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## May Meeting Recap

For our May meeting, we were back at our usual location at the church. The turnout was fair, and there were models which were in progress, but nothing in completed form. It's likely that there are some wheels turning on stuff to be ready for the 'Big Go' in Chattanooga in August. And one of the guys missing this time was Stan Parker, who is usually good for at least a Wingnut Wings biplane or three at each meeting!

**Rich Van Zandt** made good progress on his Zoukei Mura 1/48 F-4C Phantom. All of the surface preparation work was done, and he had the Southeast Asia paint scheme pretty much completed on the upper surfaces. On the bottom,

there was a splotchy uneven coat of colors applied, which will serve as the undercoat for the light gray - to insure it's not just an even (read: boring) coat of light gray. When completed, this should look like an in-service aircraft with two big, noisy, smoky J-79 engines! With the possible exception of the Michigan Air Guard's aircraft, a serviceable Phantom was not known as an item ready to attend a 'Show and Shine' event!

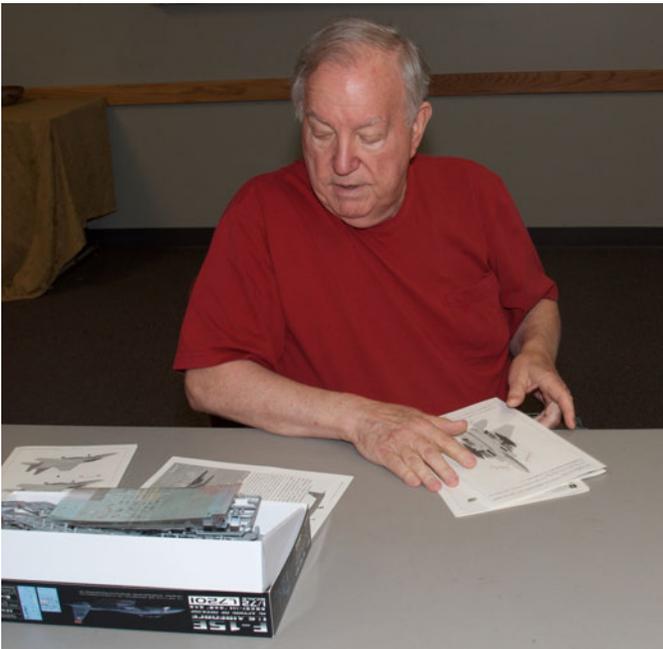
**Ron Campbell** had his Tamiya 1/72 Mosquito B Mk IV back to show more in progress work. The major parts of the model were together, and



the fit was not quite as Tamiya-like as expected, with work being required where the engine nacelles fit the upper wings and also the forward fuselage, this last part possibly due to the kit allowing for other Mosquito variants. The 3-piece canopy (with the side pieces separate,

allowing for blisters) took a lot of care to assemble so as not to look like a 3-part assembly glued together. This one will be in Ocean Grey/Dark Green over Medium Sea Grey.

A 1/72 F-15E Strike Eagle was in the works by **Joe Vincent**. The kit was from Great Wall, but apparently they are not known for their great instructions. Despite being quite lengthy, they also included a correction sheet. Joe passed them around, but nobody was able to read much past chapter 16... Beyond the ejection sheet, there were not many things glued together, so this one was in the early stages.



Also early in the build, we had **Bill Von Staden** with a Hasegawa 1/48 Focke Wulf Fw 190A-8. Instead of the cockpit, this one started with the lower wing. This part is common to several Hasegawa Fw 190 kits, so the gun access panels and actual gun ports in the leading edge are all separate because there are variations in ways which the different variants are equipped. This model will get a set of Master brass gun barrels and a resin Ultracast prop equipped with external balance weights, which are rarely seen.



## June Up Next!

The June chapter meeting will be on **Saturday, June 8th at 6:30 PM** at the Advent Presbyterian Church on Germantown Parkway in Cordova. We will be using our standard meeting format, so please bring any new stuff you have acquired recently, along with any in-progress or completed models.

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**June 15, 2019 ScottCon 2019**

**IPMS/Gen. Robert L. Scott**

Museum of Aviation 1942 Heritage Blvd

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**June 22, 2019 AutumnCon 2019, IPMS**

**Northshore Scale Modelers**, American Legion

Hall, 2031 Ronald Reagan Hwy, Covington, LA

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**Aug 7-10, 2019 IPMS-USA National Convention, IPMS Chattanooga Scale Modelers**, Chattanooga Convention Center, 1150 Carter St, Chattanooga, TN 37402 See [www.ipmsusa.org](http://www.ipmsusa.org) website for link

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