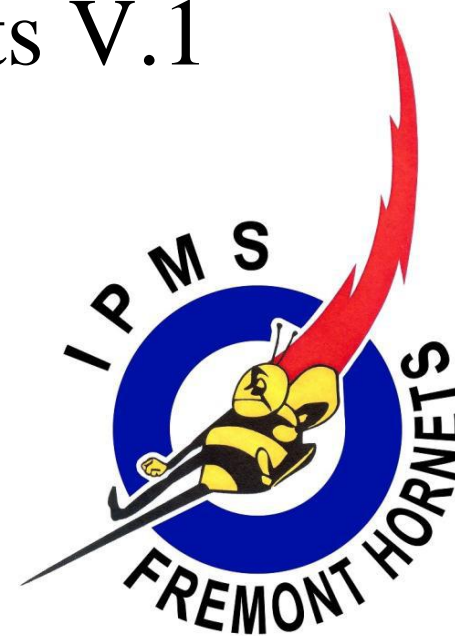


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# The BUZZ – of The Fremont Hornets V.1

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Somehow managing to wing it for now over **48** 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: Wonder what's in here...Can it be summarized ?**

**OH YES ! The DECEMBER Hornets Nest ACTUALLY DESCRIBED IN HERE !**

**You May Call This BUZZ The "A Hail of An Edit"**

**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 February 03 2025 825 PM)

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

**YES! Now # 128** 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!



“ No Editorial , Instead Useful Topic As Another Sneak Peek Summary ”

## ***BREAKING NEWS***

*UNOFFICIAL FLYER courtesy of MIRANDCO  
Information deemed reliable but not complete*



## ***TRI-CITY SEVENTEEN***

COMING TO YOU THIS FALL 2025

*On*

**SATURDAY**

**NOVEMBER 08, 2025**

***9AM to 5PM***

***Main Dining Room Fremont Elks Lodge***

**38891 Farwell Drive Fremont CA**

Theme is:

# “ **The Sum Of All Fears** ”

Special Emphasis on USA/Egyptian/Syrian/Israeli/German subject matter, 1973 Yom Kippor War, but everything is very welcomed

MUCH MORE DATA SOON TO FOLLOW IN OFFICIAL FLYER – STAY TUNED

For now:

Contest Director: Mick Burton, [DAZE61283@MYPACKS.NET](mailto:DAZE61283@MYPACKS.NET) Vendor Chairman: David Parks, [DAVIDPARKS81@comcast.net](mailto:DAVIDPARKS81@comcast.net)

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## *DECEMBER 2024, Our Next Hornet's NEST Held at GAMES of FREMONT's Shop*

*December Fremont Hornet's Nest was our favorite end of year event, namely PIZZA Night! The interior of the main shop this time was our locale, the delicious aroma of many pizzas wafted through the aisles of the store as we carried on meeting*

Although the shop does as always, offer low priced cold drinks they were relieved of having to stock in depth this month as we had a cooler full of cold water, sodas aplenty. Those were free for the taking to Hornets as well was pizza, and we still ended up with leftovers (which this Editor dearly appreciated all the weekend following)



*Let's go MODEL TALK for DECEMBER 2024 NEST:*

Now, if you were to guess that this is **Angela Falvey's** table entry squad you'd be pretty on target. Rambunctious lot, eh?





