



# The Plastic Whittler



## Our Next Meeting:

Our next meeting will be on **Monday, June 16th, 6:30 pm**, at HobbyTown USA. ! Teddy Ladd and myself will be giving a little demo discussion on CA glues. As usual we'll wrap up at 8 PM to Logan's for dinner.

**HobbyTown Build Day** We'll be having another build day at HobbyTown on June 21st. More on this at the meeting.

## News & This Issue

**Tom Gaston's B24 Project Part Duex:** See Page 2

**Jack Bruno's Latest Armor Article: PZKW IV:** See Page 3

**Our Last Meeting:** Pages 5 to 15 show a series of photos and a list of who brought what.

**ScottCon:** A brief report is on page 16.

UPCOMING EVENTS	DATE
HobbyTown Build Day	6/21/2014
IPMS Nationals—Hampton, VA	8/6-9/2014
IPMS/Piedmont R-XII Regional	9/19&20/2014
IPMS Huntsville	10/04/2014
IPMS Middle TN	11/15/2014
<b>IPMS/AMPS/ Chattanooga Scale Modelers Association MODELCON</b>	<b>2/6&amp;7/2015</b>
Atlanta Model Figure and Armor	2/13-15/2015
IPMS/MTMA Cookeville	5/16/2015

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A glance at the calendar of events shows that we are in the run up to the National convention . There are no more contest within our region nearby until after that point in time!

## IPMS National Convention

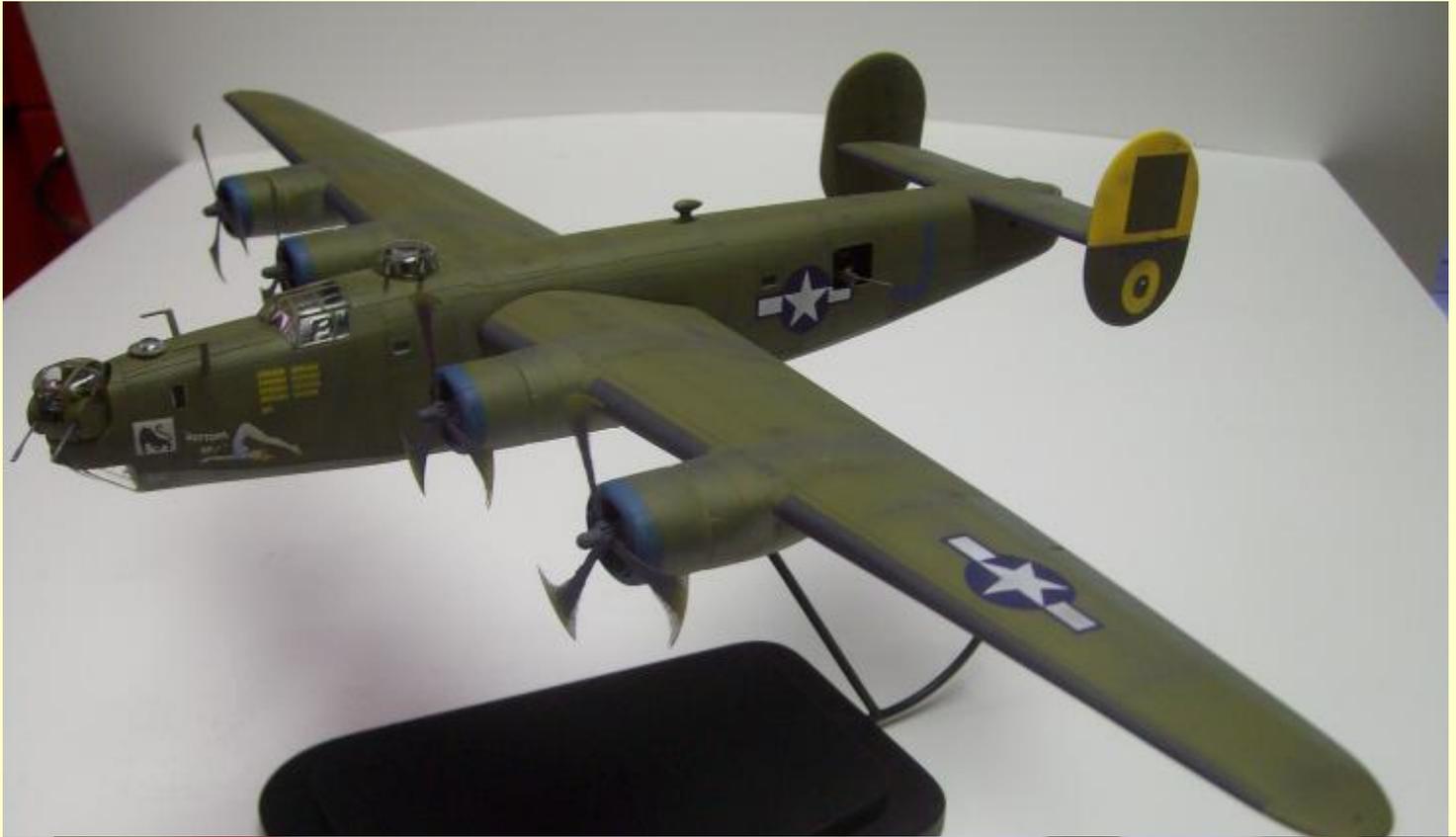
***Objects on Calendar are closer than they appear [see page 17 & 18]***

