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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 **IRREGULAR 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 comprises other contents ... Can they too be summarized ? NO but...**

**YES ! REST OF MARCH 2025 Hornets Nest ACTUALLY DESCRIBED IN HERE !**

**You May Call This BUZZ The "A Late But NOW FINISHED March edit PLUS BONUSSES "**

**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 April 10 2025 525 PM)

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



**YES! Now # 134** 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!

“ EDITOR JUST GOTTS TO KNOW HIS LIMITATIONS ( thank you, Harry ) “



*WELL one of my favorite flicks again has given me pause to reflect on just how true life is indeed an adventure. This new year has provided me fresh intelligence on just what my real life limitations are, yet still optimistic cause hey here's # 134*

===== -mb

**“ No Time For Election , Instead Take Note JIM KOASTER is New Prez ”**

*First order of business for the incredibly over busy new Executive is setting out “TOM & MOM” Calendar of Events*

**WHAT ?? WHO ?? Yea Yea Yea like I said no time just have to get things underway before MAY DAY. This Is No Drill  
Check PAGE 22 this issue for INAUGURAL news and clear idea what's up with TOM & MOM**

# *APRIL 11 2025 Fremont Hornets 48th Anniversary Celebration Club Contest*

## *Gundam It, Mecha You Mind Up to Compete*

*Real Easy Rules here: If your subject model fits into the class of GUNDAM or GUNPLA, or MECHA, it's competitive !*



*After that, depending on entry turnout,  
splits may or may not be made,  
but in any case CASH Prize\$ awarded for at  
least 1-2-3 placements overall.*





***REST of MARCH 2025, Our Hornet's NEST Held at GAMES of FREMONT's Shop***

As you may recall, last episode (Buzz Issue 133) saw us with Editor cutting off our coverage of the very well attended March meet nearly at end of narrative, having run out of room to cover it properly. SO NOW we can swiftly resume to clear that up.

***NOW Let's WRAP UP MODEL TALK for MARCH 2025 NEST: (thanks again to Jim Bob Koaster for taking notes for us)***

**John Larson** 1/72 Apollo 27 Pegasus kit, pleasingly simple , made of ABS plastic.



It's a Pegasus Hobbies "What If?" design, speculating how if 1970s manned space to the moon projects might have gone on.

John also brought along a CollectAire F-86H Sabre Jet model resin kit which was lacking all its decals. Purchased from RC Hobbies. He gave this kit to the President who deeply desired to have it (JL really was giving it away, this wasn't an executive robbery gambit.)

He also brought along an M113A1 huge scale kit from Andy's Hobbies with a personal story to share.



John served mightily in the armored vehicles of the US Army for many years, and as it turned out this particular M113A1 kit offers chance for recreating bit of that unique history. The "gun shield is not standard issue" phrase shorthand for the engaging tale John shared with us. Mayhaps he'll write it up for us here?

**Ethan Larson** had a new Land Fortress diorama underway, alongside was a finished (and nicely housed) creek diorama.



Land fort model was a 3D print, Ethan reported, after all he's a student not exactly overrun with discretionary funds. Savings gained thusly, he could ensure he has figures, and the nice lighting kit for making this model as brilliant as possible eventually.



**Above, opposite side aspect of Ethan's Land Fort WIP. Below, a tolerable overhead shot of his finished Creek Diorama**



**Mark Schynert** gave us his take on 90 day horror (wonders) 1/72<sup>nd</sup> kit, no pictures sorry but can tell you it's a Tamiya edition of the DH Mosquito FB Mk IV/ NF Mk II. The 90 day reference is for the upcoming SVSM Club Contest for entries based on the 2024 December Gift Exchange results, Wonders being semi historical reference and horror being the reality check by Mark



**Jeff Mason** shared his excellent progress on his Tamiya 1/35 Israeli Sherman M-51. Jeff also has an M1A2 Abrams underway



Oh, let's not forget, Jeff has a Spitfire WIP, too...





