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Coming Events

PDK Airport Meeting -

This month's meeting will be **Wednesday, October 17, 7 p.m.** at Peachtree-Dekalb Airport (PDK). Turn from Clairmont onto Airport Rd. Go to the last left turn before reaching the speed bumps. The street will take you around the hanger and across the ramp. There is parking just past the ramp. Go in the glass door. Take the stairs to the left and go up to the second floor. The conference room is just down the hall.

Model Building Clinic and Q&A-

General Kit Building Discussion

HobbyTown USA,

4125 GA-20, BUFORD, GA

Saturday, October 27, 2018 1 p.m.

Club Build-Session -

HobbyTown USA,

4125 GA-20, BUFORD, GA

Saturday, November 3, 2018 1 p.m.



2019 IPMS/USA Nationals

Chattanooga

Aug 7-10, 2019

**Now Less Than ...
11 Months Away!**

AtlantaCon 2019 - March 9, 2019

March will be here before we know it! Club members are currently working to get forms and information updated for the 2019 show for posting on the IPMS Atlanta website.

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CALENDAR

Oct 13 - 14 Wings Over North GA Rome, GA	Dec 1: Annual Club Christmas Party, 7 pm Jim and Kim Elmore's Home
Oct 17: PDK Airport Monthly Meeting 7-9 pm Fall Challenge Model Results!	Dec 19: PDK Airport Monthly Meeting 7-9 pm
Oct 27: HobbyTown Model Build Q&A 1-3 pm	Dec 29: HobbyTown Model Build Q&A 1-3 pm 2019
Nov 3: HobbyTown Build Session 1-3 pm	Jan 5: HobbyTown Build Session 1-3 pm
Nov 10: IPMS Middle Tennessee Murfreesboro, TN	Jan 11: ModelCon 2019 Chattanooga, TN
Nov 21: PDK Airport Monthly Meeting 7-9 pm	Mar 9: AtlantaCon 2019 Marietta, GA
Nov 22: THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY	
Nov 24: HobbyTown Model Build Q&A 1-3 pm	
Dec 1: HobbyTown Build Session 1-3 pm	

September PDK Meeting Notes

A. Dave Lockhart was off enjoying a tremendous Alaska cruise vacation with his lovely wife Robin!

Conduct of the September meeting was left in the capable hands of Vice President Bill Wofford (*who skillfully delegated the meeting to Secretary Bill Easton ... who apologized for no PPT presentation, and admitted if he had tried to do one, it would not have been as good as Dave's!*)

B. (Very) Brief business meeting ...

1. Jim Elmore:

CHOA (Children's Hospital of Atlanta) Build Session

Oct 3rd from 3:00 - 4:00 pm at the Eggleston location (1405 Clifton Rd, NE)

2. **Fall Challenge** models are due for the October meeting.

3. **November meeting date:** Members present were asked to think about the following options ... *no change/re-schedule/cancel* since that meeting will be on Thanksgiving Eve.

A decision should be made at the October meeting and passed along to members.

4. Continue to monitor the newsletter, IPMS Atlanta website, and the IPMS USA website for upcoming activities.

C. Members discussed a great group of models on the table this month.

D. Model of the Month - Went to Ray Wheeler's Fw-190

E. Raffle Winner - Bill Easton

Models for the Lawrenceville Museum

MiG-21, Bill Wofford, Complete

F-4, Brian Speer, Complete

MiG-17, Bill Johnston, Complete

B-58, Bill Easton, Complete

F/A 18, Jim Elmore, Complete

F-5, Jim Elmore, Complete

A-10, Brian Mason, Complete (Lost In Action) 

F-117, Gale Brown, Complete

B-52, Ed Sveum, Complete

USS Skipjack, Dave Lockhart, Complete

A-10 (Replacement), Ed Hulsey, In Process

A-4, Unassigned

A-6, Unassigned

F-100, Unassigned

F-105, Gale Brown/Bill Easton, In Process

F-106, Unassigned

F-86, Unassigned

OV-10, Unassigned

OV-1A, Unassigned

HobbyTown USA®

<http://www.hobbytownduluth.com/>

Update!

A small sign has been added to the display case encouraging anybody interested in the models in the case to please look but not to touch.

The contents of the display case is starting to grow with the recent addition of more models and figures. Thanks to all of you for sharing your great work!

