



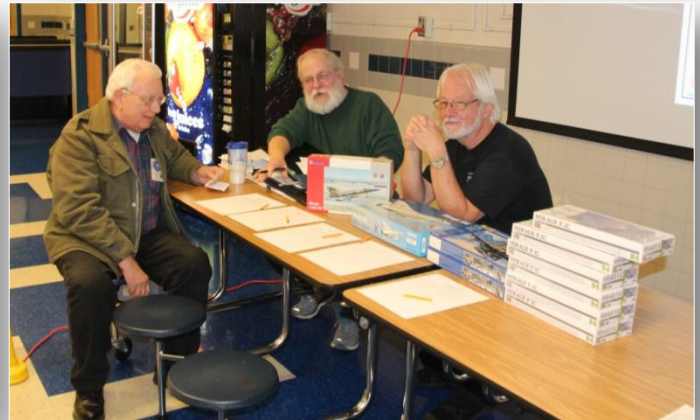
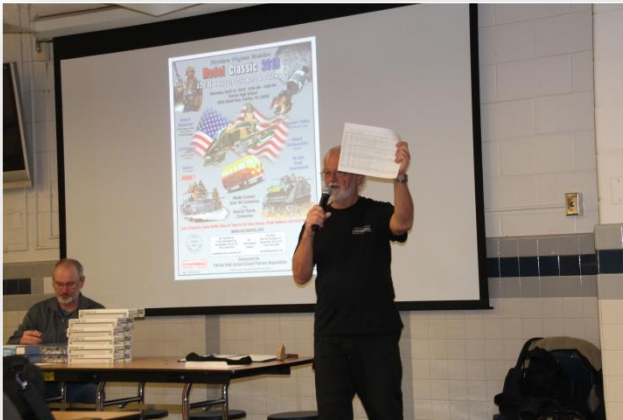
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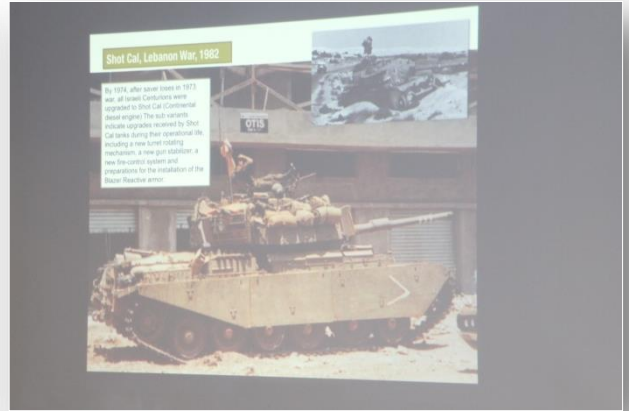
The IPMS Northern Virginia Modelers monthly meeting took place on 6 February 2018 at Fairfax High School with 86 members attending. By this time most of you already know the Chapter has suffered an awful loss with the passing of Mike Neyland. For those who have not, Mike lost his battle with cancer during the night of 13-14 February. Mike Fleckenstein wrote the beautiful tribute to Mike you saw in the email announcement that went out to the membership. I repeated it on page 3 along with some photos of Mike from my picture archives of past meetings.



Left: Chapter President Mike Fleckenstein asking all members to review their entry in the chapter roster and update it if necessary. And yes, that is a shameless pitch to support our upcoming Model Classic show in the background. Right Photo, left to right: Dick Hague, Treasurer Tim Barb and Mike Fleckenstein kindly put up with the photographer (again) during a break in the meeting.

