



THE PATRIOT

IPMS Patriot Chapter Newsletter
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Meeting Info

The next Patriot Chapter meeting will take place on Friday, August 1, at 7:30 p.m. at the First Parish Unitarian Church in Billerica, MA. The church is located on Concord Road, just as it meets Route 3A (Boston Road) at the Billerica Town Common. The August meeting will be a build session with a business meeting, Show-and-Tell, and a raffle.



Pip Moss built this 1/48 scale Fw 190 F-8 from the Tamiya kit. The undersized main wheels were replaced with Ultracast items, and the cockpit was enhanced with photo-etch instrument panel, side consoles and seat belts from Eduard. Otherwise, the kit was built OOB. The plane is painted in a late-war three-color blotch scheme (Mr. Color RLM 02, 75 and 83 over Model Master RLM 76). Markings, from EagleCals and Authentic Decals, are for a plane belonging to III./SG 3 that was flown from northwest Latvia to Sweden by three Luftwaffe non-coms on May 3, 1945. The entire German Army Group North, along with JG 54 and SG 3, was trapped in the so-called Courland Pocket by the advancing Soviets and surrendered five days after the Luftwaffe staff made their escape.

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Minutes from the July Meeting

CHAPTER President Dave Schmidt called the meeting to order at 7:45. About fifteen members were present.

Dave discussed the planned trip to Quonset Point. The plan is for us to meet there at 10 a.m. Dave will forward final details to Pip, for distribution to the members.

Dave reviewed details of the planned Make-n-Take to be held at Patcon. There was some debate about the quantity of kits that we need, as well as the subject matter. Alan Bieber suggested that we may want to get another automobile model, based on the interests of the kids who will be working on the kits.

Dave briefly discussed an article concerning Future floor finish and its use in modeling. He said that he will have the article scanned for distribution to the members.

The Patcon “Best of Show” award trophy was brought to the meeting by Mike O’Keefe for review by the members. It was well received.

Pip Moss suggested that the members do another push to sell trophy packs for Patcon.

Dave reported that the hosting chapter has asked that we sponsor a trophy pack at the 2014 National Convention. After a brief discussion there was a motion to buy a trophy pack. The motion was seconded and passed without dissent. The vote was followed by a brief discussion about what category we should sponsor.

John Touloupis presented the treasurer’s report. There was a motion to accept the report as read. The motion was seconded and passed without dissent.

That concluded the business portion of the meeting. There was a brief pause for the sale of raffle tickets, followed by Show-and-Tell. The raffle took place after Show-and-Tell, and the meeting then broke up for the night.

—Rick Lippincott, Secretary

Show and Tell

Frank Moore..... 1/40(?) T-34/85 (Academy)
1/48 F-19 Stealth Fighter (Testors)
1/48 Spitfire Mk.Vb WIP (unknown)
1/48 Bf 109 E-3 (Aurora)
172 B-26 Marauder (Monogram)
Pip Moss..... 1/48 Fw 190 F-8 (Tamiya)
Ken Myers..... 1/144 C-47 (Minicraft)
1/72 Hawker Sea Hawk (MPM)
Mike O’Keefe 1/35 Panzer III (Tamiya)
1/35 KV-1 (Tamiya)
Richard Price..... 1/700 HMS Hood (Tamiya)
John Walker..... 1/35 SdKfz. 139 Marder III (Tamiya)

Raffle Report

First off, thanks to Alan Beeber for managing the raffle in my absence.

July winners:

Matt Fleury, Academy 1/35 M12 155mm Gun Carraige
John Walker, Eduard 1/48 Bf-109 E-4 Weekend edition
Roy Medina, Italeri 1/72 Wellington
Kurt Kunze, Tamiya 1/35 DAK Kubelwagen

We sold \$76 in tickets, and we paid \$69 for the prizes, so we made \$7, taking our year-to-date total to \$109.

—Bill Michaels, Vice President

Special Report

Club Trip to the Quonset Air Museum

Last Saturday, July 19, ten Patriot chapter members met around 10 a.m. outside the Quonset Air Museum, on the western shore of Narragansett Bay in North Kingston, RI. In attendance were Ora Lassila, Rick and Karen Lippincott, Pip Moss, Ken Myers, Richard Price, Jim Qualey, Dave Schmidt, Harry and Ben Vig, and Harry’s younger son Daniel.

Founded in September 1992, the Quonset Air Museum was dedicated as an educational facility whose current mission is to preserve and interpret Rhode Island’s private, commercial and military aviation heritage. The museum’s collection includes military vehicles, missiles, aircraft and over 5000 smaller aviation artifacts as well as an extensive archive of books, magazines, manuals, photos, documents and blueprints. The museum is housed in a WW2-era brick hangar that was once Painting Hangar #488 of Naval Air Station Quonset Point. Although the NAS was closed in 1974, there is still a civil air terminal and a number of defense industry buildings, notably the Electric Boat Company, involved in the fabrication of submarine hulls.

