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The BUZZ – of The Fremont Hornets V.1

Issue 40

March 06 2016



Somehow managing to wing it for now over **39** years...

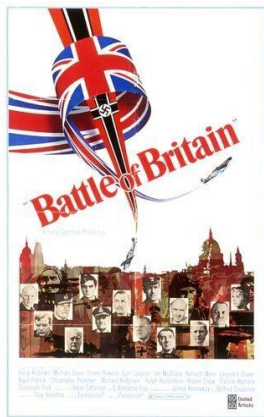
Welcome

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

A Short Take on Present BUZZ (Issue's Editorial, in case you need clarification)

Reminder of Nest 03-11-16 - Short Schedule of Events Upcoming – President's Plug of GB 2015

FREE HORNET Nest February Coverage , REPEAT of THEME for GRUPPE BUILD 2016 , Bonus Gallery



Reinforcing of our Fall 2016 Classic TC-12 with more Special Award Promotions

Somewhere inside, the Editor explains these pictures
(by way of ... ??)

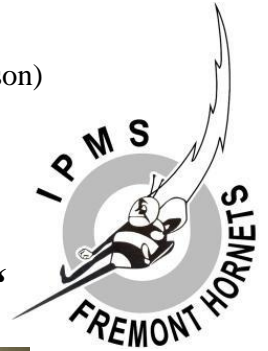
Big Bunch of Blather & Alleged Photos taken by Burton
at a SilverWings Show/Contest somewhere “Up North”



THE **Latest** BUZZ (as of March 06 2016 evening)

(a Short Take On Present Buzz) by Mick Burton, Buzz Editor (& Hornets Treasurer a Deux, Current Contest Director for 2015/16 season)

YES! Now #41 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!



“ Events Prove Their Enduring Worth By Again Providing Many Generous Rewards, Freely “



Here in a swiftly assembled triptych, candid shots taken by Editor at the Silver Wings “Kickoff “ where you bear quiet witness to the best part of EVERY show, and true in EVERY REGION. I’m reiterating what many of you well know already, the social network and shared community we all are a part of, as modelers - mick

The Hornets Nest Night Friday March 11 @ Irvington Locale *PLANNED TO BE* Minimal Business, Buildfest, MODEL TALK & usual antics

Saturday, March 12 2016 – NNL West “ NNL West 2016 50th Anniversary of Trans Am + Rat Rods” SCCC Hall A, Santa Clara, CA
Saturday, April 2 2016 – IPMS-Silicon Valley Scale Modelers host SV Classic # 3 “Clock’s A Ticking” Napredak Hall, San Jose CA
Saturday, September 10 2016 – IPMS Reno High Rollers host Classic 2016, “As Seen On TV ” Stead, NV

THE FREE HORNETS **PRESIDENT PROLONGS HORNET “ HUN SENSE ” WITH GB 2015 !**

The Grappe Build for 2015 is “ Any BF (109) as long as it’s by AF (Airfix) ”



VERY SIMPLE RULES TO FOLLOW !

1. ANY Edition of an AIRFIX Messerschmitt 109 may be used to start with. Some examples of old & new shown here
2. You do NOT NEED TO FINISH IT OUT OF THE BOX, YOU JUST NEED TO FINISH IT (**SEE NEW RULE 6**)
3. Exercise as much or as little “creative, artistic, or of course, SARCASTIC” license in your entry(s) as you feel like
4. You must be a Free Hornet to play (participate)
5. No one is compelled to participate, it’s merely another chance for FREE HORNETS to LET OUR FREE FLAG FLY
6. **ONE MORE USEFUL SHOT YET – Let’s try to have GB 2015 Entry for April 2 2016 SVC # 3**

Free Hornets 2016's February Nest News (View from The Front)

“ BuildFest For We ”



Free Hornets found themselves on their own for nearly first hour of February, as President in Friday 880 “Character - Building” highway jam



When he arrived, pleased as ever to find everyone already present were hard at the pleasure of modelbuilding and conversation.

Here's “I am NOT a VP” Vice President “Alaska” Jim Priete (nee’ Hamill) in armed struggle with his Minicraft 1/72 scale early version PV-1 Ventura while President, wearing his Treasurer/Editor hat, collected night’s fees, shot photos.

A little later, more details on those fine night’s raffle prizes Jim is guarding, will be forthcoming, Right now, thanks owed to Louis O. & Al Gerace !



Not too long after Mick showed up, "Island" Ben Pada parked his Spitfire.

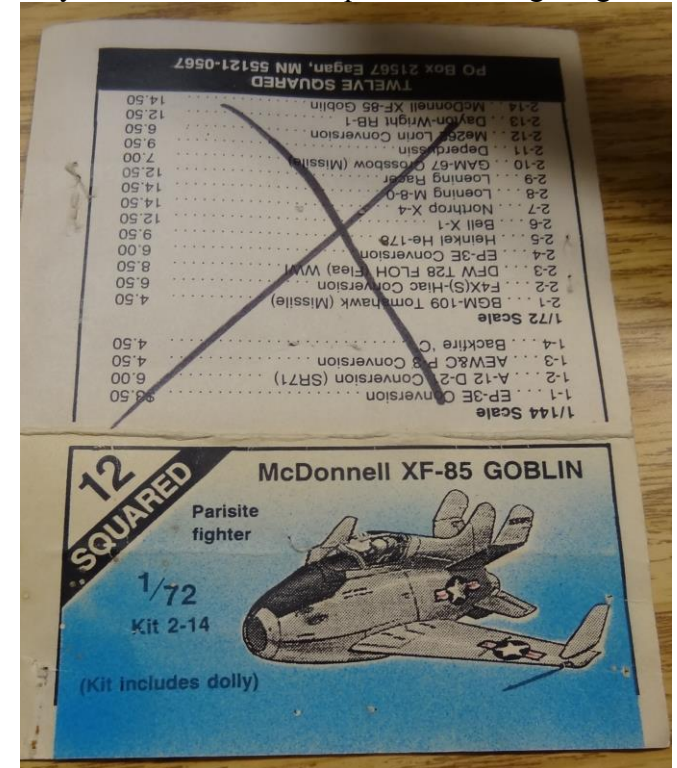


Ben's Supermarine was joining "Trucker" Cliff K Display already abundant on the front table.

