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Southern California's Premier Model Club

The President's Column By Sean Fallesen



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For this month's contest theme, I'm working on a Whippet – a British WWI medium tank. We'll see if I actually finish it on time. It's a funky-looking beast – finished or not, I'll bring it so you all can see what I mean. The thing actually has twin engines – each at 45hp, enough to propel it at just over 8 mph, which was twice the speed of the earlier British heavy tanks. Sheesh... my car has the power of almost three and a half of these things.

So yes, that's right – I am working on a tank. I've done a couple Tamiya 1:48 ones before for some specific contests, I did a SCUD truck for January's theme, and this Whippet could also be considered just for this theme... but I actually have several 1:35-scale ones going right now that I'm building for my own interest. I'm usually all about ships and planes, with a few sci-fi in the mix – but I've discovered a new fondness for armor for some odd reason. (Mostly the oddball stuff – multi-turreted tanks, Japanese tanks, WWI tanks – the stuff that isn't modeled all that frequently. I think it's the developmental history and combat-theory they represent that fascinates me the most.) At the moment I don't plan on any intricate dioramas, just

a personal tank parking lot of subjects built simply for my own satisfaction... but we'll see where this goes.

I've already learned quite a lot about the different building techniques and painting needs of armor subjects, and still have much to learn (cough - track assembly). And while I already knew of the differences from my usual subjects, I never really appreciated them until actually trying it. For instance, there's nothing to give you a better appreciation of surface area than having to refill your airbrush's paint cup 3-4 times to get every nook and cranny or a tank covered, when a larger (by overall dimension) aircraft kit might've taken only one cup to cover.



President's Column

And on aircraft, it's less likely that you'll miss a spot. But on a tank... say, an edge of one of the teeth of a drive sprocket that you never noticed at your workbench, but it happens to show up really nicely under contest lighting.

We should all recognize the skills and special methods that modelers of different subjects use. I think we, as a club, do this pretty well. We put a lot of emphasis in promoting all the different subjects of plastic modeling, and run programs accordingly – sometimes truly generic modeling methods that have full-range application, sometimes more in-depth focus on one subject at a time but not the same subject every time. Beyond this, however, is the hands-on portion. Rather than just *knowing* about the different approaches and needs of the different subjects, to actually experience them.

So, the point is, only good can come of trying a subject outside your norm once in a while. At worst, you'll recognize that no, this really isn't what you care to build but at least you'll understand far better just what those who do build them have to deal with. At best, you might find something catching your interest that you've never tried before. And this is applicable even if you have done it way in the past – say, if you built a few cars way back, just slapping them together and crudely painting them with a brush at age 8, and haven't done one since. Give it a try again using your current modeling know-how. You may still not care to build another, but you'll really feel for what car modelers work with all the time. I've even known of a few guys who have become pretty powerful competitors in categories they'd never pictured themselves in a few years back. So... give it a go sometime!



Illustrations by David Bocquelet at www.tanks-encyclopedia.com

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Meeting Notice & Agenda

Date: February 21, 2014

Theme: World War I

Doors Open: 7:00 p.m.

Meeting: 7:30 to 10:00 p.m.

Loaction: La Quinta Inn & Suites

3 Centerpointe Drive

La Palma, CA 90623

Off the 91 Fwy at Valley View



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Special Notice

Just wanted to remind everyone that we will be having a special Distressed Kit Auction next month in March on the 21st. If you would also like to donate to the DKA then bring it to the club meeting and drop off with one of the DKA staff. Get ready for some fun! (*Ed.*)

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Club Logo T-Shirts and Crew Shirts

We have a few sizes left on the club T's and Crew shirts. As you know by now our Treasurer Michael Bare can accept credit cards, PayPal and of course checks and cash as well for payment. One of the easier ways to check on a size and availability of a shirt is to send Michael Bare an email (his address in left column) with your type of shirt and size. The T's are \$15 and the Crew shirts are \$60 that includes the embroidered name.



From Our Treasurer

Financial Statistics for the meeting in January 2014

Admission		Distressed Kits	
Members	30	Raffle Income	\$ 273.00
Non-Members	4	Total Income	\$ 1,361.00
Juniors	0	Total Expenses	\$ 1,277.41
Paid in Full	10	Profit / (Loss)	\$ 83.59
Guests	5		
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Total Attendance	49	\$ in Checking	\$ 4,021.69
		\$ in Savings	\$ 1,509.98
Memberships / Renewals		Total in Bank	\$ 5,531.67
Regular	25		
Youth	0		
Full Year	5		
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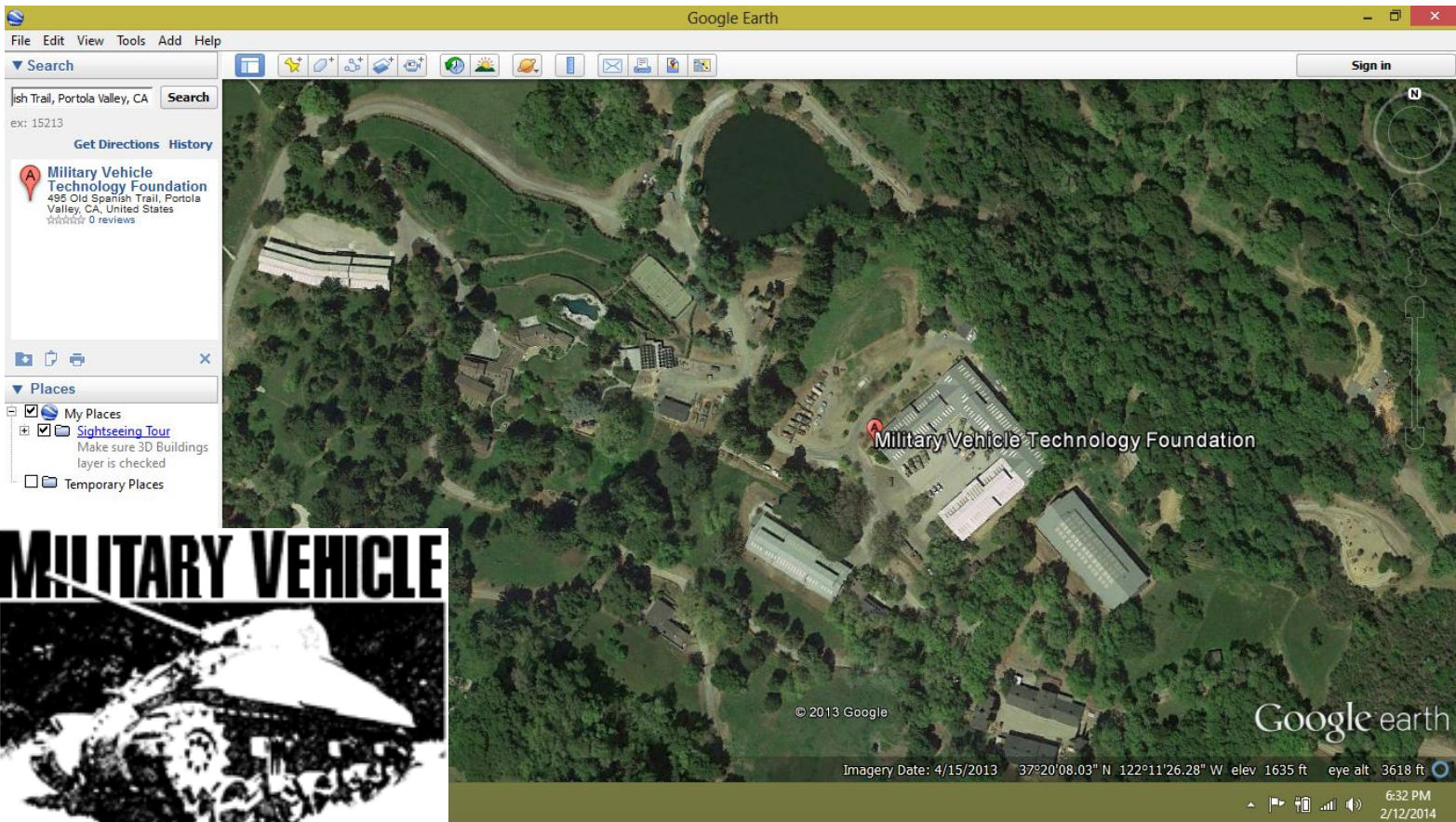