In just the past few weeks things regarding the national convention have been happening. The closure date for early registration has come and gone. That doesn't mean you can't still register. It just means you will spend \$5 more and your packet will not be mailed to you. The convention website has been continually updated over the past few months. A quick check shows it was indeed updated just last Saturday. The seminars page seems to be filling out nicely. No tour for Langley AFB or NAS Oceana appears in the offing for this year. I suspect the tightening security concerns have caught up and are preventing this from happening this year. Still it is the 50TH anniversary convention.

# Bottoms Up—In Flight Version

As a follow-on to last month's article by Tom Gaston. Did you know he built two of these beasts? Yes, built one on the ground and

one in flight. The one on the ground went to the college for the traveling display, the other went to the family of the pilot of Bottoms up. tg



# 1/35 DRAGON Panzer IV Ausf. G "Afrika Korp".

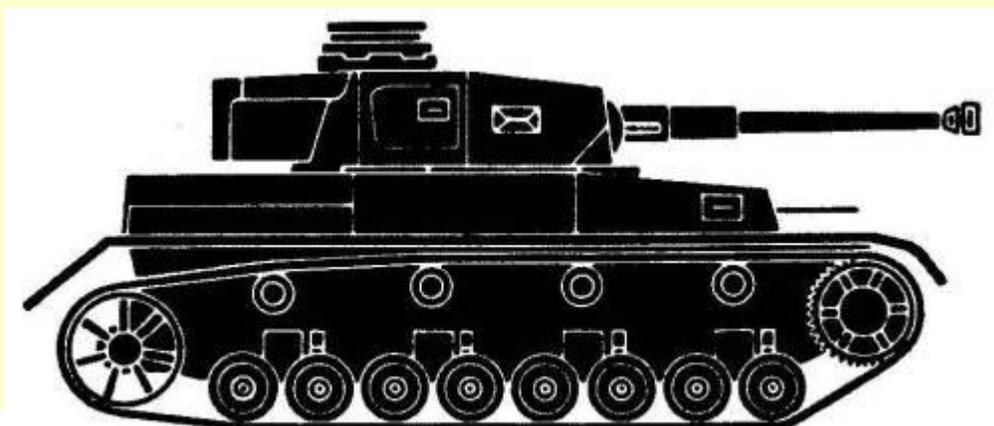
By Jack Bruno

Hello My Tennessee Model Buddies.....

My newest addition completed last night.....old 1/35 DRAGON Panzer IV Ausf. G "Afrika Korp".....actually, it was the Kursk Issue.....but first, a

Jack story.....About three weeks ago, my good friend and Godfather to Vince, Jim Jensen, gave me this kit. It cost him a dollar in the club auction, but did not have a lower hull.....love auc-tions.....anyway, I had plenty of extras so I did my thing.....it features Milliput Sandbags, sculpted with stitching from a #11 blade. The cloth pattern was a pair of cotton panties.....shut up.....pressed into the sand-bags while drying. Some Lass gave up her britches for the cause.....I also used spare Magic Track along with some odds and ends from the spares box. Used Tamiya Gloss for the drivers glass and topped it off with a tied down air recognition flag made from paper towel, stencil for the circle and a 1/48 Bf110 decal sheet. The paint was a variety of Vallejo colors powered by Grex.....I Futured it and applied the Decals which were from an old Italeri kit. The decals were futured and then I applied sev-eral oil washes followed by dot oil blending and MiG Pigments. Hope ya like it and if ya don't, kiss my grits. See you next month, I'm off to hunt young Virgins if I can find one or two..