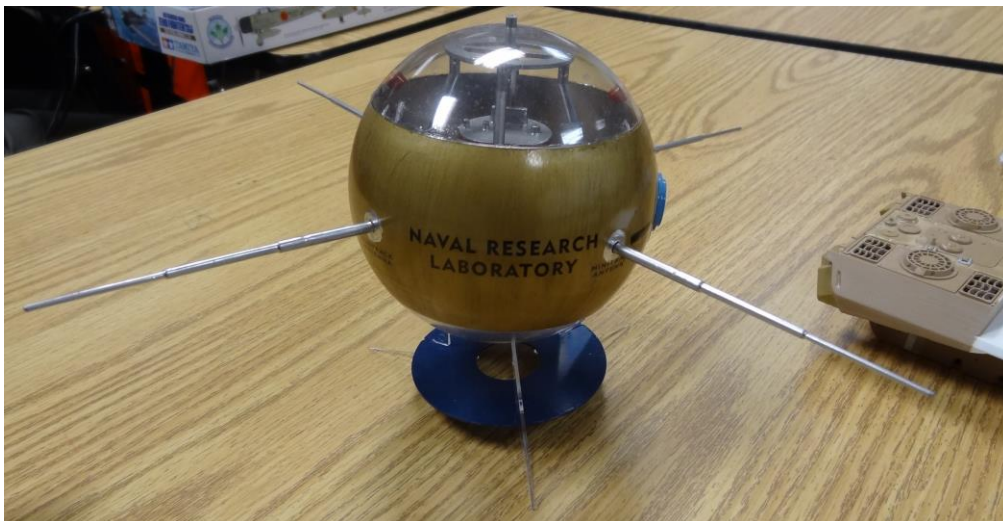
Cliff's B-29A was of Korean War period, in 1/72 scale from a kit I missed noting. Quite a contrast in size while same scale, McDonnell "Goblin" XF-85 *PARASITE* fighter experiment. Editor making this



emphasis on the spelling of term, for as you may notice below, “12 Squared” didn’t get right



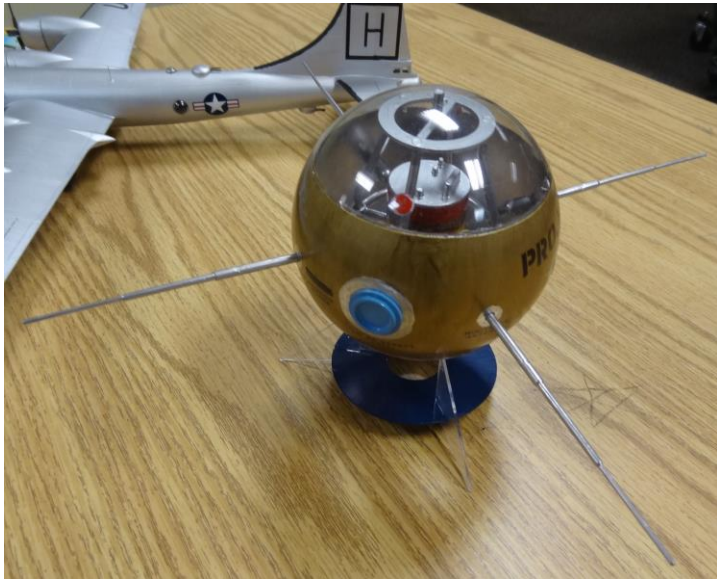
Which he finds irritating, considered against a fairly costly amount asked for “limited run kit” .



