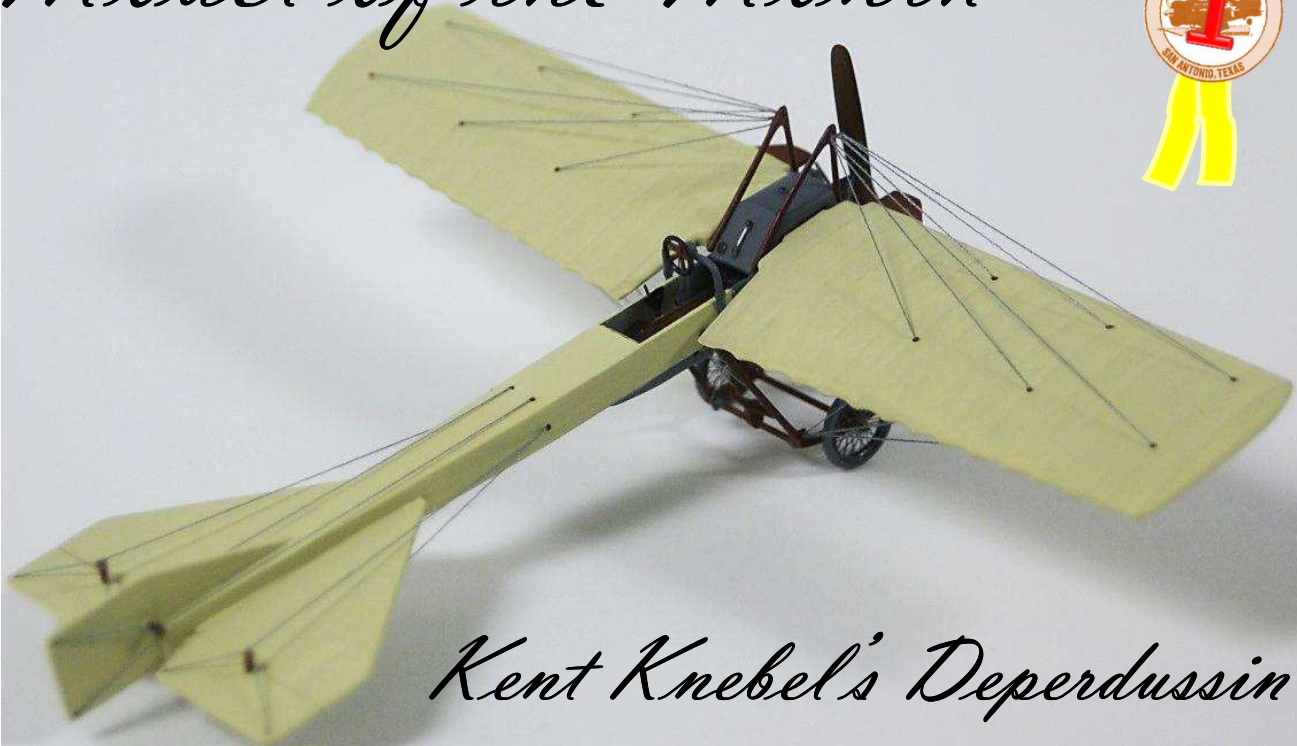




October 2013

Alamo Squadron

Model of the Month



Kent Knebel's Deperdussin

Kent Knebel won First Place on the monthly contest with a very interesting model: the Deperdussin. It was an early racing aircraft built in 1912 by the Société Pour les Appareils Deperdussin, commonly abbreviated "SPAD".



PREZ NOTES

By Dee Jacobs

The meeting this month was a good one. I am glad that we had such a good turnout, 31

people were here for our meeting. Our guest speaker, Maj. Bernier, was awesome. The October meeting is going to be just as much fun, **Tom Sprawls** is going to be our speaker/demonstrator this month. Hope to see all of our members at the meeting!



SUMMARY OF MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 5, 2013



11. Dee Jacobs, President, opened the meeting and asked if everyone had received their September newsletter in timely fashion. No objections were surfaced. She went on to say that the internally imposed suspense of input being received by the 20th of the month should ensure that everyone receives future newsletters on time.

2. Jerry Escobedo, Vice President, introduced our guest speaker and his friend, Major Sergio "Serge" Bernier, USAF (Retired), who flew the F-111 as a navigator/bombardier including electronic warfare combat missions in Iraq. Serge also served an exchange tour with the Navy flying carrier-based EA-6 Prowler missions. Serge described what it was like to crew the F-111 and described its performance envelope in detail. His talk was well received by all club members.