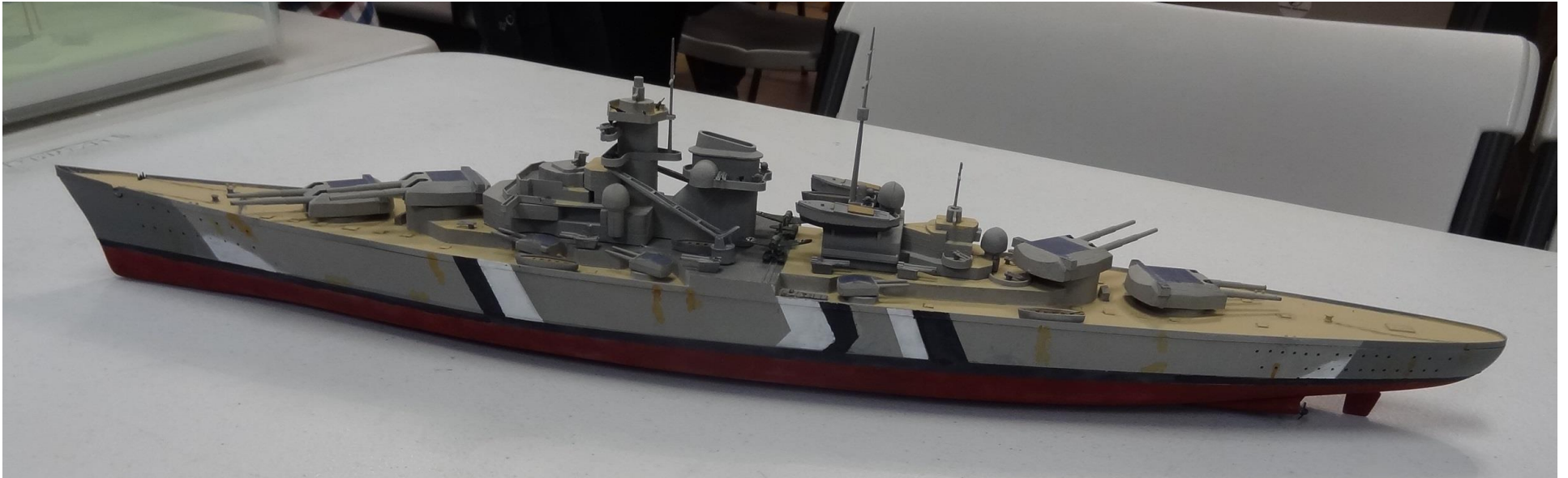
While I can't give any details here on the foursome as I have no notes, in viewing them in this picture somehow the rich vivid colors of the main bodies of characters has me reminiscing of the wild colors seen on some 1970s muscle cars...well done painting here Angela to be sure

**Tamas Nemeth** was taking a fantastic break from his fine series of larger scale World War One aircraft seen lately.

He is also a big fan of the Star Wars genre, and Tamas' X-Wing fighter underway here is proof in 1/72<sup>nd</sup> scale of just that.



**Anthony Cheung** felt that this old Lindberg German Battleship should be shown some love, so he's making the best of it



Well, hazarding a guess here, although Lindberg did put out several German Battleships, I am going with this NOT being the Bismarck or Tirpitz, so it has to be (based on the stripes mostly) their originally 1967 issue SCHARNHORST here. We'll see