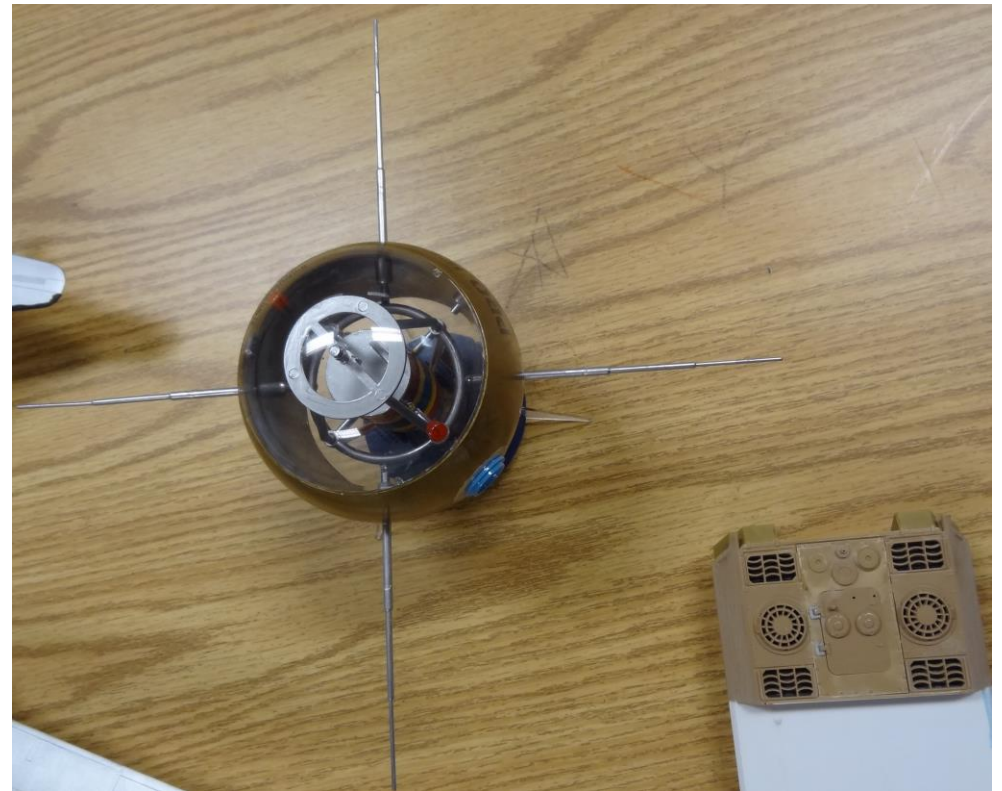
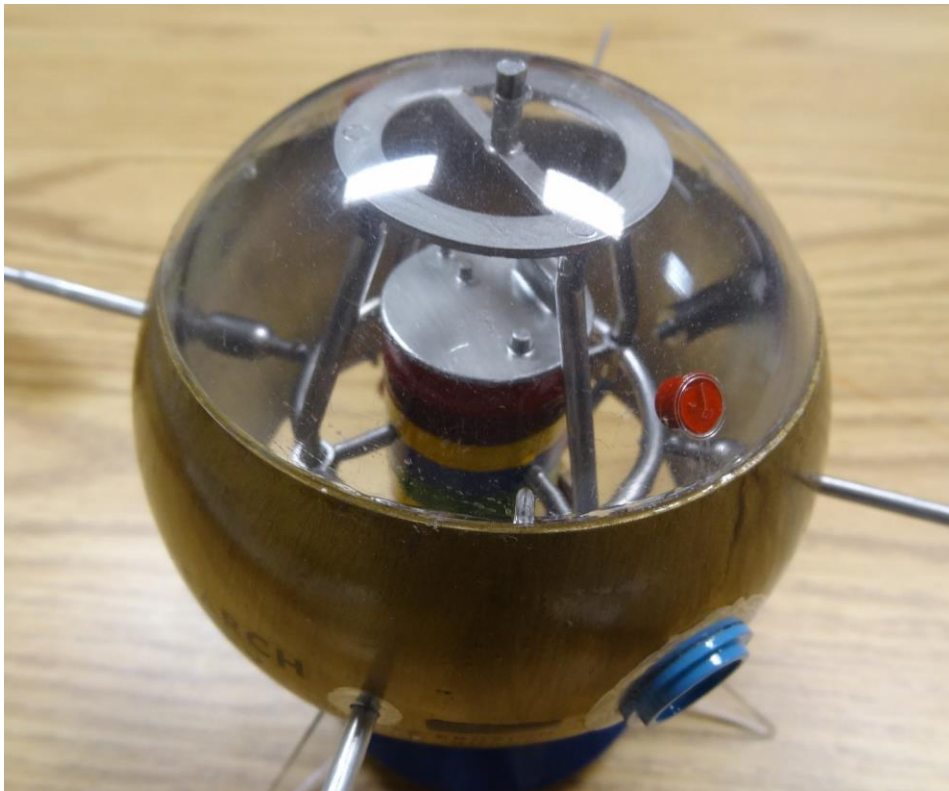
Beautiful result brought forth by Mr Kranz with no doubt, from “Sow Ear “ of a model basis. For those who may be curious, that “nose hook” shown deployed was a feature of the real deal. Intended usage was for a “deploy and return” of this aircraft. Believe it or not, two of these in a “GRB-36” bomb bay, carefully lowered on that hook, wings unfold, engine start, launch as close in escorts during penetration of USSR... a reversal of process at end of the mission of course, a piece of cake sure.

Perhaps not. In any case, from the same period comes this peaceful bit of history. Cliff got hold of this recent reissue of the ancient Hawk kit of the “Project Vanguard Satellite” Anyone who remembers seeing the infamous early US Space Program launch explosions on newsreel, or in

plenty of movie and documentary replays, here is a 3-D scale revelation of what was atop that poor rocket, just trying to leave Earth for orbiting.



Really nice work and in its own way, brings back a “time of innocence” which belies origins.



The look around at the industrious tables finds everyone present hard at work and also none too interested in being photographed, based on number of heads down or averted here !



Well, I can record that Mike Woolson's working further on a World Rally Car project.

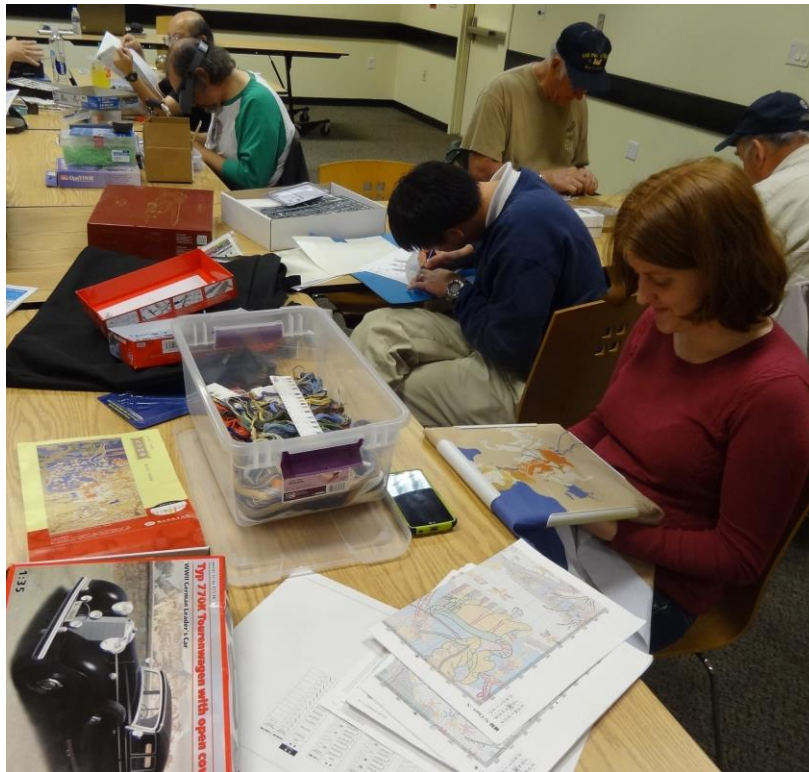
Frank Babbitt is casting a spell on his latest project we see.



Then again, maybe that Frank's casting an eye on how Patrick Hsieh's work is going.



Then, Ray Lloyd's letting us in on Days Gone By...