3. Lee Forbes, Treasurer, gave an oral financial report and commented on the status of 2013 dues collections. He mentioned that at the beginning of our 2013 dues collections that started in May of this year we had 48 members whose dues would expire by the end of 2013. During that period two members left the club, so the base was reduced to 46. So far 58% of members have paid their dues, with the remainder still outstanding. He explained that our constitution states that if a member has not paid their dues after three months past

the dues expiration date that they will be dropped from the rolls. Lee said that hopefully this won't have to be enacted, but if necessary it will be enforced.

4. Kent Knebel was asked about the status of the ModelFiesta 33 Flyer.



During deployment support Operation Northern Watch, I got shot by Iraqi AAA; but I didn't feel worried or nervous, but indignant. I thought "how dare you try to shot me down!!".
- Mayor "Serge" Bernier

He indicated that it was still a work in progress, but should be finished in time to debut at the Austin Show on October 5.

5. Lee Forbes mentioned that sometime ago that we discussed having a club auction of member-donated models, model accessories, decals, etc. to raise money for our treasury and that we needed to set a date and location for the event. This

resulted in a suggestion that we defer this event until we determine our club's financial status under

Internal Revenue Service guidelines before raising any more money. The suggestion was accepted. This led to a discussion of possible IRS options such as claiming status as a 503(c)7 social club, incorporating, etc. Rob Booth was "volunteered" to investigate the merits of looking into 503(c)7 social club status and will report his findings to the group at the October meeting.

6. Those members who attended the 2013 IPMS/USA National Convention in Loveland, Colorado, gave a short report of their experiences and observations.

7. Dee Jacobs presented awards to the August open contest winners and conducted the September contest, which again featured an open theme. This month we had a "sweep" with all of the places going to Kent Knebel. They were: first place, a Deperdussin; second place an F-84G Thunderjet and third place an F-84F Thunderstreak.
Congratulations Kent!

8. Jerry Escobedo conducted the "Show-N-Tell" and took photos of the contest winners and "Show-N-Tell" discussion subjects.

9. Dee Jacobs dismissed the meeting.



TREASURER'S NOTES

By Lee Forbes



As of our September 5 meeting, a little over half of club members whose dues will expire during 2013 had paid their dues. That's a good start, but guys, I really need you to step up and pay those dues! I realize that it's a chore, but the club needs your support. If it's not convenient to attend one of our meetings to pay your dues, you are welcome to mail them to me. Please make checks payable to IPMS Alamo Squadron, and send them to IPMS Alamo Squadron, 13539 Carlton Oaks, San Antonio, TX 78232. As I mentioned at our September meeting, our Constitution states that if members have not paid their dues three months after their dues expiration date, they will be dropped from our club rolls, and we really don't want to do that, but if it comes down to it we will enforce the Constitution. To help assist you in determining your dues expiration date, I'm changing the format from past newsletter articles as follows:



JUNE 2013 - drop from rolls date ,
October 1, 2013

BR, 78249

JULY 2013 – drop from rolls date ,
November 1, 2013

CD, 78108 & OD, 78249

AUGUST 2013 – drop from rolls
date , December 1, 2013

FG, 78212 & KM, 78233

SEPTEMBER 2013 – drop from rolls
date , January 1, 2014

GJ, 78254, KK, 78247 & MP, 78237

OCTOBER 2013 – drop from rolls
date , February 1, 2014

GK, 78254, BM, 78249, LK, 78240,
LT, 78245 & WL, 78260

NOVEMBER 2013 – drop from rolls
date , March 1, 2014

FR, 78245

DECEMBER 2013 – drop from rolls
date , April 1, 2014

MCP, 78230, EL, 78238 & SI, 78232

If anyone wants to volunteer to take over the club webmaster position that Bob Carr is temporarily filling again, please let any E-Board member know of your interest. I'm sure that Bob would be willing to step aside since he's filled this job almost as long as I can remember being in the Club.

Due to the interest in the financial organizational framework the club should take as it relates to its IRS status, I've contacted a number of

club treasurers both within and outside of IPMS Region 6 to determine how they're organized. I've also held discussions with the IPMS/USA National Office concerning this subject. I've learned some interesting information that I'll discuss at our October 3 meeting. More to follow.

I'll also bring up at the October meeting the latest information I have from our shirt and cap supplier concerning prices and minimum orders since we have a number of new and current members who have expressed an interest in ordering Alamo Squadron shirts and caps for themselves. Since the club cannot currently pay for the total order up front and collect from members after the fact, all items ordered must be pre-paid in advance of the order being placed.