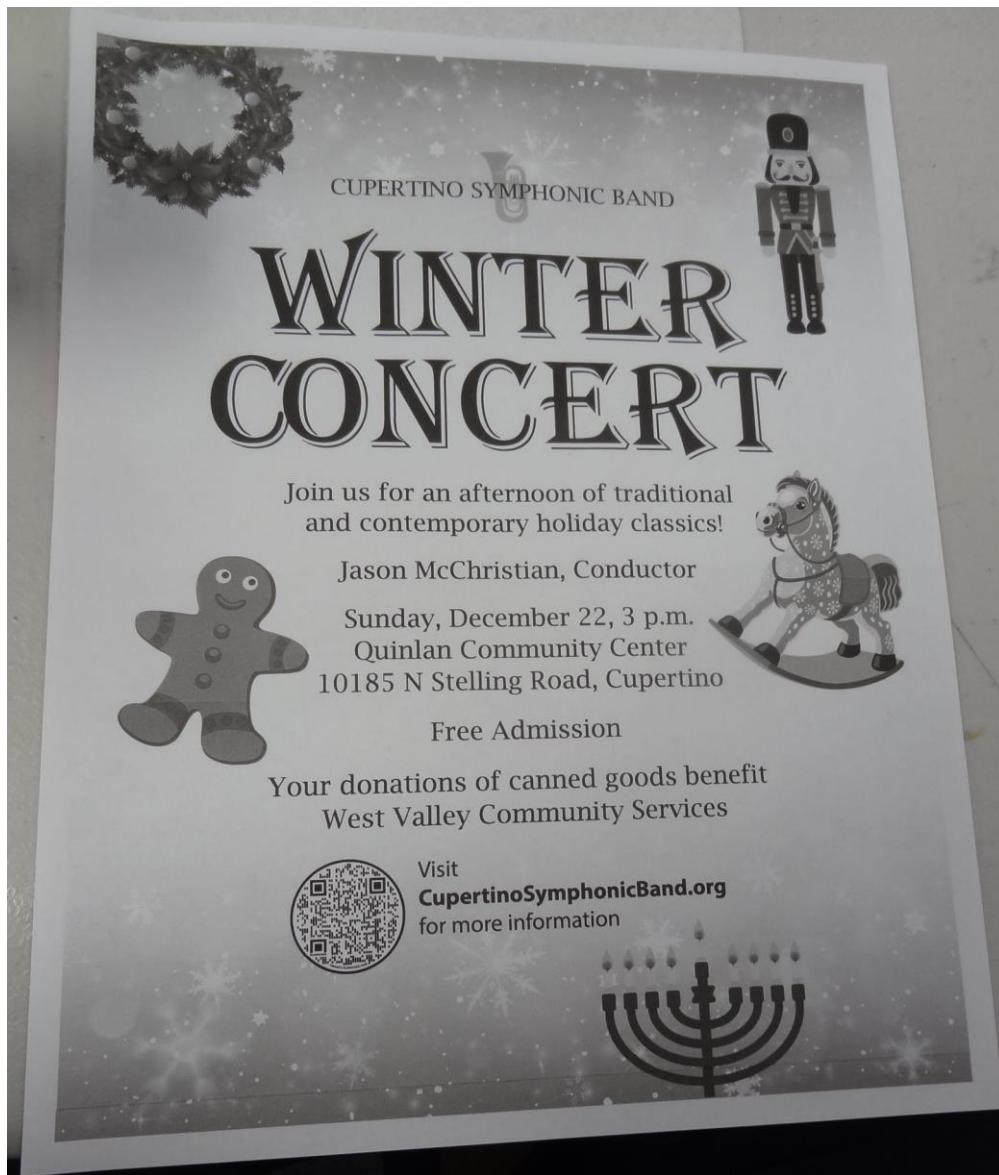


**Jeff Mason** has a Tamiya 1/35<sup>th</sup> edition of the M51 “Isherman” postwar upgraded Sherman employed by the IDF under way.