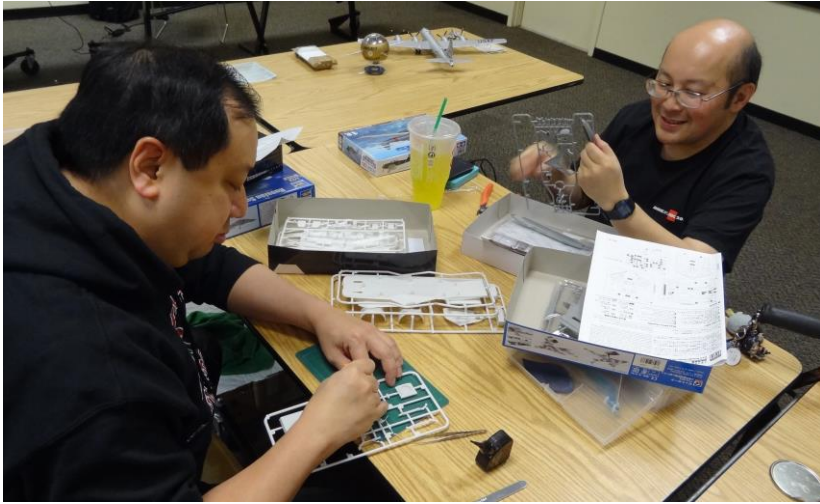
Louis Orselli, MagniVisor Mage, reveals a side of his modelling we never would have figured him for.

While Kelly quietly smiles during her break from one model project, a sojourn into stitchery no easy day though I would say. Look at colors in front of her in "parts bay", ole' !



At left, closeup look at her husband Patrick's new tool Airfix Stuka Ju-87, a work in progress.

In Gabriel Lee's corner, we find he has two Skyhawks underway in 1/72nd scale. Brian Sakai's project I failed to get details of, suffice to say he's happy with it.



Kent McClure had an abundance of figures corralled at his workstation, it appeared



As noted at the article open, Al Gerace of Hobbies Unlimited and Louis Orselli of Free Hornets, came up with winning trio of kits for raffle process in February.

Tickets sold briskly, and apparently all prizes were avidly taken, not sure how many "converted" the next day. With that, meeting wrapped up swiftly.

But wait, there's more !



OUR BIG FREE HORNET SURPRISE OF FEBRUARY !



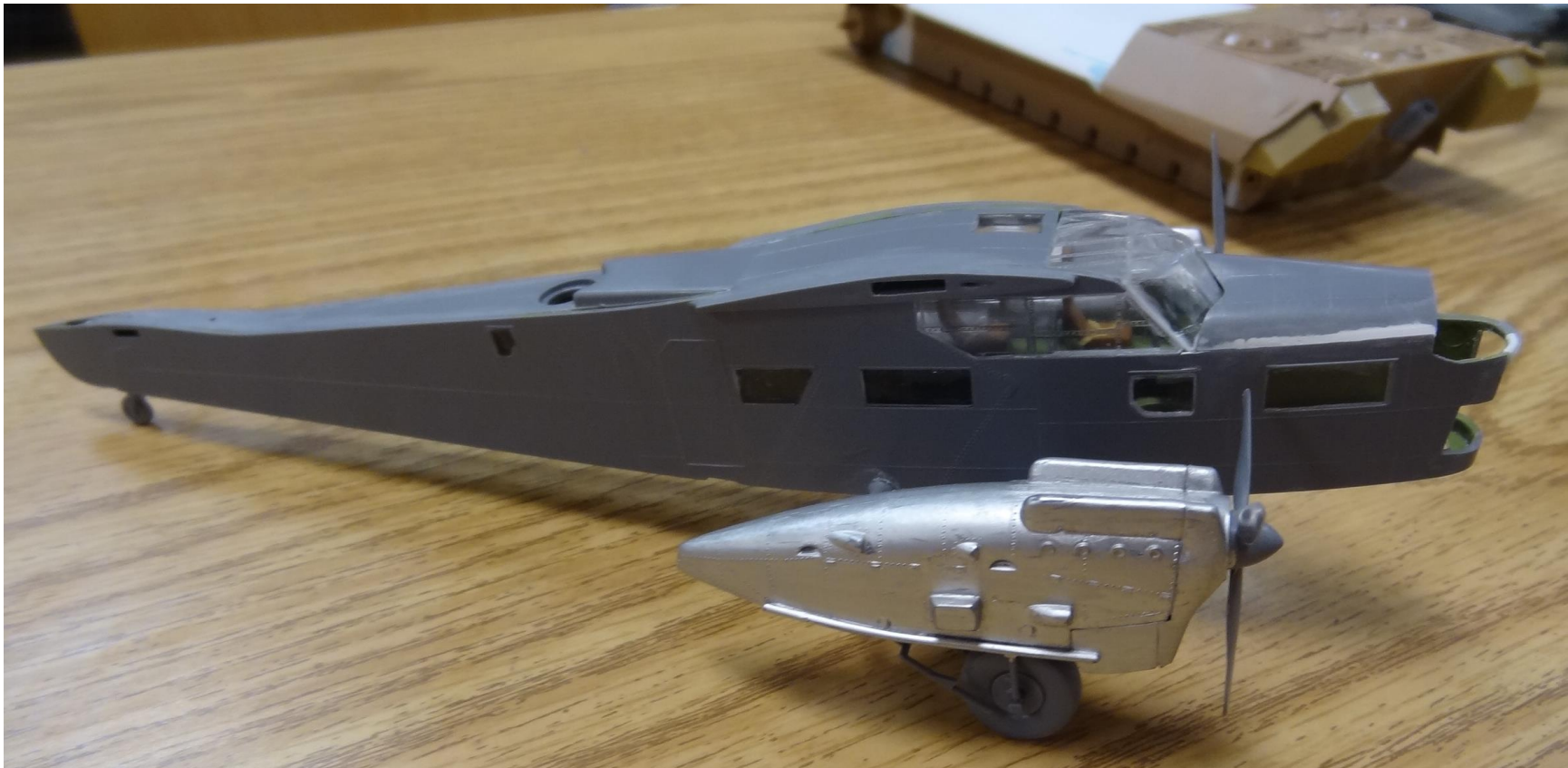
*Congratulations to
Model of the Month
winner,
Ben Pada*



- Mickb-fini

Mick Burton, madman at large – DAZE61283@mypacks.net (sole fool responsible for bad content or rude comment here) “ Come for the models *Stay for the Sarcasm* “

FEBRUARY GALLERY OF 2016 HORNETS



Potez 540 seen here, 1930s French Recon-bomber has RETURNED FROM JANUARY Nest , BECAUSE Editor owes **Louis Orselli** builder credit !
Heller 1/72 kit, which has since advanced from this build point. *Go Louis.*





