



THE PATRIOT

IPMS Patriot Chapter Newsletter
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Meeting Info

The next Patriot Chapter meeting will take place on Friday, August 3, at 7:30 p.m. at the First Parish Unitarian Church in Billerica, MA. The church is located on Concord Road, just as it meets Route 3A (Boston Road) at the Billerica Town Common. The August meeting will be a build session with a business meeting, Show-and-Tell, and a raffle.



Bart Navarro did a really nice job on this OOB build of the excellent Tamiya 1:48 F-84G Thunderjet. Bart used Testors Metallizer Buffing Aluminum for the natural metal finish. Decals are from the kit. Markings are for "Four Queens"/"Olie," flown by Col. Joseph Davis jr. of the 58th FBS based at Taego, Korea in 1952.

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Minutes from the July Meeting

The business meeting was chaired by chapter president Dave Schmidt.

1) Club Store

Bill Michaels and Dave Schmidt led a discussion and update of Bill's efforts to set up the club web store and make items available to members to order, for which they will be reimbursed by the club.

After consideration, it was decided that all members in good standing will be allowed to participate without exception. The club will pay in full for a single item per member from the approved list.

Shirt orders will be for a single color, like other clubs we would like our members to be identifiable by a common clothing theme at shows. The color is a light-medium blue. Note that T-Shirts will have printed logos, polo shirts will have embroidered logo; the supplier is currently test running the embroidered version. If members do not submit their choice by the deadline, or wish to order an item in a different color, then they are still able to have the cost of an item reimbursed, but they will have to place their order directly on the webstore and claim the cost directly from the club treasurer.

The arrangements for the club webstore have since been completed. See Page 2 for a complete description of the procedures.

2) Club Trip

A club trip is under consideration but is not assured. The trip would happen toward the end of summer (before Labor Day?) and sufficiently in advance of Patcon. The club could consider a rented transport.

Possible venues mentioned at the meeting were the New England Air Museum and the Owls Head Museum. That other possible venues were previously listed was mentioned, but not read out.

3) Patcon Raffle

The state of the raffle prizes for Patcon was described as being "in good shape." There are 5 premium prizes, and these were listed. There is a concern regarding the number of car kits, and some members have offered to make donations.

4) Collection donation

A walk-in customer at the Spare Time Shop has verbally offered to donate a kit collection. It is believed that there are 100+ kits that are reasonably recent releases and mostly unstarted and/or still sealed. The person, however, has not been heard from since.

5) Patcon

A brief enquiry into the state of awards was conducted. Pip Moss is managing the medals (class awards) and has arranged new ribbons with different colors for 1st, 2nd and 3rd. Richard Price is responsible for the special awards, yet to be ordered pending a final list being provided; since this list is on the recently issued show flyer, an order can be placed. The best of show award will be a Minuteman statue as per previous years. [Post meeting addendum: The special awards have been ordered as of 7/19/18.]

6) Treasurer's report

An itemized breakdown of June transactions and starting and ending balances was read out. The club's finances are in a "healthy" condition, hence the offers to pay for club clothing in agenda item 1) and the possibility of hired transport in item 2). A motion from the floor to accept report as read was passed by floor vote.

The business meeting then adjourned and was followed by Show-and-Tell and the monthly raffle.

—Richard Price, Secretary

Show-and-Tell

Jeff Brown28 mm T'au Pathfinder Squad (Citadel)
Lars Knowles 1:100 00 Gundam Seven Sword (Bandai)
Pip Moss 1:48 F-15C Eagle (Hasegawa)
Bart Navarro 1:48 F-84G Thunderjet (Tamiya)

Raffle Report

July Winners:

John Touloupis, AMT Star Trek TOS Enterprise Special Edition

Dan Costa, Bandai 1:48 Star Wars AT-ST Walker

Bill Michaels, Airfix 1:48 Walrus.

Don't forget: we give a free raffle ticket to each club member who brings in a new, completed, model for Show-and-Tell.

The Patcon Raffle collection drive is in full swing—we can always use more prizes for the big Patcon raffle! Just bring your donations to the next meeting.

—Bill Michaels, Vice President

Special Club Notice

Free Webstore Merchandise for Club Members

Program Description:

- 1) Every member in good standing in 2018 is eligible for a free item from the list. Members in their first year must attend a meeting to place their order.
- 2) We'll announce a cutoff date, based on the lead time from Choice 1, to get the items in our hands by the September meeting. Our cut-off date will likely be the week of August 20.
- 3) Members that join after the cut-off date or just miss the order deadline are still eligible—they will have to order a shirt directly from the vendor and bring in the receipt. Our treasurer will then reimburse the cost of the item. (Shipping is not reimbursed.)

How do I get my free item?

- 1) Go to www.ipmspatriot.org/Clothing.html
- 2) Pick your item, and send an email to Bill Michaels at shirts@ipmspatriot.org . Be sure to specify a size!
- 3) A consolidated order will be placed, and the items will be brought to the September meeting for distribution. If you can't make the meeting, you will have to work out a way to claim your item. (Picking up at Patcon could be an option.)
- 4) If you don't order your free item in time, you will be able to purchase one item and be reimbursed for the cost. We can send you a check to reimburse you, or give you a credit against the annual dues.