Entering the building, we found ourselves in a large open space filled with aircraft and artifacts in various stages of repair ranging from a fully restored FM-3 Avenger to fragments of a Hellcat fuselage. There was very little of the spit and polish we saw at the New England Air Museum in 2011—the focus here is clearly on the ongoing business of restoration rather than public display. A good number of museum staff members were on hand, and they were happy to talk with us about the work they’re doing. We were also allowed to go inside the roped off areas, so many of us spent the next hour or so on hands and knees underneath airframes, taking pictures of landing gear wells and other goodies. Several of the helicopters, notably the large and impressive SH-3 Sea King, were also accessible for viewing inside.

Besides the Avenger and Sea King, planes inside the museum building include two A-4 Skyhawks, an A-6 Intruder, an early F-4 Phantom, and several small helicopters. There are more aircraft on

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display outside the building, including a MiG-17, an F-14, an A-7, a Bell Cobra and Huey, a P2V Neptune, a Grumman C-1A Trader, an F3D Skyknight, and a Curtiss XF-15 powered by both radial piston and turbojet engines.

Most of us started to feel hunger pangs as noon approached, so we found our way to a Newport Creamery restaurant in North Kingston for lunch. Then we headed home after another successful club trip.



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Show and Tell Gallery

Ken Myers' 1/72 scale Hawker Sea Hawk Mk. I (MPM). Ken scratchbuilt cockpit details, added antennas and pitot tube, opened gun ports and detailed the main gear wells. Paint is Model Master enamels; decals are from the box.



Mike O'Keefe's 1/35 scale Pz.Kpfw. III Ausf L (Tamiya). Mike replaced the kit treads with metal track from Friulmodel. The model was painted with various acrylics and weathered with MIG powders and AK Interactive washes.

Frank Moore's 1/72 scale B-26B (Monogram), built OOB and painted with Testors acrylics and enamels. Markings, from the kit and SuperScale, are for the 22nd BG, Port Moresby, New Guinea, May 1942.



Show and Tell Gallery (continued)



Frank Moore's 1/40 (?) scale T-34/85 (Academy) with a figure from Revell. Frank replaced the kit's incorrect running gear with parts from the spares box. Paint is Tamiya acrylics and Testors enamels. Markings, from Tamiya, are for a North Korean vehicle, June 1950.

Frank Moore's 1/48 scale Bf 109 E-3 (Aurora). Frank scratchbuilt the propeller and horizontal stabilizers. Paint is Tamiya acrylics and Testors enamels. Decals, from SuperScale, are for the Battle of Britain. The model is a restoration of one of the "Brooklyn Eight" kits released by Aurora in 1953. The kit was molded in bright red plastic; Frank left some of it unpainted to show it off.



Ken Myers' 1/144 scale C-47 (Minicraft) in markings and configuration for the USN's Operation Highjump, which began in August 1946 and whose primary mission was to establish the Antarctic research base, Little America IV.. Ken added the vistadome, antennas, (wire and loop) and under-wing generator. Paints are Alclad and Model Master enamels; decals are from the kit and the spares box.

Show and Tell Gallery (continued)

Mike O'Keefe's 1/35 scale KV-1B (Tamiya). Mike replaced the kit treads with metal track from Friulmodel. The model was painted with various acrylics and weathered with MIG powders and AK Interactive washes.



Another view of Pip Moss's 1/48 scale Fw 190 F-8 (Tamiya).

Frank Moore's in-progress restoration of a 1/48 scale Spitfire Mk. Vb (manufacturer unknown). Paints are Tamiya acrylics; decals are from SuperScale.



Show and Tell Gallery (continued)

Two views of John Walker's 1/35 scale Sd.Kfz. 139 Marder III (Tamiya), built OOB, painted with Tamiya acrylics, and weathered with AK Interactive wash, pastel and powders. Markings, from the kit, are for the 2nd Tank Destroyer Battalion, Russia, Autumn 1942.



Frank Moore's 1/48 scale F-19 Stealth Fighter (fictional, Testors), built OOB and painted with Tamiya acrylics and Testors enamels with decals from SuperScale. Paint scheme and markings are conjectural, not to say whimsical.

Show and Tell Gallery (concluded)



Three views of Richard Price's 1/700 scale HMS Hood (1941) (Tamiya). Richard used a comprehensive photo-etch set from White Ensign Marine and substituted brass main gun barrels for the kit items. Paint is WEM Colourcoats.



Upcoming Events

August 6–9.....**IPMS National Convention/Contest**, Hampton Roads Convention Center, Hampton, VA.

Log on to <http://www.ipmsusa2014.com/>

September 14.....**Patcon 2014**, Hudson Elks Lodge, 90 Park Street, Hudson, MA.

September 21.....**Rocon 34**, IPMS Rochester, Webster Recreation Center, 1350 Chiyoda Drive, Webster, NY.

Contact Cliff Wiley: cwileyone1946@yahoo.com or 558-317-2702.

October 18.....**HVHMG Exhibition & Contest**, IPMS Mid-Hudson, Elks Club Hall, 29 Overocker Road Poughkeepsie, NY.

Contact John Gallagher: jgallag@entergy.com or 845-462-4740.

October 19.....**GraniteCon XXII**, Granite State Modelers, Nashua Elks Club, 120 Daniel Webster Highway, Nashua, NH.

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