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The BUZZ – of The Fremont Hornets V.1

Issue 154



July 14 2026



Somehow managing to wing it for now over **49** years...

Welcome

IN THIS **REGULAR EDITION COVERAGE** ISSUE – You will find:
(basically in the listed order, tho a stream of consciousness device)

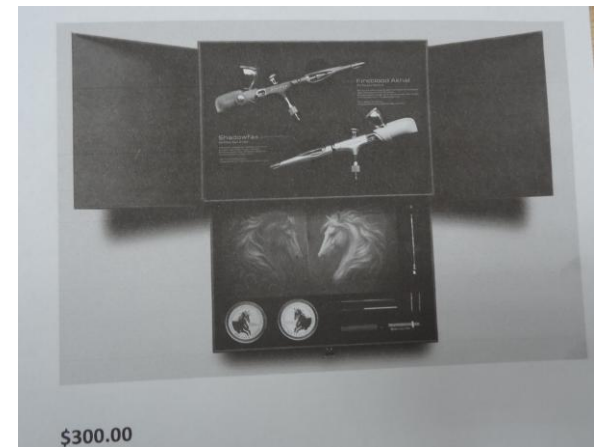
LATEST BUZZ (*Issue's Editorial, bearing no relation to the picture on the right*)

Also: What comprises other contents ... Can they be summarized ? YES

First Off Give REST of JUNE Hornets Nest and then ALL JULY in depth

ALSO for 2026, Editorially speaking really different last minute notice

You May Call This BUZZ The “At The Moment issue”



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 JULY 14 2026 12 noon)

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

YES! Now # 155 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!



“ A SIGNIFICANT SUNDAY, ONE MIGHT SAY ”

Because I felt stressed by having to produce BUZZ #153 at literally the last minute after having begun it only days after the June meeting with every intent to have it out timely and sooner... strove this time to get July news much more quickly.

One interesting aspect of our JULY HORNETS MEET was all the very imminent events that came to light during it and thusly I am trying to get the notice out for them all. The Build Day I had a brief note before meet of and now here's all the details.

Gundam Build Day!

Sun Jul 19th 3:00pm - 7:00pm

Community Organized • Tabletop • Guildhouse Lead • Beginner Friendly • Meetup • Ticketed • Art

The Parlor, 420 S 1st St, San Jose, CA 95172, USA



Interested in Gunpla? Wanting to find new people to build your miniatures and kits with? Stop by Guildhouse to learn more about the world of Model building Plastic and other common Miniature types. Ask questions with seasoned community members about painting, cleaning, and making minis as pretty as you'd like them to be! There will be a Guildstaff led class (bring your own kit, or purchase one from our vendor!) , and we will have kits available for purchase for new, novice, and intermediate skill levels. 5 Dollar Entry Fee or Bar Purchase.

Active Guildmembers get free entry to events \$10 or under. Active Guildmembers get 50% off events priced above \$10.

THIS “OPEN SAUCE” Event was discussed at length and here is the cover page at the website. Sunday is last day.

Inside this issue is the link. I am going to try to attend both events to learn more first hand. This one on Saturday, Gundam on Sunday.

Stay tuned and wish me luck ! -mb



AUGUST 14 2026 Free Hornets MOM & TOM theme:
AFTER THE RAIN STOPS

WHAT? REAL SIMPLE :

Up to FIVE total (**ANY SUBJECT** that fits within this parameter:

(any weather phenomena also includes boats named rising sun or sunny day etc,
moonchaser or a Luna (moon) moth)

Special Note: If you don't finish in time for this month, check what next month entails
and perhaps you can increase your chances of being done in time...)

GO WITH IT, REMEMBER ANY PORT IN A STORM!

JUST SO YOU KNOW (and can plan ahead, you savage, you) Here's what else on:

<https://freehornetsannex2.yolasite.com/tom-september-2026.php> “***LIGHTNING BUGS***”

<https://freehornetsannex2.yolasite.com/tom-october-2026.php> “***ONLY IN FILM***”

<https://freehornetsannex2.yolasite.com/tom-november-2026.php>
“***NO WHERE MAN's NO WHERE LANDS***”

<https://freehornetsannex2.yolasite.com/tom-december-2026.php> “***CURTAIN CALL 2***”

THE EDITOR PAYS HEED TO A PLAN TO FINISH JUNE MEET FEED



More or less here is reminder of what didn't get covered in BUZZ #153, below



Anthony Cheung really does enjoy taking “older kits”, making something of them. This pair of British Phantoms, his latest.



This pair has a slight change from what you may think you see, however. Anthony did explain that yes he obtained a Fujimi RN FG.1 and then not too long later on, a Matchbox FG.1/FGR.2. He brought along the boxes just to enhance his model talk, too.



Anthony did a clever swap of the two kits here.

The original dark sea gray RN FG.1 with the extensible nose gear you see is Matchbox kit with the Fujimi decal set !

The overall light grey used on RAF FGR.2 Phantoms is Matchbox decals on Fujimi kit

The weapons loadouts were mostly achieved by raiding old Hasegawa weapons sets he said.