FLY WITH WE

As the Free Hornets Set Up a West Coast Hub for Gruppe Build 2016

“ AIRLINERS “

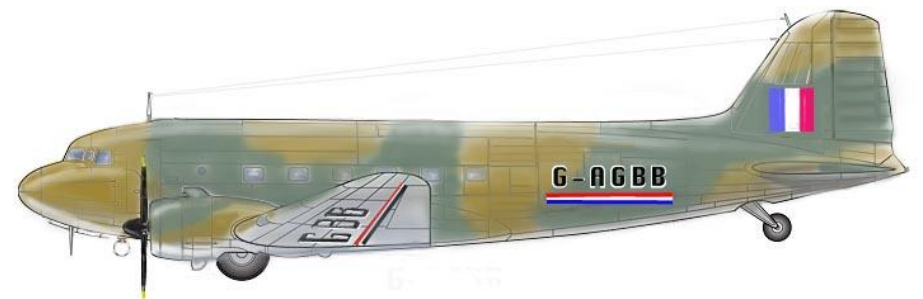


Our Grand Opening :
At the Hornets
TriCity 12 , 9 – 25 - 2016



Don't let these images limit your excitement, they're merely "color" for launching.

Very easy rules to follow: ANY Airliner aircraft, ANY Period, ANY Scale. Merely one has to be finished in time for entry on 9-25-16. So get those Curtiss Condors, HP.42s, He.70s, L-1011s, G.43s, Viscounts, TriMotors, Saro Princesses, "Clippers" et al...on



NO HASSLES, you don't even have to be a Free Hornet to get on board here, we'll book you on our manifest at designated embarkation.

IT's OFFICIAL NOW ! BRITANNIA & HORNETS RULE

TRI-CITY CLASSIC 12

Scale Model Contest and Exhibition

Sunday, September 25 2016

Milpitas Community Center 457 E Calaveras Blvd. Milpitas, California 9am - 5pm



50 Categories of Competition in Aircraft, Autos, Figures, Ships, Military Vehicles, Space & Fictional, and Paper Kits !



This Year's Theme "***The Battle of Britain***"

(anything British or directly related)



NEW Special Awards in addition to traditional First/Second/Third place are:

“ **On Her Majesty's Service** ” Award for Best Entry befitting the Contest Theme

“ **London Calling** ” (three awards for: Best SAS/SBS, Best B of B Air (RAF/Axis) , Best Dreadnought (not limited to RN))

“ **Dr Who & The TSR 2** “ Award for Best Post 1945 British subject

Plus these: “ **Mightiest Merlin** ” , “ **At Dawn's Early Light** ” , “ **Best Twin Engine Lightning** “ , “ **Best 1916** “

Also: Vendors, a raffle and other fun items announced on day of event!

Free Admission to all spectators!

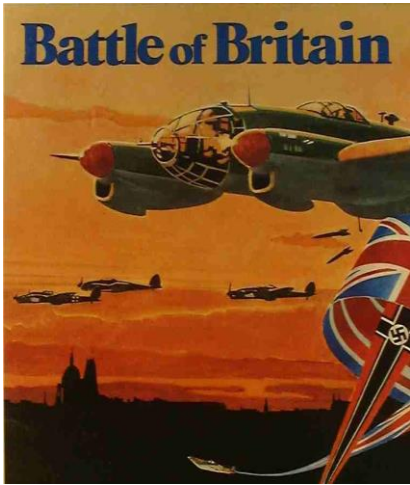
Contestant Entry: \$ 10 for modelers 18 & older w/ TEN model entries or less (\$1 each additional entry) All modelers 17/under, FREE/unlimited entries

For Vendor Information, contact **Lou Orselli** by phone at (510) 481-7335 VALID CA SALES TAX PERMIT REQUIRED

Email Contest Director Mick Burton directly at DAZE61283@mypacks.net with “Tri City 12 Contest” on subject line

More of My 2016 Continuing Comments For Promoting This Fall's Hornet's TC-12

Text : Mick Burton Photos : various sources



Our 2016 TriCity Classic continues a long run tradition : the titled theme; a combine of a known movie linked to specific geography. Use then of “ *The Battle of Britain* ” would be obvious. Title which pretty much says our contest has a “ British or British related ” theme. Not as a limiter ! *ALL* Model Subjects are encouraged, welcomed.

Contest Theme is to have some fun, give an overall tone for our show from one year to the next. PLEASE FEEL FREE to ignore it entirely, or plunge headlong into the fray, as you see fit. Just see fit to enter show, enjoy yourself is Contest Director's aim

This year, he's promoting in photo essay, select Special Awards for TC-12. This is #3 in his series.

(BOB movie poster, found on the Internet)

Below, find the current list of the planned for TC-12 Special Awards, by award # and title. Some details for each directly noted.

- SA3 “ On Her Majesty's Service ” Award for Best Entry befitting Contest Theme SA2 Best Of Show Junior/Youth SA1 Best Of Show Senior
- SA4 " London Calling " SA4A Best SAS/SBS, SA4B Battle of Britain Air (RAF/Axis) or SA4C “ Dreadnought “ Subject (any nation/period)
- SA5 " Dr Who & The TSR 2 ” Best Post 1945 British subject SA6 Ken Durling Memorial-Most Creative or Quirky Entry
- SA7 “ Know A Hornet's Mighty Sting “ Best American Fighter Aircraft SA8 “ Diamond In The Rough” Silk Purse/Sows Ear Award
- SA9 “ At Dawn's Early Light ” Best Prehistoric or Early Man Subject SA10 “ 1916 ” (tie into 1916, ANY Nation or Type)
- SA11 “Lightning Strikes Twice ” Best EE or Lockheed Lightning, Arado Blitz SA12 “ Mightiest Merlin ” Best Merlin powered Air/Land/Sea
- SA13 Best in Category for **Aircraft** SA14 Best in Category for **Armor** SA15 Best in Category for **Automotive**
- SA16 Best in Category for **Figure or Robot** SA17 Best in Category for **Ship or SpaceShip**
- SA18 Best WW2 1/48 Air (JMA/IPMS-MB) SA19 SAT Service Award SA20 Kenneth Jung MA Cont Dir choice

As self explanatory ; SA1, SA2, SA13 through SA17: the Best of Show or Best in Category, Director will skip them in essay series in the months ahead. Awards SA11, SA12 & SA18 covered in **Buzz 38** for **January 01 2016**, in case you'd like to refer. SA 3, SA 5 & SA 9, SA 10 covered in **Buzz 40, 2-11-16**. Three (SA6, SA7, SA8), won't likely need much of an explanation for garnering turnout /giving clue on Judge criteria but Editor will include eventually. Of those left, some will get an extra emphasis, to try something beyond the already produced “ Specials Reference PDF ” (which is available on website).

