

The Iron Works

By Bill Schwarz, President



Big Bill reminded everyone to bring in supplies-not kits- for the troops. Acrylic paints, brushes, sandpaper, and anything of that nature will go a long way to easing the time for our dedicated Soldiers, Marines, Air Force, Navy and Coast Guard personnel.

WELCOME TO THE OCTOBER, 2017 NJIPMS NEWSLETTER!

Hi all. Hope everyone is well and doing something besides sitting in front of the TV! Too little life so get out and enjoy!

I've been so so busy building some things I've been meaning to finish. I hope to have them done by January. I got back building again after a long lull. I don't know why, but every once in awhile I just get that way. But for now, It's over!

Next up, it was a fairly good turnout at the meeting and I was especially glad to see Buzzer make it. He will always be my hero and he is one tough man to say the least. Do well and live long old friend. Ruevens told the group about Simon V and I hope he is doing well. Knees and hips are wonderful things as long as they go right! He will be back and walking great soon. Till then Kick ass and take names and get well soon.

One other thing while we are on this. I would love to take the time to personally thank our member and aviation artist Joe Smith for creating the wonderful drawing of the Loach that was signed by everyone and given to Buzz when he came to the meeting. He was very grateful to say the least. Joe is a very quiet and immensely talented man! I'm glad he is in the club. All I can say is GREAT JOB and Many Many Thanks!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Next is for Big John! He took the job of getting us the club logos glasses. They look great and can't wait to distribute them to the members. Keep 'em going John, hope they materialize soon! Next the Del Marva Marvels are in the mix and I hear their club is going! Keep it up guys. Glad to see and hear all the positives!

Next, some shows have come and gone with more to come. The 2-day armor extravaganza is upon us; Jerseyfest 2017 is history, Chiller is gone and HVMG is coming up. I myself and my crew are going. Quinn and I think Jimmy is vending too. Anyway, I'm going to just have fun and enjoy a day out with me buds. Hope a lot of you can make it. Attendance

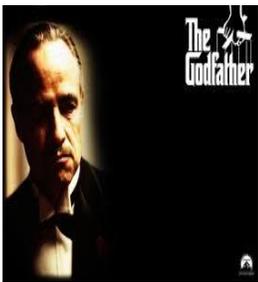
has been light the past few years but I hope it's a blowout for those guys this year! Good Luck! Me thinks that's all I have to say for this month other than we brought up club elections and all who attended raised their hands to keep it as is. So here we are. BTW MosquitoCon is on track. Ed will have the add and flyer to us soon so we can get the word out. That's about it. Enjoy the finally cool days we are starting to have. Live Life, Live Long and most of all enjoy!

Regards

Big Bill

From the Vice President's Desk

By Vince D'Alessio



October meeting, which means annual dues are due \$25.00 and it's also pizza, beer and wine if you wish.

As you all know Dr. Simon Vichnevetsky is home convalescing; his bad knee the situation is too long to go into detail here, Anybody wanting to contact the good Doctor please touch base with Rueven Shapira.

Please keep the prayers coming for Buzz Lockwood he is starting another round of Chemotherapy. Buzz our prayers and thoughts are with you. God Speed my good Friend.

Guys keep modeling and Good health to you all.

I finally finished the JS2 and will have it at Russian night that's the next meeting October 13, 2017, too bad the meeting does not include Stolie vodka and Borscht with some sour cream.

Hope to see you all there.

Vince

Editor's note: The picture of BB, Vince et al sure looks like the scene in the room behind The Bada Bing in "The Sopranos"! Who Knew modeling carried such risks! LOL

From the Vice President's Desk

By Joe Smith



I am so glad to see the return of a great American hero, member, and a great person ! Buzz Lockwood there isn't a person who deserve more praise them you!

Thank you Joe Smith, for doing a outstanding drawing for Buzz! Great thinking Bill!
Joe Smith

THE JUDGES TABLE

By Jon Da Silva



ALL RISE!

Apologies for missing the September meeting, but I had a lot going on! Good to see that last month went so well and thanks to Martin for taking care of the contest for me and Devin for having his Primary Colours night. This month we'll be having our usual Russian Night sponsored, though I'm not sure if host Simon will be available? Perhaps we should postpone depending on his situation.