Thanks to Dave Lockhart for providing HobbyTown with a club information poster and easel stand.

Finally, a huge **Thank You** to Phillip, Bo, and all our friends at HobbyTown for their continued hospitality in allowing us to use the room at their shop a couple of Saturdays a month for model-building, Q&A/Demo's, and general hobby conversation!

***CHOA (Children's Hospital of Atlanta)
Egleston Hospital Build Session***

Report from Jim Elmore:

On October 3, Dave Lockhart, Jim Elmore and Art Murray hosted the kids at Egleston Children's Hospital for a build session.

About six patients joined us, with another half dozen kits going to those who couldn't attend. A great group of kids, several models built and nobody threw up!

We also left behind a stash of kits that should keep them busy through the end of the year.

(Thank you, gentlemen for reaching-out to the kids!

See Dave Lockhart's excellent article in this newsletter for more information about the Children's Hospital effort!)

On the Table in September ...



1:24
Atlantis Classic Plastics

Alfetta 158/159
Alpha Romeo

Paint: Tamiya

This is a model of the car that won the 1950 & 1951 Formula I Championships.

Two kit builds from Don Gustke

1:24
Atlantis Classic Plastics

Lago-Talbot T26C

Paint: Tamiya

The T26C racer won the 1948 thru 1950 Grand Prix.





Jose Morales, Jr.

1:72
Italeri

Northrop-Boeing X-32

Paint: Vallejo acrylics
Used pre-shading

The X-32 lost in competitive tests against the X-35 (which became the F-35.)

Ray Wheeler

1:48
Tamiya

Fw-190A-8

Paint: Aero Master Acrylics
Decals: Aero Master after-market





Jim Elmore

1:72
IBG (Poland)

**Toldi 1
Hungarian-built WWII
Light Tank**

Paint: Tamiya & Reaper
Wash: Flory

From: Fernando Sanchez

1:35
Zvezda (T-20 & 105mm ATG)
Tamiya (Crew Figures)

**T-20 Komsomolet &
105mm ATG with Crew**

Paint: Tamiya Acrylic
Mud Pigments

Added: Gun belts made from tea
bags

Scene depicts Soviet troops
advancing after the Stalingrad
battle.





From Bill Wofford

1:48
Eduard

PKZ-2

Paint: Poly Scale

The kit, which Bill finished 20 years ago, is a replica of a WWI Austro-Hungarian Helicopter.

Used to replace observation balloons, it held one observer and was connected to the ground by three tethers.

Paul Lovell

brought-in for display and discussed the work he has been doing on an Opel Ambulance 1:72 scale kit from ESCI.

Paul also talked about the model-building challenges presented by recently moving his residence from one state to another. *(I grumble when I lay my hobby knife down and can't find it ... nothing I'm sure to what Paul is handling to get re-organized for model-building!)*

September Model of the Month

from Ray Wheeler



Congratulations Ray!

When describing the quality and fit of the kit, Ray said it went together so quick and easy that he was ***not*** able to ... in the words of Jim Elmore ...
"Develop a close personal relationship with the kit!"

Keep building 'em and bringing 'em!

September Club Meeting



Bill Easton

was the monthly raffle big winner at the September PDK meeting.

(Bill finally sprung for \$5 in raffle tickets and BINGO!)

Raffle Winner

Monthly Club Raffle Reminder!

Get a free raffle ticket for each model you bring to the monthly meeting.

Build 'em and Bring 'em!



Notes from the Workbench - October 2018

Dave Lockhart

"I Can Tell You're Smiling"

My model chapter, IPMS Atlanta Scale Modelers, has a wonderful outreach program at Children's Hospital of Atlanta. Members go to the hospital and spend time with the kids (patients) building models. The success of the program is all due to the hard work and dedication of Jim Elmore.

Being that it's a children's hospital there are requirements for the type of models we can bring. They have to be snap-tite. No glue or paints are allowed. The models have to be of a non-war type. No tanks or guns; even though we had some B-17 Egg models which didn't look too war-like. Most of the models were cars, space ships, planes and a few ships. Many of these models are hard to find and Jim does a great job getting them at a reasonable price.

On Wednesday, Oct 3rd Jim and I headed down to CHOA (Art Murray met us down there) with boxes of models. We met with Ansley Johnson who is the volunteer coordinator of special events where she set us up on a couple of large round table in the main lobby of the hospital. With a poster on an easel and kits in hand we were ready to go.