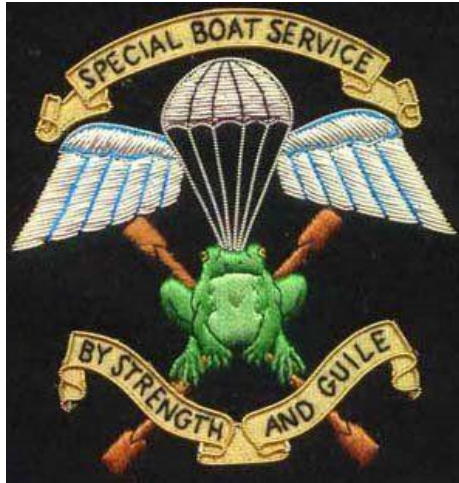
For third portion, Director will cover more on the SA4 (A/B/C) “ Tripoley ” and the SA6 “ KDMA ” Special awards.

SA 4A “London Calling”

Award for Best Special Air Service or Special Boat Service Entry

Our “Tripoley” award series this year features an odd but useful range . Just in case dearth of one type ,a surplus of worthy others, the offer is up to three awards total in any combine (one of each , two to one, three to one, or none)

Work titled to fit within theme in manner that’s still simply stiffly Brit related, yet in all three offer “not so usual fare” chance.



SA4A – Special Air Service, Special Boat Service. While Figures & Busts might seem to have the edge here, Diorama/Vignette along with specific vehicle categories offer opportunity, the kits are out there for one. Desert Pink Land Rover comes to mind...

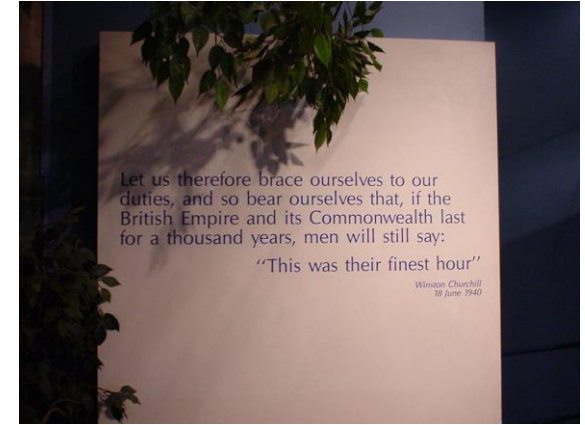




SA 4B “ London Calling ”

Award for Best Battle of Britain Air (RAF/Axis) Subject

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SA4B – **Battle of Britain Air (RAF/Axis)** , titled so for a reason. Keep in mind that the obvious entries qualify, namely aircraft participating in the famous period July 10 to October 31, 1940. However, ANY ENTRY SUBJECT that is supportably related to this, IS ELIGIBLE. Examples like Airfield support equipment (fuel, starter trucks), specific Pilots or Commanders of RAF or Axis as busts/Figures, any Diorama or Vignette depicting events in the period (don’t forget, plenty of Air/Sea rescue went on!). Models such as these all are valid competitive material for this Award as titled.

Also remember, Axis is not just Germany, Italy had players in BOB

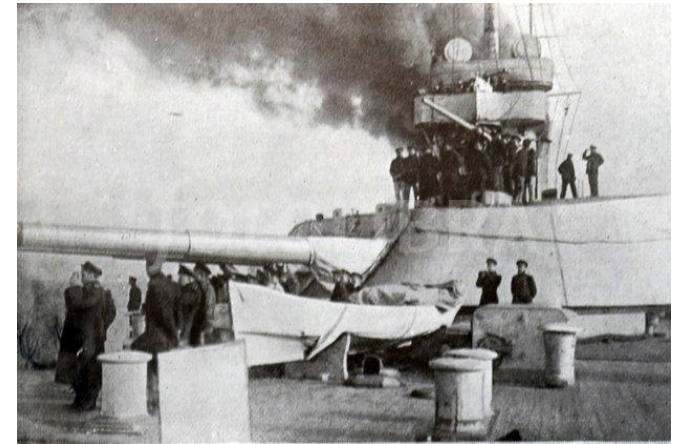


SA 4C “ London Calling ”



Award for Best Dreadnought (Any Nation or Period) Subject

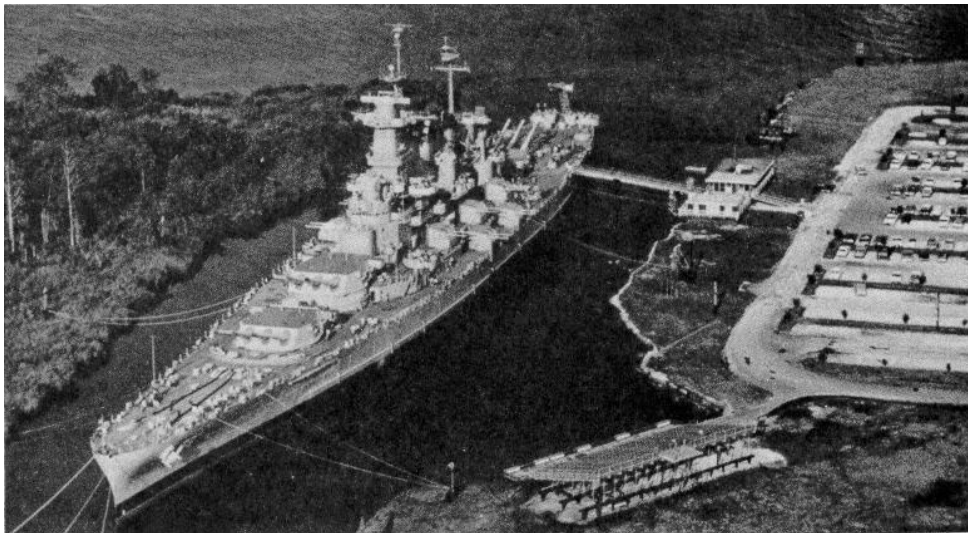
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(For “ Dreadnought ” award *subjects are not limited* to British specifically)

