for our Region, but for now the wrap up as I am running out of space for maximum PDF I can store on my archive as single file, and my email only allows twice that size (20mb) anyways. SO this issue goes to publication just ahead of our first Free Hornets face to face club meet in many many months, and expect a followup of this article shortly.



In meantime, here's my and this Speeder's take on how this show of Joe's went. Bee seeing you - mb



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**



WAAAAAAYYYYYYYY

BACK WHEN

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

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(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 recent invite to review Issues 57 (2017) thru 82 (2018) you can easily find them at this address, in PDF format and most browsers will open them right off site:

<http://freehornetsannex2.yolasite.com>