



The Monterey Bay Muddler



Ramon tries out some new Hataka paint, and he really likes it!

The International Plastic Modelers Society Central Coast-Monterey Bay Chapter held its monthly meeting at the Monterey Public Library Solarium Sunday, March 1, 2020. President Larry Marcum called the meeting to order at 2:00p.m. Present were President Larry Marcum, Vice-President Lee Marcum, Secretary Sean Bybee, Treasurer David Conneau, members Ramon Lomeli, Oliver Lomeli, Evan Conneau, Tom Leutzinger, Dani Galgani, Olivier Galgani and Lester Tockerman.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Larry Marcum reported that there were no changes or additions to last month's (February 2020) announcements.

NEW BUSINESS: We have come into possession of two (2) beautiful display cases containing nine (9) glass shelves for the price of \$150.00. Secretary Sean Bybee and a friend have delivered them to the Veterans Transition Center in Marina. Check with the VTC [(831) 883-VETS] for a convenient time to bring a model to display.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Lee Marcum contacted the IPMS/USA Region 9 Headquarters to report that with regard to the John McLane Memorial Historical Miniatures Award, Contest Director Mike Woolson will accept and present the award at the end of the model contest with the other special awards. However, we must give him sufficient lead time to schedule us in.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Sean Bybee had no report aside from the good news about the aforementioned display cases.

TREASURER'S REPORT: David Conneau reported the Treasury had a balance of \$202.96. The "DREN FUND" has increased \$40.00 to \$2749.00.

The "DREN FUND" has paid out \$150.00 to reimburse Sean Bybee for covering the purchase of the VTC display cases. (03/02/2020). The Treasury reimbursed David Conneau \$62.26 for printer ink used to print out the monthly newsletter.

There being no further business we went to...

SHOW AND TELL!!!



LESTER TOCKERMAN presented a redux of February's display for those members who were unable to attend..:



LEE MARCUM continues on his 'Sinanju', adding a major portion of its torso. Lee explained that due to the many compound curves, this is a very slow and difficult stage of construction as no sooner would one section be secured when a previously 'glued' section would pop open. Then the whole process would have to be restarted, trying the patience of a saint.