SA4C – HMS **Dreadnought** (1906) of course set stage for this, and is quintessentially British. So clearly it qualifies here, plus offers shot at other Special Award consideration . However, ANY NATION and ANY PERIOD “dreadnought” or their later “super dreadnought” follow-ons are eligible here. There is an entire slice of ‘ South American Dreadnought Race ’ history for one example that deserves a chance to compete in model form. The USS Texas BB-35 ought to have its shot at taking on the British Bulldog on the open seas of the contest table too, don’t you think ? Lastly, remember *Jutland* and *Japan* play here too



North Carolina (BB-55), first of the U.S. Navy’s 20th Century super-dreadnaughts. She continued the name of illustrious predecessors reaching back to 7 September 1820 when another super-dreadnaught of that day, Ship-of-the-Line *North Carolina* was launched in the Philadelphia Navy Yard. *North Carolina* (BB-55) is now a memorial. She is enshrined at Wilmington, N.C. as shown in this photo.



SA6 “ KDMA ”

Ken Durling Memorial Award for the Most Creative or Quirky Subject

Our Ken was nothing if not creative, spirited and completely the Artist.

Musician, Writer, Character, Good friend & Modeler. Crafter of a unique band of scale model fanatics located in old Bay Area enclave of Alameda. (IPMS –PTA) Formed most from those he knew well from nearby storied towns of Oakland and his beloved Berkeley.

Ken left us too early in this life while pursuing his first love (music) and taking a break from his equally passionate art of scale modeling.

Forever young and never one to miss out on making mirth, our mission is to keep that true spirit of our friend Ken alive with this memorial award.



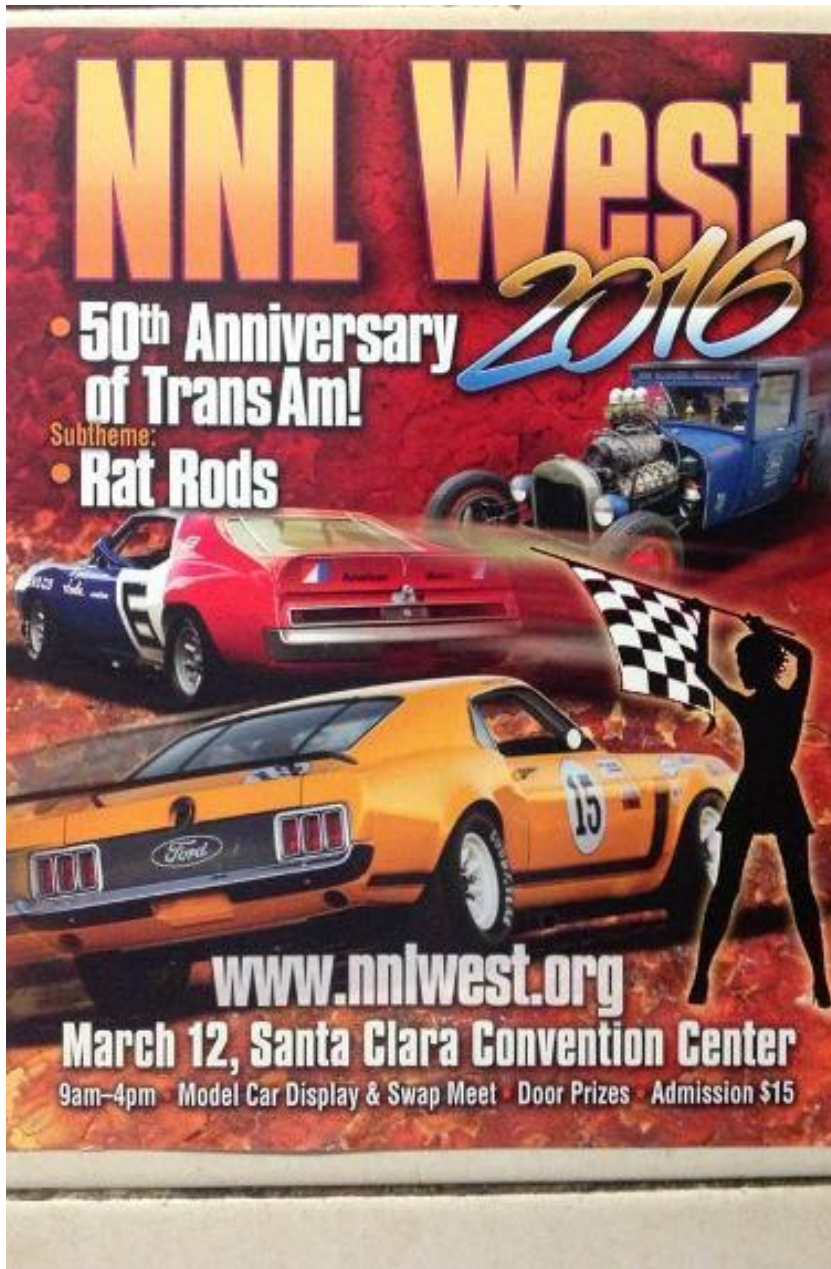
To be eligible to win this award: Entry subject simply must be something so clearly fun, crazy, creative, and /or just plain off the wall eccentric, that we'd all swear Ken D has somehow snuck back to this corporeal world to play hob.

In past, KDMA Trophy has gone to a diverse range, i.e; “ Fairey Rotodyne in USMC service (hypothetical) ” ; “ Hot Rod Ice Cream Wagon (wheeled vehicle, other) ” and “A heroic deep sea diver wrestling a huge Kraken to save a woman (scratchbuilt fully original art) in (Figures SciFi/Horror/Fantasy)” among others.

So competitive mastery must be met with equally creative mastery combined with some Durling-esque magic or luck, in best chance to “get the edge” here.