Look pretty effective if you ask me



Thanks Anthony for a good look at two kits I've never had much of an idea about all these years.



Dave Parks made quite a lovely job of the 1/35 Italeri PUMA Sdkfz 234/2 fast armed reconnaissance armored car. He used Tamiya/AK interactive paints and highlighted camo colors with 'masters touch' brush pens water based ink dye.

And seeing as the Editor has a fondness for this German 8 wheeler, you're subject to another look at Dave's too.





John Larson had this nice WIP Meng 1/35 M1128 Mobile Gun System (MGS) 2010 mod. Apparently this vehicle has not been in service after 2022.

Last but not least to close out June 2026 we had **Joel Weber** show up with his underway Chevrolet 3100 pickup. However, he left us bit before the meeting ended and I didn't get any other pictures. We will catch up soon!

That's the rest of June, now on to July -mb



The Brief Answer Here of Just What Were We Up To At July 2026 Hornet's Nest

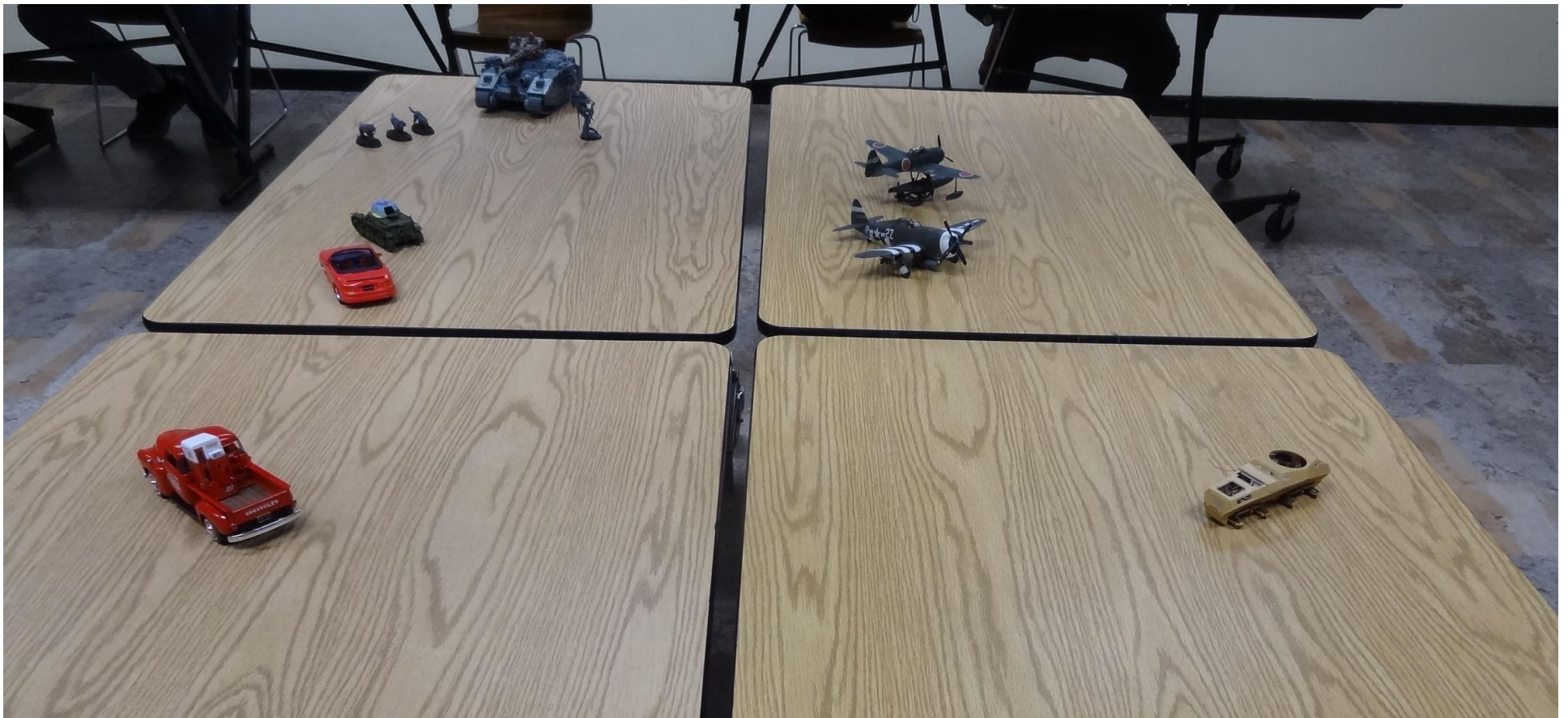


Our summer time meets have been known to have smaller attendance and July held up that standard. Nonetheless it proved to be a very lively meeting for those that showed up! We went through the business of known to be upcoming events for 2026 along with some already fixed for 2027.

Then we got the interesting news that Spirit of '45 in San Jose History Park is coming AUGUST 1st instead of mid month. A fun living history event, Chris Bucholtz has headed up a model club promo table there for many years and will again, please come join us, share your WW2 model treasures.