**At 942PM Model Talk ends And now for real, that's that for coverage of 2025 MARCH Nest. Okay. Done for now. Must really consider having some one new for Presiding over next few meetings, perhaps Jim Bob's not ready to say no, yo?! -- mb**

*September 12 2025 Fremont Hornets 48th Anniversary  
Celebration Club Contest #2*

# ***FELONIOUS FELINES***

*Aka " The CATS Club Contest "*

*Once again the President wanders into the breach with a long reach. We have had two runs at this theme before, as a hope third time's a charm here we go.*

*As it's a crime not to try this one again!*

*ANY type of FELINE linkage entry may be eligible. There are plenty of easy to compute Aircraft, Armor, Automotive as well as more abundant than seems at first, Maritime, Figure and of course as well, Nature based subjects here. The SF/Fantasy groups are also able to be competitive, I just am not as familiar.*

*Easy Peasy to start: Grumman "CATS", Mercury Cougar, Bobcat, Lynx. The WW2 German armor (Tiger, Panther, Puma) Submarines TigerFish, Lionfish. US Armor (Hellcat) Get at it!*



**In APRIL 2025, Free Hornet Aaron Rhetta is sponsoring a cool contest at his other hobby locale, GTC in San Jose:**

And as a further help to understand what this contest is about and how it works, I have put up Aaron's own example here for ref

<https://freehornetsannex2.yolasite.com/left-field.php> "How To Paint Lightning" pdf file is placed just above new BUZZ



18 S 8<sup>th</sup> St San  
Jose CA 95112

# Model "How-To" Challenge

Provide a step-by-step tutorial on how to do any technique related to model building.

Examples Topics Include:

- Removing Nub Marks,
- Removing Seam Lines,
- Panel Lining,
- Weathering,
- How to Hand Paint,
- How to Spray Paint,
- Specific Paint Techniques,
- How to use Particular Products,
- Scribing
- How to install LEDs
- Anything else related to Model Building

**When: Saturday April 19<sup>th</sup> at 1pm.**

**Where: GTC Store during the Mad Max Model Contest Event**

**Prize: \$20 Store Credit to GTC**

**Must Be Present to Win**

Rules:

- Should be written or video format,
- Needs to include pictures.
- Should detail each step.
- Entries can be submitted in the club discord in the "How To" channel or be delivered in person.
- No restrictions on the number of entries per person.

**ON SAME SATURDAY, Aaron's brother Adam is having this hard charging contest, at same place, GTC in San Jose**

Char's Fantasy



Model Club

# Mad Max Competition

Saturday, April 19th

Time: 12:00-4pm

Gifts Toys Collectables: 18 South 8<sup>th</sup> St  
San Jose CA, 95112

## Rules

- **Must Be present to Win!!!**
  - 1 entry per contestant
- Any type or size of model/ miniature (gundam, plane, car, tank, ect)
- Customize to fit "Mad Max" Aesthetic (rust, spikes, chains, ect)
- Judging begins at 2pm



**THIS IS THEIR LATEST CLUB FLYER which has helpful links and information for your enjoyment, Thanks Aaron !**



Scan here to Join  
us on Discord!!!



Scan here to follow  
us on Instagram!!!

**Come build with us at GTC (Gifts Toys  
Collectables) store at 18 South 8<sup>th</sup> St San Jose  
CA, 95112 on occasional Saturdays at  
12:00pm!!!**



# QUARTERLY FLEA MARKET

Saturday, May 3rd 10a-2p  
1350 Coleman Ave, Santa Clara

What might you find at the GK Flea Market?

Board Games, Miniatures, Books, Comics,  
Action Figures, Trading Cards, Collectables  
and more!



Want to be a Vendor?

\$30 to rent a spot and sell your wares

Call us at 408-564-4825

Be wary of scammers, we only ever book over the phone

***THEN ALSO IN MAY, WE HAVE TWO IPMS Club SHOWS***



# IPMS SILVERWINGS

presents:

# SILVERCON 2025

## Model Show & Contest

**Saturday, May 17, 2025**

**CONTEST THEME: VIETNAM WAR**



**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](mailto:bigjer009@gmail.com)



website

Updates and additional information will be posted on our Facebook page:  
[www.facebook.com/groups/IPMSSACRAMENTO/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/IPMSSACRAMENTO/) and website: [www.sacramento-model-club.org/](http://www.sacramento-model-club.org/)

# 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)

THEN IN JUNE...

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 – Busis
- 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 Kautzman 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  
at [bucholtzc@aol.com](mailto:bucholtzc@aol.com),  
or visit the SVSM website at  
[www.svsm.org](http://www.svsm.org)

**YES IT IS OFFICIAL THIS EVENT FULLY AUTHORIZED AND RECOGNIZED AND IN ALL RELEVANT MANNER FULLY UNDERWAY**

*STAY TUNED as some MORE SPECIALS for this 17<sup>th</sup> CLASSIC are soon to be announced...*



# TRI-CITY CLASSIC XVII

Scale Model Contest and Exhibition



## Saturday, November 08 2025

at the Fremont Elks Lodge , 38991 Farwell Drive, Fremont, California 9am - 5pm

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

**“ *The Sum of All Fears* ”**

(On Theme Subject: any USA, USSR, Israel, Egypt, Syria, Germany, 1973 Yom Kippur War or directly related)