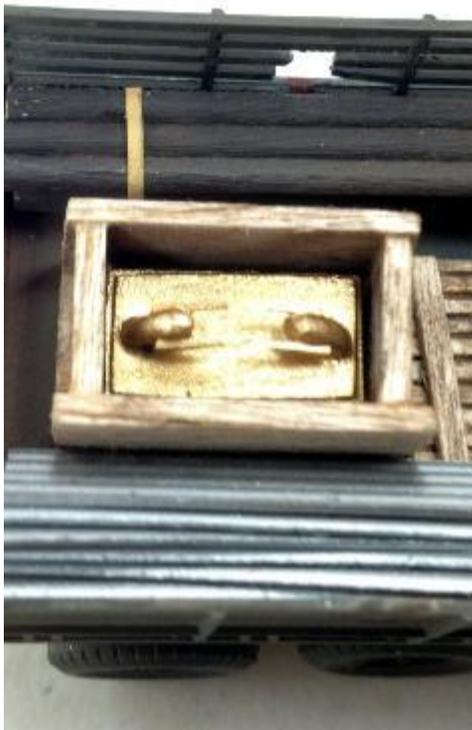


1	Ben BonVillain	1/35 Academy M60 & Tamiya M1HA
2	John Brooks	1/16 Merritt 15cm sFH18 Howitzer
3	James Burton	1/35 Scratch built Cromwell/Turret
4	Bob Colbert	
5	Mike Fiore	
6	Horton Herrin	1/72 Fujimi F-4B VF111 Sundowners
7	Don Hixson	Ships In Scale Magazine
8	Ted Ladd	1/35 Tamiya Sturmtiger W.I.P.
9	Steve Lewis	1/72 Eduard Czech La-7
10	Jeff Mattheiss	
11	Lynn Petty	1/72 He-111 Balloon Cutter W.I.P.
12	Rodger Price	
13	James Ruiz	
14	Jason Satterfield	
15	Dave Scott	
16	Jason Seneker	1/72 Dragon Tiger II
17	Tim Simmons	
18	Stan Stewart	
19	Ed Sunder	1/72 Hasegawa GMC US Army Dump Truck
20	Roger Trochelman	- ESTES Rocket Sci Fi Conversion