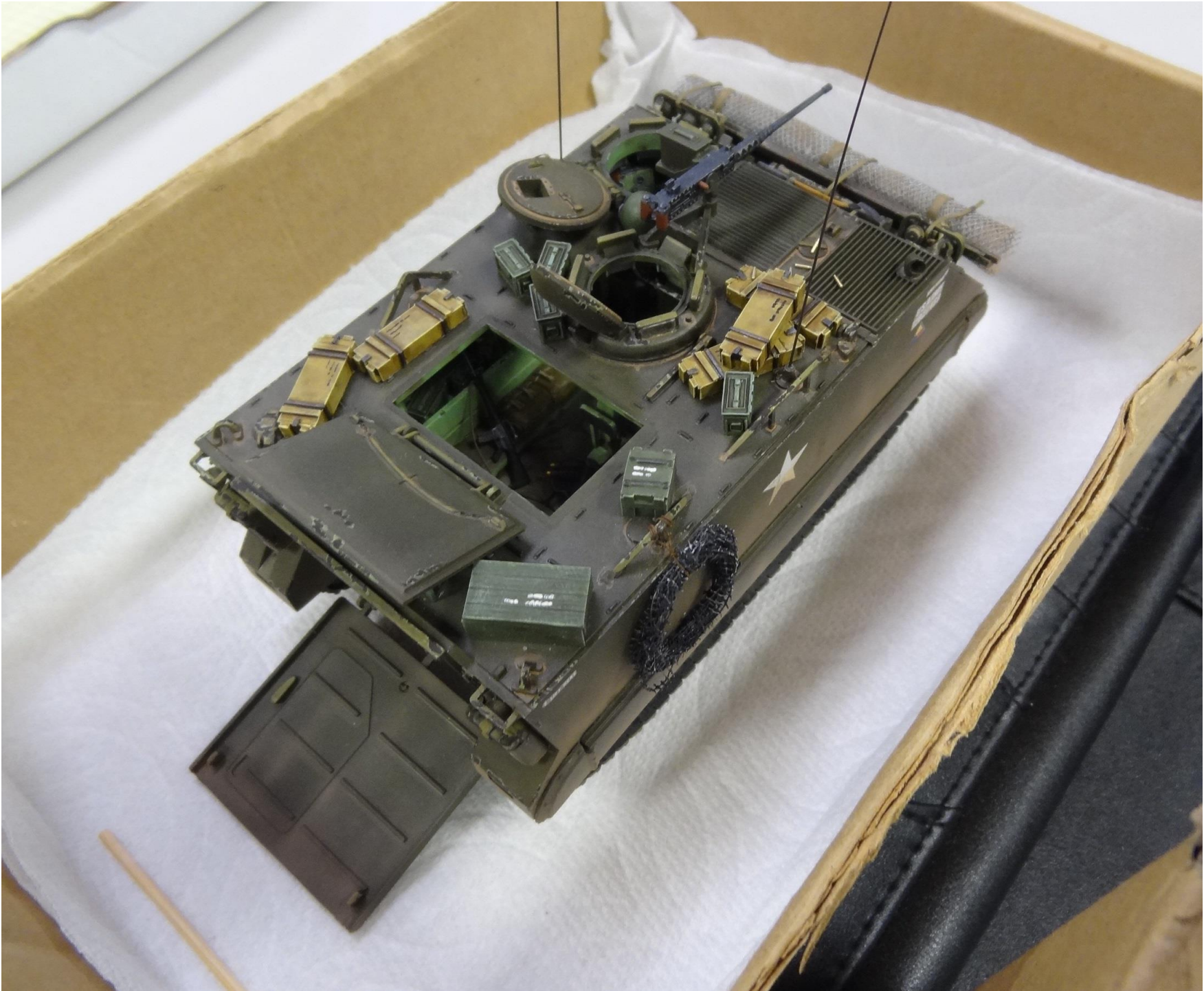


**Randy Ray** made note of an upcoming performance which he was part of, conducted by Jason McChristian, alumnus Hornet



**Dave Parks** made a splendid work of a 1/35<sup>th</sup> M113 APC, as it can be ascertained by a look to the right and following shots...







**Gabriel Lee** announced that this meeting would be his farewell to California, as a few days later he was on the road to Texas and a new job, home and model club. He will always be a Free Hornet, and we will miss him.

His last model on our table was this superb 1/72<sup>nd</sup> scale Fighting Falcon in USAF scheme.



GREAT having you with us here in Region Nine, Gabriel and I know your new club in Texas is lucky to have you on board !



An overview medley of our December Pizza night  
Just for a break



Mike Meek has a magnificent “Miss Merced” Reno NCAR Air Racer underway here, with Hobbycraft 1/48<sup>th</sup> Sea Fury as basis



Just so you know, those red orange flames are the end of a graduated color schema from that white hot nose on back to them...



**John Larson** isn't one to let brushes and knife rest on his modelling table, he has this F-35 going full tilt to completion as you see here. I don't know if it's the KittyHawk or the Tamiya machine here, but do know it looks purposeful and determined.







**Ethan Larson** came in with two very different pieces as seen right

I really liked the tall “flying one” as it is definitely visually striking even at a good distance.

The “camp scene” on left also well done, you just have to get up close to better appreciate it





Alan O'Neal knows how to turn them out. Upon the box,



another of Alan's excellent German World War Two SPG models filled with action and figures.

1/35<sup>th</sup> Tamiya kit.