Note: If you are one of our members who can't make the meetings, please consider placing your own order directly. The last thing the club officers need is to be hauling around a half dozen or more items to meeting after meeting, trying to get rid of items! If you know that picking up your item will be an issue, just place an individual order and have the item shipped to you directly.

How do I buy additional items?

Instructions for ordering items directly will be emailed. You will be able to log into the "club account," place an order, enter your shipping address, and pay for the order.

—Bill Michaels, Vice President

Upcoming Events

August 1–4.....**IPMS National Convention/Contest**, Phoenix Convention Center, Phoenix, AR.

Log on to <http://www.ipmsusnationals2018.org/>

September 16.....**Patcon 2018**, IPMS Patriot Chapter, Hudson Elks Lodge, 99 Park Street, Hudson, MA

Log on to <http://www.ipmspatriot.org>

October 21.....**GraniteCon XXVI**, Granite State Modelers, The Falls Event Center, Manchester, NH.

Contact Rodney Currier: nickmatt2@roadrunner.com.

October 21.....**HVHMG 2017**, IPMS Mid Hudson, Elks Club, Lodge Overocker Road, Poughkeepsie, NY.

Contact John Gallagher: ggallagher@optonline.net or 845-462-4740.

November 10.....**LIARS Model Car Challenge**, Long Island Auto Replica Society, 130 East Merrick Road, Freeport, NY.

Contact Rich Argus: r.argus@juno.com or 516-579-3379.

November 11.....**Baycon 2018**, IPMS Bay Colony, Smithfield Elks Lodge, 326 Farnum Pike, Smithfield, RI.

Contact Robert Magina: treadhead@comcast.net or 508-695-7754.

March 29, 2019.....**Valleycon 29**, IPMS Wings & Wheels, Knights of Columbus, 460 Granby Road, Chicopee, MA.

Contact Al LaFleche: ajlafleche@comcast.net or 413-306-1270.

Show-and-Tell Gallery



A sampling of Jeff Brown's set of 28 mm figures (Citadel) depicting a T'au pathfinder squad from the Warhammer 40K fantasy universe. Jeff writes: "It's a light infantry unit that specializes in using laser target designators to allow the rest of the army to focus their fire. I painted them pink and white in a sort of Japanese cherry blossom theme. The squad leaders have Japanese characters on their banners that I hand painted. They say "Do your best!" "Let's go!" "Swift" and "Lightning." They're part of a larger force of equally pink mecha battlesuits that I'm working on. I used mostly Vallejo model colors to paint them. I'm not super happy with the whole project, so these guys got to about 80% done, and then I slapped the remaining 20% on very quickly and haphazardly. In short, they're as done as I want to make them."



Show-and-Tell Gallery (continued)



Pip Moss's 1:48 scale F-15C Eagle (Hasegawa), built to depict a plane from the 104th FW of the Massachusetts ANG, based at Barnes ANGB, as she looked on September 11, 2011 during exercises marking the 10th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks. Ken Middleton's photos of the plane found in his remarkable Flickr album (<https://www.flickr.com/photos/34948319@N03/sets/72157616924315571>) were extremely helpful. This version of the kit provided white metal wheels and landing gear, and styrene and PE (many) parts for the uncovered exhausts as well as canopy locks and other small details.

Aftermarket items include an Aires resin/PE cockpit set, Black Box resin ejection seat with handles from a True Details set, PE canopy mirrors from Eduard, PE HUD from an old IPMS/USA set, a Wolfpack MSIP upgrade kit (various blade and GPS antennas and starboard rear extension with ALQ-135 ECM antenna), LAU-128 launch rails from Metallic Details, AIM-120s and AIM-9X from Meng, and TCTS pod from Hasegawa.

Other modifications include a scratchbuilt arresting hook and housing, scratchbuilt ventral blade antennas (the resin bits broke off and disappeared at various times during the build), scratchbuilt data link antennas and computer generated call sign decals for the TCTS pod, and filling/re-scribing of the bleed air louvres just behind the intake (only open during high-speed flight).

Paints for the Mod Eagle scheme are Model Master enamels, with Metallizer Buffing Titanium and various Alclad shades for the rear fuselage and exhausts. The camouflage scheme was airbrushed free-hand, and some edges were then cleaned up by brush with the thinned paints. Decals are from a Caracal sheet for which Mr. Middleton consulted.

Show-and-Tell Gallery (concluded)



Lars Knowles's 1:100 scale 00 Gundam Seven Sword (Bandai Master Grade), a weapons pack/equipment variation for the GN-0000 00 Gundam that appears in the *Mobile Suit Gundam 00V* side story. The original Seven Sword System was designed specifically for the Gundam Exia, the close combat Gundam-type mobile suit featured in both seasons of *Mobile Suit Gundam 00*. The unit is piloted by Setsuna F. Seiei.