Moving on to the meeting, there were several announcements this month. After opening the business meeting and welcoming everyone, Chapter President Mike Fleckenstein encouraged everyone to attend the Old Dominion Open (ODO), traditionally the first show of the season within Region 2. hosted by IPMS Richmond, ODO is always an excellent show. By the time you read this the show will be history so I hope you did well if you competed (I do know Jamie Williams and Nelson Kee placed so congratulations to both), did well at the raffle table, and successfully spent the modeling mad money accumulated over the Winter. I will have an ODO report in the next issue. Mike encouraged everyone to look at a copy of the chapter roster at the front table and update any information that has changed. His last announcement was about the weather. If the weather is not good on the day of our March meeting be sure to tune in to the local news. If Fairfax County closes for the day or cancels evening activities then there will be no meeting that month. Treasurer Tim Barb reminded everyone who purchased build the same subject (BTSS) kits from the club and brought them (built) to the December meeting to see him to get your reimbursement check. Tim also urged the membership to sponsor award packages for Model Classic.

Sponsorships are low right now. We have two meetings left before the show so please see Tim during the meeting to sponsor. Secretary-Historian Chris Nicoll sounded out the membership about creating a reference library for the chapter. The idea behind the library is for volunteer members to send Chris a list of references they own and would like to share with the membership. Chris would create a database "library." Then let's say someone decides to build an F-105 and needs reference material, he/she would contact Chris who would check the database, see I have a book on the F105 and put us in contact with each other. I would then bring my 105 book to the next meeting for him/her, to be returned after it is no longer needed. If you think a reference library is a good idea and you are willing to provide Chris a list of references you are willing to loan, please let him know.



Left: Rafy Levy making final preparations for part 2 of his presentation on the history of Israeli Armor. Right: One of many excellent Israeli armor photos Rafy displayed during his talk.

Contest Coordinator Walter Schlueter talked to the membership about the build the same subject (BTSS) contest. There are still some club purchased kits available. If you purchase a kit from the club, and bring it (built) to the December BTSS contest, your money will be refunded. You get a free kit out of the deal. Walter also urged members to volunteer to help run Model Classic. Help is needed in all areas; registration, vendor concierge, security, setup and teardown. Sign up sheets will be at the front desk at the March and April meetings. If you can help but cannot make the meeting please email Walter at wschlueter1@gmail.com.

The February program was part 2 of Rafy Levy's thorough presentation on the history of Israeli armor. It was a great evening for the armor guys as Rafy took the chapter through a host of innovative armor equipment developed by a country that has been under fire for most of its life.

The usual contest photo gallery starts on page 5, followed by a Floyd Werner review of the Detail and Scale digital book on the F-14 Tomcat. Our next meeting is Wednesday, March 7, usual place (Fairfax High School), usual time (come one, come all as early as 6:30pm - business meeting starts at 8:00pm). March can still be a nasty month so remember to check for Fairfax County school closings if the weather is bad.

Please Sponsor MC2018 Award Packages

Col. Michael A. Neyland

It is with great sadness that IPMS Northern Virginia Modelers must announce that our fellow member and friend Michael "Mike" Neyland, passed away early on the morning of February 14 with all of his family at his side. Mike Neyland has been the guiding light of Northern Virginia Modelers for the past 21 years. He kept us on course, always asking us to question ourselves about our goals and think of any alternatives. We recently presented him, with his wife Joy in attendance, an Appreciation award for his many years of loyal and truly dedicated service but nothing can ever repay what he has given to our club. Even after his recent resignation as Treasurer for health reasons, he continued to advise us until the last week of his life.