Angela Falvey got us intrigued with the upcoming "OPEN SAUCE" Creatives Fair which is coming next weekend, although pricey it has lots to see/do

You can find more information or purchase tickets on the official [Open Sauce Website](#).



Editor/MC Burton also gave heads up on a local Gundam Build Day coming up and now has gotten the detailed word from member Aaron Rhetta to share about this: [Gundam Build Day!](#) (it will be mid afternoon to evening in downtown SJ)

Finally to open this review, a quick reminder of July's Theme Of Month, as it worked out we indeed had some entries :

“JIG IS UP ”

Up to FIVE total (ANY SUBJECT that fits within this parameter:
(ANY UNFINISHED Model, EXPLAIN WHY NOT DONE
or WHY NOW ON SHELF of DOOM)



Joel Weber had his finished 1950 Chevrolet 3100 Pick up Truck which I said we'd catch up with soon, didn't I?

Here it is gloriously glossy as he sought it to be, testing out the MCW 2 part scale automotive clear coat on this AMT kit

Joel said a just off the dealer showroom floor look was desired,

He has now completed duplicating pair of incredible 3100 Pickups that he had on display at NNL West that sadly were "disappeared" at end of the event. This one is going to his neighbor as a gift, eventually. The one who had the old rust bucket that Joel modeled

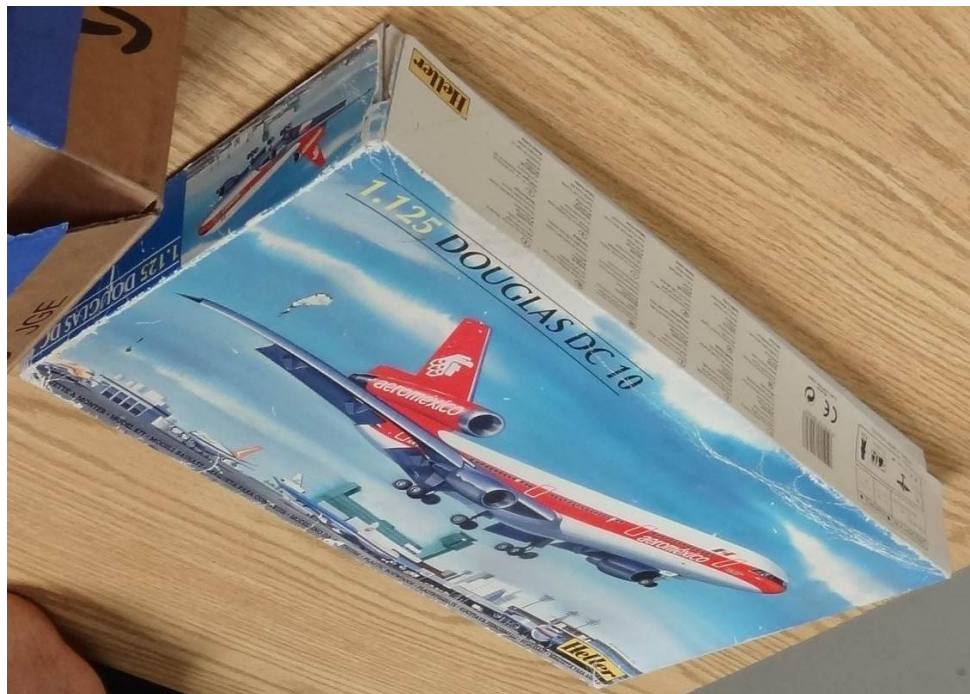


Yes, if you don't already know, this AMT kit has the cargo for the bed, a well rendered old fashioned glass bottle Coca Cola dispenser.

Since I didn't get any shots of this one in June just the box, and still suffering from the shock of the original pair that I too saw, shot pictures of at the very NNL West they were at

for the day, then vanished without a clue (Joel left them inadvertently, and while most years left behind models would be safely recovered, this NNL was the exception), I am putting all the pictures I took at July into this issue. Plus I love this build so there.