## Photos from our last meeting





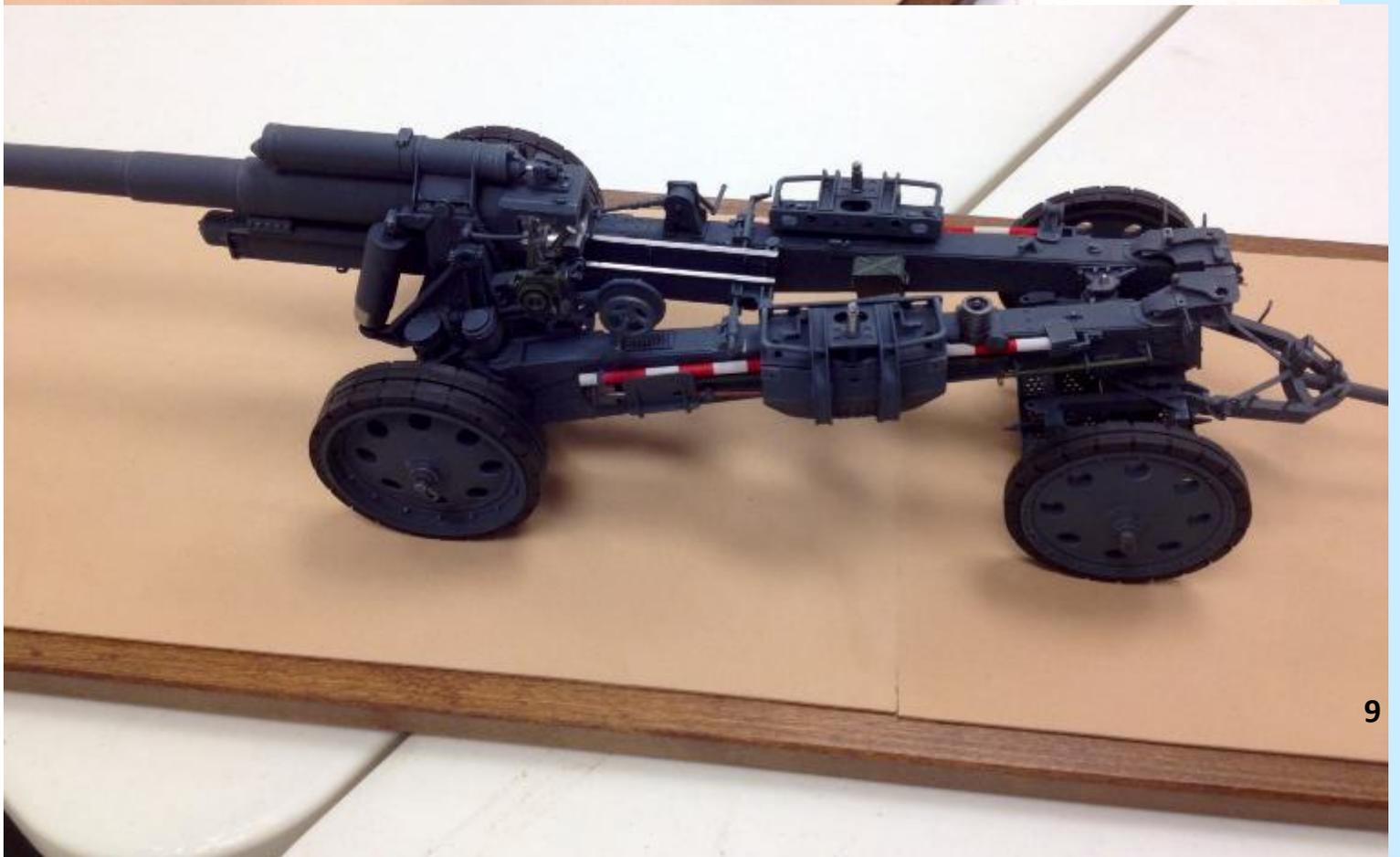
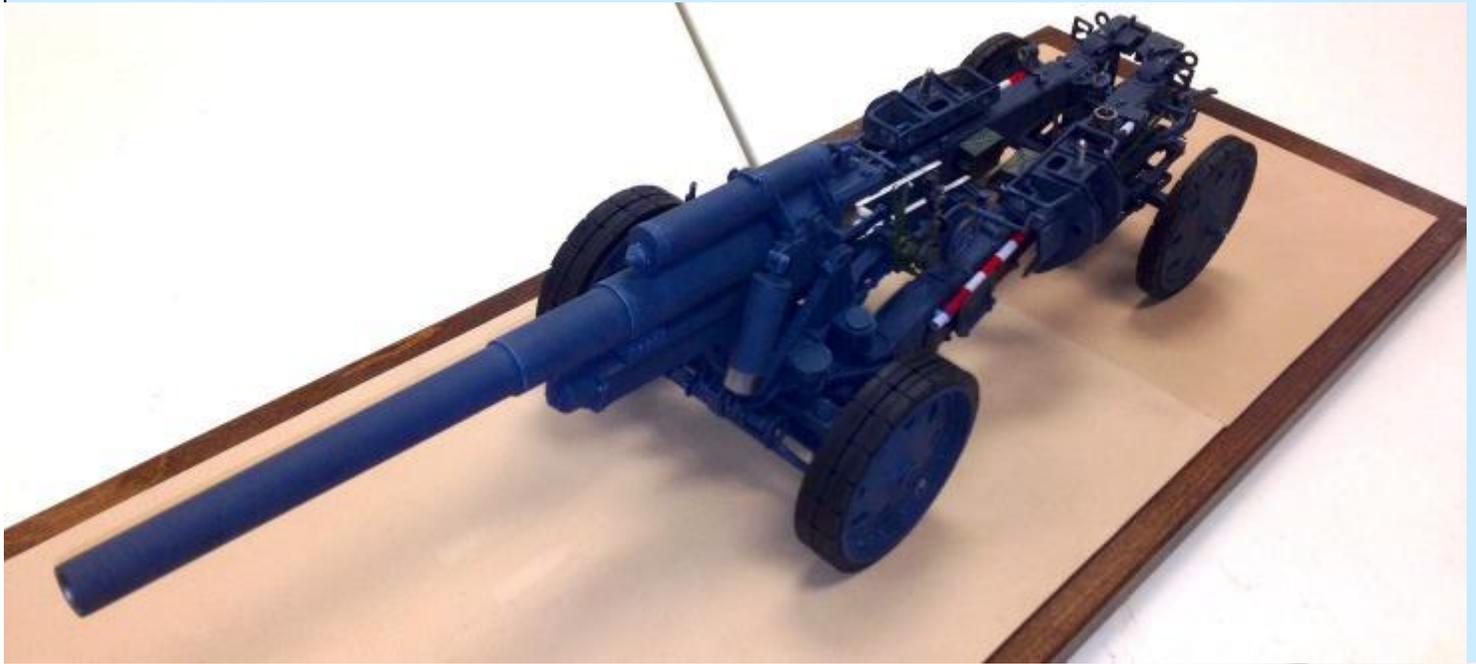