As far as the September monthly contest went; Tom Vandermark took first place in L&S with his Heian Maru, followed by Stan Stankewicz's 2014 Camaro which also won a Primary Colour award, and in third Mike Terre's Airfix 1910 Omnibus. As far as the air entries go; Stan Stankewicz came in first with his Type 93 Willow followed by Mike Terre and his RS Models Ki-9 which also won a Primary Colour award and lastly Bill Connolly with his An-2.

It's hard to believe this year is nearly over. It seems like just yesterday we were in January and then holding Mosquitocon. I'm personally excited for our December party which is really right around the corner. At any rate, I'll be taking suggestions and

volunteers to sponsor next years contests. Maybe we'll eventually show off that Lindberg car group build (LOL!) I'll see you all on the 13th!

My best,
Jon

Editor's Note: Here are a few of the pictures I took at Primary Colors Night. I am a terrible photographer, so please accept my apologies. I'm pretty sure Martin Q. posted some on the web-site. I would recommend checking them out.



This should have been marked 'The Butterfinger'



I would hate to drive this around a sharp corner!



A very well done Liberty ship. I recently saw the Real *Jeremiah Johnson* in Seattle. The movie was just on the other night, too.



Great scenery work here.

I'll post more pictures after we hear from **THE CONTACT**.

The Contact's View

By Mike Pavlo, VP



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I hope everyone is enjoying the nice Fall weather. As someone who is usually “a day late late and a dollar short” I broke tradition and did something early – I bought a new snowblower, a big honking one. That surely means that it will never snow here again. You guys can thank me at the meeting.

Back on September 16 I decided to head out to the PennCon show in Carlisle PA. It was a nice, smaller show with good vendor turnout and a decent showing of models for the contest. I ran into Ivan Ordonez, Mike Witkowski and Bob Cicconi and shared a few laughs. One of the highlights was certainly the venue – it was held at the US Army Heritage and Education Center. I have passed this facility many times while in Carlisle for the car shows, but never paid a visit due to lack of time. This museum is top notch and definitely worth a stop if you are ever in the area. The indoor and outdoor displays are very good and they have extensive archives with a staff to assist with research. I plan on visiting again in the future when I have more time to spend there.

Best Wishes,

Mike P.

Editor's note: Mike P. Was nice enough to send some pictures from the show out in Pennsy. That way you don't have to look at more that I took.



I especially like the 1:1 scale displays! - Editor

More from the Editor. Dave DeNardo, Eric Schroeter & myself journeyed to Danbury, CT to attend ARMORCON 2017-the AMPS show. We ran into Capo de Regime Vincent D. as well as Martin Q. and VEEP Joe S. It seemed a small show, but some good buys, especially the scenic accessories, were to be had. Vince had gone up for the weekend. He was waiting for the contest results when we left. Someone please remember to let us know at the meeting how he fared.

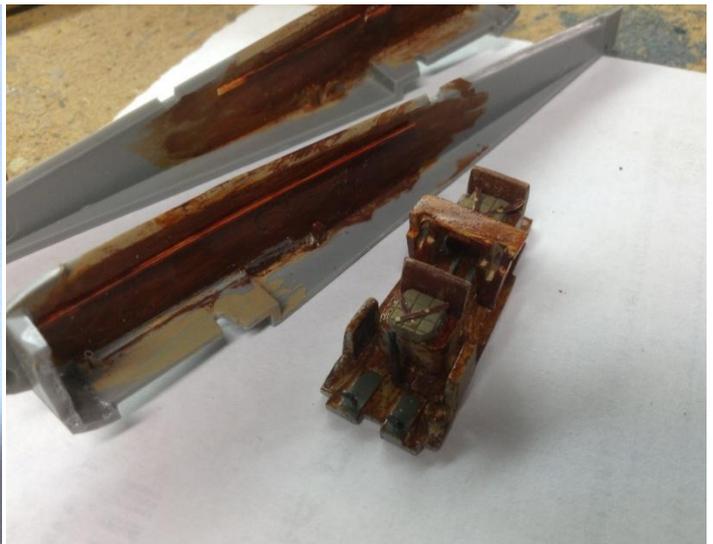
Since my photos come out so badly, and it was darker than the KOC, I did not take pics.