Military Vehicle Technology Foundation Auction-Portola Valley CA July 11 and 12, 2014

For those of you in California and elsewhere you may want to make your way to the MVTF for a tour before the Colling's Foundation takes possession of a selected group of the more than 260 vehicles of the Jacque Littefield collection of armored fighting vehicles. I can tell you right now that when the vehicles move to Stow MA, you folks in the East will have a waiting list to see the vehicles within the museum. The restorations are that good. Last aerial shots of the location in Portola valley courtesy of Google Earth. For you train folks out there, Jacque built a live steam short line around the "pond" at the top of the photo. The track, station and service buildings are all still there. Check the website here for more information.

<http://www.mvtf.org/> It looks like tours are still available. Call ahead. (Ed.)

Colling's Auction Information here http://www.collingsfoundation.org/cf_militaryvehicles.htm



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IPMS / USA Membership

Membership is of great importance, both here at the level of the local chapter as well as the National level. Our club is one of the 230 plus local chapters of our parent organization, IPMS USA. As a long time member I can highly recommend the expenditure of the additional dollars to become a member of the national organization.

With membership come six copies of the IPMS Journal publication which is better than ever, and the right to participate at the IPMS National Convention contest. The subscription to the Journal alone is worth the cost of joining.

A copy of the membership application is below or available on our website, or at the IPMS / USA website address, www.ipmsusa.org. Complete the form and return it to the address listed at the bottom of the form along with your method of payment.

International Plastic Modelers' Society Membership Application

IPMS No. _____ Name _____
(Leave Blank if New) First MI Last
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ - _____
Email: _____
Phone: Area Code: _____ Number: _____
Chapter Affiliation, if any: _____
(Current Members Only)
 Check here if new address, and list old Zip Code _____ - _____
 Junior (17 years old and younger) \$12; Birth date: _____
 Adult \$25; Adult 2 Yrs \$49; Adult 3 yrs \$73
 Canada & Mexico \$32; Foreign (Sea) \$32; Foreign (Air) \$55
 Family (Adult Membership + \$5, one set of Journals,
Number of Membership Cards required _____)
 If recommended by an IPMS member, please provide his/her
Name: _____ IPMS# _____
Mail completed application and check payable to IPMS/USA to:
IPMS/USA, Dept. OC, PO Box 2475, N. Canton, OH 44720-0475



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Contest Edition

By Terry Huber – Newsletter Editor

The contest season is back for 2014 and there are several great shows coming up. The first of the year goes to The Secret Society of Model Builders down San Diego way. Mike Budzeika presents his view of the show that took place in January inside the newsletter. Next up is the show in Petaluma CA called The Hobby Expo put on by IPMS Sonoma County and IPMS Mt. Diablo. This really is a great show and if you ever get a chance to attend seriously think about it. Their contest awards are first class and the whole show is about different hobbies in general with not only the main model contest but a separate Sci-Fi contest as well, and R/C aircraft, floatplanes and ships in the lake next to the event center, to battling bots in the cage, HO club modular train setups, Star Wars and German Wehrmacht re-enactors, a speed build model contest, local police tactical vehicles and equipment, real scale model V-8, six and four cylinder operating alcohol engines, Lucas Industrial Light and Magic personnel as guest speakers and the list goes on and on.

After that is the George Creed show with the Pasadena Modeling Society and “Creedcon” at the Pasadena Civic Center. You have to attend this show. It is always a crowd favorite and has gotten better and better over the years and so close to us down here in the OC as well. I wanted to say that several contests now have gone to the Gold Silver Bronze style of judging. If you’ve never entered a show before you may want to give it a try as the Judges leave comments on your entry form of what they saw during judging always a help in my mind. Whether you agree with them or not it makes you look again at your entry before the next show.

Sit back, get yourself a warm beverage and read-on for the latest ramblings from the OC. You may start thinking about heading to a show in the very near future once you are done. **TH**

IPMS Chapter and Club logos



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Membership Renewal Time

Below is the new and improved Membership and Renewal form. Print this page, fill it out and bring it to the meeting. It is also available on-line at www.ipmsoc.org.



IPMSOC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Print out and fill in this form completely and bring it to one of our monthly meetings, or mail it, with your payment to IPMS Orange County, P.O. Box 913, Garden Grove, CA 92842. Thank you.

Date: _____

Application for: New Membership Renewal

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Contact Info: Home phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

Date of birth (optional): _____

List memberships you have in other clubs and organizations (e.g. IPMS/USA, AMPS)

What are you current modeling interests:

Aircraft Armor Autos Ships Figures Sci-Fi Railroad

Other: _____

What classification modeler are you currently:

Novice Advanced Master Not sure

Your Signature: _____

(By signing, applicant agrees to abide by the rules and regulations detailed in the Constitution and Bylaws of IPMSOC)

Membership rates: All memberships are for the calendar year, January through December. Therefore, depending on when you join, the following pro-rated schedule will be used: \$22 (Jan - Mar), \$20 (Apr - Jun), \$15 (Jul - Sep), \$10 (Oct-Dec).