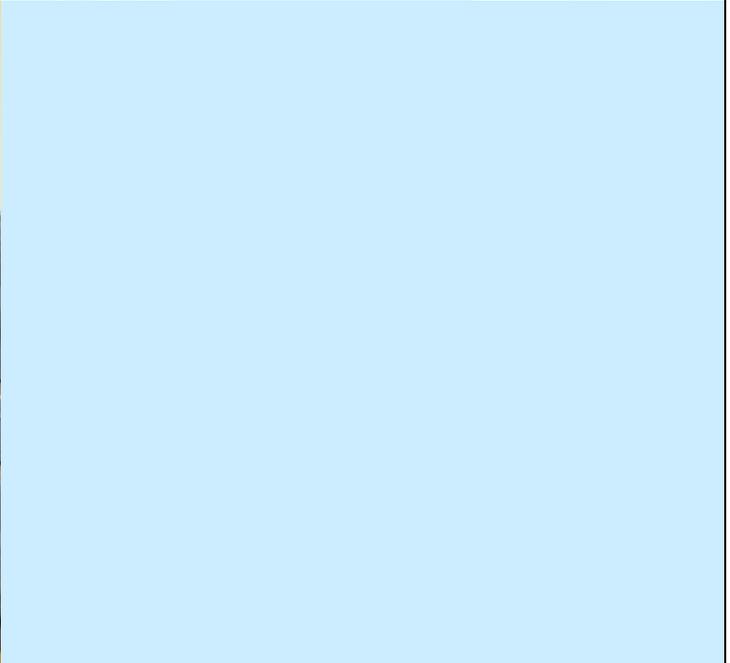
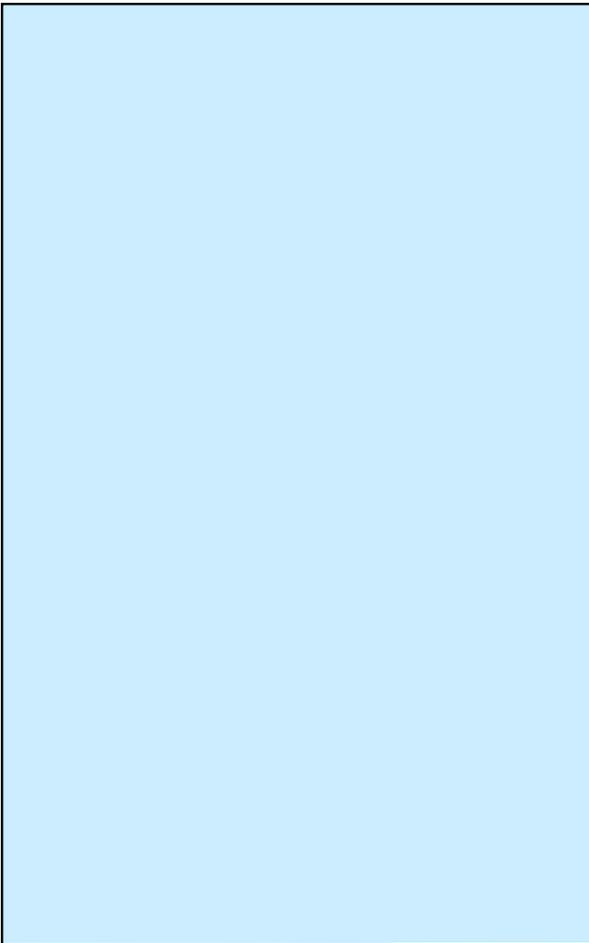
Ed had a back story for his model truck. This is modeled as if it is the truck not seen after the first Indiana Jones movie. This US marked truck is taking the Ark of the Covenant to it's storage place in the basement of the Pentagon or Area 51 equivalent!!!!