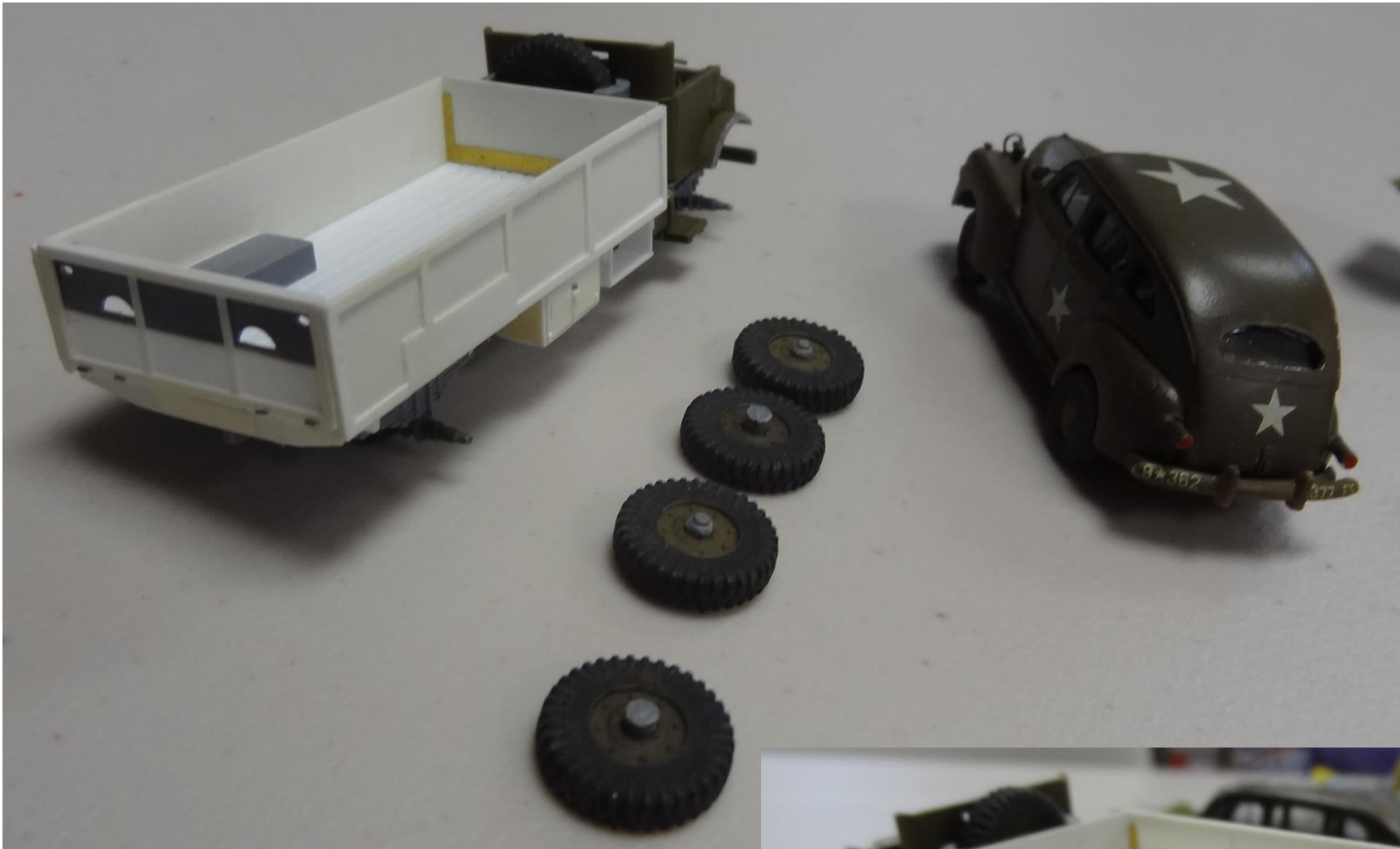




**Chris Bucholtz** has been at the USAAF history in miniature “Big Week”, you might say.

He had another P-51B, 1942 Ford Staff Car, and a set aside conversion in renewed resumption.











David Balderrama got inspired to come up with a Gundam type model as result of the last event at GTC in San Jose. This is a very interesting model and now has Editor itching to find one for his own.



Aaron Rhetta made it in to meeting with a huge progress on his Gojirah making short work of another cityscape. See next page



**This is how I last saw the model, as he had it at SVSM meeting weeks before. Notice a good amount of work now?**





Really like how you can almost “feel” the energy as you visually take in the moment as the atomic breath blast runs through the skyscraper here and in the shots below.



