

“The Instruction Sheet”

IPMS/Granite State Modelers Club

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Granite State Modelers Club meets the third Monday night (4th Monday in Jan & Feb) of each month from 7 - 9 PM at the Nashua, NH Public Library, 2 Court Street, Nashua, NH. Visitors are always welcome to attend. Monthly “show and tell” pictures are posted on our web site. Web Site maintained by Vincent Farruggio, Sr.

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Meeting Reminder:

2014 meeting dates: **March 17, April 21, May 19**

Business Report

I want to start off this newsletter with information regarding our meetings if the weather is bad. Not that it happens very often, but sometimes we find we must cancel a meeting because of bad travel conditions. When this happens, the executive board will contact one another to find out how the weather is in different areas of the state. If we decide travel is too risky, I will send out an e-mail canceling the meeting by 5 PM. Since a few members don't have e-mail, I will attempt to call them. Since I travel the farthest, hopefully that will be soon enough to catch everyone. If you are in doubt, call any of the officers listed above, or call the Nashua Library at: (603-589-4610) If we have canceled, we will have notified them and they will pass it along if you call. Hopefully, we have passed such weather!

Due to my visit to New York to meet my three week old grandson, I missed the February meeting. Since my wife is a teacher, we have to take our vacations when school is on vacation! Thanks to Mac and Melinda for sending along some meeting notes and to Keith for his photography skills.

At the meeting, John and Icie Cook put on a demo of their Mad Man Lighting products and how they use them to light their models. We have all seen their results on some of their finished kits, and they are impressive! This month, Tony D'Anjou will show us how he uses Bare Metal Foil on many of his models. Paul Lessard has volunteered to do a mid-summer demo on building scale buildings with a

budget in mind.

February brought the return of Dave Savard to a meeting. We also had a visitor from IPMS Patriot come by to check out the meeting. As far as club business handled last month, the membership voted to purchase the domain name "granitestate modelersclub.org" for \$25 per year through "GoDaddy." The club checking account has been signed over to the new e-board. Thanks goes to Ed Mele for pursuing the club registration to the state for our non-profit status, as well as getting the changes made to the bank account. The club voted to amend the bylaws to read that if the club dissolves, whatever funds are left will be donated to a charity or charities voted on by the remaining members. As of this filing, it would be the Wounded Warriors Project.

Members were reminded of our appearance at the Milford Train Show on March 30th at the Milford High School. We will meet there between 9:45 and 10 AM to set up two tables to display models on. If you have something you wish to show off and maybe even brag about, this is the time! Mac says at least six members volunteered. The more the merrier. I plan on being there with a few models and help promote our club. We also have around three dozen snap kits to use if we have the interest.

We voted on a theme for this year's Granitecon. The theme will be the 70th anniversary of 1944 pertaining to WWII. Entries for this theme must be subjects that were active in the war during 1944.

The first part of "pass the (trash) stash will begin this month. If you wish to participate, bring a buildable kit in an unmarked bag. A number will be assigned to it for however many enter. The kit MUST follow these guidelines: It is to have a \$25ish value (more or less), but can't be so complicated or crappy that it can't be built. This is to be FUN!! The "build period" will be six months, which means the kits must be FINISHED and brought in for viewing at September's meeting. Thus we will be done with this before our show in October.

Chuck Converse asked me to spread the word that he will be bringing in some "pre-flea market season" deals this month. Seems he has some unopened, decent kits he wants to part with at tremendous savings! See him at the meeting.

Vinnie is still looking for someone to help maintain the club's web site and eventually take over. Our purchase of the domain name starts us off and will make us easier to find on the web.

Still SNOWING as I type this! Please make it stop! See you Monday!

Participating Hobby Shops

These are the hobby shops that support us and our efforts year after year. They give club members discounts, provide donations for club contests, and stock the supplies and new kits we crave. Please support them, too!

Hobby Emporium (978-649-5055) 440 Middlesex Road Tyngsboro, MA 01879

The Spare Time Shop (508-481-5789) 222 E. Main Street Marlboro, MA 01752

North East Trains Model Center (978-532-1615) 24 Main St. Peabody, MA 01960

Hobbys "N" Stuff LLC (603-298-6111) 1 Glen Road Plaza West Lebanon, NH 03784

Elite Hobbies (603-749-0800) 90 Washington St. Unit 334 Dover, NH

Hobbies With A Twist, LLC (603-223-0132) 1 Depot Street Concord, NH

Upcoming Region 1 Events

March 16, 2014 ----- MassCar Taunton Holiday Inn Taunton, MA

March 30, 2014----- Valley Con 24 Knights of Columbus Chicopee, MA

April 3-5, 2014 ----- AMPS National Armor Show Fredericksburg, VA

April 6, 2014 ----- Downeastcon 2014 Thornton Academy Saco, Maine

May 2-3, 2014 ----- Noreastcon 43 American Airpower Museum Farmingdale, NY

May 18, 2014 ----- NorthShoreCon Gloucester High School Gloucester, MA
August 6 - 9, 2014 ----- IPMS/USA Nationals Hampton Roads Convention Center Hampton, VA
September 14, 2014 ----- PatCon 2014 Hudson Elks Lodge 959 Hudson, MA
October 19, 2014 ----- Granitecon XXII Nashua Elks Club Nashua, NH