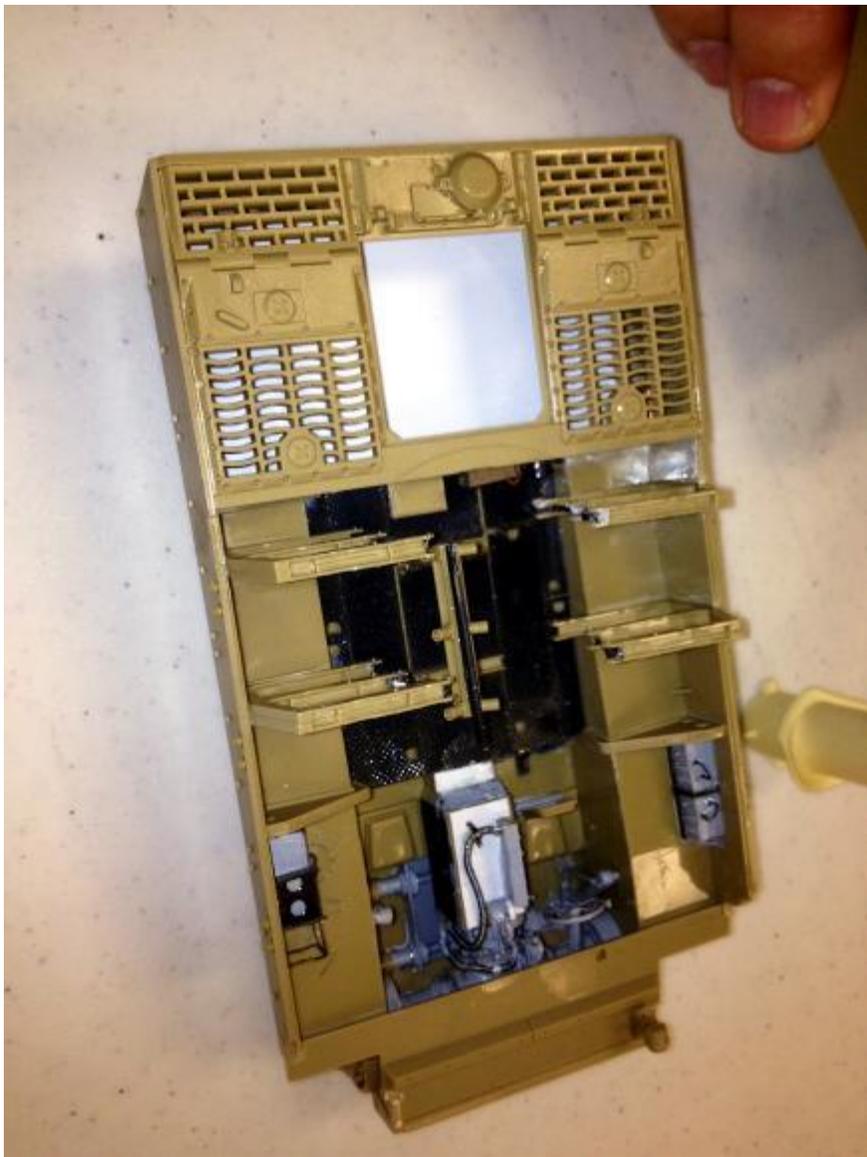
Which got the most attention - the magnificent scale tree or the model tank in the ambush scheme ?? 1/76 scale.

John Brooks brought in his first built model after many years as a member of our club!!!! WOW!!! It is with no apology that we show several photos of his 1/16 Merritt 15cm sFH18 Howitzer on this and the following pages. Very Well Done!!!

