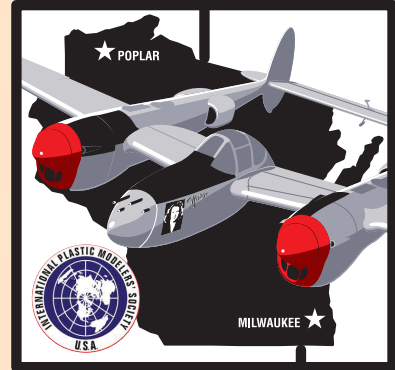


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Deadline for submissions is 10 days
prior to the next "General meeting".

General Meeting **Friday, April 13** Water Stone Bank 6560 S. 27th Street
Doors open at 7:00 p.m. Meeting starts at 7:30 p.m.

Business Meeting **Wednesday, April 18** at Baker's Square 4900 S. 76th St.,
Meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. • All members are welcome!

How far do you go?

Do you work a lot when building and finishing a model, or do you worry a lot about the result? Do you hold up a model while you research the color on the inside surface of the hatch that holds the first-aid kit? Maybe you do. Maybe you just want to be "accurate." Or maybe you're just fussy that way. Or maybe "particular." Or maybe you have obsessive-compulsive personality disorder. Or maybe you don't care at all. The reason I bring this up is my recent self-evaluation of my model collection and the efforts I put into modeling. In years passed, I would often take the long route to detailing a model. Before there were aftermarket parts, I would scratch-build cockpits, and fashion minor conversions. I fussed about getting the right color, mixing basic colors to match the Federal Standard color chips – before the paint manufacturers came up with color matched model paints. I would vacuum-form EVERY canopy, sand off EVERY rivet, and fill every depression no matter how tiny. I just knew if I didn't that SOME CONTEST JUDGE was going to gig me out of some top prize. AHA! I was building for trophies, not for fun!

So I've mellowed in recent years. I'm still fussy about colors, but only on the outside of the model. Now I usually keep the canopy closed and I no longer detail the cockpit beyond adding the occasional seat harness. And beyond our club's annual contest, I just don't subject by models (or my ego) to judging anymore. Trying to win contests just slows me down. After all, whom am I modeling for? Is my audience going to care or even know what color is proper for that first-aid hatch? Not likely anyone would know, so why worry?

Looking forward to our theme at the April 13 meeting: models from Eastern European kits. I've got a bunch I could bring in and hope you'll bring in your models of Special Hobby, KP, Zvezda, MPM, Eduard, and kits from a host of other manufacturers. Should be fun!

— Paul Boyer

Upcoming Events Compiled by Jim Erfert

April 5-8 • Rockford, IL

WW1 re enactment, Midway village museum
Rockford Il Guifford Rd.
FT tank and aircraft on display

April 7 • Des Moines, IA

Surgicon 24 - 9:00am to 5:00pm Highland
Park Christian Church, 4260 NW 6th Drive, Des
Moines, IA, 50313 joachimlotz63@gmail.com

April 7 • Dayton, OH

WrightCon 2018. The Hope Hotel 10823
Chidlaw Rd, Dayton, OH, 45433
Contact: Chris Bumgarner - christopher.
bumgarner@gmail.com (link sends e-mail)

April 7 • Anniston, AL

Phantom Phurball 2018: 60 Years of Phabulous
Phantoms! Anniston City Meeting Center
1615 Noble St, Anniston, AL 36201, William
Nichols, phantomphocus@gmail.com

April 8 • Westlake, OH

Spring Swap-n-Bull Toy and Model Show
FOP Lodge #25 9:00am to 3:00pm
26145 Center Ridge Rd, Westlake, OH, 44145
JENPAULHAYWARD@GMAIL.COM

April 14 • Bixby, OK

Tulsa Modelers Open Contest, Bixby Community
Center 9:00am to 4:00pm, 211 N. Cabaniss,
Bixby, OK, 74008 greg.kittinger@gmail.com

April 21 • Monicello, IA

Fleacon 14, Berndes Center, 8:00am to 4:30pm,
766 North Maple St., Monticello, IA, 52310 li-
brarian@gl-iowa.org

May 12 • Milwaukee, WI

The U.S. Junior Scale Modeling Team presents the
10th Annual Shep Paine Classic Veterans Show at
the ZABLOCKI VA Medical Center.
(DOMS123) 5000 W. National Ave.
Registration 9_Noon, Judging 1-3, Awards 3 PM
FREE to enter and attend.