Now it is Time for the October Terre-gram



Editors Note: Before we get to Mike's excellent article and photos in support of our Russian theme in October, please look at the picture of Mike's workspace. There is a definite lesson there!

The Anatra Anasal DS.



The Anatra DS was a Russian two seat observation aircraft built in the Anatra factory in Odessa from 1916 up until the Russian Revolution. It was a relatively successful aircraft with

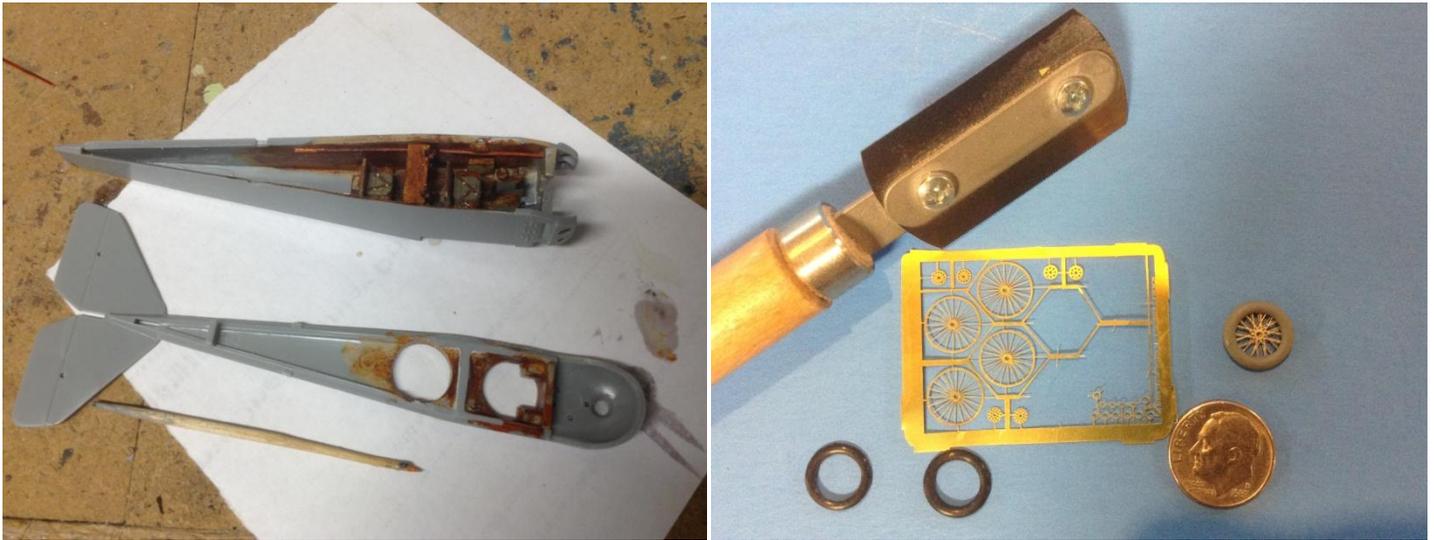
approximately 70 aircraft produced for Russian use. After the treaty of Brest Litovsk was signed in March of 1918, which took Russia out of the war, an additional 114 aircraft were produced for the Austro-Hungarian government. In late 1919, 23 of these Austro-Hungarian aircraft were transferred to the newly formed Czechoslovakian Air Force, one of which still exists in a Prague military museum.

Of interest, this aircraft was powered by a French built 150 horse power Salmson water cooled radial engine which is a rather rare configuration for a radial engine

The molds for this kit along with three others were made by Frog Models of Great Britain as part of a deal with the Russian Novoexport firm (we know them as Novo models) to manufacture plastic models in Russia. The four kits with their Frog kit numbers were as followed: Mikoyan-Gurevich MiG-3 kit#F308; Lavochkin-Gorbunov LaaG-3 kit#F310; Yakovlev Yak-3 kit#F311 and the Anatra Anasal DS kit#F312.