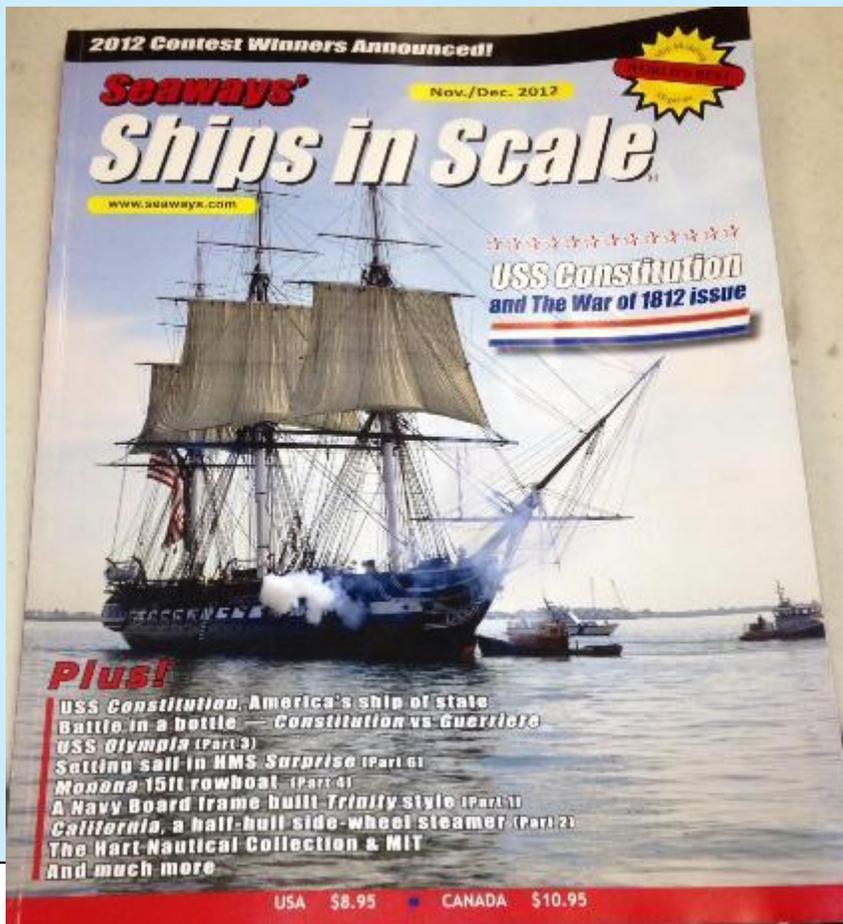














# ScottCon 2014

When my wife realized we could swing by Senoia, Georgia after the show at Warner Robins and have dinner at the Woodbury Coffee House. Plus when a walk past Puddin House (It's a Walking Dead thing you either get it or you don't!) was in the offing the die was cast. In spite of many tempting alternative model activates yesterday we drove on down and attended ScottCon. The drive down Saturday morning was a tough one for me. A half hour delay due to I-75 being closed due to an unfortunate accident south of Atlanta followed by construction in Macon added an hour to my travel time. But that's not important here! On walking in to the venue I was greeted by Mike Idacavage. I was glad to see him and spend some time judging models with him later. I sat my model up and was immediately disappointed that I had a black airplane on top of a mirror base that reflected a black ceiling. My model literally disappeared into a nonexistent hole on the table! From some angles the ceiling suspended spotlights in a cave effect from the dark museum gave a kaleidoscope effect that literally kept your eyes from looking at my model. Oh well, lesson learned! I need to take a couple of back up bases with alternative coloration/styles to Hampton roads!!!

In spite of the lighting issues the venue at ScottCon is always part of the treat at this show. I understand next year we'll be treated to open cockpits on several of the display aircraft in that building.

<b>SCOTTCON 2014</b> D-Day + 70!		 <small>Energy &amp; Skill in the Great</small>	Please Indicate: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> I would appreciate knowing any problems the judges found while examining my model.
Category: _____ Entry # _____	Subject: _____		A check below indicates a problem was found in specific, basic construction areas.
Scale: _____ Kit: _____	<b>Description of Work Done:</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> SEAM AND JOINT TREATMENT: Visible Seams where parts are glued together and/or glue is visible
			<input type="checkbox"/> ALIGNMENT: Any part of the model not properly aligned (wings, wheels, ordnance, etc)
			<input type="checkbox"/> DECAL APPLICATION: Silvering, mirroring, wrinkles, carrier film visible
			<input type="checkbox"/> CLEAR PARTS /CANOPIES: Glue smears, fogging, clarity, crispness of paint masking
			<input type="checkbox"/> PAINT FINISH: Uniformity, rough surface, unpainted areas, marred surface (fingerprints, smudges, etc), dust
			<input type="checkbox"/> Your model passed the basic construction cut and was in the running for an award
			Your Model was selected by the judges to receive the following award: _____
<small>If eligible for a special award, highlight the appropriate award below with the appropriate color</small>			
<b>Best D-Day Subject (Highlight Orange)</b>		<b>Best Georgia ANG Subject (Highlight Red)</b>	
<b>Best Public Safety Vehicle (Highlight Blue)</b>		<b>Best Air Force Reserve Aircraft (Highlight Yellow)</b>	
<b>Best Museum Of Aviation Subject (Highlight Green)</b>			
<small>Fold Under at dotted line above and place form next to model.</small>			
Entry#: _____	Name: _____		

Half of the Chicago Mob was there. Jack had a family obligation but Ronbo was there to add to the fun. There were several of our normal Georgia buddies there.

Vending was the usual for ScottCon. Mostly older kits at super marked down prices. The judges meeting was held up when one vendor caused a feeding frenzy with a 50% off sale announced at the same time the meeting was to begin! The raffle was along the same lines as last year with some division among the aircraft, armor, and ship ranks. A special raffle for some other special prizes as well.

The contest was IPMS 1-2-3 with modified sweeps rule in effect. Some unusual splits were made to try to even out the numbers in the categories. One new addition to ScottCon was the addition of a check sheet for the judges to give the modeler a little feedback. You were still left wondering what exactly was wrong but it at least gave you a clue and is a tip of the hat to G-S-B feedback.

