

#### Meeting News

Our April meeting was well attended and several members brought some more nice models for the membership to see, discuss and just check out.

Cameron MacAloney visited with the group and stated that he will be back. Thanks for coming Cameron and Welcome.

Anna Harth came to the meeting. She

was brought by **Mike Kolstad** and his new bride. Nice see all of you.

Thanks to **Fabian Nevarez** . He almost missed a dinner outing to attend the meeting to do the photography for the GLUE.

**Gerhard Gotzmann** had an interesting Air Bus "Jet Blue" promotional model to show. Gerard just happens to fly for Jet Blue and is collecting a model of each type that he flies and that the company will be flying.

A lively discussion concerning the continuation of providing the LHS with copies of the GLUE for recruiting purposes ensued. The March issue cost \$3.87 per issue. A reminder: that these are to be used to recruit new members and are not intended for our membership



"The Glue" is the official publication of the El Paso Scale Model Society. We publish on a monthly basis and try to cover just about any area of interest that club members may have.

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### **Meeting Dates for 2014**

 January
 5

 February
 2

 March
 2

 April
 6

 May
 4

 June
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 July
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 August
 3

November ..... 9
(Basset Show #2)

October . . . . . . . . . . . . . 5

November . . . . . . . . . . . 2

Scale Model Spirit

(Basset Show #1)

## The El Paso Scale Model Society

Our club is a chartered chapter of the International Plastic Model Society - U.S. Branch (the IPMS-USA). The EPSMS was first organized in 1969, received its charter in 1970, and has been continuously active since that time.

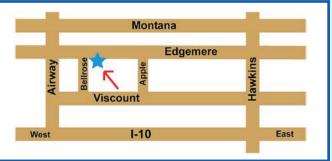
We are a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the art of scale modeling (regardless of construction media), and membership is open to anyone interested in scale modeling. Club membership dues are payable on an annual basis (we can accept cash or personal checks). Dues are \$15.00 per year for regular members over the age of 16, and are based on a January-December club year. Junior memberships are available for those aged 16 and under, and are priced at \$5.00 per year. Family memberships are available for an extra payment of \$2.00 per year per family member. Members in good standing are entitled to vote in all club matters, run for office, enter club contests, judge in all club contests, and receive a copy of the club's monthly newsletter. Hal's Hobby Warehouse on Bessemer in East El Paso also offers club members a discount on purchases of models and modeling materials. The exact discount is set on a sliding scale. Our club meetings are generally held on the 1 st or 2nd Sunday of each month at 2.00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of St. Paul's United Methodist Church at 7000 Edgemere Blvd (please see the map below). Schedule changes are published ahead of time in the newsletter.

#### **Where We Meet**

Fellowship Hall of

St. Paul's United Methodist Church

7000 Edgemere Blvd





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to take so that they do not have to print or save a copy for themselves. It was decided that if the club continues to provide color copies that we only print the first two pages for display. If John Estes wants to more he may do so, but not at the clubs expense.

**John Estes** reminded members that their dues are past due and that we have only collected enough to pay for our room use during 2014.

The membership decided to continue our support for the National Convention for this year. We will purchase three trophy packages and one special if we can.

Jim McDaniel sends his regards to the membership. Derek Olson, a former member also sent his regards to all the old guys that might remember him. Derek specifically mentioned Gustav and Clifford and "other old timers."

**John Estes** made a ton of fine wire from stretched sprue for those that wanted it. He also showed how to make knobs, throttle levels and other levers for cars and aircraft from the same product.

Jack Ratterman, one of our members from Jacksonville, Florida was mentioned in his local newsletter for giving an interesting" Meet the Membership" Interview.

Meet A Fellow Club Member — Jack Ratterman

Your Name (include nicknames): Jack Your birthday: Thursday, I think.

Your day job: Breathing and talking about plastic.

How long have you been building models: Since the first time.

Do you consider yourself a: "Reborn" modeler

Do you consider yourself a: Model builder

Size of your unbuilt model collection: 100/less

Primary area of modeling interest: The plastic parts.

Favorite era of your primary interest: The finished part.

Number one reason you like building models: To bug people at model club meetings and shows.

Who or what influenced or inspired you to build models? The dumpster behind Pic N Save back in the day. Found my first models there..

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What other hobbies do you have other than model building? Asking why a hobby club should have anything to do with business at all. Cause it's a hobby.

Does your family have any negative opinions about the size/storage of your model collection? No.

Best/worst excuse you told your spouse for buying yet another model kit. It's not going in your kitchen.