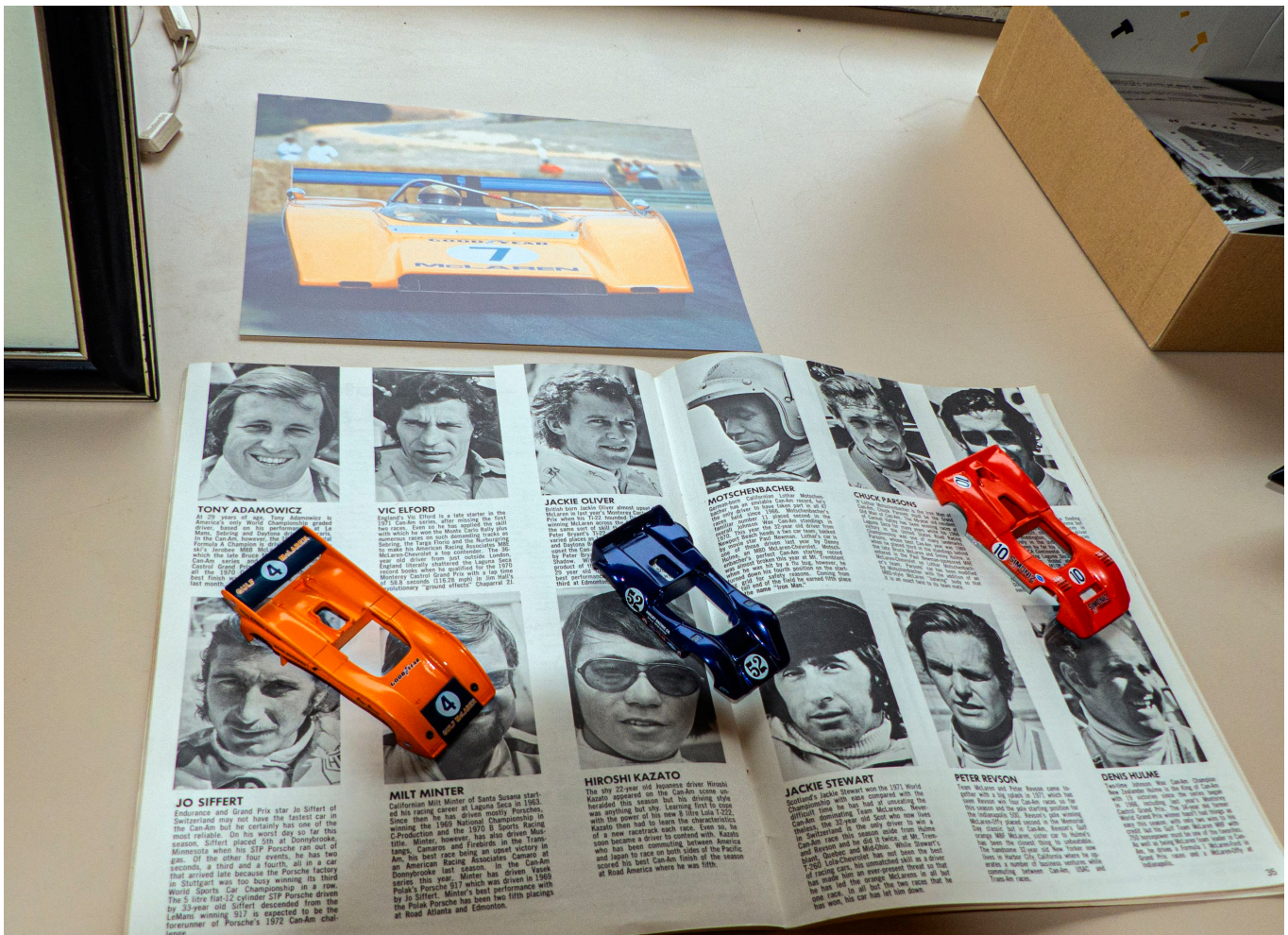
DANY GALGANI wowed us with his 1918 diorama of a Sopwith Camel staged on a platform mounted atop a gun turret on the battleship USS Texas as part of the US Navy's initial attempts at carrier aviation.





OLIVIER GALGANI came in with an assortment of Star War subjects; AT-AT's from Bandai, MPC, and from Star Trek, a Klingon and a Viper II in US Navy markings. The head turner was a clever vignette of teenager Elroy Jetson curbside at a futuristic Sonic Burger being served by a car-hop cutie. This is another ingenious scratch-bilt bashed from a 1956 Revell 1/25th scale Pontiac Club de Mer concept car.