Lastly, and on a sad note, I just learned that Russell Mapes, a former member of Alamo Squadron and more recently affiliated with the Austin club, died in a traffic accident near Austin on August 23. Russell was 55 and will be remembered as a master modeler of jet aircraft. No other details are available as I write this.



In Second Place this month, this impressive F-84 G Thunderjet Nuclear Bomber from Kent Knebel.





Third place on the Monthly Contest was for this appealing F-84 G Thunderstreak, an Italeri also from Kent Knebel.





Show and Tell



PV-1 Ventura, an Academy kit in 1/72 scale from Rob Booth.



Taiwanese "Ching Kuo" from Rob Booth, A Zhengdefu kit with aftermarket cockpit, In 1/48 scale



Chevy race car "Shuey" from Rick Stanley. A Testor's kit in 1/25 scale



Rene Faulk brought these two helicopters that will be painted as the famous series "Airwolf"



David Herron showed a very nice P-47 airplane.

Show and Tell



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Emilio Mayorga showed a paper model of the F-16 in 1/33 scale, a work in progress model from Halinski publisher.



Another model from Emilio Mayorga, a A6M2 Zero in 1/72 scale, painted by hand by Emilio.



NEW KITS ON THE BLOCK

Plastic Models



The Minicraft 1/144 KC-135 series announced several years ago is on. A, E and R models are coming soon, the first before the end of the year. An EC-135C is on the books, too.



Kittyhawk, the model company that never sleeps, has announced a 1/48 F2H-4 Banshee. No firm release date yet... Wonder what these folks will come up with next?



Eduard's new 1/72 MiG-15 will be released next month. It's another kit that was announced quite a while ago but was postponed while the molds were tweaked. The first issue will be a dual combo kit.



MPC will rerelease two Space: 1999 items, the 1/72 Eagle-1 Transporter in November and the 1/25 Alien Moon Buggy in December. Both will feature photos of actors from the series, a random number of them will be autographed.



Mirror Models is showing some built-up photos of their 1/35 Diamond T Wrecker. It's injection molded and looking good, should be out soon.



Staying with the sci-fi theme, Polar Lights will offer a 1/9 Executive Officer Kane from the movie Alien. Molded in resin, Kane is in the classic "hmmm, lets take a closer look at this unusual egg" pose. Something tells me this isn't going to turn out well.

Other upcoming releases include Tom's Model Works 1/700 USS Yorktown CV-5 and Enterprise CV-6 in resin, Polar Lights 1/8 Thor and Italeri 1/72 F-35A Lightning. Start saving your pennies!



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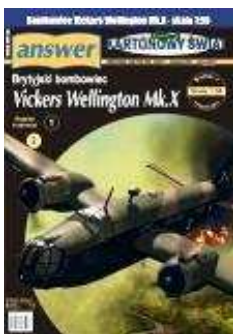
Paper Models



A production of the "Answer" publishing (KH Nr.5/2013): U.S. M8 Greyhound scout car in the representation of the vehicle of the Polish 12th 3517 British Army as extreme precision model kit in 1:25 scale.
Price: 20 US Dlls



French Agosta Submarine S620 of 1972 as a cardboard model kit of the GPM-publishing (377 - 25/2013), 1:200 scale.
Price: 17 US Dlls

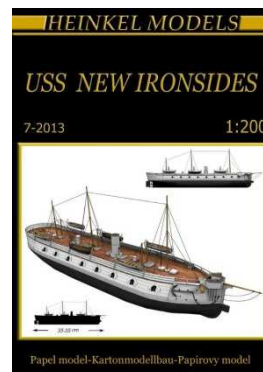


Answer publisher releases this Vickers WELLINGTON Mk.X bomber in the representation of the machine "Z" (HZ950) of 99 Bomber Wing of the Air Force RSEC Burmese (Burma 1944) as a cardboard model kit in 1:50 scale.
Price: 9 US Dlls

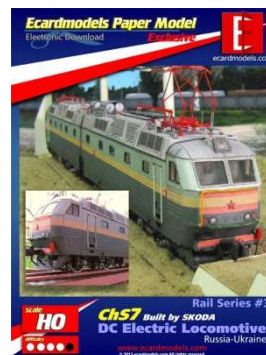
* Prices plus Shipping and Handling. Prices may be less depending on store. Contact Jerry Escobedo for information on paper models.