January Raffle Winners



January Show and Tell Photos



Figure 7 Tom Shanahan built his 1/35th Tamiya Japanese Type 10 Main Battle Tank “out of the box”

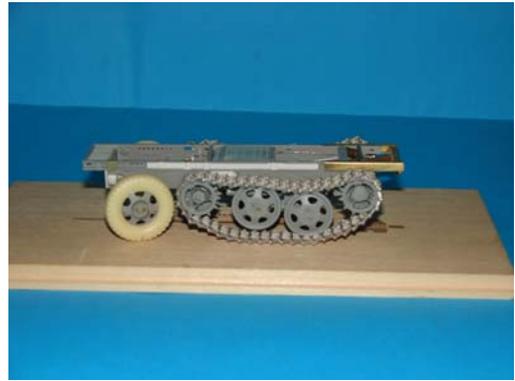
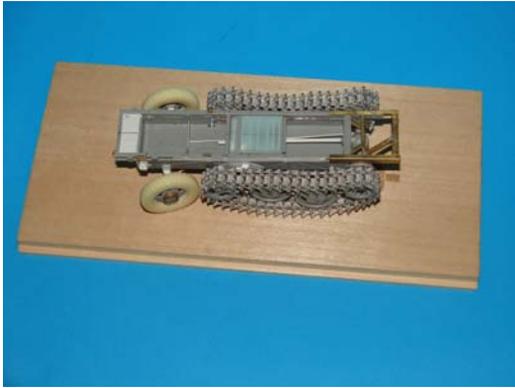


Figure 9 Mac Johnston is using a 1/35th DML kit as the basis of an RSO Waldschlepper scratch build.



Figure 12 Ed Mele added brass tubing to the centerline drop tank and fittings to his “in progress” 1/72nd Hasegawa F-16A



Figure 13 Chuck Convers's 1/72nd Airfix tank Transporter



Figure 16 Paul Lessard did a kit-bash of 1/87th Life-Like and IMEX kits to get his '56 Ford Redi-Mix Cement truck to his liking. He added new wheels, water tank, motor for the drum, and lights to the kit parts.



Figure 17 Tony D' Anjou called his 1/35th Tamiya M561 Gama Goat a "nice build."



Figure 18 Cuck Converse put a Churchill Tank on his 1/72nd Airfix Scammill Tank Transporter



Figure 22 Dick Zoerb's Fiddlers Green cardstock Twin Mustang



Figure 21 Guy Lessard added under frame details to his 1/87th Roundhouse 36' Reefer



Figure 24 Jack Sutcliffe built this DD 139 USS Ward



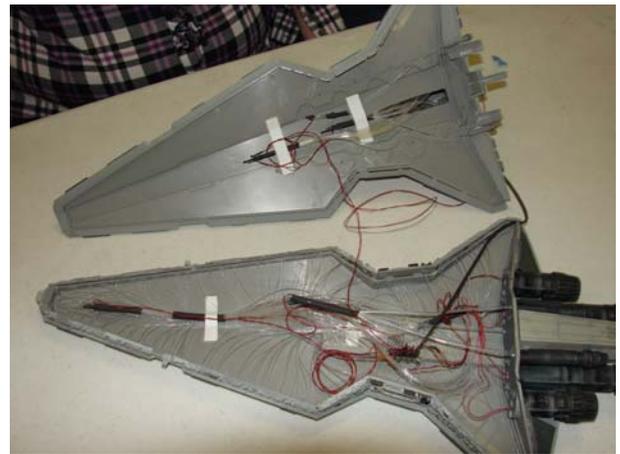
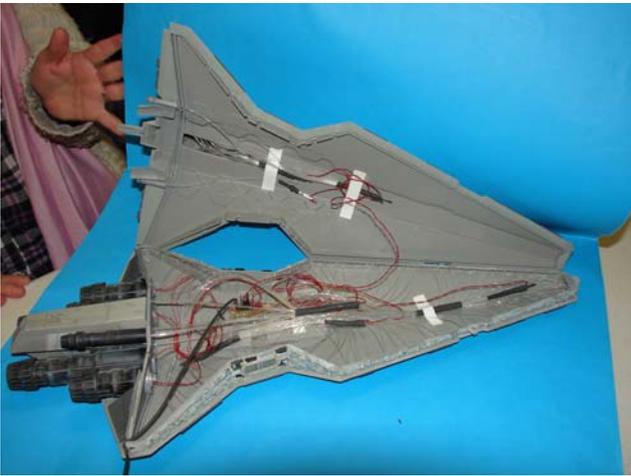


Figure 29 John and Icie Cook showing how they light their different kits