The kids started arriving at 3:00 pm with their parents. Some walked, some came in wheelchairs. Some still have IV's in their small arms. One did not have an opportunity to feel sorry for them because they were there to have some fun and they let you know it. They cheerfully dove into the box of models and picked out the one they liked.

My model partner was Sarah. With her big brown eyes, glasses and face mask she picked one of the B-17 egg planes and promptly started building it. Right from the start, I knew she was in charge and I was there for assistance. We chatted away like we had known each other for years as her mom sat by amused at the process. I did not ask her why she was in the hospital, that's not my business. We just talked models. At some point she told me that she was in the 5th grade and was on her last chemo treatment for this darn leukemia she had. That was it, nothing more was mentioned.

She dove into building her B-17 with determination. Other than pointing out steps in the instructions, she built the plane by herself. She did mention something about the darn decals (stickers for these models) which many of us can relate to. As she was

building the plane she kept mentioning to her mom that she was going to give it to her father.

At one point I mentioned to her that she was smiling. She asked me how I knew because she had a mask on. I told her I could see it in her eyes. She then quickly pulled the mask down, stuck her tongue out and back when the mask. The giggles and bright eyes said it all.

After the B-17 was done, she promptly picked out a bright yellow VW Beetle (Bug as we use to call them). As with the plane, she dove into the building of this car with determination. As she was building she was chatting away as little kids do when they are having fun.

Before I knew it, time was over. As Sarah and her mom were heading back to her room, with models in hand, I can't remember a time when I had more fun building models.

I can't wait for the next trip to CHOA. Next time I'll bring my magnifying visor, I was having a hard time seeing the model parts. A tad of non-toxic glue would be good to help loose parts. I strongly urge all to partake in the next build at CHOA. It will leave you humble and grateful.

I wish Sarah a speedy and complete recovery. Maybe years from now she'll see a couple of dusty models on her shelf smile a little.

Happy Modeling.

Dave





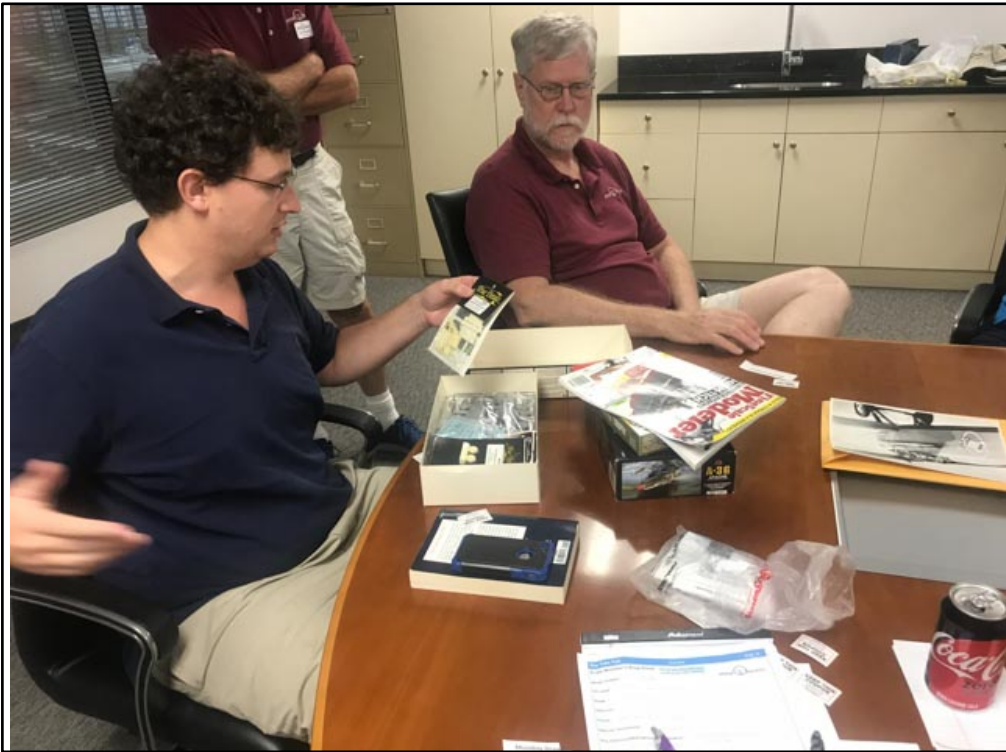
Reminder: *Model Kit Boxtops Needed!*

Jim Elmore is collecting small to medium sized model kit box tops to use in a poster display supporting the Egleston Hospital project.