May 18 - 20 • Manitowoc, WI

Midwestern Model Ships & Boats Contest and
Display held at Wisconsin Maritime Museum. For
more information call 920-242-4943 or email
wendy.lutzke@gmail.com

June 16 • Crystal Lake, IL

Seventh Annual Northern Illinois Model Contest
(NIMCON 7) 9AM to 5PM, McHenry County Col-
lege, 8900 US Hwy 14, Crystal Lake, IL 60012
for more info and updates visit: [www.lakesregion-
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August 1 • Phoenix, AZ

2:00pm to August 4, 2018 - 10:00pm, IPMS/
USA National Convention 2018, Phoenix Con-
vention Center, Phoenix, AZ 100 N. 3rd St, Phoe-
nix, AZ, 85004

September 28-30 • West Allis, WI

Maker Faire, Wisconsin State Fair Park, [https://
milwaukee.makerfaire.com/](https://milwaukee.makerfaire.com/)

November 3 • Oshkosh, WI

21st Annual Winnebago Area Model Classic &
Swap Meet. Oshkosh Hilton Garden Inn,
Exit 116 East from Interstate 41.
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email WAMClassic@gmail.com
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January 19, 2019 • Darien, IL

Planes, Trains and Automobiles Plastic Model Kit
& Model Railroad Swap Meet and Show
Saint John Lutheran Church, 7214 Cass Ave.
Darien, IL, 60561. 9 am to 3 pm, Approximately
6 blocks S. Of I-55 and Cass exit.

Flyers w/maps for these events are sometimes
available at the general meetings or by calling
me. Please take copies only if you plan to attend.
The IPMS/USA website has info on most of these
events. Check it out.

After a one month vacation interlude, I'm back. I don't know why. I have received no encouragement to come back. But, anyway, here we are.

Something good to report, I am once again receiving the exchange newsletters from around the world via David Lockhart. Many thanks to David for his consideration. For those who are wondering, Fred Horky is fine out driving around in his red Corvette. And who could blame him? Any Bong Chapter members who would like to receive these exchange newsletters via email from me can just see me at a meeting or you can call me at 414-231-9811 land line or 414-755-9410 cell phone, or email me at ajones64@wi.rr.com

Model wise, the Fujimi/Revell Ford GT 40 1966 LeMans winner #2 has caused me to start over 3 times with 3 new kits. The prob-

lem comes up when the rear window, the two side windows, and the headlight covers must be installed on the outside, rather than the inside, of the body. If a solvent is used to install these parts. the paint in the pockets in the body, melts leaving a very visible scar around each of the clear parts. It would seem that Crystal Clear would be the solution to the problem and it is if none of the clear parts are warped. The same problem develops if Future is used for the adhesive. So, what to do! What about double-sided clear tape. Is there enough strength in the tape adhesive to hold a warped window? I have not yet found the answer. But, I am not the only one struggling with this problem. Tom Foti joined the fight at the end of March. We may not see him for the foreseeable future.

—AJ



Secretary's Notes by John Plzak

Seven members attended the March business meeting. A BIG thank you goes out to all those who helped last month's auction. Also thanks to all the bidders who made the auction a success even though the turn out was lighter than normal. While much of the money goes back to the club with free membership and door prizes, we also use it to promote the hobby. With that in mind we decided to purchase two trophy packages for the 2018 IPMS National Convention to be held in Phoenix Arizona.