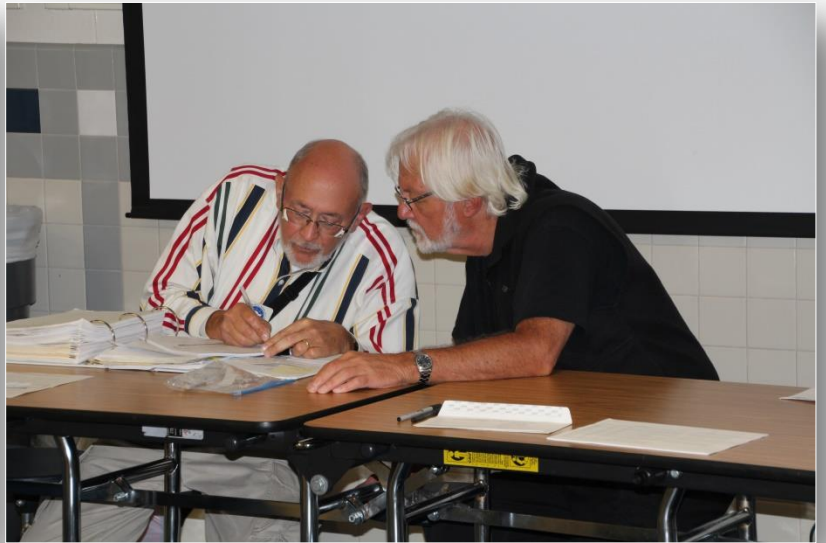
Mike received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering and a commission as a second lieutenant in the Regular Air Force from the United States Military Academy in June 1971. He also held two additional advanced degrees. His Air Force career was dedicated to ensuring the success and future of the Air Force Weather Agency's command, control, doctrine and operations. He held various positions of command and responsibility throughout his 30 year Air Force career. Colonel Neyland's military decorations include multiple awards of the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service, Air Medal, Joint Service Commendation, Air Force Commendation, Combat Readiness and Humanitarian Service Medals. He was also awarded the Aircrew Member Badge and Master Meteorologist Badge. Mike continued service to his country for more than 17 years as a Senior Engineering Manager with General Dynamics Advanced Information Systems. In addition to his position of Treasurer of Northern Virginia Modelers, Mike was a member of the West Point Alumni Association and a dedicated participant in Officer's Christian Fellowship Bible Studies for 32 years.

Mike had the qualities that all of us would aspire to; integrity, responsibility and courtesy. A true gentleman and a friend to all of us who were blessed to have known him, he will be profoundly missed by all of us. The best homage we can pay to his legacy is to be guided by his principles and maintain IPMS Northern Virginia Modelers reputation as one of the premier IPMS Chapters in the country.



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Contest Winners February 2018



*Aircraft 1/72, 1st Place
F4U-1D by Darrin Cook*



*Aircraft 1/72, 2nd Place
F-22 by Chris Nicoll*



*Aircraft 1/48, 1st Place
F-14A Tomcat by Tom Dunbar*



*Aircraft 1/48, 2nd Place
F-104 by Mike Snider*

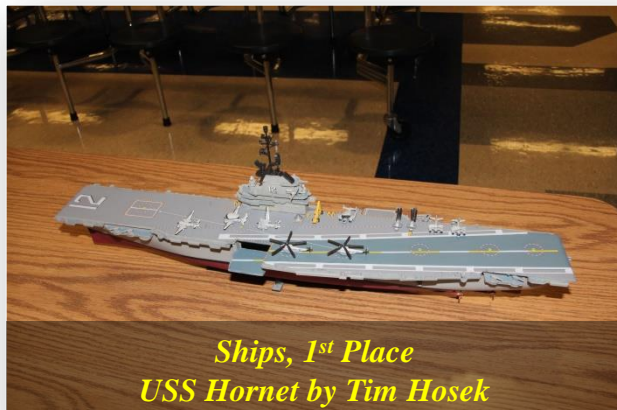


*Armor 1/72, 1st Place
T-55 by Gary Droubay*



*Armor 1/35, 1st Place
Renault FT-17 by Ed Mautner*

Contest Winners February 2018 (continued)



Contest Winners February 2018 (continued)