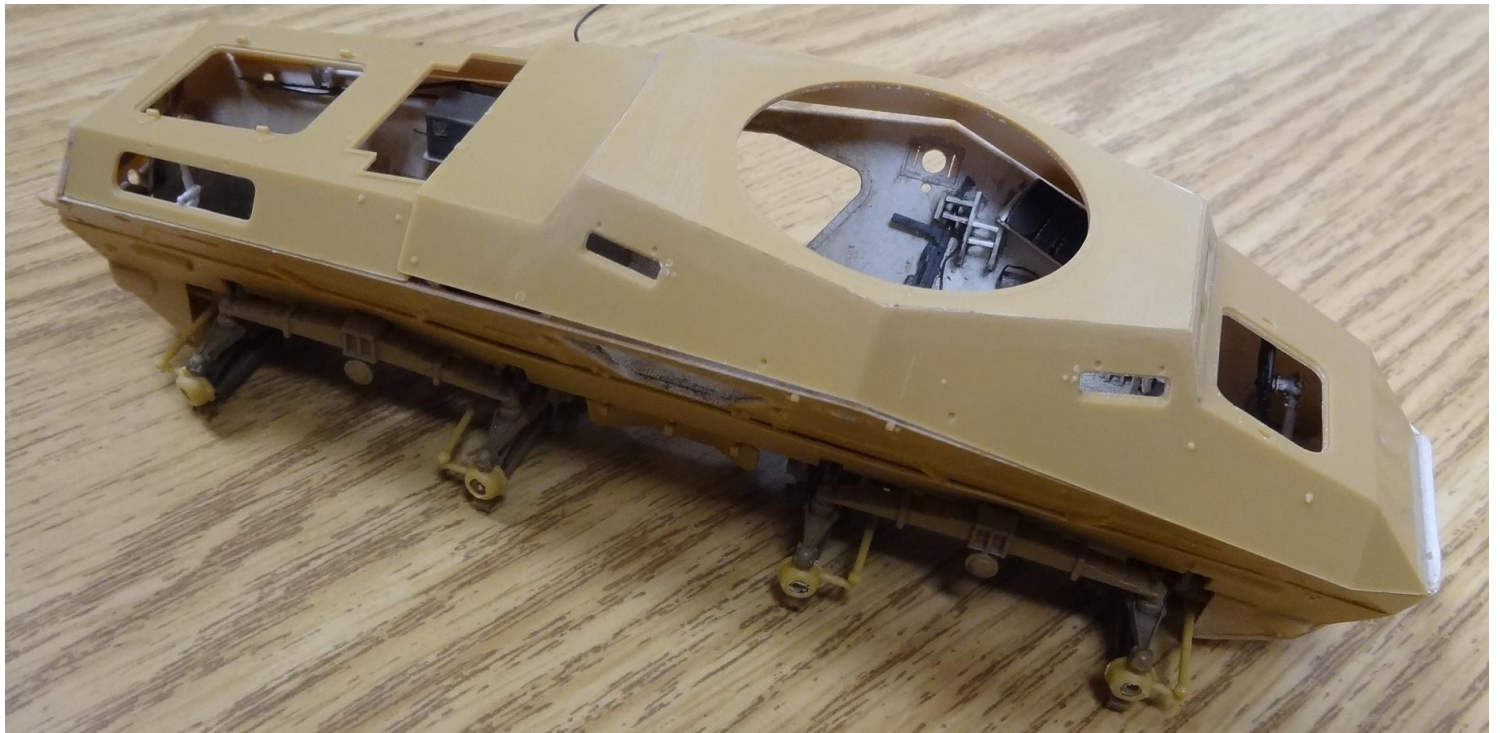
Joel also brought a Jig Is Up entry DC-10 he noted on his card, but no Model Talk on it so Editor missed it entirely for judging !



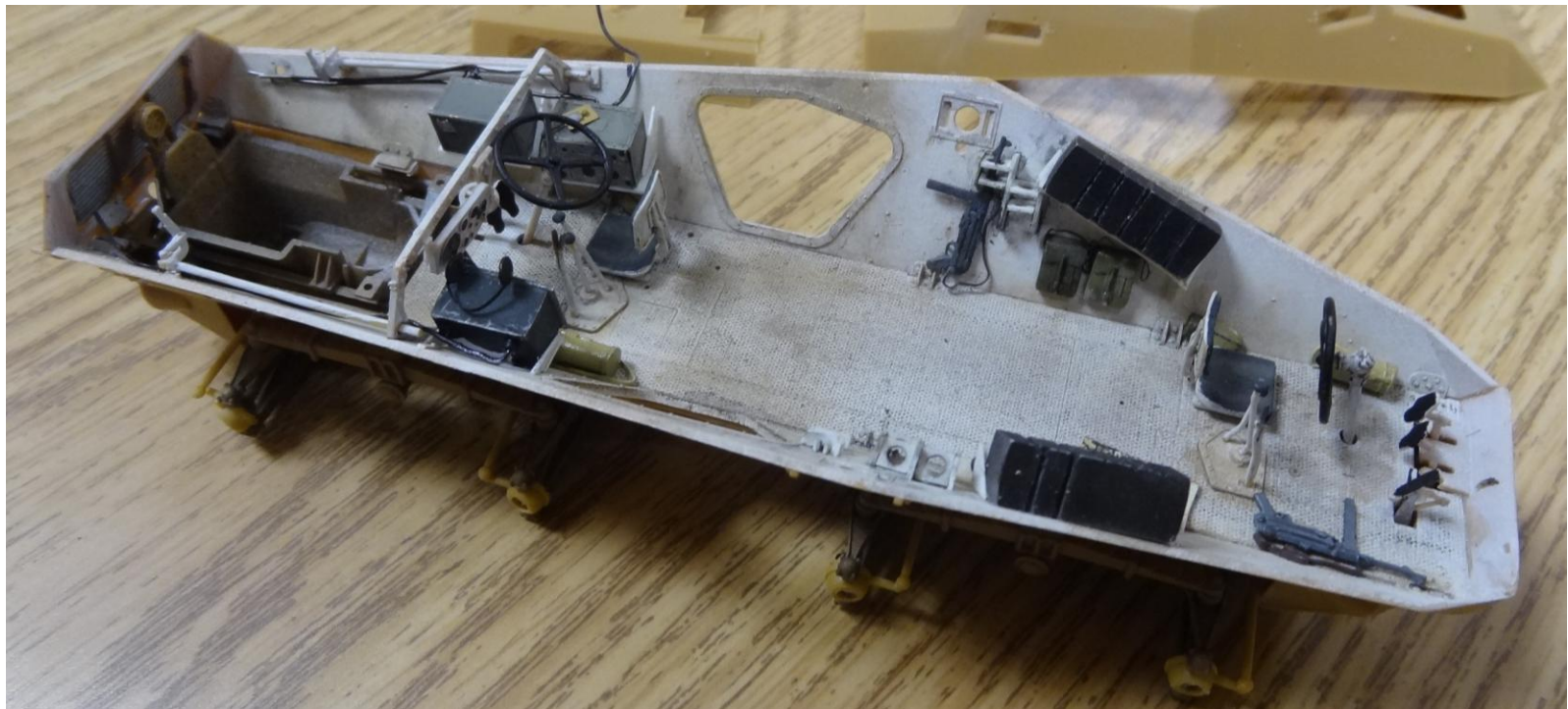
Chris Bucholtz is making progress on his AFV Club Sdkfz 232 recon 8 wheeler