One major change made at the meeting we are going to try moving up the time for the business meeting to 5:30pm. We will try a test at the April meeting to see how it works out. We hope this will help avoid the wait at Baker's Square for a table and hopefully bring more members to the meeting. Watch the Wingman to see if the change becomes permanent.

The display theme for next month's will be Eastern European Kits, no not the subject matter but kits manufactured by the companies

in Eastern Europe. There are a lot to choose from and I expect we will see quite a variety of models on display. In April we will have the "Shelf of Doom". The "Shelf of Doom" is the place were all your started but unfinished models wind up. Just about every modeler has some. Bring one to the meeting and you'll have a minute or two to tell us why it wound up on the dreaded shelf.

That's all for this month. I'll see you at the meeting.

— JP

2018 Meeting Schedule

Apr	Kits from Eastern European Manufactures
May	The Shelf of Doom
June	Their Finest Hour
July	Paul Boyer Display
Aug	Build it at the Meeting
Sep	Club Auction

Ed's Car Corner by Ed Doering



Kit Review Kit # 141343
Kit Maker – Fujimi Scale 1/12
EVA Kawasaki ZX-10R 2011
Skill Level 4

With Spring rapidly approaching, the streets and highways will soon echo with the sounds of motorcycles. So, I thought I'd review a bike kit this month.

Fujimi recently has produced some excellent MOTOGP type road racing bikes, as well as the Kawasaki ZX-10R used in Japanese road racing, as well as the popular European World Superbike Series.

The kits are 1/12 scale, and build up into some very convincing replicas of state-of-the-art racing machinery. Kawasaki has always been at the forefront of developing some very sophisticated machines, having won the World Superbike series championship, and this kit is full of great crisp details.

Let's take a look at this kit, which comes in the rectangular, tray type box.

Upon lifting the cover, you'll find that the instruction booklet doesn't really have a front

page. Instead, a separate guide to the paint colors needed for this kit, as well as a decal placement guide serves as the first page.

The actual first page is called "piping", & shows how to use the plastic tubing included in the kit to do the clutch, and brake lines. One should note that it's not absolutely a must to wire this bike. It can easily be built without the wiring. A measurement guide is given to allow for cutting the tubing to proper lengths.

However... the instructions leave the wiring to the last step before decals. One might want to wire the bike in the assembly stages dealing with the handlebars and brakes.

While on the subject of handlebars, I would encourage the modeler to build up the stand for the rear tire to support the bike in an upright stance. Trying to apply the handlebars with the bike lying on its side will be clumsy, and you might actually break the clutch or brake levers off the handlebars. It might be a good idea to even have a second set of hands hold the bike, while you set the bars in position.

A tweezers is a must, as there are tiny pins the tubing inserts over. I would not use glue to hold the tubing on the pins. The glue can easily melt the pins. The tubing should therefore just be inserted onto the pins without gluing.

There are twelve assembly stages to complete this model.

A complete parts layout comprises the second page of instructions, with assembly beginning on page 3, building up the motor.

The two sides of the motor block are joined, then the frontal and rear pieces. Be certain to get the alignment square and even, so other pieces will fit. Then, the cylinder head, oil pan, oil filter, oil line, and an engine side cover get added to complete a very realistically detailed "model within a model" of the potent ZX-10R motor.

In step two, we place the completed motor into the two halves of the frame, along with the cross members. Again, be sure to get the motor in correct position, and the frame aligned

around the motor, so the swingarm and other parts mate well.

In step three, we deal with the back tire, wheel and rear brake. Be sure to sand and "scuff in" the rear tire to remove any tire seams.

Next, we construct the rear mono-shock, after detail painting the spring for it. It is then inserted into one half of the rear swingarm, and the rear brake caliper is added to the swingarm.

The rear chain has a cut out in it. This is to allow for the chain to pass thru the other half of the swingarm, before joining up with the half containing the monoshock, as well as the rear tire. A pin/axle passes thru the entire assembly to keep things well aligned. Go thru these steps slowly. It's critical that everything lines up, or the tire etc. will sit cocked in the swingarm and frame. Take your time, and use patience.