Note - There is also a members dues of \$5 when you attend a monthly meeting, that is not part of this membership fee.

IPMSOC staff only:

Membership approved ____/Date____ Fees Paid ____/Date____ Added to Roster ____/Date____ Badge made ____/Date____

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Special Announcement

Edie Keller of the Kit Collectors Show venue has announced that she plans to sell off her late husband Robert's massive model collection. The collection will be sold as-is meaning everything. There are close to 3,000 kits so individual sales are not practical. Those interested should contact Edie at kitcollectorsshow@yahoo.com. If you are interested in early and rare kits there's a good chance it is in that collection.



Edie Keller Honored by IPMS Orange County

IPMS Orange County recently acknowledged Edie Keller for her support of our club over the many years of the club's existence. Darnell Pocinich arranged for a special recognition award to present to Edie during one of her Kit Collectors events. Below is a photo of Edie after receiving her plaque. Thanks Edie for everything! (*Ed.*)



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Seen at the club meeting....



Reed West at left with David Okamura and Bob Bolton discussing a paper model build. On the right is 2nd VP David O'Barr making a point with club President Sean Fallesen looking on.



On the left is Owen Ryan with Bob Bolton center as Contest Director Darnell Pocinich acknowledges them for entering a model in the monthly contest every month in 2013. On the right is Master figure modeler Jeff Geis with daughter Victoria who herself is a World Junior champion flat and figure painter.

Club Photos by Terry Huber and Mike Budzeika



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Left is club Treasurer Michael Bare and David Okamura manning the front door.



Nobody rides for free. On the right is the mighty raffle again assembled by Raffle Czar Mark Glidden. Are you kidding me? A 1/200 scale Trumpeter Missouri AND a 1/32 scale Tamiya F-4J Phantom! (*Your Editor was skunked this time readers*).



The presentation was a DVD of the “Red Flag” exercises from Nellis Air Force base in Nevada that was very up to date about one pilot’s experience at the exercise. The video is produced by Boeing and is very well done with great aerial footage and real-time computer tracking of each aircraft in the operation is shown.

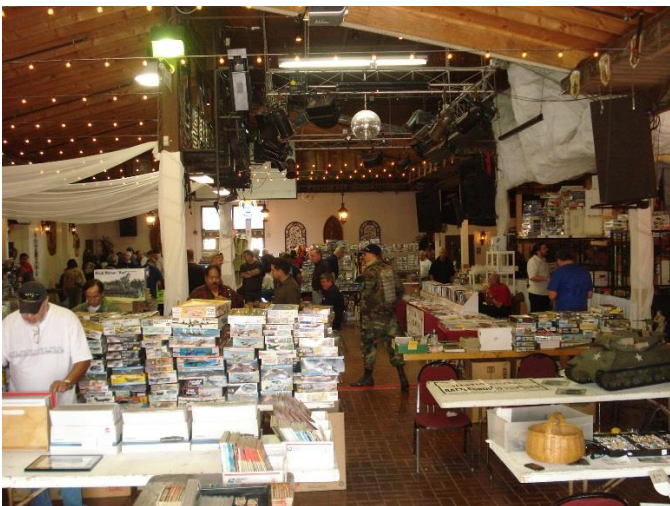
Also to the right are the clubs perpetual awards for the annual overall Theme and Judges Choice winners from last year. The final winning model is voted on by the club attendees. The name of the modeler and their model subject goes on the plaques along with the year. (*Ed.*)



Brewer Brothers Model Kit Expo

The Brewer Brothers kit show was held at the Old World Village German Hall in Huntington Beach last month and your club 1st VP Sir David Frederick, and I your Editor split a table to sell some of our stash. Business was light but the fact that they serve breakfast and lunch of Bratwurst and dark German Beer how can you go wrong. Also later in the day after the show Old World puts on Dachshund racing where anyone's pet wiener dog can enter. That is hilarious to watch.

For those that did not make it here are a few shots including the Make 'N' Take event handled by The Duke himself, Mark Deliduka and Don Drummer from the club who volunteered at the show.



The German Hall event from the back door and Sir David Frederick enjoying a fine brew at our table spot. Dave scoped out the spot as no one was behind us and plenty of room to organize. Good job Dave!



War gaming going in the middle of the Hall and Make N' Take event happening on the Upper level with a brisk turnout. Don Drummer in yellow and The Duke on the right. (Ed.)



Club Meetings in the SoCal area

IPMS Orange County

Meets the 3rd Friday of each month
La Quinta Inns & Suites
3 Centerpointe Dr.
La Palma, CA 90623
Doors open at 7:00 p.m. till 10:00 p.m.
Non-member fee \$7

Temecula Valley Model Club

Meets the 2nd Saturday of each month
10:00 a.m. at the Hobby Town
27452 Jefferson Ave. Suite 7
Temecula, CA No-fee meeting
Contact ljapr@verizon.net

SoCal Amps

Meets the 2nd Saturday of each month
Frye Sign Company
12818 Nutwood St. Garden Grove CA
4:00 p.m. to around 9:00 p.m.
Bring some chairs No-fee meeting

Pasadena Modeling Society

Meets the 4th Friday of each month
154 West Sierra Madre Blvd.
Sierra Madre, CA
Doors open at 7:00 p.m.
Non-Member fee \$5

Secret Society of Model Builders

Meets the 2nd Sunday of each month at the
Game Empire
7051 Clairemont Mesa Blvd
Suite 306 San Diego, CA
Doors open at 6:00 p.m. till about 9:00 p.m.
Adults are \$5

Southern California Area Historical Miniatures Society

SCAHMS meets the 2nd Saturday of each month
La Quinta Inns & Suites
3 Centerpointe Dr.
La Palma, CA 90623
Meeting from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
(*Same place as the IPMS meeting. Ed.*)

IPMS Ontario

Meets the 1st Monday of each month
Except Holidays
Ontario Police Department
2500 South Archibald Ave.
Ontario, CA
Doors open at 6:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Small fee

Los Angeles Miniaturists Society

LAMS Meets the 1st Saturday of each month
Veterans of Foreign Wars building
1006 W. Magnolia Blvd.
Burbank, CA 91506
Meeting starts around 9:00 a.m. till 12:30
Non-member fee \$5
<http://laminiaturists.com/>

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Cars & Coffee Santa Barbara Style

Photos by Byron (Pete) Evans

Pete brings us several more weekends of the event on Coast Village Road in Montecito from January. You never know what will show up next. Looks like some great classics reside in the area. Thanks again Pete! (Ed.)