Nice work Aaron.





**Mark Balderrama might be taken for an enthusiast of the JRM Martin Mars Cargo Transport Sea Plane, being he had three different models underway in two different mediums here (paper and 3-D printed resin)**

But you'd be wrong.

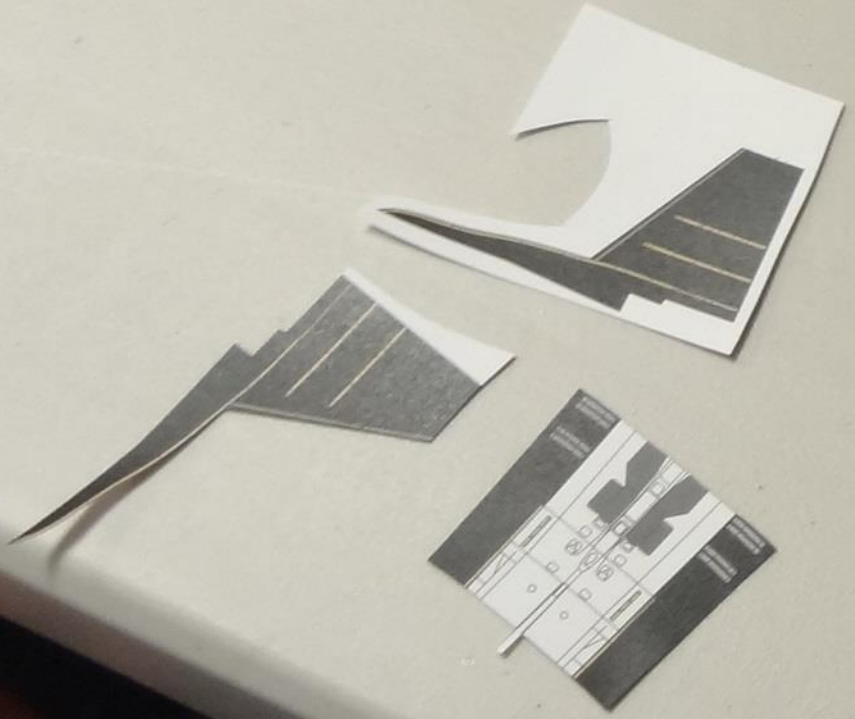
Mark is an absolute fan to point of an obsession for this machine, along with the Convair R3Y Tradewind, which is also a huge cargo flying boat/seaplane with ties to NAS Alameda, like JRM.

At the meeting, we got the latest stats on where the one last flying example stood in its journey to leave from the Canadian home as fire bomber to be a planned static exhibit at Tucson's so famed Pima Air Museum.

Mark had hoped, along with many others, to be able to see it fly into SF Bay Area for a short visit on way. Alas it had engine troubles and since that meeting date, has returned to the Sproat Lake home of Canada for a set of engine changes. All not definitely scheduled publicly for now, in part to protect plane from rabid visitors...



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Saturday 3899  
Best 1-subject  
Subject also U.S.  
Post-Best Feature is  
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for more information





No one suffered any Pizza grease related model injuries, and our Holiday gathering proved to be quite festive evening. We did also give plenty of information out on how splendidly the TriCity Sixteen “Clear And Present Danger” turned out, so you know **however there is going to be a special issue BUZZ to cover that more fully, in future. And that’s that for December Nest**

Okay. Done for now -*mb*

**IN MAY-**



**IPMS SILVERWINGS**

presents:

# SILVERCON 2025

## Model Show & Contest

### Saturday, May 17, 2025

CONTEST THEME: VIETNAM WAR

**TAKE (2)**



**NOONTIME  
RAFFLE**

Town & Country Lutheran Church • 4049 Marconi Avenue, Sacramento



Facebook

**Contest Registration - 9am to 12pm**

Adults (18+) \$12 first 2 models & \$3 each additional entry  
Junior (7-17) \$4 first 2 models & \$1 for each additional entry  
Kids 6 & under entries free

8 ft. vendor tables \$40, 2 or more \$35 each

Vendor Coordinator: Gerald Clements (916) 346-2419 • bigjer009@gmail.com



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# BEST OF THE WEST CHAPTER 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY



**Saturday May 24th, 2025**

**Orleans Hotel Casino Las Vegas, NV**

Show Brought to you by IPMS Las Vegas, with help from Red Flag Scale Modelers, Las Vegas Model Car Club, Vegas Armor Modelers Preservation Society, and Gunpla Builders United

Tons of Vendor Tables, 49 Contest Categories, IPMS 1,2,3 Judging Criteria

Special Judging rules: No Touching Models, No Flashlights, No optical devices and or Mirrors, No Sweeps.