The complete rear swingarm assembly is then passed thru the back of the frame. Note must be taken of the side sketch showing exactly where the top of the monoshock attaches to the rear crossmember of the frame, so take time to study that sketch until you see and understand its location etc.

The front airbox plate is attached to the front of the frame, and with the rear swingarm/tire assembly in place, a pin is again passed thru the swingarm and frame to hold things in position.

Step four involves gluing up the two halves that makeup the gas tank and seat tail. There's no way around the seam that will result from joining the halves, so a bit of filler will be required to blend the seam in. Once that's done, the seat pad gets added to the assembly, and the gas cap is added to the tank. Then, two hoses are added to the lower part of the motor, and an engine side piece is also added.

Step 5 is all about the 4-into-1 exhaust system. The ZX-10R motor is an in-line, four-cylinder power plant. Individual pipes are all assembled in order, according to another side sketch, and the muffler canister is secured to

the pipes.

With the bike turned upside down, the exhaust system is set into the exhaust ports at the front of the motor. A carrier bracket for the muffler canister is attached, and put in position on the frame. We also build up the radiator, overflow tank, and cooling line.

In step 6, the completed radiator is attached to the front of the frame. There is a tab at the top of the radiator, which gets attached to a point on the forward portion of the frame, and the cooling line is joined to the motor. Then, two radiator support brackets are added to each side of the radiator.

In block seven, the front wheel, two brakes, and tire are built, and the two halves of the front fender are glued up. Again, filler will be necessary for the resulting seam. After detail painting, the fork legs get the brake calipers added to them, and the completed forks, fender, and wheel/tire/brake assembly are joined together. Again, there is a pin/axle that passes thru the assembly, and a cap is added to hold things in place. The lower tripple clamp assembly and fork yoke are added as well.

In the second half of step 7, you must decide whether you want to add the tubing for the clutch, and brake lines, as we will be dealing with the handlebars now. The bars slip onto the tops of the fork legs, after the forks are passed thru the steering head on the frame.

In step 8, the digital instrument panel is built, as well as the steering dampener. They are then attached, along with a radiator catch bottle, to their positions on the forward frame.

In block nine, the front fairing and windscreen are joined. Some masking and painting will be required here. When complete, the windscreen and front fairing attach to the lower section of the front airbox, and then the rearset pegs are added.

Block 10 deals with the side fairing pieces. I'd leave them off to show off all that fabulous frame and motor detail.

Likewise, in block eleven, the belly pan pieces get added along with the footpegs. It's smart that Fujimi left these pieces to the final step, as handling the model with them on the bike before this step, would surely damage them.

In the last step – 12, the bike's stand is constructed to hold the completed model in an upright position, and the transmission shifter lever is added. This completes the model.

The EVA team bike is painted in purple and traditional Kawasaki Lime Green. Decals are provided for the Green & Black areas of the bike. I do not know if the decals are Cartograph quality. They do look as though they'd work well.

Incidentally, this kit also comes in a gold and black, or red and black version for two different team liveries.

Six flash-free sprues make up the kit. One medium grey tree holds the frame halves and exhaust pipes. Two white trees hold body fairing parts, handlebars, fork parts etc.

Other grey trees hold the motor parts, swing-arm and fork tubes, and the stand for the bike. The wheels, brakes, chain, and calipers are also molded in grey. Two real rubber tires are included.

I had mentioned that the ZX-10R was raced in the World Superbike Series across Europe, with a round also in the USA, at Laguna Seca, in California.

There is a company out of Stormville, New York – ONLY RACE CARS. They have a fine, hi-quality decal set produced by PIT WALL, to do the 2010 ZX-10R of Tom Sykes, a Kawasaki factory-backed Superbike Champion from England. The bike is all Kawasaki Green, with black accents. The decal sheet is # 120-001.