This paper model builds the P-51B/C aircraft "Skipper's Darlin'" from Dave's Card Creations, as flown by Capt Andrew "Jug" Turner. Turner flew 69 missions while serving with and commanding the 100th Fighter squadron.
Price: 7 US Dlls as a downloadable PDF file



Heinkel's Models USS New Ironsides in Commissioned in 1/200 scale. In August 1862, the USS New Ironsides was the third and largest of the first group of "salt water" armored warships. Joining the South Atlantic Blockading Squadron in January 1863, the ship spent the next year supporting the Charleston blockade. After spending time in a general overhaul, the ship was assigned to the North Atlantic Blockading Squadron. Decommissioned in 1865, USS New Ironsides was destroyed by fire in December 1866.
Price: 8.75 US Dlls as a downloadable PDF file



The ChS7 is a DC electric locomotive used in Russia and Ukraine built by Skoda Works in the Czech Republic. The two section passenger train locomotive was built from 1983 to 1999 and is still in use today. It was designed to be able to pull up to 32 passenger cars which previous locomotive designs could not accomplish. This HO paper scale model features a full cab interior and detailed running gear.
Price: 9.95 Dlls as a downloadable PDF file



Trip Report: AMPS CENTEX/Lone Star Armor & Figure Expo 2013

by Mike Picard

The biennial Armor Model and Preservation Society Central Texas show was held Sept. 21 at the Georgetown Community Center. In attendance were local modelers **Lyn Julian, Marty Martinez, Henry Nunez, Tom Sprawls and myself**, with **Matt Oldham** entering the competition by proxy.

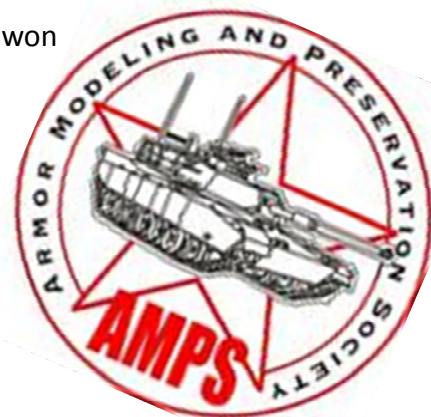
The vendor turnout was small with most of the vendors we normally see at the Austin IPMS show. A new vendor this year was Tiger Productions from Florida, who specializes in resin 1/72 and 1/35 diorama items. The castings are very nice and reasonably priced. We all bought several items from their large bin of discontinued items. Tiger Productions also

produces resin figures, the latest of which will feature a box art painted by Henry Nunez.

Although I never got an official entry count, I would guesstimate that there were between 175 and 200 entries in the show. While this number may sound low, the contest was strictly for armor, military figures, dioramas and sci-fi categories. Our group contributed 27 total entries, 22 of which were awarded bronze, silver or gold. Our group also were awarded six of the 11 "Best" awards: I won "Best Russian Subject" and "Best Small Army Subject," while Lyn Julian won "Best Diorama," "Best Commonwealth Subject," "Best of Show: Peoples'

Choice," and "Best of Show: Judges' Choice."

A good time was had by all, we're already looking forward to the next show in 2015.





Next meeting: 7:15 p.m. Thursday, October 3,
at Northside Ford on 12300 San Pedro.

Next Club Build Night: 6:30 p.m. Thursday,
October 17, at HobbyTown USA,
2501 NW Loop410.

Upcoming Club Events

ConAir 2013 Model Expo & Contest
Kansas Aviation Museum
3350 South George Washington Boulevard
IPMS/Air Capital Modelers
Info at: www.aircapitalipms.org

Austin Scale Modeler's Society
IPMS/USA 2013 Region 6 Convention
Saturday, October 5
Norris Conference Centers
2525 West Anderson Lane
Austin, Texas
Info at: www.austinsms.org

GatorCon 2013
IPMS/Cajun Plastic Modelers
Hotel Acadiana
1801 West Pinhook Road, Lafayette, LA 70508
Info at: www1.katc.com/files/modelshow.pdf



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Anniversary of
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Convention in
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August 6-9, 2014

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Club's E-Board 2013-2014

IPMS/USA Alamo Squadron: The Club was founded in 1977 in San Antonio, Texas, for the enjoyment of building scale models and the camaraderie of the members. Dues are normally \$12.00 a year, due when the Treasurer tells you.

The Alamo Squadron has been putting on ModelFiesta since 1981. Locations have included the Wonderland Mall, a Holiday Inn, the Seven Oaks Motel & Convention Center, the Live Oak Civic Center and the new location for 2013, the San Antonio Event Center.

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We need your writing skills for the newsletter!
All submission must be turned in by the 20th of the month prior to next month's meeting. Send your input to Gary Emery at gary@hillcountryhobby.com



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