What is the plan for your unbuilt model collection when you die or give up the hobby? Have my friends come to the house and pick what they want. Since they didn't buy them when I was alive I might as well give them away for free. There will be an admittance fee at the doorthough. Cheap ba\$#ard\$.

First model you ever completed: Some car model back in the late 60's. Yeah, a car model Alan!

The longest time it took you to complete a model (include model name and make) Still working on it.

What was the best (in your opinion) model you have ever built? The last one I finished. Not sure what it was. A tank thingy.

What was the worst (in your opinion) model you ever built/attempted? That one I got bored with and threw away. I know it was a Heller kit. They are the worst.

Dumbest thing you ever did (to your model or yourself) while building a model: Buy the wrong kit thinking it was the right one.

Worst thing you did to a model to express your anger and frustration: Glue and a match along with a BB gun on a floating ship model.

Modeling story or experience you would like to share with your fellow club members: This sounds like a resume and that is business. No thanks just look at my model over there.

Jack was stationed at Ft. Bliss and was an active member of our club during the First Desert Storm time period. He builds a mean tank model. Jack maintains his membership with IPMS EI Paso even though he live in Florida. This interview was re-printed with the permission of the Jax club. Thanks, Duane.

This just in from **Jack Rattermann**, "I went to the National AMPS meeting in Virginia. I won a gold and two silvers and was pleasantly surprised."

Congratulations, Jack.



#### **Show & Tell**

**Paul Carr**, our newest member brought an A-10 Warthog and an F-18E both in 1/48th scale and I think both kits were Revell. In 1/72 scale, Paul had a Minicraft PBM-5A Mariner. Join one month, participate the next. Well done.

James Coleman was back with a umber of new 1/72nd aircraft to show. James had a Hasegawa Me262-A2a and an Me 262-A1a, one being a fighter and the other being a bomber as Herr Hitler demanded. His third model was a

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Me262B, a night fighter with radar and a second seat for the radar operator. With out the radar unt , this type was considered a trainer. James also had an Academy Me 163B on its Scheuch-Schlepper (transporter). The 262 series shows a developmental progression. Nice.

Jim Davis continued with his "Yellow Wings" series of 1030's aircraft. Jim brought two F11C-2 "Goshawks" built from the Monogram kit. The one with the Black Cowl numbered 6-10 was the Fourth section leader's aircraft from VF-6. The fifth section leader's aircraft with the Green cowling, numbered 3-13 was from VF-3. The BFC-2 model was the third section leader's with a Blue Cowling and 7-3 was from VB-2. This was an RS Model kit. All models were from the "Top Hat" Squadron aboard the USS Saratoga at various times. Jim stated that the Monogram kits were fun to build and that the RS model was more of a challenge.

The Tread heads had several items on their table in their corner of the meeting area, but no info was given. Looked like a lot of new stuff in the box.

Carlos Delgado one of our Juarez, Mexico members, brought a Tamiya Tiger I in 1/35th scale. Carlos builds in varied scale and in armor and aircraft categories. Nice work from Carlos



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Daniel Hunter's 1/144th scale RX-78GP01 Gundam "Zephyranthes"

John Estes brought two 1/72nd scale Fujimi C6N Saiun, code named" Myrt". One was a C6N1-S in the night fighter configuration the other a CN63 with the turbo charger and four bladed propeller. As WIP's John brought two Historex French Napoleonic figures, one a Hussar, the other a Lancer. These kits are listed as 32nd scale but are a few millimeters larger. John is looking for the paint guides and kit instructions so that he might finish these two figures.

Gerhard Gotzmann brought in the box an Airbus A320 and as mentioned earlier a commercially made A-321. Quote Gerhard: "Can't claim that I built this beauty, but since there was no time to build this month, I bought this 100th scale A-321 model. I did, however stick the wings in the fuselage and place it on the stand, all by myself."

**Jose C. Diaz,** our paper bus guru and happens to also be from Juarez was back with a scratch built 9166 GMC Mexico City Bus in his usual scale of 1:32. Looking good.

**Roger Gutierrez**, our train master brought a SW1500 yard switch engine as represented in Southern Pacific markings .He also brought Anna.

Cameron MacAloney's



scale Trumpeter kit of a CH-47A. Steve mentioned that he had some trouble with rigging the antenna on the model. It seemed that the stanchions kept coming loose. Yes, he used super glue on them. No torsion allowed.

