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Business Meeting **Wednesday, May 16** at Baker's Square 4900 S. 76th St., Meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. • All members are welcome!

Shelf of Doom?

The theme at the May 11 meeting will be models from the "Shelf of Doom." What's that?", you ask. Oh, you know what that is, but you may not have heard the term. Remember that model you started in, oh, was it 1987? Or was it earlier than that? Anyway, you got just so far and halted because you weren't sure about a particular marking. Yeah, that one. You put it "away" until you got more information.

Or do you remember the clever conversion you were doing on that old classic kit? You said to yourself, "Heh, heh, NOBODY is going to have a model like THIS one." But then you got burned out and now you don't have a model like that one, either. You put it "away." Or how about that series you were doing? You know, the models that fit into a particular theme? Or how about that ingenious engineering project that would "wow" your fellow members at the next meeting? Or the one that was sure to take the top prize at the next (or maybe the one after next) regional or national contest? Yeah, you put those "away," too. And where is "away"? "Away" is the SHELF OF DOOM!

Well, reach back there in the closet, or the top shelf, or the old box and dust off a few of your "I should finish this someday" projects and bring 'em as-is to the meeting. And be prepared to tell your fellow members about your dreams and schemes for those projects. I'm going to be bringing several. And maybe - just MAYBE - bringing yours will get you re-energized enough to finish it. Maybe someday sooner than you thought!

See you at the meeting!

Upcoming Events Compiled by Jim Erfert

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 College, 8900 US Hwy 14, Crystal Lake, IL 60012 for more info and updates visit: www. lakesregionmodelers.com

August 1 • Phoenix, AZ

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

September 28-30 • West Allis, WI

Maker Faire, Wisconsin State Fair Park, https:// milwaukee.makerfaire.com/

November 3 • Oshkosh, WI

21st Annual Winnebego Area Model Classic & Swap Meet. Oshkosh Hilton Garden Inn, Exit 116 East from Interstate 41. For More Information Call Don Molitor 920-420-1430 email WAMClassic@gmail.com Website WAMClassic.wix.com/wamc

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.

Jones's Thoughts by Al Jones

The last days of April . . . we have sunshine; the snow is all gone here in SE Wisconsin. But, the temperatures are still cool.

Our April, Friday the 13th meeting was well attended even considering the horrible weather. Don Cosentine spent most of the time at the model display tables photographing all of the meeting theme Eastern European produced kits that were brought in. I'm looking forward to seeing the photos elsewhere in this issue.

The cool temps have kept me inside working on the 1966 LeMans winning #2 Ford GT40 project by Fujimi/Revell. Installing the clear pieces to the outside of the body continues to be an unsolved problem, and another fact has come to light. While the Revell kit's plastic parts are identical to the Fujimi parts, the decal markings are different. Also carrying the number "2", the car depicted by the Revell kit is the March 26th, 1966 Sebring entry of Miles/ Ruby who completed 1,185.6 miles at an average speed of 98.63 mph and then was disqualified.

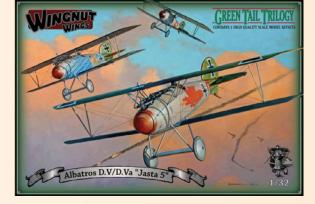
The story is not over. I started a search for another Fujimi kit and thanks to the hunting skills of club member, Eddie Doering, another Fujimi kit has been found and acquired. More info on this will be forth coming down the road a piece.

In the meantime, there is a contest scheduled for November by the Winnebago Auto Modelers who are sponsoring a special class for Viet Nam era aircraft . . . namely the Phantom, the Skyraider, and the Huey Helicopter.

I have started the SWS 48th scale Phantom of Cunningham & Driscoll. Nice kit.

—AJ





The Trilogy Connection

Other than monthly meetings, road trips to contests and shows, this hobby is somewhat solitary, spending hours at the modelling bench (alone) trying to create that perfect model we have pictured in our head. Recently Wingnut Wings came out with a kit, Albatros D.V/D.Va "Jasta 5" Green Tail Trilogy.

I have a few Wingnut kits and wanted to do the Albatross but I really didn't need three of them! So I bought the "Trilogy" kit and conned Jeff Neal and Ed VanBrabant into doing one with me!

I set up my work area to accommodate three builders in comfort and I pretty much have everything you might need to work on a model. Jeff and Ed bring some of their own tools, but every once in a while I hear "hey Jim, do you have....?" And I usually do! We have been meeting every week, usually Sunday at 10:00 until?

So far Jeff is ahead of us, but that's OK as Ed and I are learning some of the problems with the kit and what to watch out for (thanks Jeff). Ed is not far behind Jeff. He has not been able to make it every week due to other life responsibilities.

