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July 2018 Newsletter Editor: Tom Henderson

The IPMS Northern Virginia Modelers meeting took place on 6 June 2018 at Fairfax High School. A whole bunch of members attended (we forgot to get a head count although it appeared to be about our usual 60-70+). We welcomed new member Aaron Hamilton to the club.

The business meeting opened with the announcement of a new Model Classic special award in honor of Mike Neyland. Starting next year, the new Best USAF Subject will be a permanent contest special with the winner to receive a beautifully designed medallion. Chapter President Mike Fleckenstein (who designed the medallion) presented the first three to Joy Neyland, son Alex and daughter Jenny. Joy and Alex attended the meeting to accept the medallions and to express their deep appreciation to the club for this on-going remembrance of Mike.





While accepting the first medallions for the new Best USAF Aircraft special beginning with Model Classic 2019, remarks made by both Joy and Alex touched us all. Mike is truly missed.

Treasurer Tim Barb summarized the results of a very successful MC2018. This year's show successfully provided sufficient funds to meet its expected outlays for the next year to include supporting other shows with sponsorships (including the 2018 National Convention).

Contest Coordinator Walter Schlueter reviewed this month's special (Hot Days and Hot Wheels – any car) and talked about next-month's special category, called "Oooohhhh!!! Shiny." The July special is for any vehicle in metallic colors. Walter also announced that only two Build The Same Subject (BTSS) Mirage aircraft kits were left. If you were not able to purchase a kit from the club, that's OK you can still compete with a kit from your stash. The cool part of purchasing one from the club is your money will be refunded if you bring the kit (built) to compete in the BTSS contest at the December meeting. I understand someone purchased one of the Mirages during the meeting, so now there is one.

IPMS Northern Virginia Modelers June 2018 Monthly Meeting (con't)3

Secretary-Historian Chris Nicoll introduced a new member program designed to match new members with a mentor. The chapter member will walk the new member through the various functions and parts of our monthly meetings such as the raffle, vendors, contest entry, contest voting, meeting etiquette, website, and the Yahoo group.



Left: "Two is enough but darn that Hunter is sure tempting." Right: The models. This photo was taken early in the meeting. Multiply what you see here by two. It was quite a model feast.

USAF Captain James Bond visited the meeting to receive models loaned by chapter members for a display to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Bolling Air Force Base, now Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling (JBAB). The models will be displayed during a banquet at JBAB in early July. Tim Barb and Chris Nicoll will be present to set up the models, answer questions, and talk about our hobby and our club. More models are needed so if anyone would like to add a US Air Corps/Air Force/Navy model to the display please contact Tim or Chris as soon as possible. Their email addresses are on page 10.



USAF Captain Bond poses with some of the models that will be displayed at a banquet celebrating the 100th Anniversary of JBAB. Right: Joe Bles (dark red shirt on the left) and Jim Richey (striped blue shirt on the right) teaching us some basic figure painting techniques.

After the break to vote on the models entered into the monthly contest, VP John Figueroa introduced the program for the evening, a Jim Richey and Joe Bles figure painting techniques demonstration. The demo was awesome. My hat has always been off to figure painters. I always thought there is no way I could even come close to the jaw dropping work I see at contest tables and displays. After Jim and Joe finished teaching us some fundamental techniques, I still

don't think I am destined to take any figure painting awards home but it might a least be fun to pick up a simple figure and give it a try. Yes, I know what Yoda said: "'Try not, do."

That's it for the monthly news. Several more hard earned bits of Dick Hague modeling wisdom starts about an inch below this line, followed by the contest gallery. Our next meeting is Wednesday, 11 July (the **SECOND** Wednesday of the month). See you then.

Hague's Corner by Dick Hague

Editor's note: Dick shares a unique running text and visual diary of his modeling adventures which includes triumphs, lessons learned and tips. I don't have time to pull together one complete build from the various messages, so what you are seeing in these articles is a moving "window" of Dick's modeling adventures over time. If you have been following Hague's Corner you know he also has multiple projects going at the same time. I had to cut a couple of things from this one to get it into two pages. Nevertheless, we are getting a host of tips and lessons learned suitable for beginners and experienced modelers alike. Even though you do not see a build from start to finish, I hope you find Dick's running modeling diary as informative as I do......



While I fully expected to get all decals on the Seiran two nights ago, the yellow leading edge ID stripe decals were too old to conform to the wing's shape. At first I thought of cutting out some solid yellow decal material but decided that older decals, such as I would be using, would probably develop some slight chips in very visible places. I decided to go with a two part application of some stripes where the only cutting was for length. I had to overlap the slightly narrower yellow stripes that I had, putting the top portion on first followed by the lower the next day. They look to be settling down okay so if they still look good tomorrow I will put an overall clear flat finish on the entire model, install the twin floats and some minor parts and then try to finish the cart it rides on as well as another 800 Kg bomb.



Hague's Corner (continued)

After cleaning up the puttied tail joints the four little Vultees got a shot of primer. A little more or less putty was needed on each one of them so I carefully applied it using a toothpick and my ever present applesauce cup. Here the Perfect Plastic Putty has had the cap replaced to keep it from drying out and a working amount has been squeezed on the cup. A few finger drops of water around the edges keeps it pliable long enough to fill the seams.