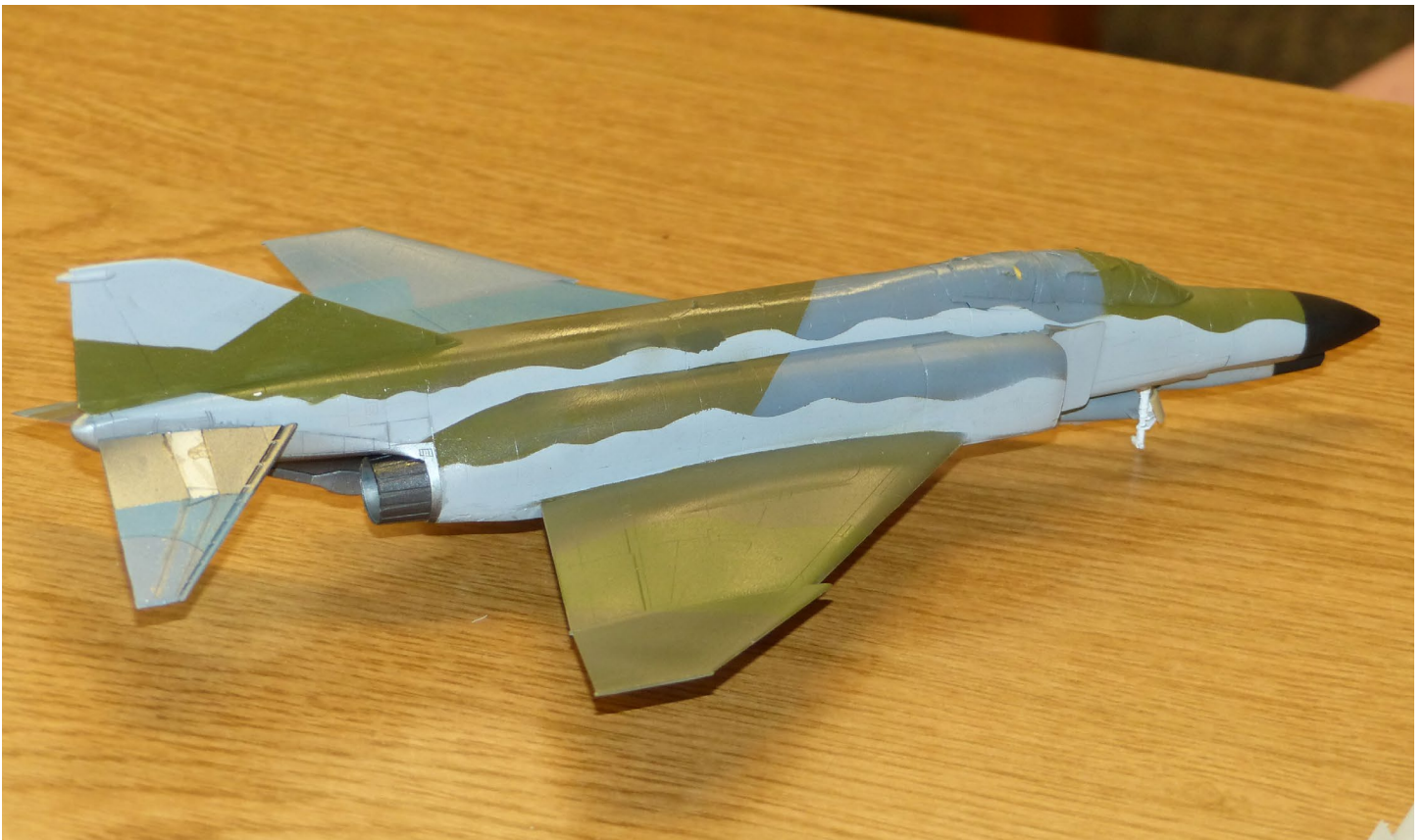
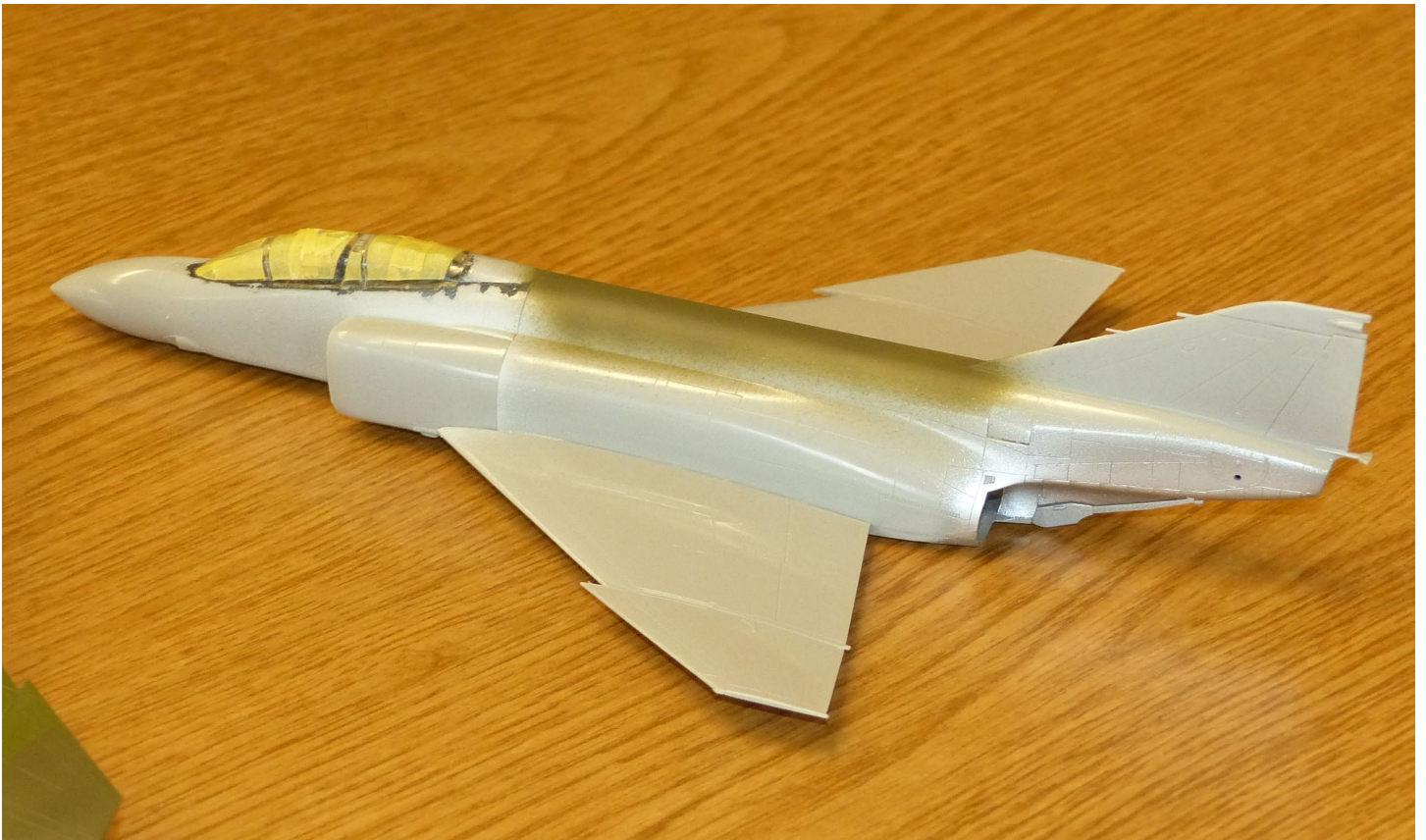