*Figures, 1st Place
French Guard by Frank Collins*



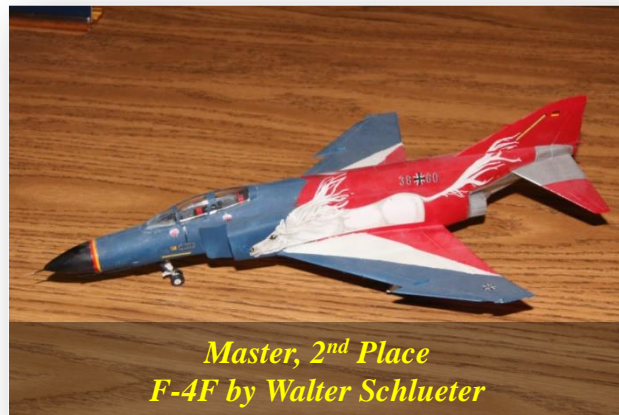
*Master, 1st Place
Ju-86 by Dick Hague*



*Master, 2nd Place
B-57G by Jim Rotramel*



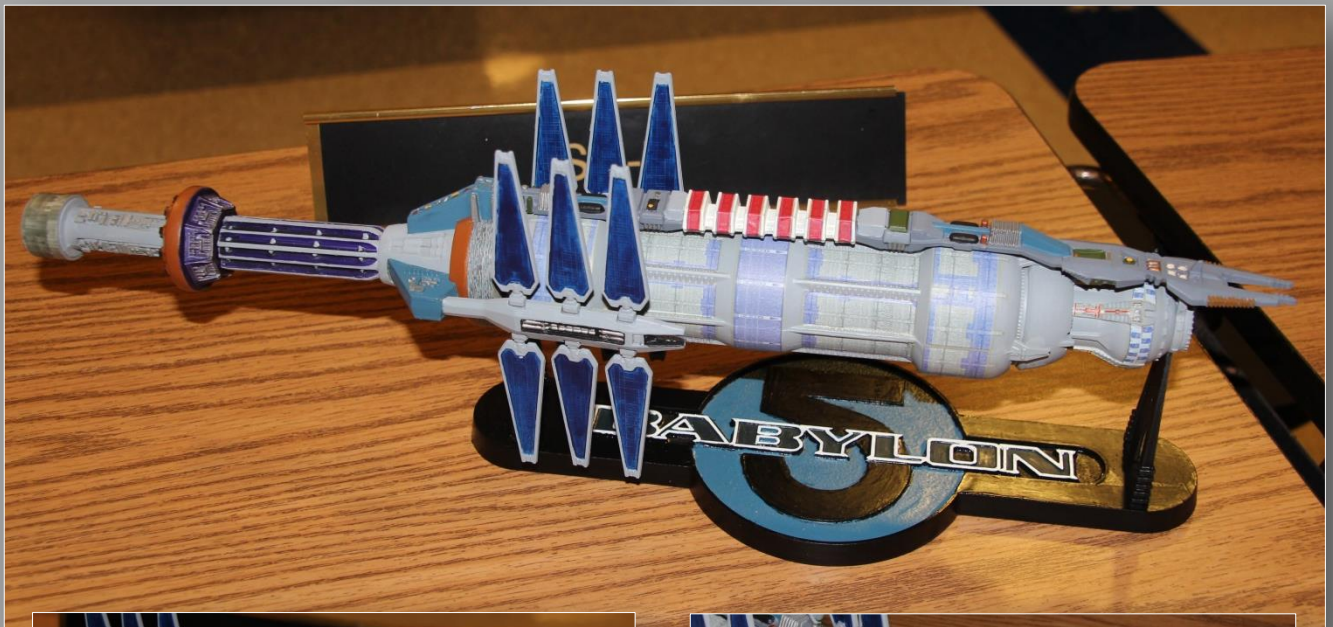
*Special, 1st Place
U-2A by Alex Tratensek*



*Master, 2nd Place
F-4F by Walter Schlueter*

Contest Winners February 2018 (continued)

