

The Monterey Bay Muddler

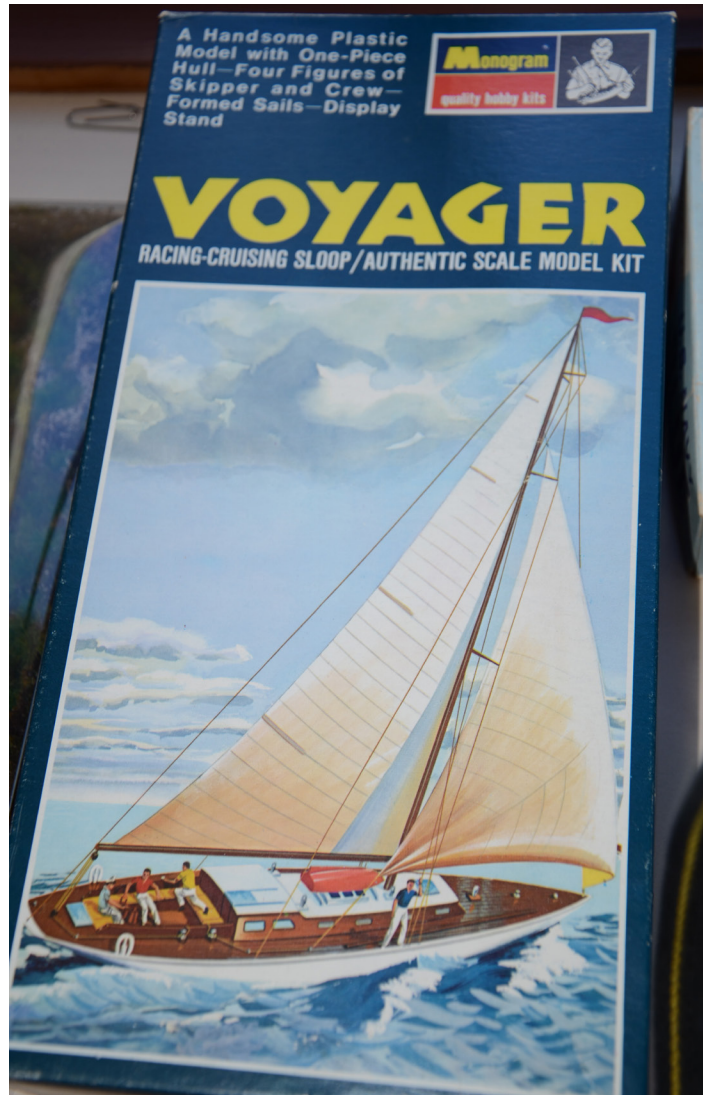


Lester performs a puppet show for the entertainment of the Muddlers

Present at today's meeting were the Marcum bros., Lee and Larry, Grandpa Dave and g.s. Evan, Eric H., Tom L., Jaime D., and of course ME! Today's business consisted of a President's report, as well as one from the Sec'y and the Treasure. My report was simple...Silicon Valley Scale Modelers Kickoff Classic will be in Milpitas on 2 April, last the Black Hole of Calcutta, better known as Napridak Hall. I will not be going again this year. Sec'y's report was about a car modelers heaven..the NNL show for car builders only (also motorcycles, trucks, etc.), on March 16th. Our beloved Treasurer, Dave asked us to consider \$25.00 donation to the USS Hornet Museum. David made the motion to make the donation, and Eric seconded it. We voted 'yes' unanimously. For our donation, we will have our clubs name inscribed on the deck of the beloved Carrier. David also reported that after renewing our Charter, and several memberships, we have \$171.00 in our treasury. Being that there was no further business, we moved right into Show and Tell.