TOM LEUTZINGER brought in three very small examples of Marsh Models of England Can-Am 1966-1974 racers: Peter Revson McLaren M6B, a McLaren M20 and our own local Chuck Parson's Lola T-163. Also included was a 1971 Laguna Seca racing program and a color photo of Revson's McLaren MB6.



RAMON LOMELI moves forward on his Black Bunny masterpiece.



OLIVER LOMELI has begun work on a 2007 Hasegawa 1/72nd scale F4C/D "Bicentennial" Phantom II. Also in the mix is a 1985 ESCI 1/72nd scale toned down McDonnell-Douglas F4 Phantom II in Luftwaffe livery.



DAVID CONNEAU continues on his Atlantis repop of Revell's 1956 1/64th scale North American B-25B/C Mitchell Bomber.

FROM THE DESK OF MR. CONNEAU-IT-ALL:



Unless you have been in an alternate universe or stuck on a Princess Cruise sailing in circles off San Francisco, there have been some radical changes going on as result of the Coronavirus Pandemic. The Monterey Public Library has been closed until April 8, 2020 or until further notice. The City of Monterey has issued a lock down order until April. The County of Monterey is on lock down as of March 19, 2020. Governor Newsom has declared California locked down and all of us are ordered to shelter in place. IPMS events have been cancelled until September. The President has declared a National Emergency. All public gatherings (cock fights, tractor pulls, pie eating contests, Rocky Horror Picture Shows, monster truck rallies, dwarf tossing, etc.) have been cancelled until further notice.

What to do? Wash your hands, clean your house, change your clothes, wash the dishes---you get the idea. In today's world of anti-bacterial wipes, sprays and cleaners we don't have to break out the lye soap and boil the sheets. Aside from essentials, the only thing you should go out for is fresh air and sunshine. Get lots of it.

While we're all confined to quarters, fix that leak, oil that hinge, straighten your sock drawer and get on that model you've been meaning to finish.

Now who can argue with that?

Muddlers Mucking About



There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30p.m. Our next meeting was scheduled for Sunday, April 5, 2020 at 1:30p.m. However, due to the statewide shelter in place order, our monthly club meetings have been postponed until the order is lifted.

Respectfully submitted,

David Conneau

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