Best out of the Box Babylon 5 by Tim Hosek



Best of Show 1/48 Macchi 202 by Kevin Daly



U.S. Navy F-14 Tomcats

Part 1: Atlantic Coast Squadrons

by Floyd Werner

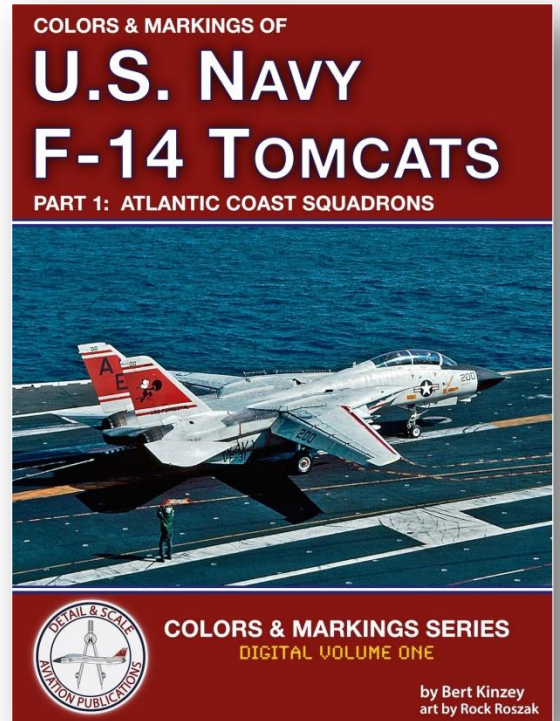
Detail & Scale has been publishing some of the most respected books on aircraft, Naval aircraft in particular. Besides the Detail & Scale series, they also published the 24 volume Colors & Markings series of books. They were a great series of books but they did suffer from one problem in that all the pictures could not be presented in color because it was cost prohibitive. Bert Kinzey and Rock Roszak, no longer restrained by the limitations of the paper age, have embraced the benefits of the digital book with full color photos being the main benefit.

This first book in the new digital series covers F-14s from the Atlantic Squadrons, Naval Reserve and test/evaluation units. The F-14's career spanned 34 years and featured some very colorful aircraft. With the release of the Tamiya F-14 and the upcoming AMK/Avantguard F-14, interest is renewed in this Cold War workhorse, the last fighter many believe was retired well before its time due to politics.

But why a digital book? There are many benefits besides the large number of color photos. The first, and most important to me, is that the photos can be enlarged up to 200% simply by tapping the photo to expand it. You can also rotate and change the orientation of the picture.

Another benefit is size. Since the cost to publish a digital book containing 50 pages is the same as it is for one of 500 pages, the authors are not limited to size. This particular book has 464 pages.

The Table of Contents (TOC) of this digital book gives you the ability to search the format for the information you are looking for. This is easily accessed by using the TOC icon or by pinching the page off of a photograph. Once there, the chapter sections come up and the pages are displayed on the bottom of the page. Simply scroll through the thumbnails to find the page you like then tap it and viola, your page is displayed. You can also tap the section you are looking for and that chapter will pop up.



D&S Tomcat (continued)

Another benefit of the digital format is the ability for the editor to continuously add, change and delete information to ensure your book is kept up to date. Additionally, you can highlight information you find informative to recall it later. Finally there is the low cost. For less than the cost of many kits, you get a full color, interactive, up to date book.

For model builders the color callouts are presented in FS equivalent. There were three 'official' paint schemes applied to the F-14 but as is always the case, there were variations. The three official schemes were Light Gull Grey over white, overall Light Gull Grey, and finally the final three shades of grey seen on the Tomcat used until it was retired. It is interesting to see two Tomcats painted in the same colors sitting next to each other and noting the difference in the two aircraft with one being more bluish.



Two VF-102 Tomcats fly a combat air patrol mission during USS AMERICA's 1986 deployment. It was during this cruise that the squadron flew missions in support of Operation El Dorado Canyon. This operation involved raids against targets in Libya in response to a terrorist attack in Berlin that killed two American servicemen. F-14A, BuNo. 161285, is carrying a TARPS reconnaissance pod under its fuselage. (Parsons)



By 1986, VF-102 had started receiving Tomcats painted in the tactical scheme. The unit markings remained the same as they had been on the overall Light Gull Gray scheme, except that the red was replaced with a contrasting shade of gray. On this F-14A, the very dark charcoal gray color replaced the red, but different shades of gray were used for the unit markings on other aircraft painted in the tactical scheme within the squadron. (Grove)

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"Swordsmen" used the gray over white, overall Light Gull Gray, and the tactical paint schemes. We have included 57 photographs to cover the schemes and markings used by the "Swordsmen" during the time the squadron flew Tomcats.



