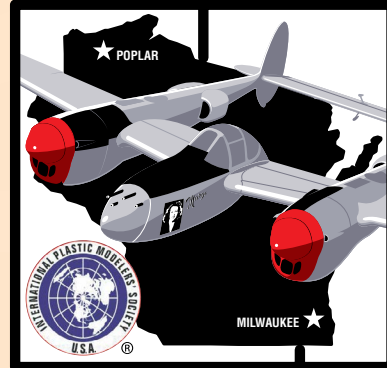


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Deadline for submissions is 10 days
prior to the next "General meeting".

General Meeting **Friday, March 14** Water Stone Bank 6560 S. 27th Street
Doors open at 7:00 p.m. Meeting starts at 7:30 p.m.

Business Meeting **Wednesday, March 19** at Baker's Square 4900 S. 76th St.,
Meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. • All members are welcome!

Is modeling work?

Do you find building a model to be work? Do you see it as play? For myself, it can be either one, and sometimes it's both! I enjoy building most of the time, and always enjoy finishing a model project. There are portions of the building project that I dread, however. I simply hate filling and sanding seams. I really dig modifying kits, and I could be happy forever if I could just decal forever. I know there are folks who dread decaling, and don't mind applying the elbow grease and sandpaper to plastic bits. I sometimes fantasize the ideal assembly line: "Joe, you like sanding, so you can sand this model. Harry, you like scribing detail, so have at it. Bernie, you're a master with the airbrush, so how about painting this one? I'll put the decals on, and we'll have the perfect model and everyone enjoys what they've done!"

Well, in real life, each of us has to be Joe, Harry, Bernie, and Paul to get to a finished model. Sometimes the Joe or Bernie in us needs to be given more time or experience, and they usually get better at it if we are patient. There's no discounting the effects of practice. I've said this a hundred times: "The more I build, the easier it gets, and the better the model becomes." Like a musician who has his "chops" down, the modeler who models repeatedly is the modeler who models better. So stick to it, grit your teeth with the sandpaper, cover those blemishes with a good coat of paint, finish that model, and start another right away!

Don't forget to bring your wallets to the March 14 meeting for our semiannual kit auction!

— Paul Boyer

Upcoming Events Compiled by Al Jones

March 8 • Cottage Grove, WI

Mad City Modelers 19th Annual Model Show, DOUBLE-DAY'S, 4586 Baxter Road. Registration 9-Noon. Judging Noon-3. Awards 4 pm. Entry Fees: \$10 for 1st 5 entries, \$1 ea. additional entry. Intermediates \$5 for all models entered; Juniors are free. Spectators \$2 per adult or child over 12. Children under 12 are free. Police, Fire, EMS & Active Duty Military with ID are free. Vendors \$20/table before February 1; \$25/table after.

March 9 • Cedarville, IL

Model Car Swap & Contest, Jane Adams Comm.Center, Cedarville IL Theme: Movie/TV Cars For moe info, call 815-238-0634.

March 15 • Kansas City, MO

IPMS/Great Plains KC Con 2014, Kansas City First Church of the Nazarene, 11811 State Line Road. Contact: Stuart Malone at 816-560-8282.

March 15 • Sebring, FL

Sebring 12 Hours United Sports Car Championship

March 15 • Indianapolis, IN

IPMS/Roscoe Turner Annual Contest & Swap Meet, Raymond Park Middle School, 8575 East Raymond Street. Contact: Charles Haines at 317-507-8898.

April 12 • Des Moines, IA

IPMS/Plastic Surgeons Surgicon 20, The Euclid Room, 2540 E Euclid Avenue. Contact: Aimee Wright at 515-291-3395.

April 12 • Waukesha, WI

Auto Modelers Group Milwaukee NNL 22, Excellence Center, N4W22000 Bluemound Road. Contact: Scott Koch at scottiek1@charter.net

April 13 • Waukesha, WI

Milwaukee Miniature Motors Show, Waukesha County Expo Center. Call 262-646-4114 (Voicemail) or email jdunn07@centurytel.net Website: <http://www.milwaukeeeminaturemotors.com>

April 26 • Cedar Rapids, IA

IPMS/Alexander Lippisch Fleacon 10, Landmark Aviation, Eastern Iowa Airport, 3411 Beech Way. Contact: Charles Kucera at 319-389-0877.