Tip alert! Apply the putty smoothly to the exact places you want to fill. You don't want to have to work that area after it is cured. When cured, use your damp cloth to wipe the areas the excess putty has spread to during the application. If it is in a recessed panel line you didn't mean to fill, just gently scrape it out with a wooden toothpick and wipe some more with the damp cloth or tissue. The idea is to not have to sand anything! Of course this only works with Perfect Plastic Putty.

The cockpit of this Bf-109A had been previously done and looks good, but the wings were really on crooked. They had to come off, so about an hour of cutting and filing was done to remove and reattach them. I used one of my applesauce cups to evenly sit it on and a couple of super glue bottles near the tail to see if it was straight and I say good enough! This isn't the best kit in the world but is the only 1/72 kit of an A model Messerschmitt so it will have to do. 220 109As were built, most of which went to the Spanish Civil War and mostly flown by German pilots. What I like is that this one will be finished in bare metal, a very unusual finish for a Bf-109!





After about an hour of wing root work on my new Valom B-45A and almost as much time on the rear end of this thing, I got to glue on the tail cone! It is very rare to find a picture of a B-45 with the tail guns showing and I don't think they are in any of the other versions of this kit. They aren't on my little Frog one either.

Finally, and speaking of washing, a good soaking in warm water with dish washing detergent should always be the first step when you build a model. I use Palmolive Green as it doesn't leave any scent or residue. Let it air dry because wiping it builds up a static charge that you don't want on the plastic and that can only be removed by putting it in water again. Static on plastic attracts dust like a machine made to attract dust!



Contest Winners June 2018

















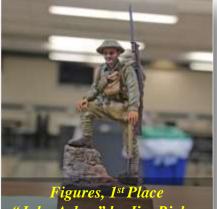




USS Theodore Roosevelt by Mike Snider







"John Arlow" by Jim Richey











Pair of Mustangs by Vince Mankowski

Best out of the Box 1/48 Magister by Jim Fitzgibbon



Best of Show 1/35 Sd Kfz 233 by Michael Johnson











July Meeting Program and Contest Theme

Program: **Kevin Grantham - "1949 Cleveland Air Races"** The 1949 Cleveland Air Races as captured through the lens of Dr. Aaron King. Over 100 glorious Kodachrome images of the planes and pilots of this legendary Air Race.

Contest: **"Oooohhhh!!! Shiny"** – Any vehicle in metallic colors – any time frame.

Visit the club website at *www.novaipms.org* and join the club Yahoo group at *http://groups.yahoo.com/group/novaipms*

Both locations will allow you to access the monthly Contest/Program Schedule as well as information about IPMS Northern Virginia Modelers.

We're also on Facebook https://www.facebook.com/pages/Northern-Virginia-IPMS

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Upcoming Events

11 July 2018 IPMS Northern Virginia Modelers Monthly Meeting Fairfax High School 3501 Rebel Run Fairfax VA 22030

17 July 2018 IPMS Washington DC Monthly Meeting Ritchie Park Elementary School 8501 Postoak Rd, Potomac, MD 20854

25 July 2018 NCMSS Monthly Meeting Thomas Edison High School, 5801 Franconia Road Alexandria, VA 22310

14 July 2018 IPMS Eastern Carolina Plastic Modelers DownEastCon 2018 Havelock Tourist and Event Center 201 Tourist Center Dr., Havelock NC 28532 www.ipmsmidcarolina.com

1 – 4 August 2018 IPMS-USA National Convention Phoenix Convention Center Phoenix, AZ www.ipmsusanationals2018.org

11 August 2018 IPMS Roanoke Valley Virginia Shootout Salem Civic Center 1001 Roanoke Blvd, Salem VA 24153

8 September 2018 National Capital Model Soldier Society Annual Show Thomas Edison HS 5801 Franconia Rd., Alexandria, VA www.ncmssclub.org

15 September, 2018 Penncon 2018 US Army Heritage & Education Center 950 Soldiers Drive Carlisle, PA www.cenpennipms.com



August 1-4, 2018 Phoenix Convention Center Phoenix, Arizona

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	4:00pm	Awards ceremony.				
	3:00pm	Silent Auction bids close; start final Raffle drawing.				
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		1st Raffle drawing.				
	9:00am	Doors Open; Registration &	Vendor	Room open.		
Schedule:	7:00am	Site & Vendor set-up.				
Silent Auction:		ected goodies, TBA.				
Raffle:	Winner's choice; \$1/one, \$5/six					
Vendors:	1 Raffle Donation + \$15/table					
	Juniors (under 18) FREE with an entry. General Admission: \$5, Family Pass \$10 (3 or more).					
					Admission:	Adults (18 & over) \$10, unlimited entries, spouse free.
Theme:	"The Unit	e United States Marines"				
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	Havelock Tourist & Event Center 201 Tourist Center Dr. Havelock, NC, 28532					

The Best summertime chapter Contest in the Southeast is Back !!!!

Upcoming Events (continued)



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