VF-32's first CAG Tomcat, BuNo. 159008, is seen here as it appeared in December 1974. The markings are very colorful and extensive and include solid white vertical tails with the squadron's yellow color featured as a large band with a yellow stripe above and below it on both sides of each tail. In addition to the unit's standard markings, multi-colored segments, each representing a squadron color within the air wing, were painted on the inside of each rudder, and VF-32's insignia was placed within the yellow band on the inside surface of each vertical tail. (Leader)



VF-32's CAG Tomcat was still BuNo. 159008 in early 1976. The unit won the Admiral Joseph C. Clifton Award as the best fighter squadron in the Navy in 1975 and this was recognized by the large yellow 1 on the forward fuselage at the inlet area. (Artwork by Rock Roszak)

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Once colors are taken care of the majority of the book covers each squadron that operated the F-14 between 1974 and 2006. The photographs were taken by many noted aviation photographers. You can tell they had a passion for the Tomcat and its markings. The pictures are clear and concise.

There are tidbits of information throughout the book. There is plenty of information to go with the beautiful photos. There is another way to go directly to a squadron that you want to research. The unit logo is on the lead Atlantic Fleet Squadron page. Simply touch the unit patch and you are taken directly to the unit. This is helpful for the model builder who wants to do a particular squadron.



Each squadron is treated to a brief history and not just with the Tomcat. Then comes the meat and potatoes of this book, the pictures of the markings for that squadron. CAG aircraft are presented as well as the unit tactical aircraft. Each section is treated to some great side view drawings done by Rock Roszak. The unit section is broken down so you can follow the evolution of the paint schemes from one to the next, as well as the unit markings and how they changed. The inclusion of the prototypes and the test squadrons provides some unique paint schemes not usually seen in the fleet.

The original Color & Markings book on the F-14 contained 64 pages, 213 photos with 65 in color for \$9.99. When you compare that to the new digital

book there is no comparison, approximately 500 pages, 725 color photos, color artwork and paint schemes.

So you get 725 full color photographs that are expandable to 200% of their original size, low cost, up to date information, 26 color profiles, unit histories for 15 active units, and the reserve and test/evaluation squadrons. I can't figure out how you could improve this offering. The model builder will have a problem with this book in that there are so many colorful aircraft that figuring out which one to build will be daunting. Bert Kinzey and Rock Roszak are to be commended for bringing the Detail & Scale series into the 21st Century. These books can be downloaded to an iPad, tablet or smart phone so you can take your information anywhere you go, including the model bench. So for less than \$10 you can have a remarkably complete digital book with all the hallmarks of the original series plus so much more.

Highly recommended

Thanks to Detail & Scale for the review copy. You can obtain your copy by writing them at their website www.detailandscale.com.

March Meeting Program and Contest Theme

Program: Jon Guttman - "The Zeppelin Campaign against Britain"

Contest: "Imperial Aspirations" – Any vehicle used by a nation whose leader was a King, Queen, or Emperor (e.g., UK, Japan, Tsarist Russia, Germany, Sweden, etc.).

Visit the club website at www.novaipms.org and join the club Yahoo group at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/novaipms>

Both locations will allow you to access the monthly Contest/Program Schedule as well as information about IPMS Northern Virginia Modelers.