May 16-17 • Wichita, KS

"Prairie Wind 2014" IPMS/ Region VI Convention sponsored by Air Capital IPMS Modelers of Wichita being held at the Marriott Hotel & Event Center. Adult IPMS Pre-Registration before May 1: \$20. Friday evening Social. Saturday Evening Awards Banquet. For more info, see website at www.aircapitalipms.org or email Mark Vittorini at mark.vittorini@spiritaero.com

May 16-18 • Manitowoc, WI

38th Annual Midwestern Model Ships & Boats Contest & Display. For more info, see website at <http://www.wisconsin-maritime.org/special-events/>

May 17 • Milwaukee, WI

7th Annual Bob Palmer Classic Free Model Contest & Show, Zablocki VA Medical Center, Matousek Auditorium (1st Floor), 5000 W. National Avenue. Registration: 9 a.m. till Noon. Judging: 1 p.m. till 3 p.m. Awards at 3 p.m. Sponsored by Wisconsin 4-H ModelClub. For more info, email Michael Luedke at highlanderforensic@sbcglobal.net

July 13 • Delavan, WI

Attack of the Plastic Model Car Show & Contest, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Lake Lawn Lodge Resort, 2400 E Geneva Street. Vendor tables \$30 up to May 31. Show access: \$2. Model Entry Fee: \$1 each model. Entries accepted till Noon. For more info, contact Rick Allen at 262-728-5003.

July 12 • Crystal Lake, IL

IPMS/Lakes Region NIMCON III, McHenry County College

August 3 • Crystal Lake, IL

IPMS/GTR SUMMER NNL 7, Theme: 50 years of Pony Cars, Algonquin Township Building.

August 6-9 • Hampton VA

50th Anniversary IPMS/USA National Convention. Website: www.ipmsusa.org

September 28 • Wheaton, IL

Past Time Hobbies 63rd Illinois Plastic Kit & Toy Show, DuPage County Fairgrounds. Contact: Past Time Hobbies at 630-969-1847.

October 18 • Kansas City, MO

IPMS/West Central Missouri IPMS Region 5 Convention.

November 8 • Oshkosh, WI

Hobbytown USA/WAM Model Contest. Email: Don Molitor at dm4nuh@gmail.com

December 7 * Tinley Park, IL

Tinley Park Annual Holiday Toy Show being held at the Tinley Park High School. See website at www.uniqueeventsshows.com

Flyers w/maps for these events are sometimes available at the general meetings or by calling me. Please take copies only if you plan to attend. The IPMS/USA website has info on most of these events. Check it out.

METAL NIGHT IS COMING

Recently, I saw the new 48th scale Boeing Stearman kit from Revell at GNH. Several of us looked at this new molding. The consensus was that the kit looks great; but no one wanted to do the rigging.

The Tiger Shootout at our February meeting was interesting to see. Dave Schemel may publish the results elsewhere in this issue of the WINGMAN. I thought that each model had good things to see. Mr. Werwie seems to have outdone us all with his usual spectacular effort.

I have been enjoying the display of G-Scale Model Railroad at the Domes. I go over each Monday morning during the display and enjoy the free admission to Milwaukee County residents from 9 a.m. till Noon. This year's theme is "SteamPunk", which seems to be a social style of contemporary citizens who celebrate the era of Steam during the later part of the 19th Century, and the early part of the 20th Century. There is a fantasy element to this style. The show is well worth seeing.

The distribution of Lee Schlund's kit collection was accomplished more smoothly than I expected. All participating members are to be commended for their efficient selection of kits. We all wish to thank Lee's son, Eugene, for the donation of the kits to IPMS/Bong Chapter. The kits have gone to good homes and will, one day soon, begin to show up on our display tables.

Wayne Mueller, John Plzak, and I were able to attend the Mad City Model Train Show. This show was shrunk this year down to just one large room. In conversation with several vendors, I was told that the show facility, the Alliant Energy Center, raised the rent, which may have been part of the reason for the downsize.

I continue to receive email updates from Bill Conley of the Upper Peninsula Scale Modelers. Many thanks

to Bill for his efforts.

Exchange newsletters were received via email this month from IPMS/Grand Touring & Racing, IPMS/Lakes Region, and from IPMS/Edward "Butch" O'Hare. News from IPMS/McKinstry Chapter can be found on their internet website. Also received were email newsletters from the Winnebago Auto Modelers, the Auto Modelers Group, and from The U.S. Junior Scale Modeling Team. The newsletter from the Milwaukee Military Miniature Modelers arrives each month via the USPS.

Something to keep in mind for your attendance at the March Bong Chapter meeting is the next in series of new kit auctions. I can always use muscle help before the meeting to transport the boxes of kits from my pickup truck to the bank basement and much appreciate those efforts. Many thanks, also, to Matt, Aaron, Mark, and Paul for their efforts with these auctions.

As far as I know, there will be no new Squadron Flyer/Catalogs until at least the month of April. I am not much of a store shopper. Wandering around stores to see what new products are available is not high on my list of favorite things with which to occupy my time. So, the Squadron flyer has for a long time now been my means of finding out what's new. I miss the rag. Thankfully, we still have FSM. Good Job, guys!