Please contact Jim and let him know if you have one or more boxtops you could pass along to him. All greatly appreciated!

Sprue Snippings ...

If you run across a source that you think might be helpful to others for their modeling reference, or just for general interest, please pass it along. For this month ...



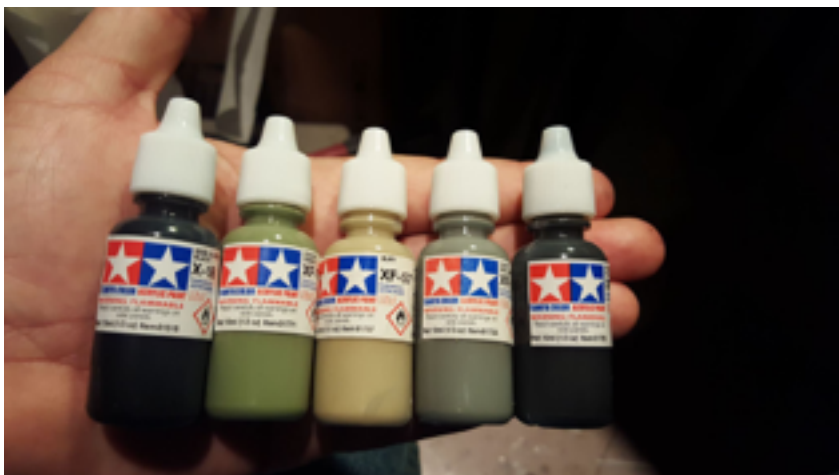
Squadron Val-U-Pak Kits

For the September club meeting at PDK Airport, **Thomas Moore** brought-in a couple of example kits distributed by Squadron in the late 1990's/early 2000. The kits were absolutely over-flowing with resin and other add-on parts and material making them exceptional kits for "out of the box" assembly!

Thomas passed-along a detailed, very interesting run-down on the Squadron Val-U-Pak kits. That write-up has been included as a PDF file, "*Squadron ValUPak*," in the email used to send-out this newsletter.

Thank you, Thomas!

New Tamiya Colors?



Jose Morales, Jr. sent me a message containing this picture with no explanation.

When I asked him if these were new Tamiya paints, he finally confessed that he just likes the convenience of the small bottles. So, he rebottles regular Tamiya paint and moves the labels to the small bottles.

Jose wanted to save the picture for an April Fool's Day, but I wanted to share with the club what Jose does with his "spare" time when he is not churning-out excellent model builds in record time!

PDK Monthly Meeting ...

The September meeting included excellent model work on the table for display and discussion. In addition, there was work-in-progress discussion along with the chance to review some vintage kits loaded with extras! As always, it was great to see everyone and talk some model building!



Is Bill Wofford asleep?!? ----->

Editor Note:

Seriously, all of us at the meeting were actually enjoying ourselves and having a much better time than my quick snapshots seem to indicate!

I'll try to do better next month!

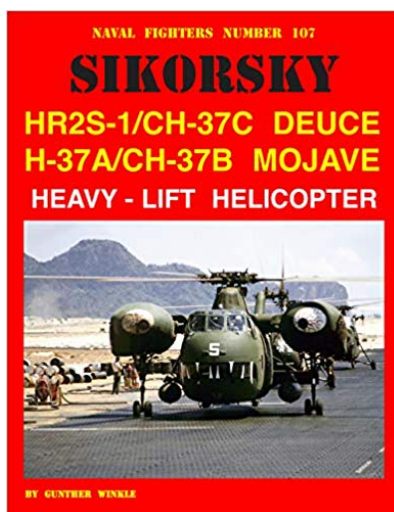
(Also, Bill was not asleep, but prep'ing his camera for his greatly appreciated photo work on our models.)