Whether you choose to wire the bike or not, the end result is a very eye-catching model, if you take your time, and proceed with patience, and time to let things dry well. Try something different, and have fun. Happy Building!

—ED

There were 19 model Information cards filled out. Please make sure you fill out the Model Information cards. **Please fill them out clearly.** I enter what I can read and my eyes aren't what they used to be. **Also please leave them on the display table.** The format of this list is: Modelers name, Item being displayed, Kit Manufacturer and Scale.

*Editors Note: In an effort to show more club models I have added more pages of finished models.
If you do not see your model it is because I could not see the name card associated with the model in the photo.*

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- John Frevele** Packard Boattail Speedster Monogram 1/24,
1953 Hudson Hornet Moebius 1/25
- Chuck Davis** Taube Wingnut Wings 1/32
- Chris Cortez** Type 79 Takom 1/9
- Andy Keyes** B-32 Dominator Aviation USK 1/72, F-51D
Tamiya 1/72
- Jim Zeske** Me 109G-6 Tamiya 1/48
- Larry Schramm** B-17F HK 1/32 (WIP)
- Al Jones** N.A. P-51D Hasegawa 1/48
- John Clancy** IL-2m3 Sturmovik GPM 1/33 Paper
- Ethan Smith** Saturn V Lego approx. 1/110
- Aaron Skinner** Colonial Viper Moebius 1/32
- Ed Doering** 1934 Ford Coupe AMT 1/25
- Vic Rood** 32 Ford Coupe AMT 1/25
- Jay Wichmann** Diarama Skywave 1/700
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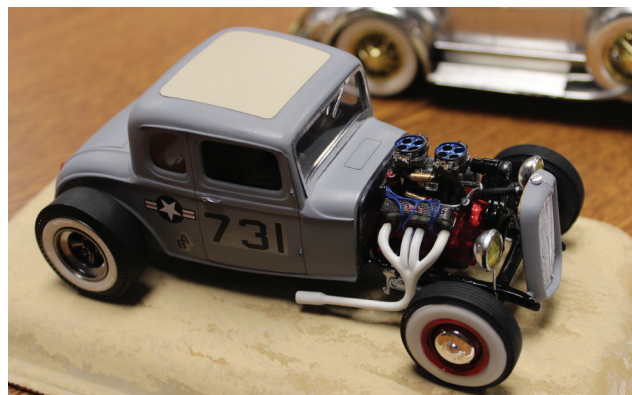
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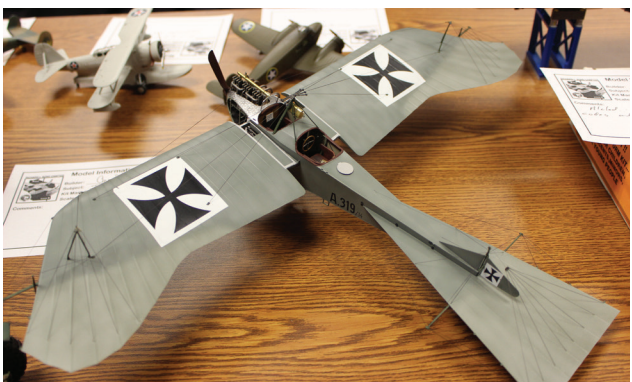
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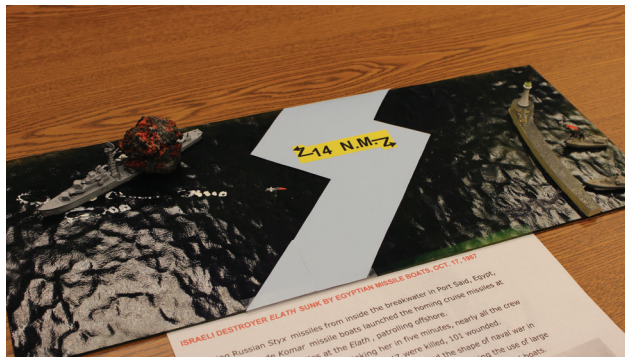
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