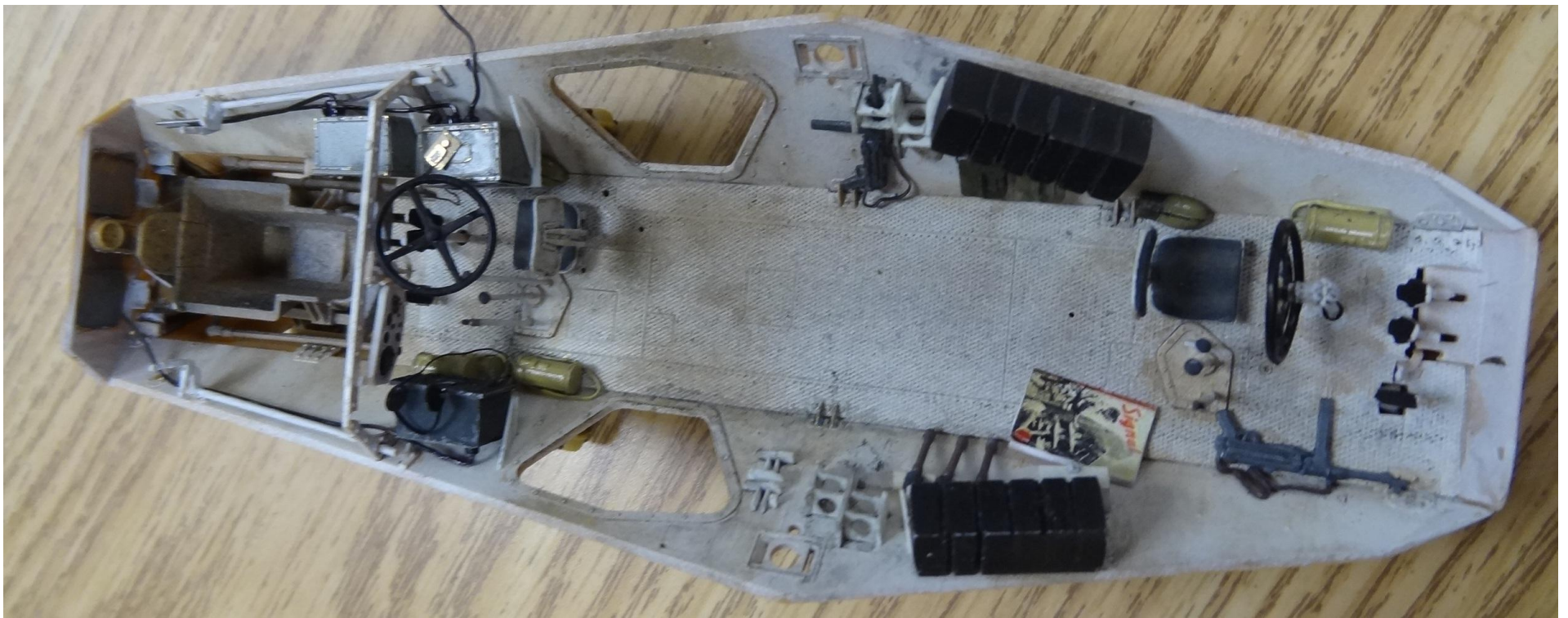
He said one start on what fun you can have with this is fact base kit totals 600+ parts.

Next trick, finding out the radio set most references point to for the radio based recon car, is NOT an FU11 (too big!) but an FU12.



Chris is enjoying adding more details, even a scale “SIGNAL” magazine for the 4 man crew.