I spent some time passing out our own show flyers and got a lot of positive comments from the attendees regarding our show and venue.

Ed Sunder and his sons were the big Chattanooga winners in the contest. I'll let them tell you at the meeting what they got!!!



# The IPMS USA 2014 50th Anniversary National Convention



**August 6-9, 2014 at the Hampton Roads Convention Center  
Hampton, Virginia**

*Hosted by IPMS Tidewater*

*Celebrating Modeler's Skills to Build*



**The 2014 National Convention will be held in a new facility centrally located in the Hampton Roads area**

- Convenient - Just off I-64 and Mercury Blvd
- Over 450 Vendor Tables
- Over 100,000 sq. ft. of display/vendor space
- Loading Dock Supports All Exhibit Halls
- Convenient Utility Hook-Ups
- 3,500 Free parking spaces available
- Easily accessible on-site food service available in the Vendor Area
- Wi-Fi Connectivity in Pre-function Area

The Embassy Suites Hotel (757-827-8200), adjacent to the Hampton Roads Convention Center, is the contest Flagship Hotel. Five additional hotels, all within 1/2 mile of the Center, have been contracted to serve our convention guests:

Courtyard Marriott	1(800) 321-2211
Springhill Suites	757-310-6333
Hilton Garden Inn	(same as Springhill Suites)
Red Roof Inn	757-838-1737
Days Inn Hampton	757-826-4810



[ipmsusa2014.com](http://ipmsusa2014.com)

## Registration & General Information

<b>Convention</b>	Adult <b>\$40.00</b> (Pre-registration)
<b>Registration:</b>	Adult <b>\$45.00</b> (After Jun 30, 2014)
	Junior (< 17) <b>\$25.00</b>
<b>Vendor</b>	Regular Table: <b>\$75.00</b>
<b>Registration:</b>	Preferred Area Table: <b>\$100.00</b>

No Waiting in Line - Pre-registered guests will receive their convention badge in the mail.

### Banquet Ticket: \$45

Menu options will include a Beef, Chicken, Seafood or Vegetarian Entree. Special Dietary Options available with advance request.

## Tours

Tours are currently scheduled for the Ft. Eustis U.S. Army Transportation Museum, The Newport News Mariners Museum, and the U.S. Marine Corps Museum in Quantico.

## Special Virginia Air & Space Center Social

The Virginia Air & Space Center will host a 50th Anniversary Convention Social and BBQ on Thursday evening, Aug 7. Ticket price: \$30.

Proceeds will benefit the Wounded Warrior Project



## Four Special Convention Theme awards:



### "America's Pony"

- The 1964 Introduction of the Ford Mustang (Best model of any year of the iconic Ford Mustang)

### "Over There"

- The First World War Centennial (Best Aircraft, Armor, Military Vehicle, Diorama, Ship, Figure, or Car of the 1914-1918 Period)

### "The British Invasion"

- The Anniversary of British Rock and Roll Groups Coming to America in 1964 (Best British Aircraft, Armor, Military Vehicle, Ship, Car or Figure  
- judging teams will be augmented by members of IPMS Ipswich)

### "Honoring the Vietnam Veteran"

- Best Vietnam Aircraft, Armor, Military Vehicle, Ship, Figure, Diorama or Space Vehicle of the Vietnam War Era 1964-1975)

## Area Attractions

### Theme Parks

Busch Gardens / Water Country USA

### Historic Sites

Jamestown • Yorktown • Williamsburg

### Museums

Mariner's Museum (USS Monitor restoration) • USS Wisconsin / Nauticus / Hampton Roads Naval Museum  
US Army Transportation Museum • Virginia Air and Space Museum (IMAX)  
Virginia Beach Science Museum • Virginia War Museum

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# Chattanooga ModelCon

February 6th & 7th 2015

**CHATTANOOGA TRADE AND CONVENTION  
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- Same Location as Last Year
- **NNL Style Judging for automotive entries with our Gold Silver Bronze Format for all other models—Check our Website for Guidelines**
  - Improved Speedier Judging Software
  - 18,000 SF of Carpeted Space
  - Well Lit and Spacious Convention Center
- Same Weekend as the Chattanooga Boat Show

Plans Include:

- Show rate at the convention Hotel
- Vendors can be open for business and registration to begin early Friday afternoon
- Friday Night Hospitality Room
- And more...check out our web site—Updates as plans come together

## Show Hours

Fri 2 - 7 PM

Sat 8 - 4 PM ish

## Vendor Info

8 FT—Tables

\$25 prepay

\$30 late pay

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