After the molds were made, Novoexport changed the deal and only wanted to produce existing Frog models and not use these newly made molds. Also during this time Frog was experiencing money problems and went into receivership with all molds being sold to Novoexport with the exception of the above four. Those molds were sold to a group of former Frog employees who formed Red Star Models and marketed them. Red Star lasted for only a few years and then went out of business.

Ok, enough with the history, here's the build for the Anatra. The kit contains 38 parts on two sprues of light grey plastic. There is one clear sprue that contains the windshield and the landing wheels. The idea behind the wheels was that you painted the tires and wheel spokes and left the rest clear to give the illusion of spoked wheels. It was not a good idea! The parts are cleanly molded with little flash, the wings being particularly well done with nice thin trailing edges. The fuselage is molded in three sections, a left, right and top with the top section containing the horizontal stabilizer and elevators. You also get two crew seats and a floor board with control sticks. The three fuselage sections also contain side wall and cross sectional structure and when glued together should give you a convincing cockpit area. SHOULD is the key word as nothing fit correctly, not by a little but by a lot! There was at least a 1/8th inch gap between the fuselage sides necessitating a lot of filler and sanding work to correct. It was the same for the top portion of the fuselage as well but after it was all together it didn't look bad at all. All the interior woodwork was simulated by painting it first with Tamiya XF-78 Wooden Deck Tan then streaked with Tamiya XF-9 Hull Red followed by an overcoat of Tamiya X-26 Clear Orange. This technique was also used for the propeller and the wing interplane struts.



The poor fit also continued into the engine and its cowling with much sanding required to get this beast together. I did drill out the cooling holes on the nose and sides of the cowling for a more accurate look. The cowling area was painted Tamiya XF-26 Deep Green, with Tamiya XF-5 Flat Green used for all other external areas. At this stage all major assemblies were given a coat of Krylon Gloss and the decals applied. The 40+ year old decals were ok and settled down using massive applications of Micro Set. Once dry all assemblies were given a coat of Tamiya TS-79 Semi-Gloss. I like using TS-79 as it gives a good representation of fabric covering and also weathers easily.

On the positive side the one piece horizontal stabilizer molded into the top portion of the fuselage and the one piece lower wing aligned very well and aided in assembly. The bottom wing to fuselage fit was extremely good with no filler needed.

I decided to attach the top wing to the fuselage using the cabane struts first as there were cooling lines from the radiator running into the engine compartment and working space was very limited. These cabane struts were very thin and aligned well with holes in the top wing. The struts also supported the radiator and associated water lines. The water lines were grossly out of scale and copper wire was used instead. The radiator was painted Tamiya XF-69 NATO Black with Rub-N-Buff Copper used as an accent. I also attached the large wrap-around exhaust header which was painted Tamiya X-33 Bronze, over coated with Tamiya X-19 Smoke and weathered with black pastel.



Once the top wing was secured using the carbane struts it was time to attach the interplane struts. These struts were very well molded and had a good profile. They aligned well with the locating holes in the upper and lower wings. Their wood finish was simulated as per the above technique with the strut retention bands being painted Tamiya XF-25 Light Sea Gray. The landing gear struts and axle assembly were well molded and fit without a problem. The distinctive three piece axle cross rods were very delicate and looked great. Naturally I did not use the clear plastic wheels but opted to use Toms Model Works PE spoked wheels. With Toms wheels you get the spoked wheel portion but not the tire. The idea is that you remove the center of the kit supplied wheel then split it in half. You then assemble the left and right portions of the PE spoked wheels and then attach the left and right portions of the plastic tire on either side. This is a very tedious thing to so I used a different method. I went into my Harbor Freight 382 piece O-ring assortment and found that the #11 5/16th" o-ring was a perfect match for the Anatra tire. I carefully used a razor saw and split the o-ring in half and then superglued each half to the PE spoked wheel assembly. The small gap in between the tire halves was filled with multiple coatings of superglue. The nice thing about using superglue was that it was self leveling and once the gap was filled no sanding was needed. The spoked portion was painted Tamiya X-32 Titanium Silver with the tires painted Tamiya XF-66 Light Grey with black pastel used for weathering.