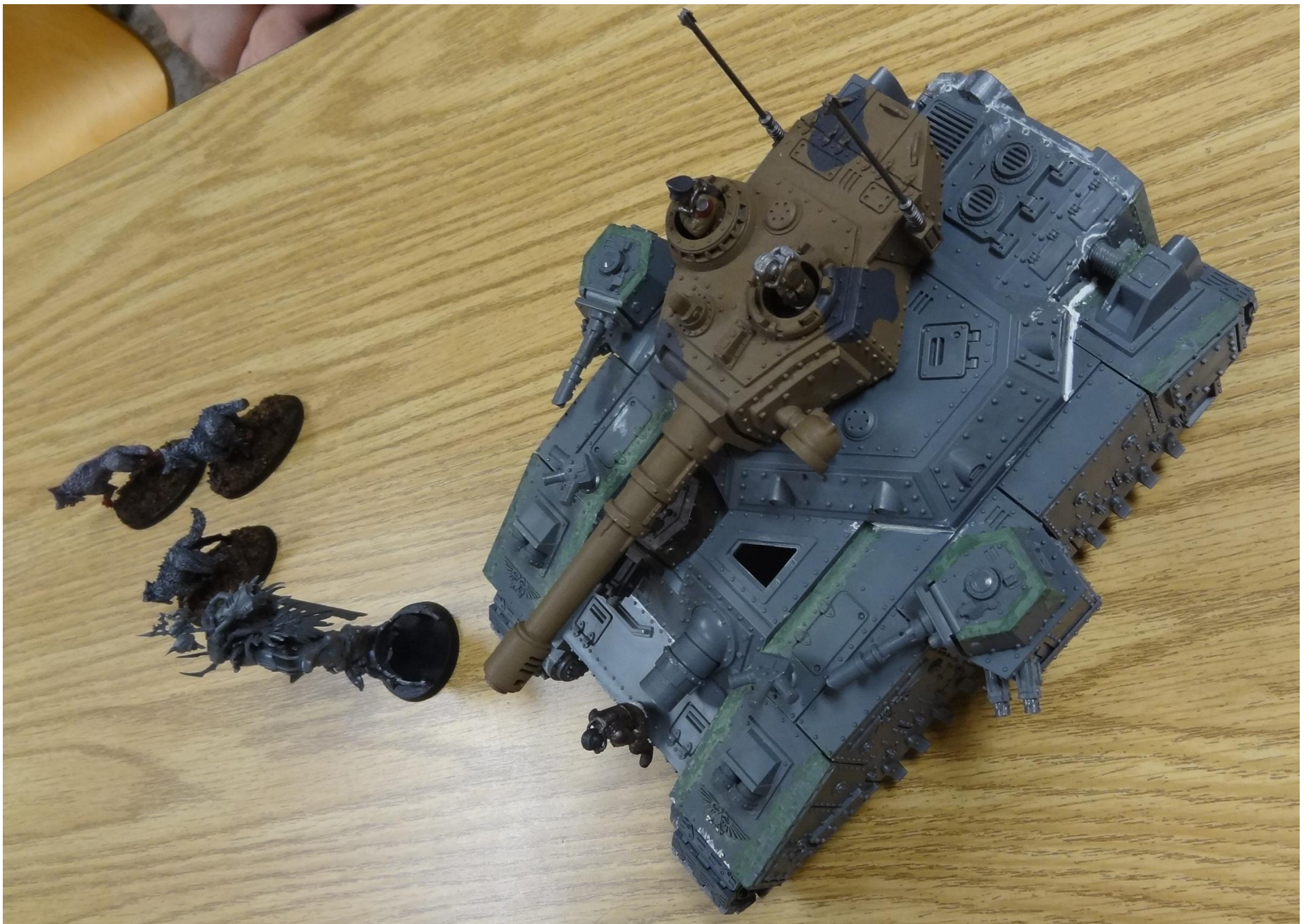


The lack of an engine won't be a problem, and he will have doors, hatches opened to allow some of this to be visible at finish.



Ethan Larson brought a HUGE model for his JIG IS UP entry
Along with a Chaos Lord and a
trio of Thunder Wolves here.





