



Oregon Historical Modelers Society (OHMS) 2014 Volume 2014/Issue 05

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Left—Gold winning model from the April OHMS meeting and on right, the Junior winner for the night. Bob Windus' 1/48 Tamiya P-51D Mustang of the 357th Fighter Group with Alclad natural metal finish won the adult class. The Junior winner was Henry Doyle and his pair of Revell Snaptites of a USAF F-15 and a Netherlands F-16. More meeting pictures on pages 3-4. (Photos by Mark Doremus).

Message from the Editor Random May Thoughts Bull orry Bondol

By Larry Randel

As we cruise to the end of the school year and closer to the vacations and warmth of summertime, here are some minor points of interest.

- We have reserved the location for the Christmas party in SE Portland at a facility known as Spin. More info to come as we get deeper into the year.
- Next big show coming up is the IPMS North Olympic Peninsula show in late June, See the flyer on Page 7 for more information. Note this year is in a new location in Bremerton, WA.
- The OHMS shirt order finally came in so if you made a request for OHMS shirts, see me at the meeting and we can hook you up with our club maroon shirt for the price of \$12. Even if you didn't I have some extras if you want an OHMS shirt.
- Ever wonder what the hobby market in China is like? With that I searched on Google and here are some of the more interesting things I found. 1—The entire hobby market in China is huge and growing rapidly as more people move into the middle class. Apparently most of the business is done by mail order and brick and mortar hobby shops are all but unheard of in

China. That explains why it seems like there are new Chinese model companies sprouting up all of the time. I expect that trend will only continue. My hope is the quality of Chinese models will become more consistent to match their growing quantity

That's about it for now. See you all at Tuesday's meeting on May 20th.

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April 15th Meeting Notes

By: Brian Yee

President Chris B. opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

There was some discussion about the official start time of the regular meetings. Going forward, meetings will start at 7:00 pm.

We had two guests present. One was Mark Peterson, from the Vancouver model club, who came to check out OHMS. Mark builds World War I aircraft and also tanks. Our other guest, Nikhil Gaikwad, hails from Pune, India.

Vice President Bruce McKinney has assumed charge of the Holiday meal, and got approval to host this annual event at Madison's (Madison and 11th Street). The facility has a bar, buffet dinner, and cost is about \$8 per head.

About a dozen members attended last week's Seattle Model Show. Unlike previous year's trips that have been marked by snow, hail, and fearsome auto accidents, the weather was balmy and the travels were uneventful. In general, a great time was had, and many of the club members won awards, including Bruce McKinney, Bob Windus, Paul Dunham, Dave Hansen, and John Lee. Bruce helped judge, and Chris Binnett was a rare mere spectator. One rare glitch in the Seattle operation was failure of the Public Address system which made final award announcements very difficult to hear.

The membership updated the news that the building housing Bridgetown Hobbies and Games is for sale. Chris asked that members be vigilant for an alternate club home base. Chris B. and Bruce M. visited Guardian Games and found their space is quite conducive to model club meetings if the need arises. Their space has a bar and free parking.

Mark Campbell, Bridgetown employee extraordinaire of 30 years, is calling it quits to enjoy retirement. Flyers were passed around announcing a reception for Mark at Bridgetown on April 25 from 12 to 3.

Our Fall model show will not have a theme.

The models were introduced by their builders and shown. There were stellar models shown, including Bob's P-51 All Clad Mustang, Bill Chilstrom's GAZ truck with soldiers, Dave's awesome 1/72 Corsair with numerous improvements. Rob Robinson's "Duel" tractor trailer resurrected Dennis Weaver's spirit in the house. Karen continues to impress with two World War I tanks, weathered beautifully. Last, but certainly not least, was our youngest modeler, Henry Doyle, whose excitement exudes enthusiasm greater than his years.

The club meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Minutes compiled by Brian Yee.