JIM'S PRINTED MATTERS

by Jim Pernikoff

MMP Books has a series called *Spotlight On*, which are colors & markings books of certain aircraft and military vehicles done by noted artists. Naturally, I was attracted to one called **Grumman F-14 Tomcat**, a blast from my past. This one has 41 images by a Brazilian named Marcelo Ribeiro, covering 33 aircraft. Most of the views are left-side, but 2 aircraft have right side views and 2 more also have top and bottom views. There are also views of the inside of some vertical fins and closeups of some nose art and mission markings (for Bombcats). And a few Iranian aircraft are included as well. The artworks are presented in landscape format and include data such as BuNo, unit, time and place. If you like building Tomcats, there is nice variety here to give you some ideas.

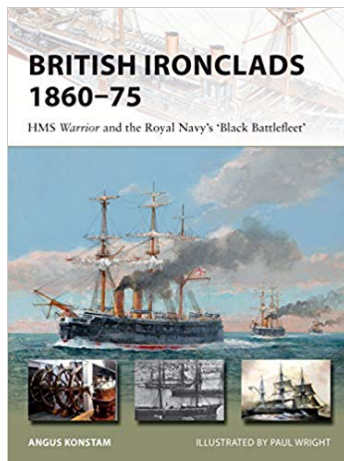
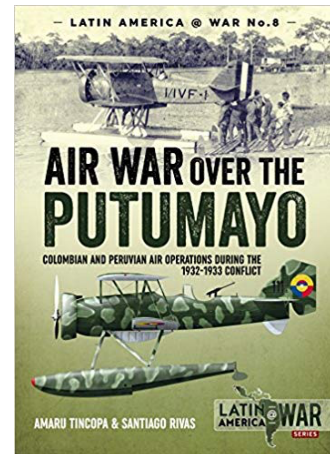


Ginter Books has not appeared in this column for some time, but now comes *Naval Fighters* #107 on a helicopter that has always fascinated me, the **Sikorsky HR2S-1/CH-37 Mojave**, the first true heavy-lift helicopter, company designation S-56. I always liked the way crews painted the nacelle fronts to make the air intakes look like very sinister eyes (and the helo on the cover adds teeth!). The usual Ginter formula is followed, with lots of diagrams from service manuals, detail photos of instrument panels and lots of details of the cargo-handling equipment. The unit-by-unit breakdown includes lots of photos you probably haven't seen before, and there are a number of first-hand accounts by pilots and crews, particularly when the aircraft's use in Vietnam is described. The experimental anti-sub HR2S-1W and the flying crane prototype S-60 are included, of course, as are experiments with six-bladed rotors and even twin tail rotors! The Westland Westminster, which mated the S-56's

dynamic components to a more conventional layout, is also here, as is mention of commercial usage by Keystone Helicopters. Naturally, there is a modeler's section, which highlights the recent 1/72 Special Hobby kits. As usual, the only color is on the covers, but that does include 5 side views on the back cover. This is almost certainly the best book you'll see on this iconic helicopter.

JIM'S PRINTED MATTERS - Continued

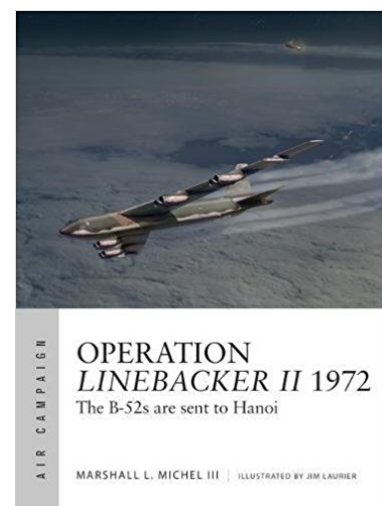
The small air wars fought in Latin America in the last century are always interesting, and **Helion Books** has been featuring these in its *Latin America @War* series, #7 of which is **Air War Over the Putumayo**, *Colombian and Peruvian Air Operations During the 1932-1933 Conflict*. This was about an 8-month period of both active and passive activities along a disputed border, and involved American, German, Italian, British and French aircraft, nearly all of them on floats! So as minor as the war may have been, there are a lot of opportunities here for models of diverse aircraft types in interesting markings. The photos, typically, tend to be of rather poor quality, but there are 5 pages of color side-views and 3 of maps. Even if you've never heard of this conflict (and you probably haven't), this one is worth a look for its varied group of aircraft. (Even though most are fairly small types, there is even a Ju 52, and it's on floats, too!)