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

“ **Nessun Dorma (Let No One Sleep)** ” Award for Best Entry befitting the Contest Theme

“ **Sum Of All Fears** ” (three awards: Best: Israeli 1948- Subject, USSR 1948-1991 Subject, Egyptian 1948- Subject)

“ **Without Remorse** ” Award for Best Post 1993 US NAVY subject

ALSO “**Mulieres Volante**” for Women In Aerospace Subject & “**Know A Hornet’s Mighty Sting**” for Best American Fighter Aircraft

Plus these: “ **Best Twin Engine Lightning** “, “ **IT FIGURES** ” (Up to 3 Awards for Junior/Youth with prolific entry)

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/FIVE model entries/less (\$15 for **SIX or more**) Any modelers 17/under, FREE with unlimited entry

For **Vendor Information**, Contact VP **David Parks**, DAVIDPARKS81@comcast.net. Be advised : **VALID CA SALES TAX PERMIT REQUIRED**

***NEW SPECIAL AWARD SA18 BEING ADDED to TC-17 !!***

# ***“ Making The Best Of It ”***

The Fremont Hornets Memorial Award Honoring Cliff Kranz

***Simply Put, you will as with other Special Awards, have to be sure to sign up your entry(s) so Judges can find them in timely manner, there's no single entry point for this one.***

***This Award will go to the entry that is considered as having “made it in spite of itself, a real Diamond In The Rough, Real Silk Purse from Sow's Ear”. Cliff truly enjoyed those kinds of entries most of all***

***Keep in mind also, having a good tale to tell with your entry in printed form could be your edge!***

**R.I.P**

**CLIFF “TRUCKER” KRANZ**

**04-02-49**

**08-28-24**



# PILOT PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

“ TOM & MOM “

**FROM THE NEW (PROXY) PRESIDENT of FREE HORNETS**

*Hello, I am too busy with other issues (yes, having life does that) so I have delegated these important matters to Editor/Former President for now  
-JK*

**Since there's been an undercurrent of needing more structure and wish to have more formal club themes, I have taken action and so:**

**2025 MAY HORNETS NEST TOM (Theme Of Month)**

***will be “ MAY DAY MAYHEM “***

**WHAT? REAL SIMPLE : (ANY RESCUE VEHICLE)**

This includes any and all era MILITARY, GOVERNMENTAL or CIVILIAN – Helicopters, Boats, Ships, Autos, Trucks, Specialty Equipment, This can easily encompass Catalina, Albatross, Marlin, Mariner, Sea King, Dolphin, OH-13/Bell 47 fly boats/rotorcraft, as well those USCG and Royal/RCN boats, ambulance jeeps/trucks/autos, Roman carts for carrying off the wounded, etcetera. Just give some thought there's actually a lot.

NOW: ANY Theme models will generate MOM candidacy. Up to three can win a TOM prize of 10 US Dollars. The MOM (Model Of Month) gets 20 US Dollars (in addition, not compounded with any preexisting, I am not President Brandon...)

BE ADVISED : Maximum 5 entries per any individual, also you cannot re-use an entry from a prior TOM (if you bring an unfinished 747 for the Jig Is Up you can't reenter the finished 747 for a crashed airplane in later TOM event...) If no one shows or enters, there will be NO MOM in May OK?

OKAY -THAT'S MAY in a nutshell, TOM & MOM. The former President is sponsoring these first few so try to take his money okay?

A CALENDAR for JUNE JULY AUGUST and SEPTEMBER Themes will be posted on the FREMONT HORNETS EXILE SITE SHORTLY - JK

# *Coming Up NEXT*

The Next Hornets Nest Night Is **FRIDAY APRIL 11 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**

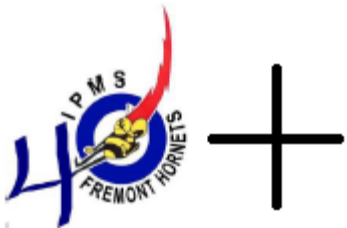
*Located in the Fremont Hub Shopping Center, Corner of Mowry Ave & Fremont Blvd*

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

**WE MAY SEE NEW MATERIAL OF WHAT WENT ON AT THE APRIL 2025 HORNETS NEST Anniversary event**

**STAY TUNED**

**ALONG WITH COVERAGE OF MORE NEWS OF OUR HOSTING SOME CLUB CONTESTS THIS YEAR**



Reminder : <http://fremonthornets.yolasite.com/> Just three little pages.

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