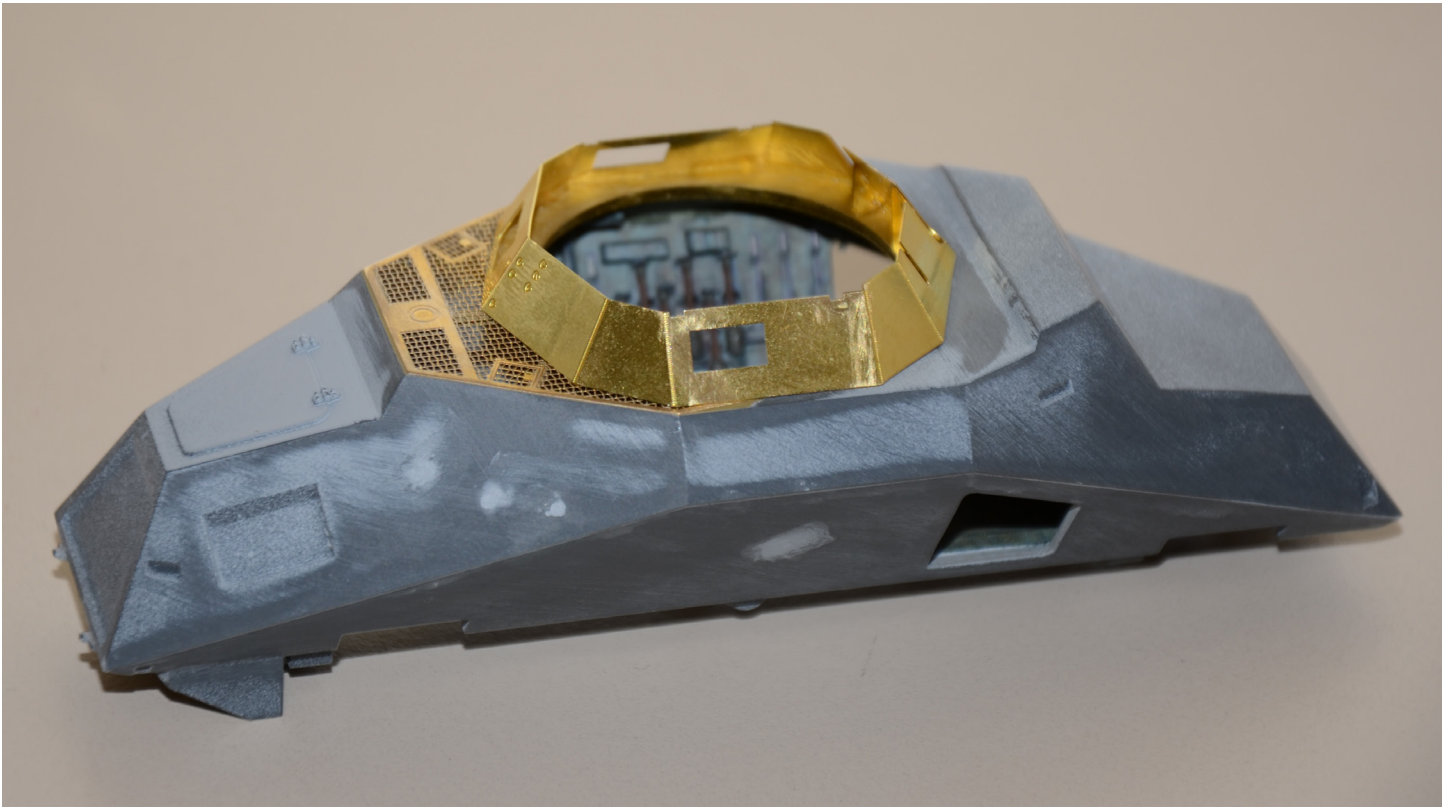


Eric brought in 3 Rare Kits, all Monogram kits, and all box scale. They were the Boeing SST, the Blue Angels, and the sloop Voyage. He also brought in some greenery for dioramas.