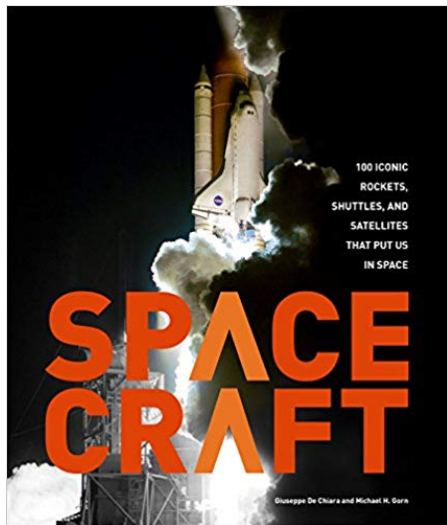
Two new titles of interest from **Osprey**: I have always considered the period of warship development from about 1860 to 1890 to be the most interesting from a design standpoint, as ships went from wooden to iron to steel, full sail rigs disappeared entirely, and guns went from broadside-mounted muzzle-loaders to turret-mounted breech-loaders. Much of this change began with the ships of *New Vanguard* #262, **British Ironclads 1860-75**, which starts with HMS *Warrior*, the first large ocean-going ironclad, and in some peoples' minds, the first battleship, and a ship still preserved in Portsmouth. Author Angus Konstam, an expert on this period, describes some 32 ships in 22 classes which followed. Naturally, in a 48-page book, coverage of all of these is somewhat basic; many of the details describe the group of ships as a whole. As is often the case, the highlight is in the color illustrations, which include an isometric cutaway of *Warrior*. This is a good

introduction to an important group of ships, many of whose names would reappear in 20th century warships that you probably are familiar with.

I have been very enthusiastic about Osprey's new *Air Campaign* series, and that continues with #6, **Operation Linebacker II 1972**, which describes the campaign that succeeded in bringing the North Vietnamese to the negotiating table and ending U.S. involvement in the war. Following on the limited success of *Linebacker I* (the subject of a forthcoming sister book), the B-52s were sent to bomb Hanoi and Haiphong, at some cost to themselves and their crews, and that is covered in the usual series fashion, with an assessment of the USAF's capabilities and the North's defenses. The campaign and its aftermath are done in detail, with various mission profiles shown as part of the usually excellent artwork. There may be other books on *Linebacker II*, but probably none will ever describe it graphically as well as this one.

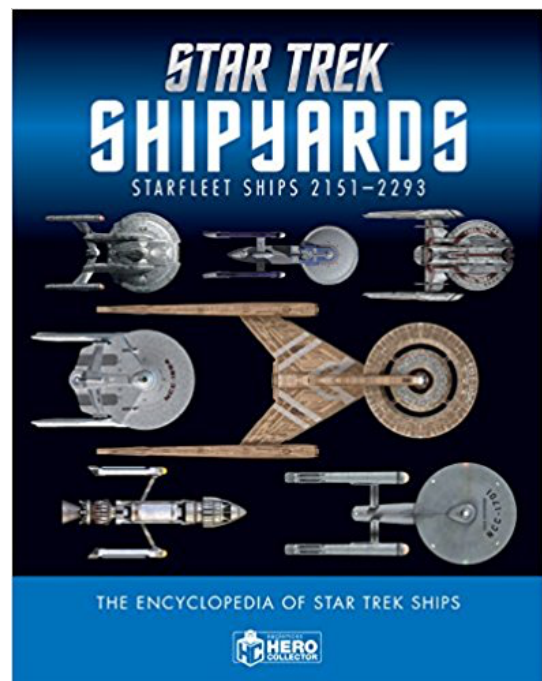


JIM'S PRINTED MATTERS - Continued



Spacecraft, *100 Iconic Rockets, Shuttles and Satellites That Put Us in Space*, is a graphical history of space flight around the world to the present day, in all its variety. There are multiple views of the various craft, all in color and with scale bars adjacent, and the development of some spacecraft in the form of mockups and prototypes is sometimes included. Some of the views are cutaway, and there are typically mission profiles that show how these craft operated from the beginning and end to their missions. There are also some family trees of related spacecraft. The text is detailed enough to describe the various craft and their missions without going into the detail of a Haynes manual. I don't know if the drawings are detailed enough to help you build a model, so the best thing I can say is that, if you have an interest in "real space" from its origins to the present day, you ought to seek out this interesting, large-format book.