I am tail end Charlie as I am in the middle of finishing up Wingnut's Pfalz D3/D3a and have not started my Albatross yet. But that's OK; I have home field advantage and will catch up!

The benefits of Social Modeling: So far we have had a lot of fun and good conversation about many diverse topics.

Everyone has shared and learned different techniques. We have three sets of eyes when something small hits the floor, both Jeff and Ed lost the same small cockpit part from the kit (to the great amusement of all) and all three of us were on our hands and knees searching for the part! But when we couldn't find said part, I was able to recreate it from my stash of small parts. Since then we have found both of them! Which is good as I now have two backups when I lose mine? Thanks guys!

I'll keep you posted on our progress. I so look forward to our Sunday build time.



Jeff N

—Jim

Secrettary's Notes by John Plzak

Five members braved the final storm of winter to make it to the April Business meeting. Needless to say this was not a good example to test our trial of starting the business meeting at 5:30pm so we will try it again in May. With such a small group attending not much business did get discussed however we did discuss our plans to support the upcoming NIMCON show with two trophy packages.

Planned for the May meeting will be the "shelf of doom" display. The "shelf of doom" is the place where all of your started but yet unfinished kit reside. Just about every modeler I know has some unfinished kits. Bring one or two to the May meeting and we will give you a minute or two to relate to the club how that particular kit made it to your "shelf of doom".

The theme for the June meeting will be "Their Finest Hour." This will cover any subject of the period from Dunkirk through the Battle of Britain. Also at the June meeting judging will take place for Al Jones' early Tamiya kit competition. Al had a set of early Tamiya 1/50 scale aircraft kits that were given out to volunteer builders several month's ago. The finished kits will be at the June meeting to compete for cash prizes supplied by Al. In July Paul Boyer plans on bringing his collection of World War II US aircraft that he and several helper builders have been working on. The collection features models of all of the important types of aircraft used by the US during WWII. The collection will eventually find a home at the EAA museum in Oshkosh.

That's all for this month. See you at the meeting.

2018 Meeting Schedule

- JP

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 Number 2708 Monogram Ford Mustang GTP – IMSA Race Car Scale 1/24 Skill Level 2

May is the month in which races start at Road America – Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin.

With that in mind, I looked thru my stash of models, and came across an old favorite of

mine – the Monogram Ford Mustang GTP IMSA racecar, released around 1996.

The sleek Ford Mustang GTP is one of the most innovative racing cars ever created.

Developed for competition in the Grand Touring Prototype class of the International Motor Sports Association's Camel GT series, this exotic creation reflects the latest concepts in the applications of space age materials, lightweight 4-cylinder powerplant, and state-of-theart aerodynamics.

In an environment dominated by the midengine creations constructed in England and Europe, the new Mustang was designed and built in the USA, and sports a turbocharged engine that is located in front of the driver. This configuration enabled famed designer Bob Riley to design a completely smooth aerodynamic tunnel along the underside of the chassis. At racing speeds, this layout generates a pressure differential that vastly improves traction and handling.

The most unique aspect of this exciting machine is the exotic carbon-fiber composite chassis that was developed by the Ford Aerospace Division. Using materials and techniques utilized in the construction of global communications satelites, a light-weight structure was created that is more rigid than a comparable metal assembly, at a fraction of the weight.

Nestled in the engine bay, you will find a twin-cam, four cylinder engine that displaces a mere 2.1 liters. Though small in size, this thoroughbred motor utilizes an exhaust driven turbocharger to produce in excess of 600 horsepower.

This explosive power is transmitted to the ground through a 5-speed transaxle and massive Goodyear slicks

The sleek body reflects the result of aerodynamic wind tunnel testing, and the rear of the car is dominated by an airfoil wing which is designed to improve the downforce on the rear wheels.

This kit can be constructed as the number 06 car that won in its debut at Elkhart Lake in 1983, or the number 6 car that finished third.

Let's examine this simple kit.

The small instruction booklet folds out to reveal 23 assembly blocks, plus a decal placement guide on the back page. The front page lists all the required paints for this model. The body color suggested is Midnight Blue, but any dark blue paint will suffice. To replicate the carbon fiber areas of the frame, dark tan is suggested, but one can also custom mix a color close to a carbon fiber look.

Each assembly block deals with no more than 3 parts, making assembly quick and easy.

I'd suggest pre-painting all the parts to this kit before assembly, taking note of the suggested colors. I'd also use Metalizer paints to replicate metal tones.