Upcoming Events

- May 20, 2014 OHMS monthly meeting. Monthly contest. 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
- June 3, 2014 OHMS Build Night
- June 17, 2014 OHMS monthly meeting. Monthly contest. 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
- June 28, 2014 9th Annual Peninsula Model Show and Contest, IPMS North Olympic Peninsula Modelers Society, Silverdale, WA.
- June 28, 2014 (Date changed—was on June 21)– Billetproof NW Model Car Contest, IPMS SABA, Chehalis, WA, Dave Fletcher 503-314-2063.
- July 1, 2014 OHMS Build Night
- July 15, 2014 OHMS monthly meeting. Monthly contest. 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
- August 5, 2014 OHMS Build Night
- August 6-9, 2014 IPMS Nationals, Hampton Roads, Virginia.
- August 19, 2014 OHMS monthly meeting. Monthly contest. 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
- September 2, 2014 OHMS Build Night
- September 16, 2014 OHMS monthly meeting. Monthly contest. 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
- September 20, 2014 OHMS/Evergreen Aviation Show, McMinnville, OR.
- October 7 2014 OHMS Build Night
- October 21, 2014 OHMS monthly meeting. Monthly contest. 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
- November 4, 2014 OHMS Build Night
- November 18, 2014 OHMS monthly meeting. Monthly contest. 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
- December 2, 2014 OHMS Build Night
- December 9, 2014 OHMS Annual Holiday Party at SPIN (SE 11th Ave and Madison). Monthly contest. 6:00 p.m. to 10:00.
- December 16, 2014 OHMS monthly meeting. Monthly contest. 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Kit Collections Wanted:

Please call John Geigle at 360-771-3048 or email at masterpiecemodels@comcast.net

April Meeting Pictures:

Meeting statistics:

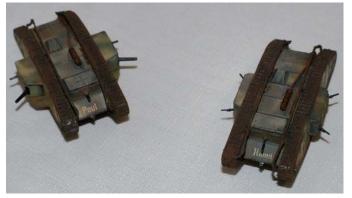
- 12 Adult models
- 2 Junior Models
- 5 In-Progress/Display Only (some not pictured).



Silver: Bill Chilstrom's 1/48 Tamiya GAZ MM Truck.



Silver: Brad Dutter's Revell 1/25 '49 Mercury



Bronze: Karen Roth's Emhar 1/72 WW I Mk 1 "Male" Tank (left). Also pictured is her Emhar 1/72 WW I Mk 1 "Female" Tank (right).



Mark Doremus' 1/72 Airfix CF-5A Tiger.



Nolan Doyle's 1/48 Arii F6F-3 Hellcat.

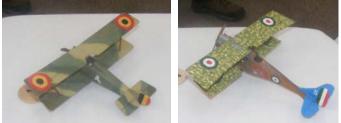


David Hanson's 1/72 Tamiya F4U-1D Corsair,



David Hanson's In progress Corsairs: Left is 1/32 Tamiya Corsair and right is another 1/72 Tamiya Corsair.

More April Meeting Pictures:



Mark Peterson brought in a pair of 1/48 Eduard WW I aircraft: left is a Spanish SE-5A and right is a HD-1 Hanriot.



Bob Robinson's AMT 1/25 Truck and gas trailer representing the evil pursuing truck from the movie "Duel".



Doug Packard's Tamiya 1/12 motorcycle.

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Spotlight on Soviet Prisoners of War

(News from Beyond Band of Brothers (Procom America)) (Forwarded to me from Bob Windus)

It is hard to fathom that the German Army could capture 5.7 million Soviet soldiers during World War II and still lose the battle on the Eastern Front. Of the 26 million dead from the Soviet Union, 3.5 million were prisoners of war. Like so many victims of the Nazis, they often died in horrific, prolonged agony.

By June 1941 there were ample signs that Germany was preparing to invade the Soviet Union, and that the Slavs found therein were staring at a dismal fate. Immediately following Hitler's rise to power in 1933, the concentration camp system was established, and the Nazi's attitude towards political enemies became clear: if you were an enemy of National Socialism - and Communists certainly qualified - then your death would only be prolonged by your ability to work and survive on morsels of food and under brutal conditions.