Okay, now from "real space" to the "final frontier". I am not a huge fan of *Star Trek*, but I always appreciated the design of the starships, which were really the first spacecraft shown on a screen that didn't have any pretensions toward atmospheric flight; even the ships of *Star Wars* tend to have pointy noses and engine nozzles in the back; you won't find these in ***Star Trek Shipyards***, *Starfleet Ships 2151-2293*, the first in a series of *The Encyclopedia of Star Trek Ships* from **Hero Collector**. The book actually predates 2151 to show how spacecraft developed from a 20th-century ship, called *S.S. Botany Bay*, through the first ships to go warp 1, 2 and 3. The real stuff starts with *USS Enterprise NX-01* and proceeds from there to highlight other significant ships, mostly those that appeared on TV or in the movies. The artwork shows the ships in both four-view drawings and action paintings, and the development and service histories are presented for each one. However, there are not a lot of views showing interior features, so don't expect much help in modeling your starship's interior. There are timelines, charts comparing contemporary ships by size, and a fleet list identifying sister ships to those described fully, though it doesn't appear to be complete to me, either. But to me this is much more satisfying than the earlier *Ships of the Line* book, and there are already-announced companion books, one covering the later Starfleet ships (due in a month) and another on the Klingon ships (due in May). Live long and prosper!



JIM'S PRINTED MATTERS - Continued

One bookazine this month, and it's an expected one from **Key Publishing**: *Aviation Archive* #39, **RAF Centenary 100 Famous Aircraft, Vol. 4: Support Aircraft**. Having noted that volume 3 brought the combat types up to date, it was obvious that this one would cover trainers, transports, tankers and utility aircraft, along with helicopters. The list goes from the Tiger Moth to the Voyager (A330) tanker, and includes such American types (both continents) as the Harvard, Chipmunk and Tucano trainers, the Dakota, Hercules and Globemaster transports, and the Chinook and Sentry (E-3). I suppose that the Sunderland is probably the most "offensive" type in the publication, and while these aircraft may not be as exciting as the ones in the preceding three volumes, their importance to RAF success can not be ignored. The usual combination of large-size photos from the archives, along with a few isometric cutaways (though fewer than usual) is followed, and there is enough here to keep modelers of such aircraft engaged.



One other bookazine note: the issue on the **Concorde** from **Mortons Media** has been reissued on the 50th anniversary of the aircraft's first flight; it is basically little changed but has had a bunch of typos corrected. If you bought it before you probably don't need to do so now, but if you missed it the first time around, it is worth looking for, as it is a quality work, much as other titles from the same publisher.

JIM'S PRINTED MATTERS- Continued

Last month I included a list of **Schiffer** *Legends of Warfare* books for the remainder of the year; now they have announced their program for the first part of next year:

P-38, Vol. 1 (XP-38 to P-38H) (Mar)

The Blue Angels (Mar)

Stuart, Vol. 1 (M3) (Mar)

M3A1 Scout Car (Mar)

USS New Jersey BB-62 (Mar)

B-26 Marauder (Apr)

SPAD Fighters (May)

B-24, Vol. 2 (B-24G to M) (May)

E-8 J-STARS (May)

USS Tennessee BB-43 (May)

PT Boats (May)

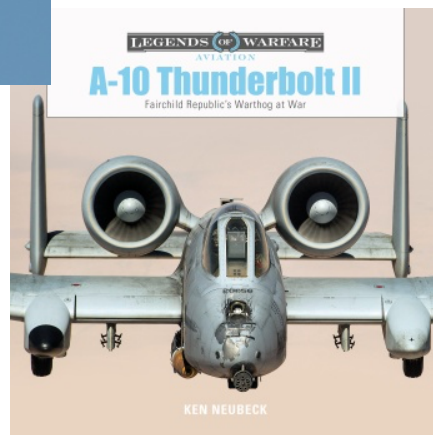
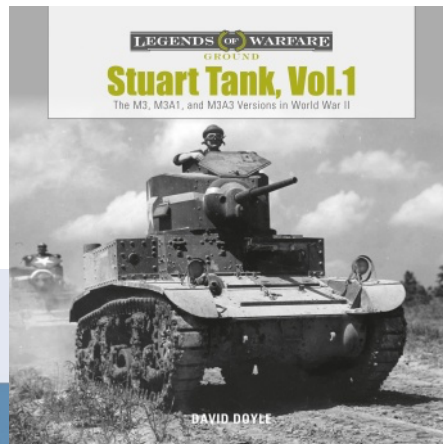
Messerschmitt Bf 110 (Jun)