We're also on Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Northern-Virginia-IPMS>

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Upcoming Events

7 March 2018

IPMS Northern Virginia Modelers Monthly Meeting

Fairfax High School
3501 Rebel Run
Fairfax VA 22030

20 March 2018

IPMS Washington DC Monthly Meeting

Ritchie Park Elementary School
8501 Post oak Rd, Potomac, MD 20854

28 March 2018

NCMSS Monthly Meeting

Thomas Edison High School, 5801 Franconia Road
Alexandria, VA 22310

7 April 2018

MOSQUITOCON 27

Wayne PAL Hall
PAL Drive, Wayne, NJ

21 April 2018

IPMS NoVA Model Classic 2018

Fairfax High School
3501 Rebel Run
Fairfax VA 22030

27-28 April 2018

NOREASTCON 47

Museum of American Armor
Bethpage Village Restoration
1303 Round Swamp Road
Old Bethpage, NY 11804

1 – 4 August 2018

IPMS-USA National Convention

Phoenix Convention Center
Phoenix, AZ
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National Capitol Model Soldier Society Annual Show

8 September

Thomas Edison HS
5801 Franconia Rd.,
Alexandria, VA

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MOSQUITOCON 27

Model Contest April 7, 2018

This year's show theme is: "The War in The Med", at the Wayne PAL Hall, PAL Drive, Wayne, NJ (973-696-2896)

- Best Aircraft
- Best Armor
- Best Civilian
- Best "War in The Med"
- Best Ship
- Judge's Best
- Tailhook Award
- Trifecta category
- Club "Make & Take"
- Raffles and Prizes
- Wall to wall vendors
- Hot food available
- Doors open at 9:00 AM
- Judging begins at noon
- EXTRA parking in back



FOR CONTEST AND VENDOR INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:
Big Bill Schwarz: 732-567-3724 (No calls after 9 PM) Email: whsch@optimum.net

Visit our web site at www.njipms.org for more information

Registration info: Adults-\$15 (includes unlimited model entries), Walk-In's-\$10, Kids under 16 - \$5 (children under 12 free). Active members of the military are also free. No bills larger than a \$50.

The "Make & Take" time, to be announced at the show. Please note that registration ends at 12 noon. Models "should not" be removed until awards ceremony. There is "No snow date" for this show.



Northern Virginia Modelers Model Classic 2018

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Saturday, April 21, 2018 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Fairfax High School
3501 Rebel Run, Fairfax, VA 22030

Walk-in Admission
\$8.00 Single Adult (18 and older)
\$10.00 Family

Contestants
\$18.00
1 unlimited number of models

Juniors
All 2 models
FREE!

Vendor Tables
\$3.00 per table

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Upcoming Events (continued)

NOREASTCON 47 Scale Model Show & Contest



The Museum of American Armor
Bethpage Village Restoration
1303 Round Swamp Road
Old Bethpage, NY 11804



Friday April 27, 2018 (12pm to 5pm) & Saturday April 28 (9 am to 4 pm)

Great family time to visit the Armor Museum & hobby show both for one price both days!

Hobby Attractions!

- Hundreds of model Aircraft, Armor, Ships, Autos, Sci-Fi, and Dioramas on Display!
- 54 Contest Categories plus Special & Theme Awards!
- Children's Make 'n Take model builds!
- Pictures with reenactors!
- Hobby Vendors!
- Kit Raffle!



Ground Arsenal of Vehicles & Weapons on display!



Weather permitting ride in this Halftrack for \$10. per person



M4 Sherman Tank, Armored Cars, High Speed M4 Vehicle with a howitzer in tow, M26 Tank Transporter, M4E Tank, Quad 50cal guns, and many more! The MAA is acquiring all of the Military Museums of Southern New England collection over 10,000 items.



www.theamericanmuseumofarmor.org



Contest, Exhibit, Admissions:

(Includes unlimited model entries)

Adult / Absentee — \$25.00

Juniors — \$20.00 (13 to 17 years of age)

Children — \$6.00 (under 13 years of age)

Visitors:

Adult — \$18.00

12 to 17 yrs of age — \$18.00

Seniors 65+ & Vets — \$18.00

Children 8 & under 12 — \$6.00

Current Military — Free



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September 8, 2018

Time: 9am—5pm



Highlights

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- Great food provided all day by TEHS Booster Club
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This is our fourth year at this venue

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5801 Franconia Road
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August 1-4, 2018

Phoenix Convention Center
Phoenix, Arizona

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