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Santa Barbara Style



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Santa Barbara Style



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Contest Corner

By Darnell Pocinich

January 2014 has come and gone. We now move on to a new month. At this point let me congratulate some club members for their accomplishments in 2013. Two thumbs up to Club Webmaster, Joe LoMusio, our Modeler of the Year and Past President, Brian Casteel, our Member of the Year for 2013. The winners of the Best of 2013 Model Contest were Terry Baylor for Judges Choice Award with a beautiful LVG.C VI and Chris Kavanaugh for Theme Award with his fantastic Zundapp Motorcycle. Great work, gentlemen. You inspire us all with you craftsmanship.

The theme for our February meeting is “WWI – The Great War”. World War I was billed as the war to end all wars, alas this prediction did not come to pass. This conflict offers the modeler many choices of subjects to build -- aircraft, ships, military and civilian vehicles of all types. A host of subjects for the figure modeler as well. Models of any scale can compete. Build up some interesting entries and good luck to all.

The monthly model contest theme for March is “Mustang Challenge (Car vs. Plane)”. I love this theme. The car guys competing against the plane guys to build the best Mustang in any scale. So work up a pony car or Mustang fighter or even one or more of each. I can’t wait to see the contest tables on March 21st. Let Mustang madness reign.

Member and Modeler of the Year – MOTY

This is probably a good time to remind everyone how the Member and Modeler of The Year points can be accumulated. Below are the different categories and points assigned to those activities if you are interested in participating.

For Member of the Year –

Doing a Club presentation program	5 points
Contributing a Newsletter item of more than a half-page	3 points
Accepting a Nomination to serve as a Chapter Officer	3 points
Participating in IPMSOC Make & Take or Table Info event	3 points
Referring a person to become an IPMS National member	3 points
Referring a person to become a new member to IPMS OC	2 points
Supporting IPMS Club displays	2 points
OrangeCon Trophy packages sold (each)	2 points
Speaking about a Show & Tell Item	1 point
Contributing a Newsletter item of a half-page or less	1 point
Working at OrangeCon – 2 hour shift Min	1 point
Maximum amount during OrangeCon	5 points

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~Notice from your Contest Director ~

I plan to award bonus points for Member of The Year to members who enter and win model contests outside our own monthly contest.

- 1 Bonus point plus the normal club contest point scheme for any outside contest winner
- 2 Bonus points for OrangeCon winners
- 3 Bonus points for IPMS Nationals winners
- *For example:* 1st place win at outside contest=4 points, 1st place at OrangeCon=5 points, 1st place at Nationals=6 points

For Modeler of the Year -

Entering one or more models in the Monthly Contest	1 point
Placing in the Monthly Contest	
Judges Choice award	5 points
Theme award	4 points
First Place	3 points
Second Place	2 points
Third Place	1 point

Member of the Year Points 2014

Sean Fallesen	7	Joe LoMusio	1
Darnell Pocinich	5	Mark Deliduka	1
David O'Barr	4	Maxx Kominsky	1
David Frederick	3	David Okamura	1
Michael Bare	3	Bob Penikas	1
William Green	3	Reed West	1
Terry Huber	3		
Mike Budzeika	3		
Nat Richards	3		

Modeler of the Year Points 2014

Keith Mundt	9	Andre Alas	2	Earl Shepard	1
David O'Barr	6	Sean Fallesen	2	Chris Kavanaugh	1
Owen Ryan	5	Steve Taylor	1	Craig Elliott	1
Victoria Geis	4	Jeff Geis	1	Mark Deliduka	1
Joe LoMusio	3	Bob Bolton	1		



January Contest Entries and Results

Theme "Desert Storm I"

Total number of Modelers: 14

Total number of entries: 21

		Winner in Place – Division	
Bob Bolton	1/24	62' Rambler	↓
	1/24	Hot Hermit	
	1/24	Vega Gasser	
Craig Elliott	1/72	DFS-194	
Owen Ryan	1/72	F/A-18F	
	1/72	Desert Storm jet collection_____	Theme Award
Joe LoMusio	1/32	Fokker E III_____	2 nd in Master
Mark Deliduka	1/72	French Traction Avant	
	1/72	Russian TOS-1	
	1/72	Russian GA2 M-11-14	
Keith Mundt	1/32	Ki-61-I Hein (Tony)_____	1 st in Master + Judges Choice Award
Andre Alas	1/72	YF-22_____	3 rd in Advanced
Victoria Geis	Flat	Elephant_____	Novice Winner
Steve Taylor	1/72	F4U Corsair	
Jeff Geis	54mm	US Paratrooper 1940	
	54mm	Deathhead Hassar	
Sean Fallesen	1/48	Scud-IC Launcher_____	3 rd in Master
Earl Shepherd	1/72	KV-2 (early spring)	
Chris Kavanaugh	1/72	Dodge Ambulance	
David O'Barr	1/72	SU 76i_____	1 st in Advanced
	1/72	Wespe (Normandy)_____	2 nd in Advanced

Best of 2013 Overall Theme and Judges Choice

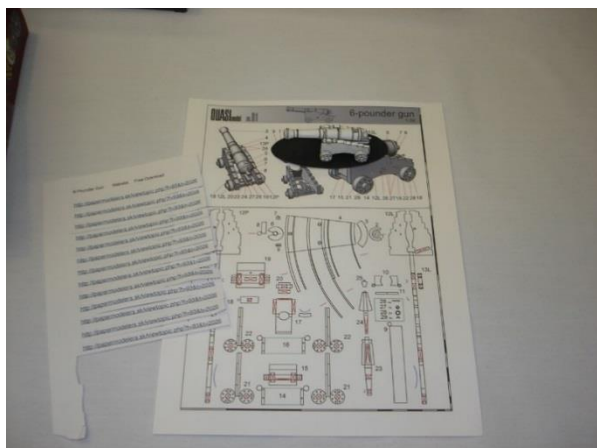
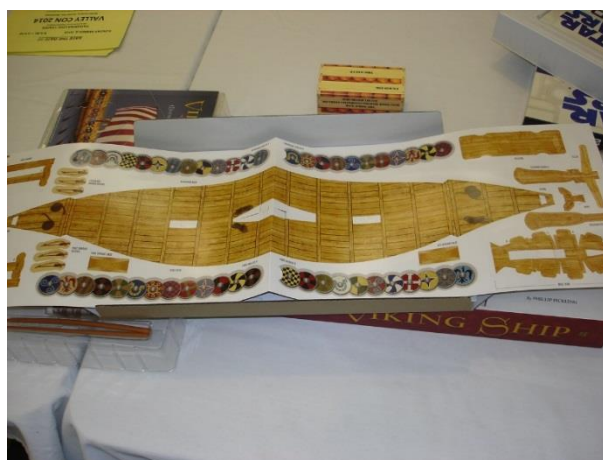
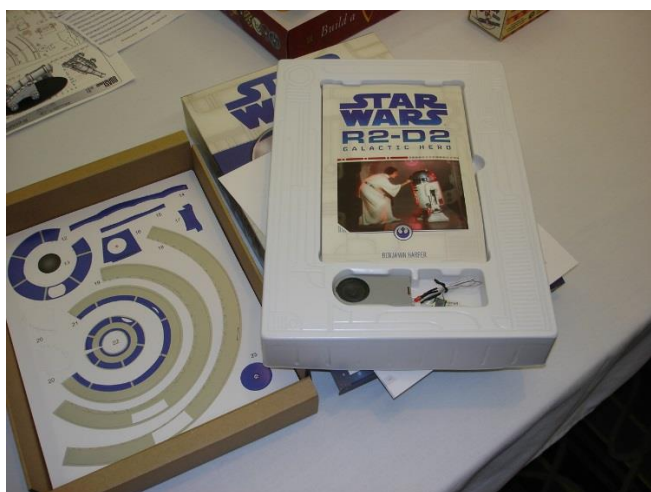
Mark Deliduka	1/72	DORA Railgun	
Joe LoMusio	1/35	LAV-25	
Sean Fallesen	1/700	U.S.S. Maryland BB-46	
Craig Elliott	1/350	USSR Typhoon Class sub	
Terry Baylor	1/32	LVG C.VI	2013 Judges Choice Award
Chris Kavanagh	1/9	Zundapp motorcycle	2013 Theme Award