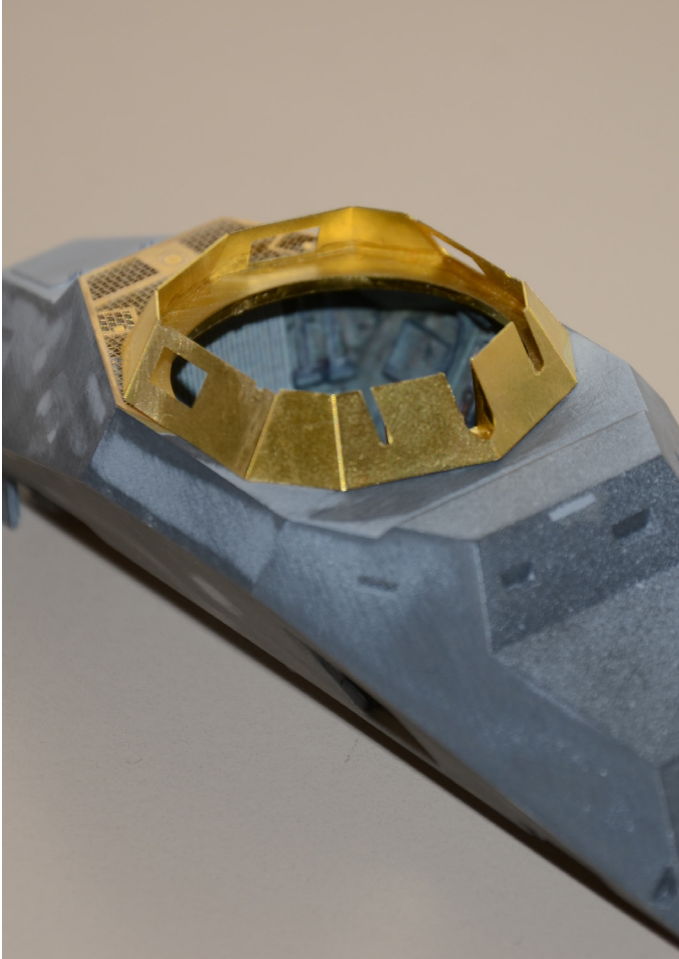




I showed several busts, the first being the Zulu Warrior I showed at the last meeting..finally finished. Also showed were; 2 Crusaders, one with the green cross of the Knights of St. Lazarus, Alexander the Great, 2 of the same Knights, one full faced, the other with his great helmet on. They will be placed on lacquered bookends and given to my son Joshua, for his 38th birthday next week. Also shown were a Venetian Condottieri, 14th c. (leader of a group of mercenaries a Roman infantryman), a Cavalry Officer from the English Civil War, and lastly, a bust of Achilles (Trojan War), modeled after Brad Pitt.

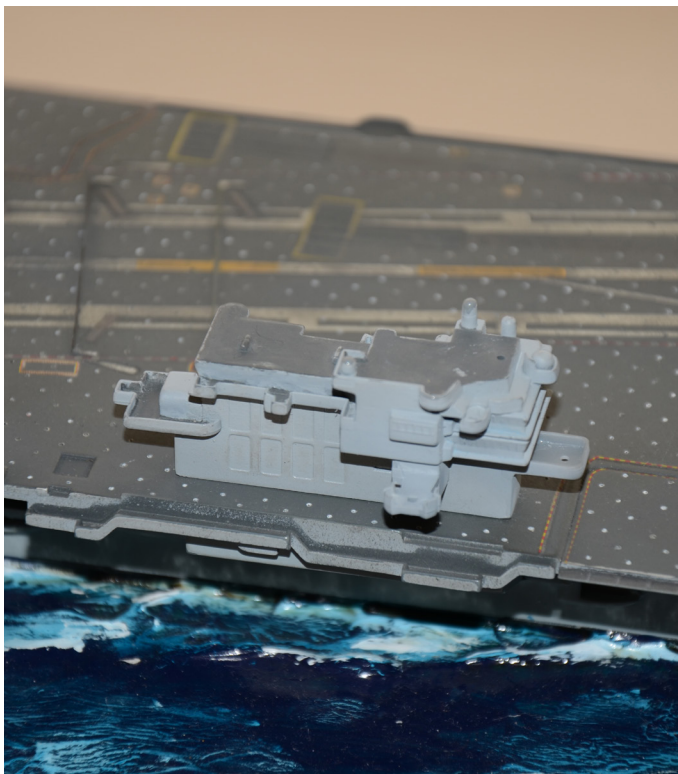


Lee was next with his 1/32 scale Tamiya kit of a German WW II SdKfz 222, half track. The interior was completed with paper and the rest of the model will be completed with photo-etched parts. Can't wait to see it finished. Knowing the quality of Lee's work, it's bound to be a winner.





Tom was next with 4 beaults! One was the 1/700th scale USS Constellation, CV64. All of the pad eyes wee drilled out. The deck was shorted than the hull, so there was a large circumcision to be done, and the carrier isn't even Jewish!. After drilling out all the pad eyes, Tom spent 3 weeks in CHOMP's Garden Pavilion. Also shown were the McLaren M7A by Hiro Kits (\$300.00), the Ensign N-177 from Orange House of Brazil, and lastly, the Tyrrell 003 from Eddro. This was Jackie Stuart's car, and Tom says it's a great kit to build.