Contest & Show Admission (CASH ONLY) Doors open 9:00 am, Judging noon, awards 3:30 pm, close 5:00

Adult Model Entry \$15 for the first 2 models, \$2 for each additional model. 1 guest per entrant

Juniors (under 17) FREE (unlimited entries) Special Awards to be announced at a later date.

General Show Admission

(All other attendees) \$5 each Adult & Family. Children under 12, Active Military & First Responders are FREE FOR MORE INFORMATION: [www.ipmslv.org](http://www.ipmslv.org) for contest forms. Or email [ipmslv@aol.com](mailto:ipmslv@aol.com) Orleans Hotel 702-365-7111. April 25<sup>th</sup> cutoff date. Room Reservations code IPME25P. Vendors Contact and Show Coordinator Jay Bergeon 702-861-9050 [ipmslvraffle@yahoo.com](mailto:ipmslvraffle@yahoo.com)

SILICON VALLEY SCALE MODELERS PRESENT



# Silicon Valley Classic 2025 scale model contest and expo

Saturday, June 14, 2025 at the Fremont Elks Lodge  
38991 Farwell, Drive, Fremont, California

Special Awards for

Best V-subject-Best Victory in Europe Subject-Best Victory in the Pacific  
Subject-Best V-8-Powered Automobile-Best Operation Desert Storm Sub-  
ject-Best Vietnam Subject-Angelo Deogracias Award – Best Competition Car

Over 50 regular categories • Huge raffle • Vendors  
For more information visit [www.svsm.org](http://www.svsm.org) or call (510) 599-1526

#### Categories:

- Y1. Youth (up to 13) Aircraft, all scales and types
- Y2. Youth Military Vehicles, all scales and types
- Y3. Youth Automotive, all scales and types
- Y4. Youth Sci-Fi and Fantasy, all scales and types
- Y5. Youth Miscellaneous, all scales and types
- J1. Junior (13-17) Aircraft, all scales and types
- J2. Junior Military Vehicles, all scales and types
- J3. Junior Automotive, all scales and types
- J4. Junior Sci-Fi and Fantasy, all scales and types
- J5. Junior Miscellaneous, all scales and types
- S1. Prop or Turboprop Aircraft, 1:144
- S2. Jet Aircraft, 1:144
- S3. Single-engine Prop or Turboprop, 1:72 – Allied
- S4. Single-engine Prop or Turboprop, 1:72 – Axis and Neutral
- S5. Multi-engine Prop or Turboprop, 1:72
- S6. Single-engine Jet or Rocket Aircraft, 1:72
- S7. Multi-engine Jet or Rocket Aircraft, 1:72
- S8. Single-engine Prop or Turboprop, 1:48 – Allied
- S9. Single-engine Prop or Turboprop, 1:48 – Axis and Neutral
- S10. Multi-engine Prop or Turboprop, 1:48
- S11. Single-engine Jet or Rocket Aircraft, 1:48
- S12. Multi-engine Jet Aircraft, 1:48
- S13. Prop and Turboprop Aircraft, 1:32
- S14. Jet and Rocket Aircraft, 1:32
- S15. Biplanes/Fabric and Rigging, all scales and types
- S16. Rotary Wing Aircraft, all scales and types
- S17. Civil, Sport And Racing Aircraft, all scales and types
- S18. Airliners, All Scales
- S19. 1:35 Softskin, Half-Tracks and Support Vehicles
- S20. 1:35 Armored Fighting Vehicles, Wheeled
- S21. 1:35 Armored Fighting Vehicles, Tracked, up to and including WWII
- S22. 1:35 Armored Fighting Vehicles, Tracked, Post-WWII
- S23. 1:35 Self-propelled Artillery and Assault Guns
- S24. 1:35 Artillery and Ancillary Vehicles
- S25. 1:48 and smaller Softskins and Artillery
- S26. 1:48 and smaller Armored Fighting Vehicles
- S27. Armor – 1:34 and Larger
- S28. Automobiles, Competition – Open Wheel