The early stages of Operation Barbarossa were marked by striking Wehrmacht victories. Stalin had been in complete denial about the immediacy of the coming conflict and had his troops poorly positioned, barely trained and often out of communication. The Germans conducted encircling operations that captured tens of thousands of troops, who were then disarmed and marched away from the front, often into the hands of the Gestapo, but just as often into camps run by the Wehrmacht, a fact that would later be ignored at trials such as Nuremberg.

From the beginning of the conflict, the German troops were told that they needn't worry about the health of the Red Army soldiers since Stalin had failed to sign the Geneva Convention. The articles of the Geneva Convention were meant to ensure the fair treatment of POWs. Red Army officers were to be summarily shot, as were soldiers who accepted food or water from local inhabitants. A Captain Finselberg of the 6th Infantry Regiment is on record as saying the Russian soldiers should not be taken prisoner at all because they were "useless consumers of food and anyway a race whose extermination would be a step in the right direction."

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Those POWS who survived were sent to work in concentration camps, where they perished in great numbers like their fellow inmates. In Sachsenhausen concentration camp, for example, more than 9,000 died in September 1941. At Auschwitz, Soviet POWs built many of the barracks.

Those prisoners who returned to the Soviet Union alive were treated as traitors (for surrendering) or potential spies by Stalin and sent to the Gulag, where they may have had the fortune of working alongside German POWs, who were kept in Siberia for years after the war. German POWs did not receive a better treatment in the hands of the Soviets either. According to recent research, out of the three million German POWs one million never returned home.

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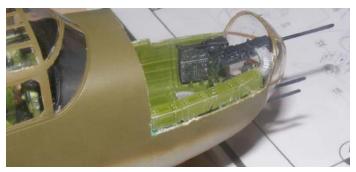
Successful 1/32 B-25 Canopy Repair

By Larry Randel

Many of you may remember at the March meeting I had completed building an HK 1/32 B-25 but I was very disappointed that the inside of the nose canopy had developed a splotch of white that looked like the bombardier had either had a quart of of milk explode in the plain or he had lost his cookies as the pilot rolled the plane.



When I got home, I decided to take the risk of prying off the canopy and polishing out the blemish.



I did succeed in removing the canopy without breaking it into a thousand pieces so that was a good start.

Next I used an Xacto blade to scrape off the blemish but that left some serious scratches on the inside of the canopy that could not be avoided.



I used the polishing pads that start at 2400 grit and move out to 12000 grit. That was just a magical process because it starts at fogging every part of the canopy that is touched and as you move up in the higher grits when you get to the 8000 grit, the canopy magically becomes clear again. Finishing with the 12000 grit pad it becomes clearer than it started.

Last step was to coat the inside of the canopy with Future floor polish and allow that to dry overnight.



By the next day I was able to reattach the canopy and the blemish was gone.



Seattle Spring Show Photos

IPMS Seattle had their annual Spring Show on April 12. Here are some of the more interesting models I found at the show,



Excellently done Tamiya 1/32 Spitfire



A sample of the many auto models



And some ships



Bruce McKinney's Katusha (BM-13) rocket launcher.



Adam Cox helping his son build a MnT model



Firefox Sci Fi Aircraft



The show shared the building with a Psychic Fair (I wondered if they really needed signs).

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May 20, 2014 OHMS May Meeting

When: Tuesday, May 20, 2014, 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Where: Bridgetowne Hobbies, 3350 NE Sandy Blvd, Portland, OR

Planned Activities:

- Monthly Meeting
- Monthly Contest

"Build Night" June 3, 2014, 6:30-9:00 p.m. at Bridgetowne Hobbies

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The Meeting after this Month: June 17, 2014 OHMS May Meeting

When: Tuesday, June 17, 2014, 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Where: Bridgetowne Hobbies, 3350 NE Sandy Blvd, Portland, OR

Planned Activities:

- Monthly Meeting
- Monthly Contest

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