

'The Instruction Sheet'

IPMS / Granite State Modelers Club Nashua, New Hampshire

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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: September 16, October 21, November 18

Club Officers Report

Russell was approached by an individual who is associated with the Fort Devens Museum. The museum currently has space for models. Though the prospect of having an opportunity to show finished models to the general public is an attractive opportunity, the risks of mishandling and/or losing models is a serious matter. This has been the experience of some GSM members with other local museums. Russell will get back in touch with the museum, inquiring what safeguards and responsibilities the museum is willing to undertake in the care and handling of said models.

Mac reports that the security vests for GraniteCon have been procured. As the club moves towards the date of the show, volunteers for security detail will be called upon. The details concerning the time and rotation will be worked out soon. If you have any interest in volunteering please notify a club officer. The success of any event truly rests in the commitment of a strong volunteer base.

GraniteCon is right around the corner. Almost half of the trophy packs have been sold. . . If you know anyone who is interested in purchasing a trophy pack, please notify a club officer. As of this month 20 vendor tables have been sold. The food truck is coming! Most of the line judges have been found. In the end, there will be a lot of opportunity to volunteer. Assistance will be a needed to help set up and break down the contest room; processing entries and walk-ins; and judging. All of this can't happen without you. Please take some time to consider in what ways you can make a contribution.

WWII Weekend

Last July GSM had an enjoyable, albeit hot, experience displaying their many armor model subjects at the Mechanized Warfare Museum at the Deerfield Fair Grounds. GSM was not alone, as AMPS of Vermont and a small presence from Maine helped to make it an awesome experience. Though the crowd was not as large as expected, many flyers and club information did go out to the public. Moreover, many people were quite intrigued by the models and hobby in general. Hopefully, a few of them will come on over to the world of styrene and build a model.

Mac has been in contact with the Mechanized Warfare Museum. There is some doubt as to whether or not there will be an exhibit for 2020, as funds are low. If it does go on the calendar, GSM definitely wants to return.



A6A Intruder Commission Build



Rich Filteau is proud to say that the Intruder is built and now rests in the hands of the owner, Gary Ertle. It has been quite a journey over the past few months. If you would like to know more about the build (or missed it completely), please see Rich's Website, http://www.hudsonairdepot.com/Grumman A6A Intruder.aspx.

The real question is whether or not Rich is ready to do another commission piece. When you begin to disseminate the whole process, one's mind begins to get a little heavy. Just building a kit for oneself can be rather unpredictable and the finish line may appear to be light years away. Add to the equation that there is a client with expectations and a vision of what the finished model will look like and the whole process may appear rather daunting.

But what is on the other side of the coin? Gary has received a beautiful model that he can display and treasure all the days of his life. Something that only previously was a vision in the mind's eye has now become concrete. Conversations abound whenever friends see the model. Perhaps that's the magic of the commission build. For what it is worth, GSM would like to thank Rich for taking on the challenge. Commission works do a lot for the hobby. It promotes not only the hobby, but the club as well. It speaks of a group of artists whose medium is that of styrene.

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) 187 Elm 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
Minuteman Scale Models 472 Amherst St. Suite 21 Nashua, NH (603-921-5048)

Club BBQ

Last month GSM had its annual club BBQ. Though attendance was small, everyone had a great time. The spread on the table was out of this world! Even Chuck Converse found an abundance of great goodies to put on his plate. Many thanks go out to John and Icie Cook for hosting the event at the Makers Space of Nashua.



Local Upcoming Events of Interest

September 15: PatCon Hudson Elks Lodge 959 Hudson, MA

September 27-28: ArmorCon/AMPS Danbury, CT

October 5-6: Model Railroad Train Show Boxboro Regency Hotel Boxboro, MA
October 6: Classic Plastic Model Car Show Lawrence Elk's Hall Lawrence, MA

October 20: Granitecon XXVII La Quinta Hotel Manchester, NH

November 10: BayCon Smithfield Elks Smithfield, RI

November 23-24 GreenBerg's Great Train & Toy Show Shriners Auditorium Wilmington, MA

August Raffle Winners







Rod Currier

August Show and Tell



Tony D'Anjou



Paul Lessard



Paul Lessard



Chuck Converse



Russell Gosselin