My 32nd scale F4F-4 Grumman Wildcat by Trumpeter is coming along. Wings, stabilizers, and l/g are installed. Engine, cowl, clear parts, and markings are next.

See you all on March 14.

—AJ

The Tom and Dave 2014 Armor Shootout Debrief.

By Dave and not Tom

Well guys we had 13 Tiger tanks at the February Shootout. Thanks to all the guys who built the Tigers. Congratulations go to Jeff Lamott, The Right Reverend Mister Paul Vander Gailen and Doctor John Werwie (I have heard reference to Dr. John as Milwaukee's sexiest Dentist, but I really don't see it.) Also thanks go to Jay at Greenfield, who donated a couple of bucks per entry in a gift certificate to the winner. This means Dr. John may be able to buy a FT-17 and a bottle of glue for next years contest.



Winner:
Dr. John Werwie

Secretary's Notes by John Plzak

Eight members attended the February business meeting at Baker's Square. Most of the night was spent discussing the agenda for the next few meetings. Scheduled for the March meeting will be our first annual club fund raising auction for 2014, so bring lots of money to bid on all of the goodies.

If you bought some impulse purchase at the March auction or just want to clean out your stash, in April we plan on having a swap night. Bring some of you no longer wanted kits to the meeting and swap or sell them. We may also run some more Steve Canyon shows. In May we'll have the payout for our rebate model as well as a club show and tell. Bring your latest kit finished or under construction model (it can be your rebate kit) and you'll have a few minutes to tell the club all about it.

Gordy LaCombe brought up a few neat ideas for theme displays and we have decided to schedule one of them for October. The theme will be natural metal finish. While the first thing that comes to mind is aircraft models, with a little imagination you should

be able to do something in just about every modeling category to fit the theme.

It was also decided to sponsor a trophy package for the 2014 IPMS National Convention being held in Virginia in August. This convention will mark the 50th Anniversary of IPMS USA.

Lastly don't forget that Panther Hobbies will stay open an extra hour (until 7:00 pm) on our meeting night to give the club members a chance to stop by before the meeting.

— JP

2014 Events schedule

March	Auction
April	Swap meet
May	Rebate Model event Show and Tell
June	
July	Jeff Neal's Designer Challenge
Aug	
Sept	Auction
Oct	Natural Metal Theme Display

Meet the Club photos by Don Cosentine



Steve Jahnke



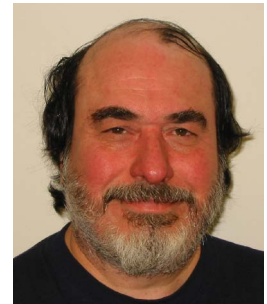
Ken Vallier



Paul Vander Gailen



Matthew Walker



Art Warneke

On Display photos by Don Cosentine

There were 37 model Information cards filled out. Please make sure you fill out the Model Information cards. **Please fill them out clearly.** I enter what I can read and my eyes aren't what they used to be. **Also please leave them on the display table.** The format of this list is: Modelers name, Item being displayed, Kit Manufacturer and Scale.

Editors Note: In an effort to show more club models I have added more pages of finished models.

If you do not see your model it is because I could not see the name card associated with the model in the photo.

Joe Frischmann M1A1 Academy 1/35, Abrams Academy 1/35

Jason Rotunda Jagpanther Tamiya 1/35, SdkF2 10/5 + 2cm Flak 36 Revell 1/35

John Frevele Macchi C.205 Veltro Hasegawa 1/48, 66 Mustang AMT 1/25, Willys Jeep Verlinden Productions 1/48

Al Jones Ki 43 Hayabusa Nichimo #4820 1/48

Phil Kirchmeier WW1 Eindecker Wingnut 1/32

Jeff LaMott Elvira Flintstone 1/8(?)

Paul McCarty Huey Monogram 1/48

Dean Hervat Graf Spee Fujimi 1/700

Pat Hahn Panzer 2 Tamiya 1/35

Mike Kellner P-47 Hasegawa 1/72, P-51 (6) Assorted 1/72

Phil Pignataro Boeing 737-200 BPK 1/72

Mike Scharf Ft-17 Takom 1/16
Tom Foti Mark 1 Male Master Box 1/72
Jon Hergenrother Sukhoi Su-2 Zvezda 1/48
Jim Zeke Nik2-J Shin Den Hasegawa 1/32
Steve Jahnke 67 Vette Coupe Revell 1/25, 12 Camero LS1 AMT 1/25
Paul Boyer F-86 F Airfix 1/72, F-86 F-2 Airfix 1/72
Chris Ogelsby F-15 B/D GWH 1/48
Chuck Davis Pfalz D.IIIa Wignut 1/32
John Plzak FT-17 Meng 1/35
Jeff Neal F-18E Super Hornet Revell 1/48
Matthew Walker Aggressor F-16 Tamiya 1/48