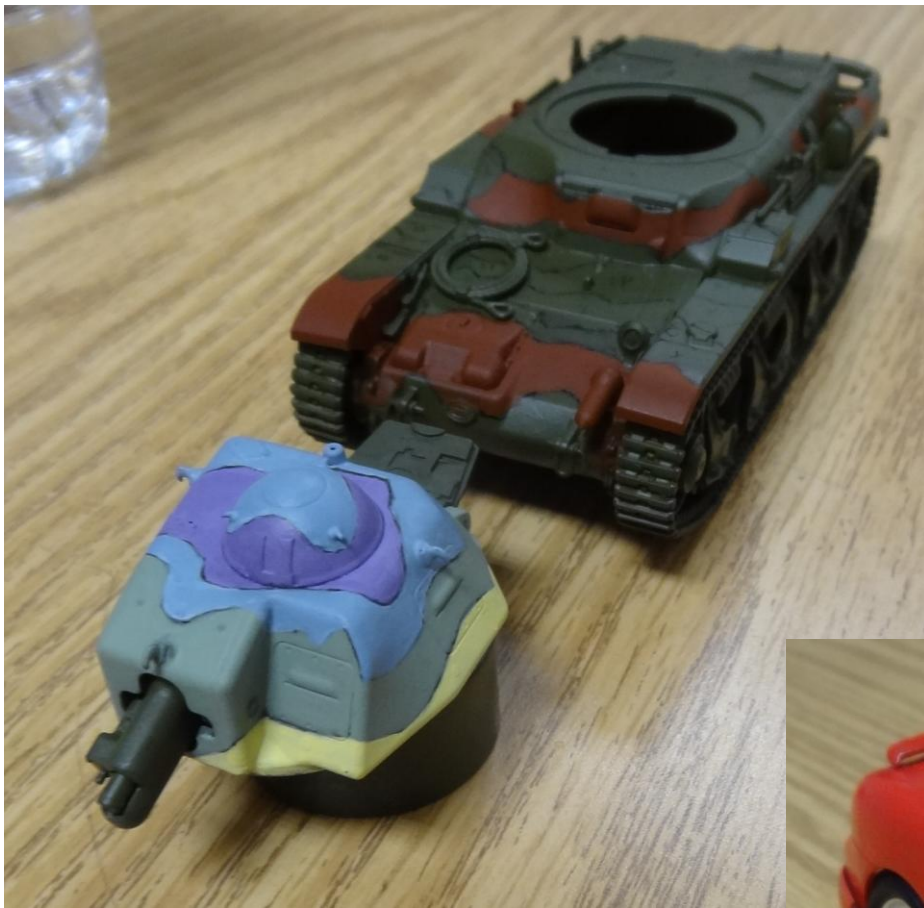
Ethan said his Baneblade tank is 'scary as hell to be painting, due to its size, far larger than what he's used to', to explain how it ended up on shelf of shame. Looks pretty good to me though. The Chaos Lord was his favorite here, said the tiny base makes tricky balance, but needed for gaming play. The Wolves provided excellent skill building with painting fur he related.



Another, better look at Ethan's Chaos Lord.

Angela Falvey brought her Renault R 35 Tamiya tank for her JIG shelf of shame entry model. Alongside it was her project she noted only last month at meeting, would be her first car.





Angela said the tank's camouflage painting is a major league pain in rear. However, "L'Orang-Outan" remains "a cute little French tank"

Angela has developed quite the love/hate bond with her Aoshima 1/24th scale Mazda roadster. Her tale of tackling waterslide decals first time and having to fit on the bucket seats brought memories back, elicited some helpful tips too.

The body rattle can spray painted off frame, an issue of the gloss coat not at all hardening 24 hours plus after application made her mad.

Even though Angela wasn't happy with this, I can assure her this automotive result exceeds a magnitude my first 20 cars so props to her # 1





Bob Meyers has been away for a while being stalwart help to his wife Christine who has been recovering from major surgery on her knee.

He said he has been keeping himself modelling in his new path trying his hands at making aircraft . Bob's latest were quite the treat, one being Tamiya's P-47D Razorback whose cockpit here in closeup. He recommends highly this model as palate cleanser

His other bird was a newer Eduard Nakajima A6M-2N Rufe, the floatplane fighter version of the Zero. He tried some several ways to weather on this island based WW2 PTO vehicle

In order to get this published ASAP, wrapping up as this covers July in toto - mb