The aircraft was rigged using stretched sprue. I used light gray sprue as I wanted a contrast

against the dark green of the aircraft and this was a wrong decision. Next time I'll use black as it looks better. Remember modelers are "illusionists" and we are creating the illusion of a real aircraft. Sometimes looks are more important than accuracy. (I thank Andrei Korbanics for that concept)

Weathering was done with a mixture of gray and black pastels and the beast was done. This was not a fun build at all with the fit of the fuselage and cowling areas being extremely bad. Perhaps this was due to the rushed job in making the molds to meet a business deadline. However with a lot of work and patience a nice model will result.

Well, thanks for reading, now get down to your bench, be useful and build something. As an aside, I've got Sundays free as I'm boycotting the NFL due to some players disrespecting our flag and what it stands for. Amazing what you can get done on a model over the course of a Sunday afternoon and evening. Think I'm going to do this on Monday and Thursday nights too....make a big dent in the stash! AND think of the money I'll save by not buying beer and pretzels...buy a lot of models with that cash! Hope to see you all for the October meeting.

Mike Terre



I think the best singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" was by Marvin Gaye, before an NBA All-Star Game at least 20 years ago! Think about when you have heard it done superbly! (Editor)

Dr. Simon himself sent me this review and build back in August, and it got lost in the air-waves of my computer for a while, so here it is....and since we are not sure if we will see him on Friday, it's an appropriately themed kit.



Sometimes you just want to do a 'quickie' build, and this Anigrand 1/144 Mil 1 helicopter filled the bill for me. I have mentioned Anigrand and their huge catalogue of the weird and wonderful before. Their boxes usually include one larger and two or three smaller types. This particular very small kit came with their 1/144 Tupolev 22 Blinder. It consists of fourteen cream colored

and one clear part. As usual for Anigrand these parts were essentially bubble-free and assembled with no fuss at all.

Even though the general shape is good, I did notice a significant error : a good sized air intake is missing from the hump above the cabin . By then the build was already pretty far along and I just let it go....

I used thin guitar string wire to add entrance steps , an airspeed probe, some reinforcement for the very shaky-looking rotor hub, and and a tail bumper. Plastic scrap was used for the prominent roof antenna mast and cabin fixings.

I used Testors Model Masters enamels, brushed on, for painting. I am quite fond of this line of paints but I have a sneaking suspicion that they are out of production. Both the topside green and underside blue are custom-mixed, and I must admit I've gotten quite good at mixing up the tones I have in my mind's eye...

While on the subject of painting, I must mention what a fine job Anigrand usually do with their clear parts : the framing is very neatly done, which makes masking and painting almost a breeze !

Decals were found in my stash and applied ; perfectly adequate decals were also included by Anigrand. As per my usual M.O. the model was given a coat from a spray can of Testors semi-gloss , and I was done ; I don't think I spent more than five hours on this build. It's not going to any contests, but I am happy with this tiny model of the first successful Soviet helicopter which first flew in 1947.

That resin rotor looked so fragile that it would break if you blew on it hard enough , so I installed the model inside one of these small Imex display cases, on top of a piece of pre-decorated ground cover which I got from Historic Rail a while back. I'm calling it ' Gone Bear Hunting ' because it represents Property of the State which has been appropriated by a couple of guys who've landed it on the taiga for some definitely non-official use . Keep cool !

Simon V.

Thanks, Doc! Ed.



We all wish you a speedy recovery.



Upcoming Events

- [Glue Crew 2017 on October 14, 2017 - Wausau, WI](#)
- [Capitol Classic 2017 on October 14, 2017 - Austin, TX](#)
- [IPMS Silver Wings USS Hornet Inaugural Model Expo & Open Cockpit Day on October 14, 2017 - Alameda, CA](#)
- [Granitecon XXV on October 15, 2017 - Manchester, NH](#)
- [Syrcon 30 on October 15, 2017 - Cicero, NY](#)
- [South Carolina Modelers Fall Contest on October 21, 2017 - North Charleston, SC](#)
- [IPMS Mid Hudson 2017 on October 21, 2017 - Poughkeepsie, NY](#)