Art Giovannoni Curtiss BFC-2 GOSHAWK Lindberg 1/48
John Clancey Boba Fett Helmet Skip ?, Maple Leaf SnM Publications 1/250, Cunningham-Hall GA-36 Meta Model 1/24
Paul McCarty Marine Huey Monogram 1/48



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*That's the way to
Shoot em' Up!*



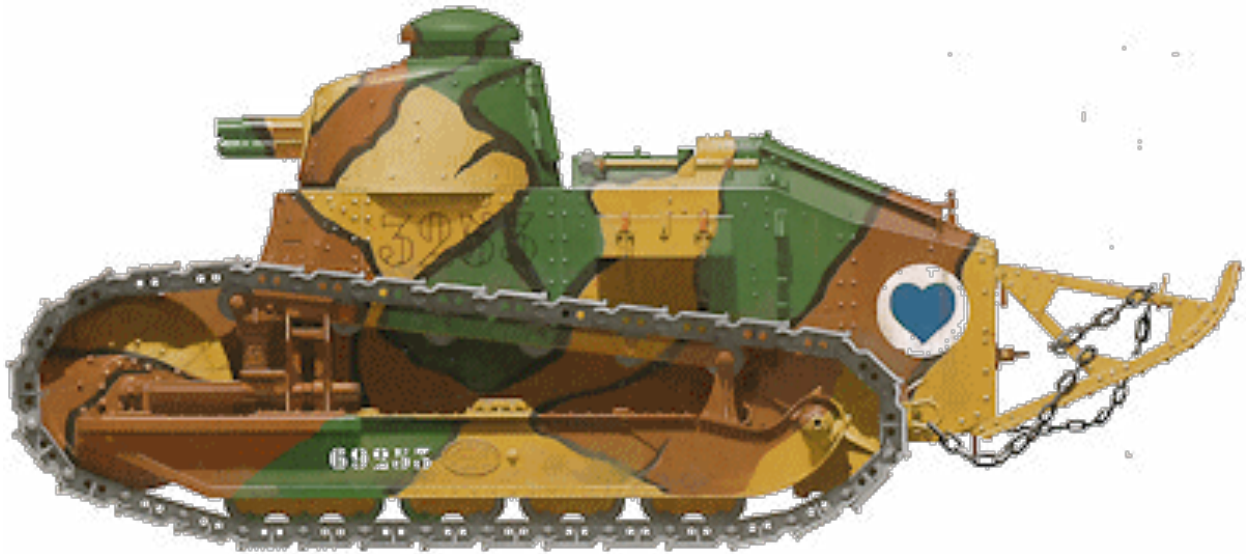
YOU BE THE
DESIGNER
CHALLENGE

**Design the graphics for either the
Thunderbirds or Blue Angels for
YOUR version of these iconic aircraft.**

**This challenge is not just for aircraft, apply your graphics to
anything you feel like building. This is a challenge in creativity -
so show off those masking and painting skills.**

**Entries will be due for our July meeting and judged by attending members.
Winners determined by popular vote.**

**Cash prizes will be awarded
Sponsored by your WINGMAN Editor - Jeff Neal**



Artwork stolen from Takom, placed on the internet, and borrowed by me.

Tom and Dave Shootout

February 13, 2015

And now for something completely different, two buttocks* will bring you an armor contest featuring a WWI tank. Yes, we couldn't resist featuring the new FT-17 kits.

Meng and Takom have released new tool kits of the FT-17, Meng in the conventional scale of 1/35th and Takom has supersized it into 1/16th scale. Both kits are state of the art and include full interiors. RPM has released the kit in both, 1/35th and 1/72nd scales in various versions. The RPM kits were never state of the art but you are welcome to build them if you choose. Why you would choose I don't know but you can. There are even paper models out there. Hint, hint, hint.

As always build your kit as you like. Add what you want, paint it like you want, convert it, or make a single vehicle diorama. Several 1/35th scale accessories and crew figures have been released for the Meng kit, including photo etch tracks (you gotta be kidding me). The Takom kit has been getting some love from the aftermarket boys to albeit at a slower pace. There are many aftermarket parts available for the 1/35th scale RPM kits (there is not enough Prozac in the world to get me to build that kit now that the new kits are out there, heck I would rather fold paper than build that thing).

Go to PMMS for kit reviews of both the Takom and Meng kits. Squadron has an Walkaround on the FT-17.

*With apologies to the fine folks at Monty Python's Flying Circus and the youngsters who didn't spend their teenage years watching them.