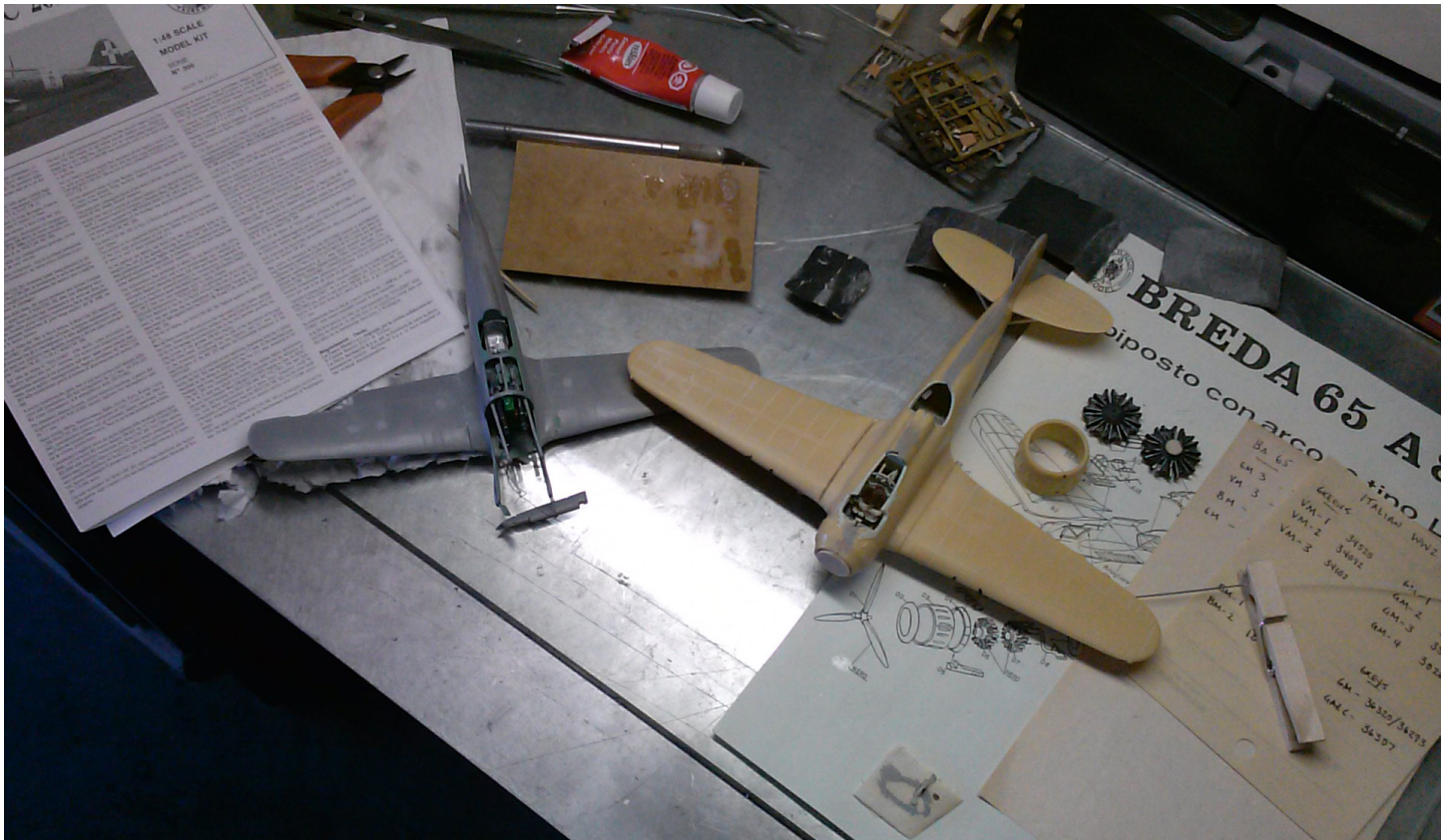


Last up was Dave, with 2 early WW II birds. The first was a 1955 Revell Bell P-39 Airacobra, and the other, the 1953 Aurora Curtis P-40 Warhawk. As is his want, Dave gave us a very interesting history of the 2 planes, complete with artwork and copy.



And Now, a Guest Contributor!

The following photo is generously contributed by former club member Jeff Vermurlen...



Here is a picture of my latest projects which I would like to share. The Tauro MC202 is being modified to a MC202EC. The kit is a PITA to build as the forward fuselage does not accept the engine without serious modifications. I would not recommend this kit as it is just as bad as the MPM PE-2.as far as fit and assembly challenges. The Warrior kit BA-65 is also not an easy build, but I`m doing the kit in pre-war markings, something that I have never seen before. I`m still having challenges find a club here in Arkansas.

Ya`ll take care,
Jeff Vermurlen

Member's Mugshots



Evan



Jamie



Tom



See, you hold it like this and you blow in this end
and it whistles... listen!

Next meeting will be on the first
Sunday in April, at the Monterey
Library, at 1:30 p.m.

Big hugs
-Lester

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