*“ THE JIG IS UP ” July 2026 Fremont Hornets TOM/MOM Wins
2nd*

Ethan Larson

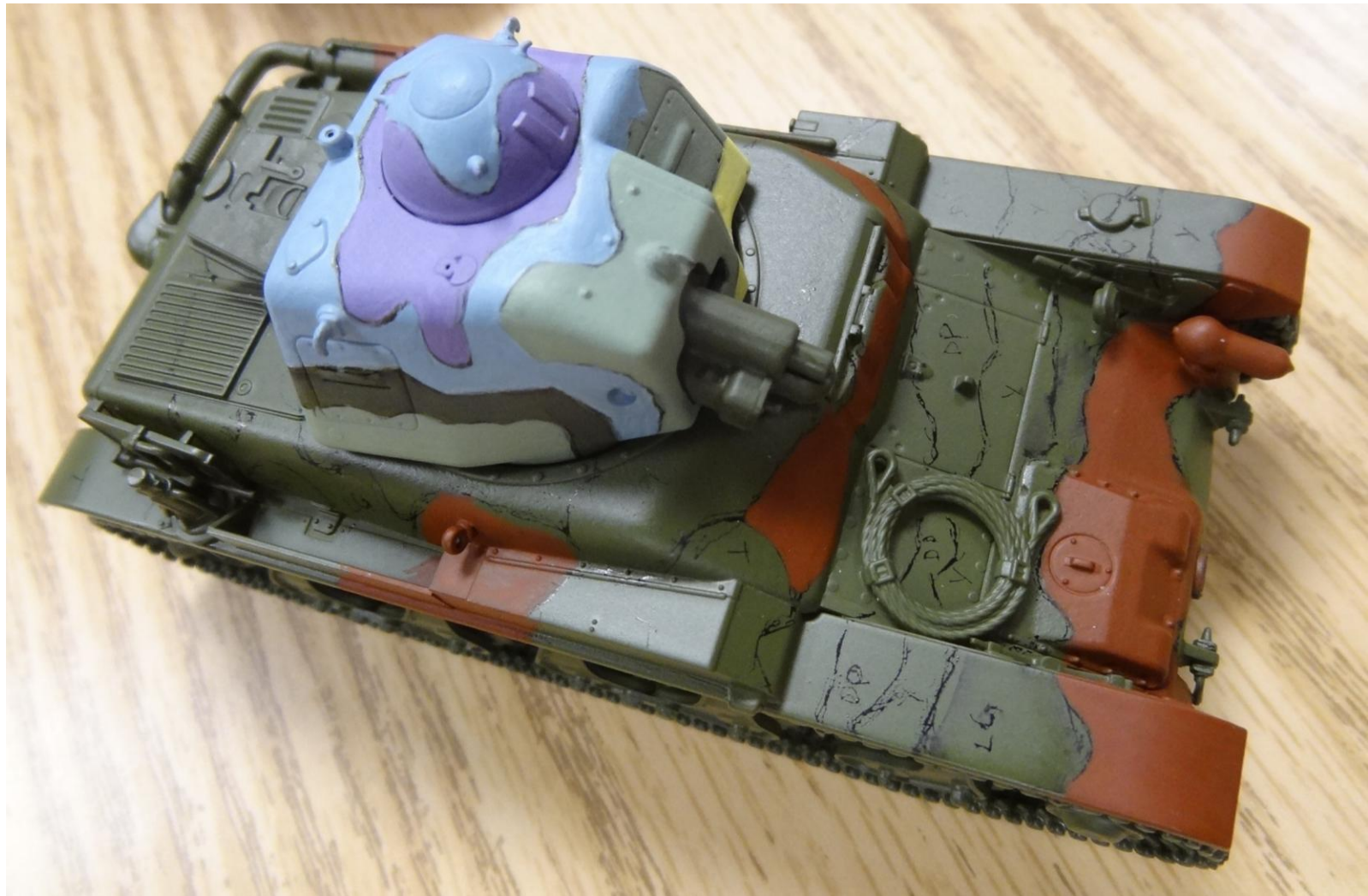
Big Baneblade Tank



***“ THE JIG IS UP ” July 2026 Fremont Hornets TOM/MOM Wins
1st***

Angela Falvey

Renault R-35 Tank “ L’Orang-Outan ”



2026 JULY THEME of The MONTH “ The Jig Is Up “ ’s (Model of the Month)

Angela Falvey

Renault R-35 Tank “ L’Orang-Outan ”



Coming Up NEXT

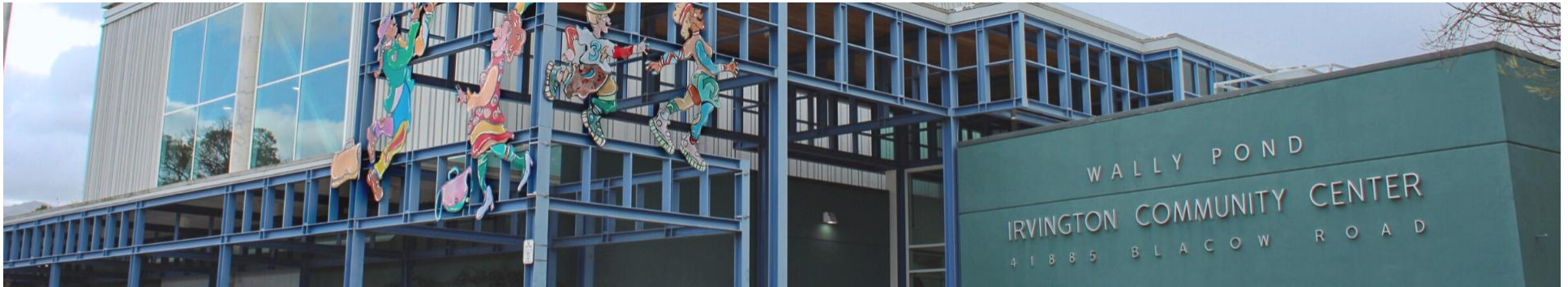
The Next Hornets Nest Night Is **AUGUST 14 2026**

REMINDER – WE WILL BE AT OUR OLD MEET VENUE in FREMONT

Thanks to our Treasurer/VP Dave Parks and a long time Club member this great news:

We will begin meeting at 7:30 PM and end by 1030 PM, that is a surety. In rest of these months of 2026 we are using this site for Model Talk & Club business to discuss, thanks to two Saints.

IRVINGTON COMMUNITY CENTER, 41885 Blacow Road, Fremont CA



Located across street from Irvington High School Corner of GreenPark Dr & Blacow Rd

PLUS IN A FUTURE NEXT EDITION

WE MAY SEE NEW MATERIAL OF WHAT WENT ON AT THE JUNE MEETING of HORNETS NEST **STAY TUNED**

ALONG WITH COVERAGE OF **MORE NEWS OF OUR HOSTING A TRI CITY EIGHTEEN LATER THIS YEAR**

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(sole fool responsible for bad content or rude comment here) “ Come for the models Stay for the Sarcasm “