- S29. Automobiles, Competition – Closed Wheel
- S30. Automobiles, Stock
- S31. Automotive, Custom
- S32. Automotive, Low-Riders
- S33. Automotive, Commercial Vehicles
- S34. Motorcycles
- S35. Ships – 1:350 and Larger
- S36. Ships – 1:351 and Smaller
- S37. Submarines, all scales
- S38. Dioramas – large (any one side larger than 12 inches)
- S39. Dioramas – small (no sides larger than 12 inches)
- S40. Real Space and Missiles
- S41. Sci-Fi and Fantasy Space Vehicles
- S42. Gunpla and Mecha, Basic – 1:143 and Larger
- S43. Gunpla and Mecha, Basic – 1:144 and Smaller
- S44. Gunpla and Mecha, Modified – 1:143 and Larger
- S45. Gunpla and Mecha, Modified – 1:144 and Smaller
- S46. Figures – Military or Historic
- S47. Figures – Fantasy or Sci-Fi
- S48. Figures – Busts
- S49. Hypothetical Subjects, all scales and types
- S50. Miscellaneous
- S51. Collections (5 or more models connected by a theme)

#### Special Awards

- V-for-Victory Award – Best V-subject
- Best Victory in Europe Subject (1945)
- Best Victory in the Pacific Subject (1945)
- Best V-8-Powered Automobile
- Best Operation Desert Storm Subject (1991)
- Best Vietnam Subject
- Angelo Deogracias Award – Best Competition Car
- Best Aircraft
- Best Military Vehicle
- Best Automobile
- Best Ship
- Best Figure
- Best Space, Sci-Fi or Fantasy
- Bill Magpie Award – Best Junior or Sub-Junior
- Ted Kaulman Award – Best In Show

#### Rules:

1. The contest will be judged using IPMS/USA criteria.
2. All work must be done by the entrant.
3. As per IPMS/USA Region 9 rules, models should be in their first year of competition (i.e., models should have made their contest debuts no later than June 14, 2024).
4. All questions about placement of models will be determined by the head judge. Rulings are final.
5. Junior categories **For Modelers 14 to 18** youth categories **For Modelers 13 & under**
6. All spectators should have fun - otherwise, they're doing it wrong!

**Schedule (subject to change)**

**Doors open: 9:00 a.m.**

**First Raffle: 11 a.m.**

**Judges' meeting: 12:15 p.m.**

**Second Raffle: 1:45**

**Awards: 3:15**

For more information,  
vendor reservations or ques-  
tions, call event chairman  
Chris Bucholtz at  
(510) 599-1526 or email him  
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# *Coming Up NEXT*

The Next Hornets Nest Night Is **FRIDAY FEBRUARY 14 2025**

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

*Treasurer/VP Dave Parks has again come through for the Club with this new plan*

*We will begin meeting at 7:30 PM and end by 10 PM, that is a surety. Short bit of business to get our bearings and then we go to Model Talk in depth. We are the appreciative guests of this Hobby Game Establishment and we will endeavor to make them quite pleased to have us as regular attendees in future as they & we grow more.*

**GAMES of FREMONT, 39281 Fremont Hub #200, Fremont CA**

*Located in the Fremont Hub Shopping Center, Corner of Mowry Ave & Fremont Blvd*

## **PLUS IN A FUTURE NEXT EDITION**

*WE MAY SEE WHAT WENT ON AT THE LAST NNL WEST event*

**STAY TUNED**

*ALONG WITH COVERAGE OF **MORE NEWS OF OUR SUCCESS HOSTING TRI CITY SIXTEEN THIS YEAR***

***And possibly, some explore in more detail of a future FREE HORNETS Club Contest event plan...***

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