Have fun, he would !

COLORFUL REMINDERS OF UPCOMING EVENTS



NNL West
2016

- 50th Anniversary of Trans Am!

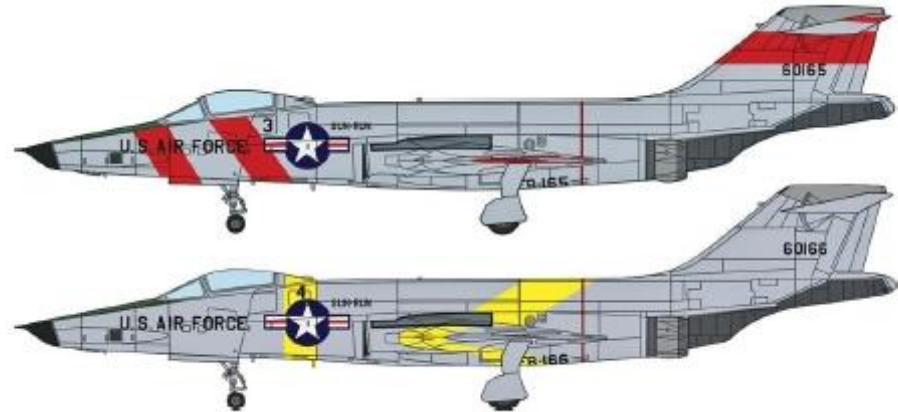
Subtheme:
• Rat Rods

www.nnlwest.org
March 12, Santa Clara Convention Center
9am-4pm Model Car Display & Swap Meet Door Prizes Admission \$15

COMING UP FAST IN SPRING OF 2016 !

Saturday April 2 2016

THIRD Silicon Valley Classic, hosted by SVSM, at Napredak Hall,
770 Montague Expwy, San Jose Ca 95131



ZOOM CLIMBS – CUBAN MISSILE CRISIS – LAND SPEED RECORDS – OPERATION SUN RUN – DRAG STRIP & AIR RACING

Theme is : “Clocks a Tick’n ”

(see www.mickmodeler.com for more details on this).

Vendors, contact CD Mike Woolson at swingwinglvk@gmail.com

Please note, CA tax permit required and also be advised number of tables is limited

CONTEST ENTRANTS BE ADVISED

There will be a SUBJECT of HONOR given in the name of Steven & Anita Travis

The award winning model may not necessarily be a placer in a category

Will be selected by Judges on qualifying basis of what S&A Liked, Built, or Thought was “Different”

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17TH ANNUAL MODEL CONTEST

Theme:









LOCAL EVENTS VENDOR TABLES 2 BIG RAFFLES

Date: Saturday - September 10th, 2016
Location: Desert Heights Elementary School
13948 Mt. Bismark - Reno, Nevada
9:00AM - 4:00PM

Entry Fee: Free to All Non-Entrants
\$5.00 for First Model
\$1.00 for Each Additional Model

Vendor Tables: \$20.00 (register early)
Contact: Neil Hulse for reservations - knk41063@att.net
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ON SILVER WINGS

*SACRAMENTO OPENS
The Region Nine 2016 Year*

February is shaping up now to become Sacramento's for the future, a model turn of events one could say.

Turnout was pretty damned good in variety of folks who showed. I know that Orange County IPMS showed up in force, no small journey for them. Reno, Fresno, Yuba City, Modesto, SVSM and

of course Fremont Hornets gathered for the first contest/show of 2016 year for our Region. Held of course inside Town and Country Lutheran Church and School.





Pleasing to be sure was the full “Junior/Youth” table here on left. That is of course due to the supreme efforts made by the **BAD** group above. That’s Free Hornet Lily Liu, President of Bay Area **D**ragons, congrats!

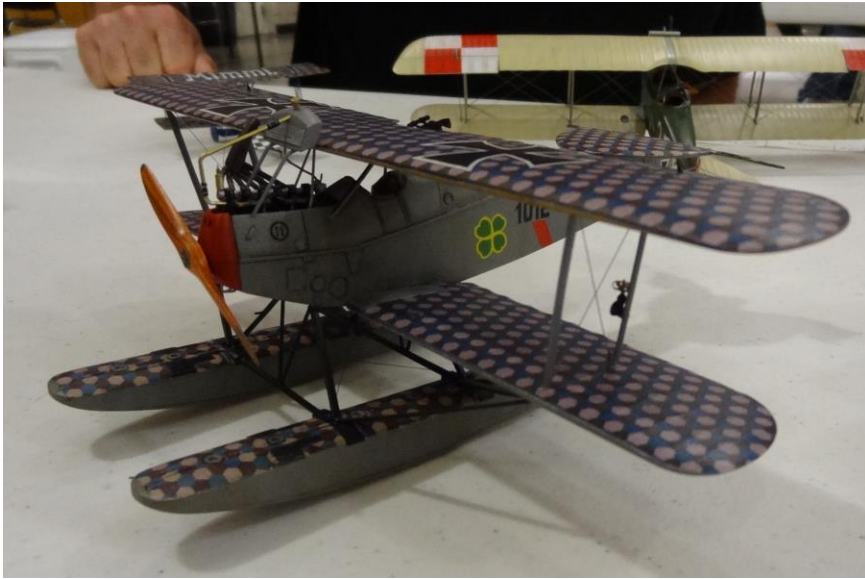


That's not a contestant, that's an entry on the left. Above, a look at one of the Editor's favorites for its creative simplicity in display: the "Arab-Israeli conflict in a can" featuring M-51 & Tiran.

Again, Silver Wings is where the Airliners do roam. Technically, this is the 1/144 and smaller scale aircraft category, hence the 1/200 XB-70 present.



While I wasn't there to end when awards came out, I trust that this year the Airliners got more respect in judging than year before...



Some more personal favorites of the day, a catching of veteran Barry Bauer, up to his neck judging less than 24 hours from when Editor saw him at SVSM Monthly meeting.

Truly, no rest for the wicked, eh my friend ?



A few more table shots and a parting shot of tradition for the Editor, as “Big Easy” Larry Fahrenbacher shoots me as I shoot him. Best part of going to shows is seeing old friends and making new ones!



-mick fini