P-47 Thunderbolt (Jun)

F6F Hellcat (Jun)

P-51, Vol 1 (XP-51 to P-51C) (Jun)

A-10 Thunderbolt II (Jun)

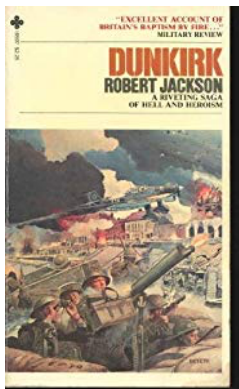
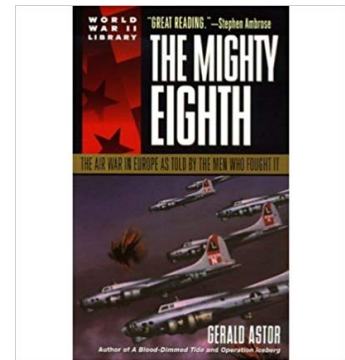


Publishers Survey**By Jim Pernikoff****Dell & Jove Books**

I had a much bigger checklist planned, but a problem in the house has taken up much of my free time, so instead, here is another “paperback interlude”, this time with two checklists, for publishers Dell and Jove.

Dell is certainly a publisher you should have heard of, since they’ve been around since 1943 and have done thousands of paperbacks. They are considered one of the “holy trinity” of paperback publishers along with Bantam and Pocket Books, though they’ve never been particularly big in military nonfiction. (Ironically, they are now owned by Bantam.)

The 1950s-1960s series by Congdon aside, their only real effort has been the 1990s World War II Library, which at least offered some very good titles, including a number by Gerald Astor. The series had a distinctive cover design with a black header and a red band in the upper left corner. Their main list also has some good choices, including the Congressional Medal of Honor series, which I wish they’d reissue and keep in print. Gabreski’s autobiography and Hugh Mills’ classic *Low Level Hell* are also noteworthy, as is Farago’s well-known book on Patton.



Jove started as Pyramid Books in 1949 and for years was known for science fiction and fantasy fiction. In 1974 they became part of Harcourt Brace and in 1977 changed their name to Jove. The military nonfiction actually started with Playboy Press (yes, *that* Playboy!) with a series having a distinctive cover design: the top 30% was white and had the book title in block letters and whatever other text was needed; the bottom 70% was wraparound artwork.

In 1983, Playboy sold their paperback operation to Jove, and the military series continued with the same cover design. Their first design revision added the phrase “A Jove War Book” prominently to the cover. Later they changed their cover design to have a blue header and a red bottom. While not huge in numbers, their selection of titles was impressive and featured a lot of books not previously available in paperback.

Again, you’ll note that the lists are in alphabetical order rather than chronological. The years listed are, to the best of my knowledge, those of the first Dell or Playboy/Jove edition, but that is almost meaningless because many of these books can be found with different print dates; usually all editions are the same except for the cover design. And again, the lists are almost entirely of non-fiction titles. Most of these titles are still available on the usual used-book websites.

You will also note that some books are missing the page count; I do not own these and have been unable to find the page counts online. If any of you own any of those books, please let me know the page count so that I can update the checklist.

To review and print/utilize the publication information Jim has organized for you, please open the PDF attachments labeled ...

“Dell Paperbacks,” and “Jove Paperbacks”

Scale Modeler's Brag Sheet

Fill out and bring with your model to the club meeting.



Model Subject: _____

Kit Used: _____

Scale: _____

Add-ons: _____

Paints: _____

Special Techniques: _____

Any Historical/Background Information: _____

Modeler's Name: _____

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International Plastic Modelers' Society/USA Membership Application / Renewal Form

New ☐ Renewal ☐ IPMS#: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Chapter Affiliation, if any: _____

Junior (17 years or younger)

☐ \$17.00

Date of Birth _____

Adult One year

☐ \$30.00

Two years

☐ \$58.00

Three years

☐ \$86.00

Canada & Mexico

☐ \$35.00

Foreign Surface

☐ \$38.00

Family

☐ Adult fee + \$5.00

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Your Signature: _____

If recommended by an IPMS member, please provide his/her:

Name: _____ IPMS #: _____

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

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