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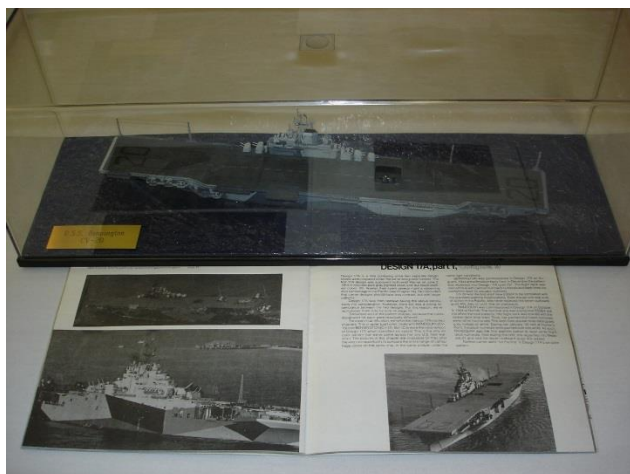
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January Contest Photos – Display



Paper models of an unbuilt R2-D2, a huge Viking ship, and Bob Penikas brings us the 6 pounder cannon from Slovak Paper Modelers. Bob says to download your free copy here and give it a try!
<http://papermodelers.sk/viewtopic.php?f=93&t=2026>



A nicely done U.S.S. Bennington looks like in 1/700. I do not know the modeler but someone will know and then I can recognize them.



January Contest Photos – Novice



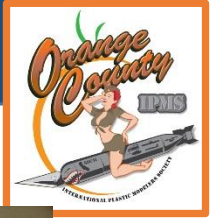
A well painted elephant flat by Victoria Geis. She entered in Novice but she has already been named a Gold champion at the Figure Worlds in Stresa, Italy.

January Contest Photos – Advanced

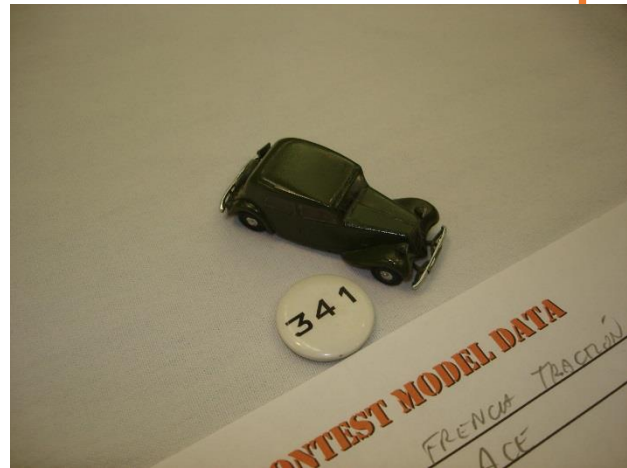


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January Contest Photos – Advanced



The braille scale guys were out in force at January's meeting. Starting on previous page at top left is a well done 1/72 Dodge Ambulance by Chris Kavanaugh, then on the right is a 1/72 KV-2 in early spring slush by Earl Shepherd, Mark Delidukas world brings us the 1/72 Russian GA2 M-11-14 and his Russian TOS-1.

On this page we have David O'Barrs beautiful 1/72 Wespe Normandy style, The Dukes 1/72 French Traction Avant. Rounding out Advanced is the 1/72 YF-22 by Andre Alas.

IPMS Tidewater
Hampton Roads, Virginia



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January Contest Photos – Master



Where do I begin? So many great models. Your favorite MONSTER Mike top left is brought to you by Bob Bolton, the 1/32 Fokker E III done up nicely by Joe LoMusio, Keith Mundt brings us the 1/32 Ki-61-1 Hein, 1/72 scale F/A-18F by Owen Ryan along with the jets of Desert Storm, and new club President Sean Fallesen treats us to the 1/48 Scud IC launcher.

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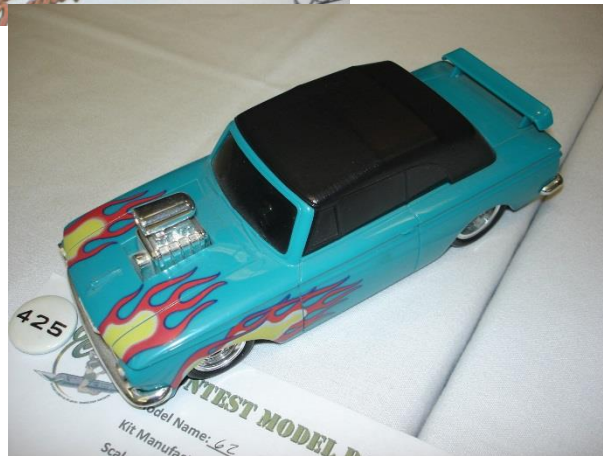
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January Contest Photos – Master



A couple of nicely painted 54mm figures by Jeff Geis with his US Paratrooper 1940 and the Death Head Hussar.



