

'The Instruction Sheet'

IPMS / Granite State Modelers Club Nashua, New Hampshire Newsletter: March, 2018



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GSMC/IPMS meets the third Monday night (4th Monday in Jan & Feb) of each month from 7 to 9 PM at the Nashua Public Library, 2 Court Street Nashua, New Hampshire. Visitors are welcome to attend. Monthly show and tell pictures are posted on our website. Website maintained by Brandon Clifton.

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Meeting Reminders: 2018 Meeting Dates: March 19, April 16, May 21

Business Report

When we arrived for our February meeting, we found that due to the holiday and the library having to have to find a space for their tax help series, we got moved into a very tiny meeting room. The woman at the desk assured me it was only for the month. We were packed in like sardines and it did get rather warm.... Never mind finding space for all of the "show and tell" models.

Last month we got to work and decided upon a theme for Granitecon. After a lot of discussion, we decided upon "Cats" as our theme. Anything named after a cat or with "cat" in its name qualifies. This covers almost every category we have! We also considered lots of date related ideas, but in the end, "cats" won the votes. Save all of those other ideas for next year.

We discussed buying trophy packs for Noreastcon and the Nationals, and decided to purchase them. We also voted to buy trophy packs for Patcon, North Shore Con, and Downeastcon in Maine. Continuing the subscription to Finescale Modeler for the Nashua Library was also approved.

As far as other Granitecon business is concerned, we dropped one category which hasn't drawn enough interest over the years, and formally split aircraft larger than $1/48^{th}$ scale into props and jets. We did at last years' contest and with so many entries in the category we have done it officially. At the same time we have added a "Best Aircraft" award into our lineup of special awards. We also dropped the "Build Book" requirement from the Campagna Award for best detailed armor piece. This ends up making one more trophy pack to sell. That being said, "Sell trophy packs!" As we have found out, if they are sold before the contest rush in September, we can relax and enjoy the process more.

We looked around the room, and realized that lots of us need club shirts again. John Rauscher will check on pricing with our source and get back to us.

Lyn, Mac, and Mike Duguay went to another club's meeting in Essex Junction, Vermont, and picked up some techniques for doing rust on a model. Pete Davis has been following Andy's Hobby Headquarters U-Tube channel and has been picking up lots of ideas and suggestions from it, as well as adding some of his own. Mike Greenwood reported that he is going to carry Tamiya Aircraft Sprays in his shop.

Dues are due in March! They are still only \$12 per year. See me at the meeting, or send me a check. I have attached a form to this newsletter for those who need to change any of their contact information.

Hobby Shop Directory

These are the hobby shops that support us and our efforts year after year. Most give our club members discounts, They support our club contests, and stock the supplies and new kits we crave. Please support them, too!

Hobby Emporium (978-649-5055) 440 Middlesex Rd Tyngsboro, MA 01879
The Spare Time Shop (508-481-5789) 222 E. Main St Marlboro, MA 01752
North East Trains Model Center (978-532-1615) 18 Main Street Peabody, MA 01960
Double Play Hobby (603-582-4224) 318 Nashua St Milford, NH 03055
Hobbies With A Twist, LLC (603-223-0132) 1 Depot St Concord, NH
Elite Hobbies (603-749-0800) 90 Washington St Unit 334 Dover, NH
Granite State Hobbies 20 Pleasant St. Claremont, NH (603-504-5605) ajmsugaring@icloud.com

Local Upcoming Events of Interest

March 18, 2018: Masscar Annual Model Exhibition Holiday Inn, Taunton, MA

March 25, 2018: Valleycon 28 Wings and Wheels Chicopee, MA

April 8, 2018: Downeastcon 2018 Thornton Academy, 438 Main St. Saco, Maine

April 21, 2018: CanAm Con Holiday Inn Plattsburgh, NY

April 28, 2018: Noreastcon 47 Museum of Armor Old Bethpage, NY

May 3-5, 2018: AMPS Dayton, Ohio

May 6, 2018: NorthshoreCon 2018 Gloucester High School Gloucester, MA

August 1-4, 2018: IPMS National Convention Phoenix Convention Center Phoenix, AR

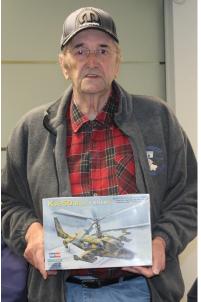
Sept. 16, 2018: PatCon 2018 Hudson Elks Lodge 99 Park St. Hudson, MA

October 21, 2018: Granitecon XXVI The Falls Event Center 21 Front St. Manchester, NH

Nov. 11, 2018: Baycon 2018 Elks Hall 326 Farnum Pike Smithfield, RI

February Raffle Winners







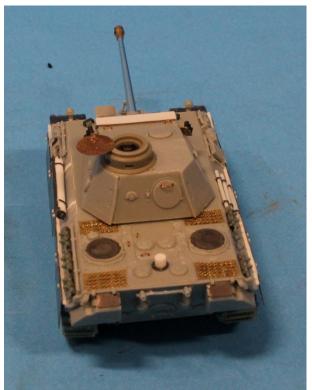
February Show and Tell



Mac Johnston's "in progress" 1964 Ford Falcon Sprint



Nate Clark's "in progress" Su-85 and T-34/85





Jody Kelm's "in progress" 1/72nd Dragon Panther D Early with tons of after-market detail already added





John Walker's 54mm Imrie Risley Jaeger





John Walker's 1/35th Asuka Panzerspaehwagen II "Luchs"





John Walker added the interior to his 1/35th CMK T.A.C.A.M. R-2





John Walker's 1/35th Takom M3 Lee Early to which he added stowage boxes and smoke dischargers



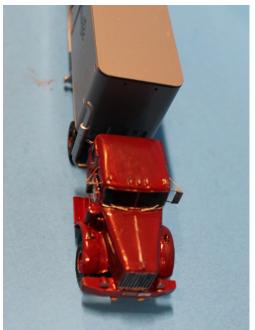


Chuck Converse added under wing stores and hypothetical French markings to his 1/72nd Monogram F7F Tigercat





Rod Currier built this 1/48th Tamiya Mosquito Mk IV Photo Recon aircraft "out of the box."





Paul Lessard added a scratch built frame, signals, headlights, and stack to his 1/87th Sheepscot Models Autocar DC 75 1953 Tractor He added under frame details to the Trucks'N Stuff Canadian Pacific 40 ft. Piggyback Van it is pulling





Pete Davis built this 1/35th Dragon Firefly Sherman for which he had to fabricate fender parts





Pete Davis called his 1/35th Tamiya Tiger I an easy build with lots of detail and a beautiful fit.





By contrast, Peter Davis said his 1/48th Special Hobby Boomerang had lots of fit problems.....





Tony D'Anjou called his 1/72nd B-52 with X-15 a great kit. Sure is BIG!