Daniel Hunter, another member that had not been to a meeting in some time was back. He brought a 1/144th scale RX-78GP01 Gundam "Zephyranthes". Daniel had R.G. in his notes. I had to look this one up as I had no idea about the model and I read that it is a Bandai presentation.

Michael King had an active modeling month. He brought A Hasegawa TBM-1C in VA-195 markings and a Hasegawa A4D-6 in Va195 markings. He also had an Airfix A-4B in VA195 markings and an Italeri A-7B in Va195



Wayne Williamson's M16 AA gun halftrack in 1/35th scale.

Roger Gutierrez's SW1500 yard switch engine

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markings. His last model was an Hasegawa F-18C in Va195 markings. Looks like Mike is ready for a contest with five aircraft in 1/7snd scale and all in the same Squadron markings. IPMS collection category?

Cameron MacAloney, mentioned earlier as a visitor brought some Gundam figures. He had a MS-09R Rick-Dom (purple) and a RMS-108 Mariasai(orange). These were Bandai figures in 1/144th scale but when I looked them up, they were also available as 1/100th Master Grade figures. Interesting info.

**Jose Roldan** brought the War of the Worlds war machines V2M4 tanks kit and a Flying sub from the Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea as a WIP.





Tread head **Carl Webster** brought some armor to show. He had a M1 Abrams in operation Reforger markings from 1983 built from the 1/35th scale Tamiya kit. As a WIP, Carl had a M48-A3 in 1/35th scale. He also had a M48-A5 using the Academy kit and two Panther 2 anti-mine clearing vehicles as WIP's using the Trumpeter kit. in 1/35th scale.

Wayne Williamson brought a Tamiya M16 AA gun halftrack in 1.35th scale. Wayne built this one Out of the box. Wayne also brought a rather large box of left over parts, all armor stuff for the membership to hunt through for neat stuff to use. A great time was had by all that looked through this treasure trove. Thanks, Wayne.



Photos by Fabian Nevarez

# Meeting Clips!





John Estes with Gustav & Gerhard





Jim Davis and Charlie Flores

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Anna Harth with Mike Drapes



Paul Carr and his Guest



Bill Coster and Roy Lingle



Dixie Fisher & Joe Roper



James Coleman with Mike King and Guest



**Daniel Hunter & Cameron MacAloney** 

# Musing and other inane stuff



What does an old guy do between club meetings?

I work on the GLUE, writing the text and trying to correct my mistakes so that Fabian can use what I write. I try to make a print copy of the GLUE without the extra color and fine points used by Fabian because if I print them, it uses less colored ink. Last month after a trying day or two, I copied what he sent me onto a CD and took it to Office Max. Viola, easy and neat.

I had a nice surprise this last month. My son-in-law called an told me to be at Atlantic Aero, a fixed base operator at EI Paso International Airport as I was going to get to ride on the replica "Memphis Belle" used in the movie of the same name. Tom is a pilot and took his dad to see the B-17. While there, he decided that I needed to have a ride on the plane. What a great event. I am still grinning about the flight. It lasted about 40 minutes and we had a P-51D off our right wing to escort us for part of the flight. I have a

better appreciation for the efforts made by those great guys in WW II. By the way, we were able to walk around in flight and see what it was like at the different stations in the B-17.

The waist windows were open and the radio compartment as well which made it rather windy but all of the people on my flight had grins from ear to ear. We were told if we got air sick, try to find a barf bag, if not, let go in the middle of the fuselage. No one got sick as we were way too busy smiling and enjoying the experience. As I am an old guy, it was a bit difficult to crawl around and under the flight deck to get into the nose compartment. Yes, it was worth the effort even when the right hand 30 cal. bounced on its bungee cord and whacked me in the head.

Part of the month, I spend my time forwarding newsletters from around the world to my e mail list. If you get these from me and do not want them, just delete them. I also read most of

them and I correspond with **Fred Horky**, the guy from IPMS who sends them to the exchange list. Fred is a retired Air Force vet.

This past week, I have gone through my stash of junk looking for a couple of books and my instruction pages for some Historex figures. I put them in a notebook some years back. I found some railroad buildings from the time my youngest was about 13. He is now almost 50 and is working on a railroad with his youngest daughter, so I will give the buildings to them to use. My wife mentioned to me that I could just throw all that junk away and clean out the garage, but not just yet, as there are many neat things that are still important to me.

Remember to bring a model and Bring a Friend to the next meeting, May 4. Same time, 2:00 P.M., at 7000 Edgemere, St. Paul's Methodist Church.

John Estes



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