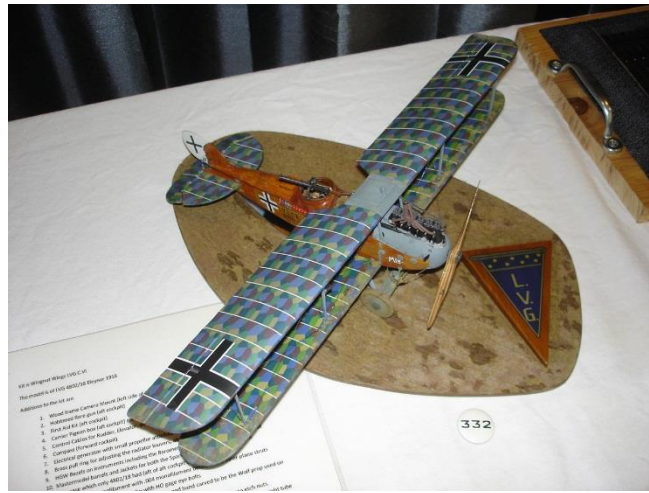
Middle left we have the 1/72 Corsair by Steve Taylor, and Bob Bolton rounds out the bottom with his 1/24 scale trio of a 62' Rambler FC, Hot Hermit and Vega Gasser.

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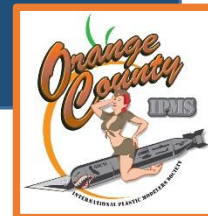
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January Contest Photos – Overall 2013 Theme & Judges Choice photos



For the overall 2013 winners starting top left we have the massive DORA railgun in 1/72 by The Duke, Judges Choice winner the 1/32 LVG C.VI by Terry Baylor, Sean Falleesen and his 1/700 U.S.S. Maryland, The Theme winner 1/9 Zundapp motorcycle by Chris Kavanaugh, the 1/350 Russian boomer by Craig Elliott and the 1/35 LAV-25 by Joe LoMusio.



Secret Society of Model Builders Winterfest 2014 Jan 25th San Diego CA

By Mike Budzeika

The first contest is in the books for the Traveling Road Show. Dave Frederick, Mark Glidden, Terry Huber, and I drove down to San Diego for the contest put on by the San Diego Model Club known as the Secret Society of Model Builders. The show was held at Gillespie Field which is the same venue that is used by the IPMS San Diego club for their show in June.

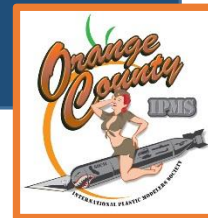


The four of us have been discussing this show for the previous couple months, what we were going to take and who would drive. Since none of us have been to the Winterfest show we were packing light, Mark and Dave had two models and Terry and I had one each which turned out to be a good thing for the trip home as we needed the space.

Of course I waited to the last minute to finish something new for the show, by waiting Murphy's Law entered the scene. I had just little bits to attach to complete the model, one of which was to drill out the antenna base to attach an antenna on a Russian APC. I did that and attached the antenna then promptly dropped unit on the floor. It's a hardwood floor and in the years building I have not lost a part until now. I spent a good hour looking for the part with a flashlight, I used a Wisk broom and dustpan, examined every little speck, plastic nub, dead little spiders but no antenna and base.

With a clean floor and no antenna I was a little frustrated thinking well this model is not going to the show. I was lucky this was not quite the last minute it was Thursday so I made a drastic decision to purchase another model just for the antenna base on Friday. Scratch build the part you say, phooey I say (to take a phrase from Nero Wolfe). It's much cleaner, quicker, and easier than scratch building. Some people have chided me about being an Assembler not a Modeler and I wear that moniker proudly.

Needless to say I purchased a second kit for one part, used it, and completed the model in time to take to the show. There will now be a Russian APC in the Distressed Kit Action later this year missing only one part.



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I was the driver for the trip and I left my house around 7:15 AM to go pick up Terry, then headed to Mark's house where Dave was going to meet up, picked them up and headed down the I-5 freeway to San Diego. The weather on the trip down was fantastic and would be for the day. Poor Dave, by mid-day he was lamenting that he was not wearing shorts like the rest of us. It was very pleasant.

Conversation on the way down was some usual banter, what the vendors were going to be like, the judging (which was Gold, Silver, and Bronze), Raffle, but the most important topic of conversation was the food cart. If the food cart was going to be there it would be a successful show no doubt.

It was around 9:30 AM when we arrived at Gillespie Field after a very nice drive down the coast. The sun was out it was clear and most important very little traffic. We parked, got our models for the contest and made our way to the gate to pay the \$3.00 entry fee. Arriving at the gate, there it was in plain sight, the food cart, ahh yes it was going to be a good show. After entering we made our way to the contest registration table to pay the \$10.00 entry fee, which included up to three models. *(The burgers and jumbo dogs that are served have a **** star rating by your Editor)*



Their raffle had quantity but not much quality, but they did have a 1/35 scale Italeri PT-109 plus a few newer Tamiya kits so I put in 20 bucks. They had a nice attendance of vendors almost as many as the San Diego show held in June, and they were in the same hanger.



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After filling out the paperwork to enter out models, we handed it in at the registration table then went into the contest room to setup the models. The contest room is very small and narrow, it seemed to get crowded quickly and with the judging taking place throughout the day I did not like spending a lot of time in the room. Because of that I felt rushed and did not get to see the models as much as I would have liked and it made it difficult to take pictures.



There were no categories for the models so you could place them anywhere on the tables, but it seemed the different model types gravitated to each other. It did not matter since this was a Gold, Silver, Bronze AMPS style judging, categories were not really needed.



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They would take a model along with the model data sheet into a different area to be judged, after it was judged it was brought back to the table. We guessed they were already judged if the data sheet was folded and a sticker was placed on the sheet. I made the mistake of folding the data sheet when I placed my model, and was asked not to fold it.

We finished placing out models took some pictures and made our way to the vendor area since it was becoming crowded in the contest room. A lot of the vendors were the same we see here at the San Diego show in June, so there was not a lot of new selection to choose from and as a matter of fact Dave was the only person to purchase something from the vendors.

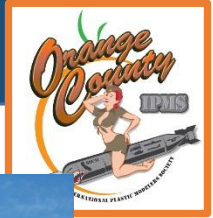


Leaving the vendors we decided to visit the food cart for something to eat as man cannot exist on contests alone. The food cart serves burgers or hot dogs, drinks, and chips just what is needed for a day at a contest. We all ordered hot dogs, chips, and sodas which came out to \$20.00, not bad to feed four guys that are middle aged and somewhat heavy. We got our food and headed over to a table in the shade to eat as the day was turning out beautiful, wearing shorts was a good idea.

We finished eating and just sat at the table for a while watching the people mull around. We did see some familiar faces, Steve Munroe, Mike Armstrong, Dan Clover, and George Creed among others. Other than the four of us no other IPMSOC members showed up to the show which was a little disappointing. During downtime there is a row of jets parked outside the hangers that can be walked up to and pictures taken or even touched.