Construction starts with attaching the subframe unit to the belly pan chassis. In step one, be sure to align the front axle unit's small pins unto the A-arms on the chassis pan. There are guides to insure the subframe is in correct position.

In block 2, the pedals are attached to the cockpit area of the subframe, and in step 3, the race seat is inserted. The kit does not include belt decals, so one will have to hunt down after-market belt decals. You can get them thru SLIXX decals.

In step 4, the fire extinguisher bottles are added, along with the shifter mechanism.

Block 5 has you insert the upper control arms plate to the subframe and chassis. Again, be sure to position the pins into the A-arms.

In block 6, the exhaust pipes get added to the side of the belly pan.

Block 7 has you construct the intercooler and radiator shroud, which then get glued to the front of the chassis pan.

In step 8, the instrument panel is glued to the firewall, and the steering wheel is added. Unfortunately, there are no gauge decals, but gauges are molded in place, and can carefully be picked out. Once this assembly is completed, the firewall is added to the subframe.

Step 9 concerns the placement of the alternator, while block 10 deals with inserting the rear window into the rear firewall bulkhead, which gets glued to the rear of the subframe, along with the roll bar braces.

In step 11, the rear springs/shocks get added, along with the anti-roll bar.

Block 12 concerns adding the suspension plate and A-arm, to the rear of the chassis.

Step 13 deals with the fuel filler tubes, while in step 14, the rear tail structure is added. In block 15, you are asked to remove stub plates from your front suspension, so take care in removing these, or detach them in step 1. A note box is given so you can identify what needs to be removed.

Unlike most car kits that start with constructing the engine, this does not occur in this kit until block 16. The 2 halves of the small, 4-cylinder motor are glued up, then the injector pump, drive belts, intake cam cooler and exhaust shroud, and exhaust shroud scoop get built up.

The kit comes with a small, chromed tree, but I would suggest for more realism, that all the chrome parts get stripped. Household bleach can be used to de-chrome these parts, and then Metalizers can be used to paint them. The chrome just looks too toyish in my opinion.

Once the entire motor is completed, it gets installed in step 17, while in block 18, the wheels and tires are assembled, and placed on the axles.

Block 19 deals with the Front airdam/ headlites and grille. Once the headlites are in place, the unit gets installed onto the lower front lip of the body.

Step 20 has you construct the rear airfoil, with the wingtip plates, and wing pylons. When completed, the rear wing is added to the rear of the body. There are holes in the rear body area to insure a square position of the wing.

Step 21 is all about inserting the glass and windshield wiper. Be sure to use glue for clear parts.

In block 22, the side intake is inserted into the body's side, and finally the completed body is mated with the finished chassis, and the side mirrors are added. There are chrome pieces for the mirror faces.

It should be noted that I found nasty mold seam lines all along the upper edge along the sides of the body, plus some sink marks. These need to be taken care of before painting. The kit is molded in white plastic, and being a simple skill level 2 kit, there are not that many trees of parts, just enough to insure an accurate representation of the Mustang GTP IMSA racer.

The decals are not of Cartograph quality, but will suffice if care is taken in applying them, when using the decal placement guide.

This is a fun little kit, which can easily be built by a child with adult help. It could possibly even be built over a 3 day weekend. Paint on Friday, assembly on Saturday and Sunday.

This kit can still be found using Ebay, or on-line hobby shops. Grab one, and build an historic Elkhart Lake IMSA race winner. Have fun, & happy building!

—ED

WANTED! RIDE TO JUNE 16 NIMCON.

We'd like to hook up with someone going to the NIMCON in June. It might be two of us. We can help with gas etc.

Please contact me by no later than the end of May if you can help, to: Ed Doering 414-545-4467 e_doering@yahoo.com THANKS!

On Display photos by Don Cosentine

There were 58 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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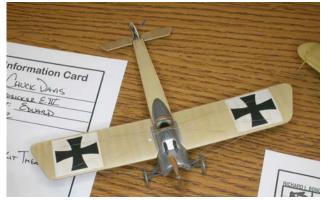
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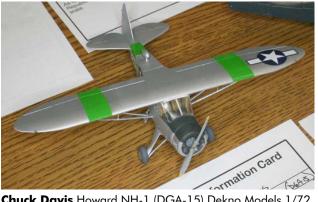
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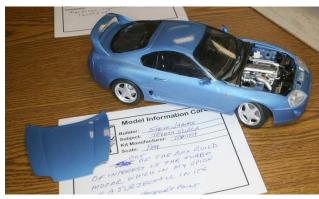
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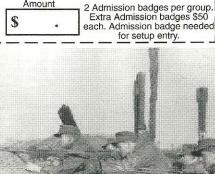
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