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They announced the raffle would start around 1:30 and we decided to move over that way grab chairs and get a spot in the shade which was luckily at a table. As stated earlier there was not a lot of top of the line prizes other than the PT-109, most were older or not very good kits, there even was a Stratego game as a prize. When it came time to start the drawing, sure enough the first person to have their ticket drawn took the PT-109 so from then on it was anticlimactic for me. I did get the third ticket drawn and by that time nothing outstanding was available so I took the Tamiya Sd. Kfz. 222 which is an older kit that Tamiya updated with some PE and a motorcycle. In the first twenty to thirty draws Mark and Terry had numerous ticket numbers picked and poor ole Dave had zilch, which is surprising as he usually gets a lot of tickets picked. Of course Dave was hearing it as Mark and Terry continued to pile up winnings and I did not have my numbers called for a while plus there was nothing else I wanted so I gave my tickets to Dave. At the end of the raffle we had the table in front of us full of kits we won in the raffle, even the Stratego

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game. (Sir David was getting skunked for at least 20 minutes before he received the subsidized raffle tickets.) Ed.



By the time the raffle was over the contest room was open and the medallions were placed by the models. Checking the entries on the table, the medallion told you what place you were, Gold, Silver, or Bronze and a very nice part of the judging was the comments the judges left on the datasheet both positive and constructive. Another good thing was the presentation was only for Best of Show and Theme, after they were awarded we took off.

Mark won two Gold's

Gold – Bronco Buffalo

Gold – WingNut Wings Fokker D.VII

Dave won a Gold and a Silver

Gold – Moonbus

Silver - UFO Shado Interceptor

Terry won a Silver

Silver – 2.5 ton US Army truck

I won a Silver

Silver – BTR-80



On the way home we dissected the show, what we liked and what we did not like, and we concluded we would come back next year. Some things that was good about the show, a lot of vendors in attendance although not a lot of new blood, data sheet feedback, a very quick presentation of winners, and of course the food cart. Some things we did not like were the raffle prizes not very good although a lot of them, crowded contest room, and on the data sheet feedback bad handwriting so the information was hard to decipher. Unfortunately I dropped the ball and did not get an exact model count but we estimated around 150 models.

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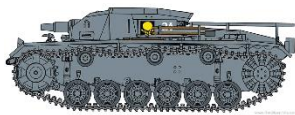


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There was a bit more traffic on the way home and we decided to stop in San Clemente at Billy's Meats deli to eat a late lunch.

We had sandwiches which were very good and after we ate Dave wanted an ice cream so we headed up the block to a Baskin and Robbins and of course the store was closed for remodeling. After the disappointment we got back on the road and I dropped Mark and Dave off, then Terry and I got home between 6:00PM and 6:30PM not a bad trip.



The next show is in February at Petaluma. It has been one of our favorite shows of the year and if you get a chance you should attend it. **MB** (More photos below of the event, good job to SSMB!) Ed.



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IPMS/OC MEETINGS AND CONTEST THEMES FOR 2014

January 17th – DESERT STORM I - 1991

February 21st – WORLD WAR I –
THE GREAT WAR

Any subject in any scale that participated in this war of firsts (first use of aircraft, tanks, etc.)

March 21st – MUSTANG CHALLENGE –
CAR VS PLANE

Pick one or both and build great mustangs.

April 18th – APRIL FOOLS

Build something funky and crazy.

May 16th – THE RED STAR

Any Soviet subject in any scale.

June 20th – D-DAY 1944 INVASION
NORMANDY

Any subject, allied or axis, in any scale that participated in the action on June 6, 1944

July 18th – BASTILLE DAY

Salute to anything French in any scale.

August 15th - CRUISE THE OC/IPMS
NITE

Build an automotive subject you would be proud to show off while cruising in O.C.

September 19th – TIN CAN SALUTE

A tribute to the protectors of the fleet. Build a destroyer of your choice

October 17th – VIET NAM (1962 – 1972)

Any subject in any scale. Build a tribute to our Viet Nam veterans.

November 21st – THANKS TO THE
TANKS

Celebrate the contributions of tanks and their crews to armored warfare. Any scale works.

December 19th – “THE GIFTED ONES”
SPITFIRE VS ME-109

Pick your favorite from this pair of gifted WW II fighters in any scale.

January 16th 2015 – THINK BIG – 1/32nd
OR LARGER KIT

Only the scale limits your choices here. Build big for the fun of it.



“Spig” Wead

By Foster Rash



It was great to see those old pre-war Devastators, Vindicators and Buffalos IN COLOR in *Dive Bomber* shown at the January meeting. Yeah, Fred MacMurray and the *1930's-hip wiseguy* dialog was a little corny. I always pay attention to the credits in old movies, curious to see if there were any minor players who later became stars. Did anyone catch who wrote the screenplay? It was Frank “Spig” Wead!

For anyone not familiar with “Spig” Wead, he was the Navy’s hot shot test pilot in the 1920’s who became famous through air racing and speed competitions. Wead was an Annapolis graduate, was accepted into Pensacola flight school “Class 1,” and received his wings in 1920. Both the Army and the Navy vied for publicity after WWI to gain funding for military aviation. Wead set a number of records and was captain of the Navy team that won the 1923 Schneider trophy races. He became the Navy’s counterpart to the Army’s Jimmy Doolittle.



Wead’s Navy career was cut short in 1926 when he suffered a broken neck in a fall at his home. He was initially paralyzed and while convalescing, he began writing to pass the time. He partially recovered from his injury, never flew again and retired from the Navy. He moved to Santa Monica, continued to write and became a successful author of pulp fiction military stories. That led to a screenplay for Columbia and a career in Hollywood. In the years following Lindberg’s Atlantic crossing, the public went crazy for aviation. Pilots were the rock stars of the era. Hollywood responded by grinding out movie after movie about glamorous and heroic pilots.

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Wead continued to promote aviation through his writing and movie work. While working together on *Air Mail* (1932), he began a friendship with director John Ford.

Wead received two Academy Award nominations for his work and the list of his movies includes:

Dirigible (1931)

Hell Divers (1931)

Air Mail (1932)

Ceiling Zero (1936)

China Clipper (1936)

Test Pilot (1938)

The Citadel (1938)

Dive Bomber (1941)

Destroyer (1943)

They Were Expendable (1945)

The Beginning or the End (1947)

Blaze of Noon (1947)

After the attack on Pearl Harbor, Wead offered his services to the Navy. He was made special assistant to the Chief of the Navy's Bureau of Aeronautics Plans Division. In that position he helped define the role of escort carriers in the Pacific war. By 1943 he found himself in combat aboard *Essex*, and saw action at Truk and the Marianas. When *Essex* returned to San Francisco for overhaul in 1944, Wead left active duty and re-entered retirement as a Commander.



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He returned to Hollywood and wrote the screenplay for his old friend John Ford's film *They Were Expendable*. Frank Wead died in 1947 and Ford paid homage to his old drinking buddy's contributions to naval aviation in *The Wings of Eagles* (1957). John Wayne was cast as Wead with Maureen O'Hara in the role of his wife. It all kind of makes you want to build something with a yellow wing!



Upcoming Events

Saturday, February 15, 2014

Hobby Expo 2014

Theme "Building the Future"

Petaluma Community Center

320 North McDowell Blvd.

Petaluma, CA

9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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Sunday, March 2, 2014

Valley Con 2014

Pasadena Civic Center

300 East Green St. Pasadena, CA

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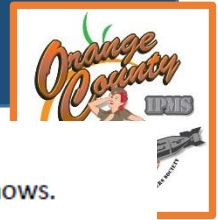
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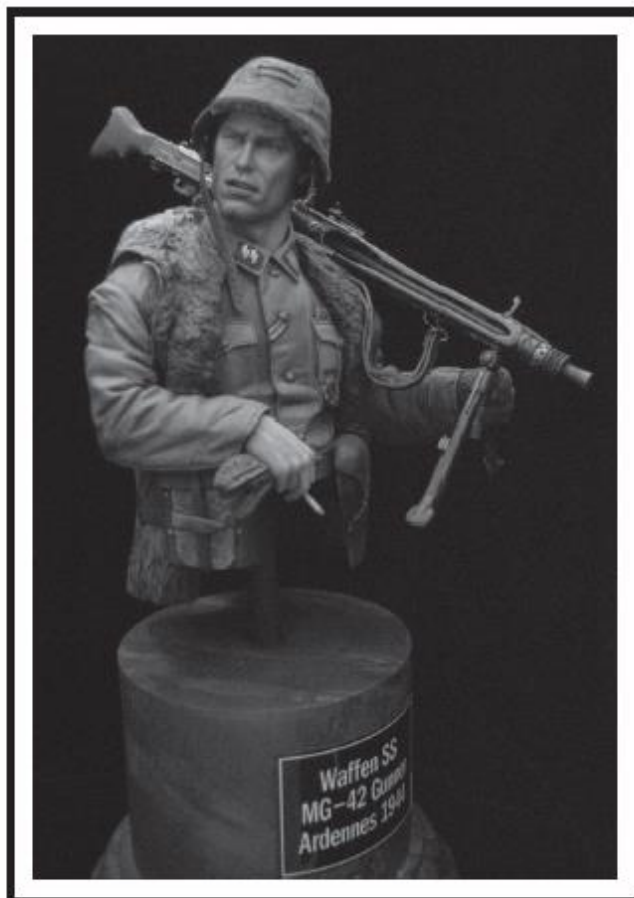
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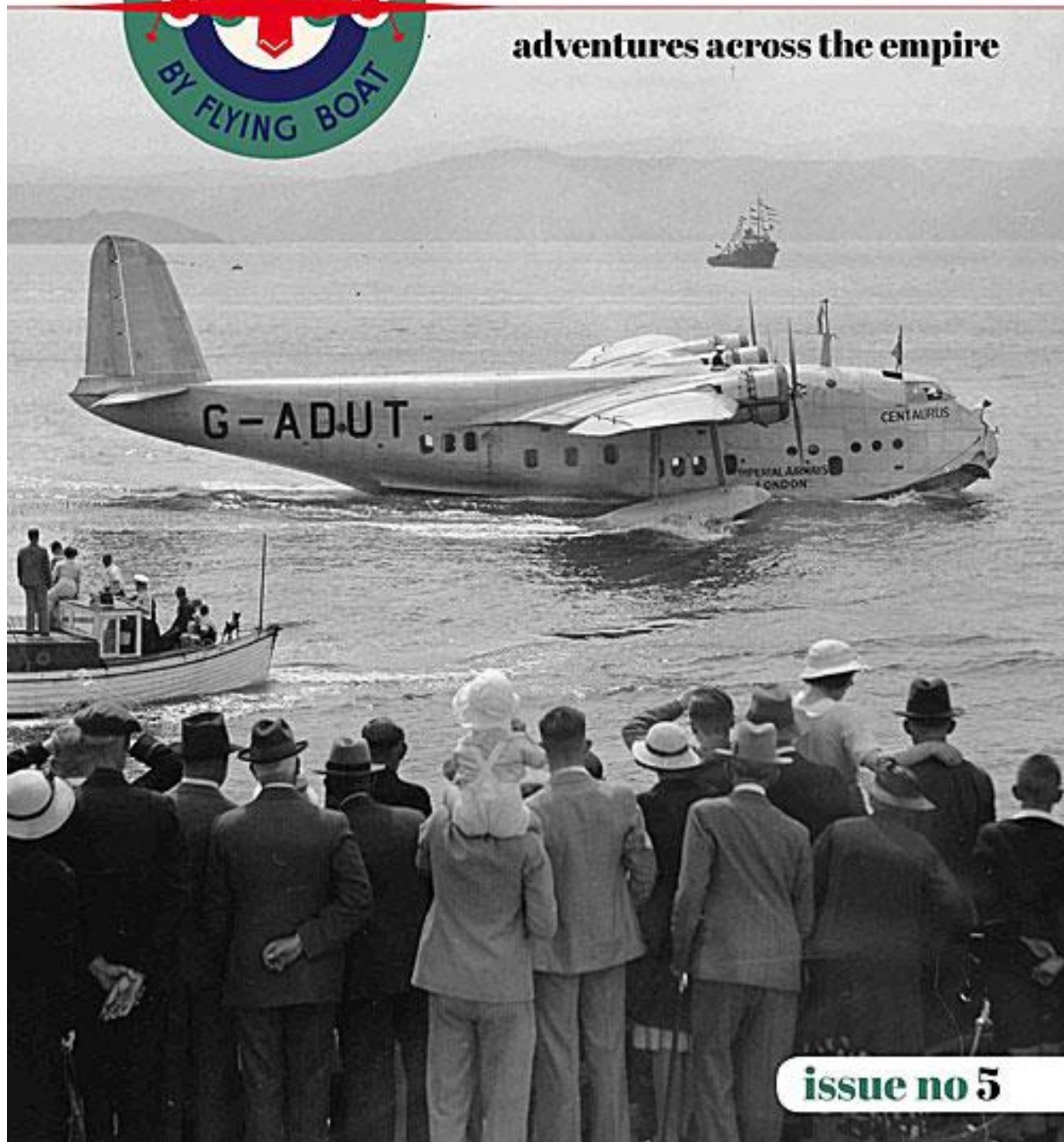
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