

Next meeting date: Monday, November 16th 7:30 pm to 10 pm

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Model: Hawk 1/48 U-2A Photo: Steve Muth U-2 Over Moscow



Well we missed Fred last month at the meeting and Fred missed having the contest. On a good note, there weren't many models on the tables. I guess the summer months have slowed your model building. It happens. Since we have a schedule going on in the next few months, we will postpone the contest. Here is an itinerary planned, subject to change if necessary:

The next meeting, Monday the 16th, Steve Andreano will have a slide show that will interest us all. The Leningrad Siege Museum: Uniforms, paintings, mod-

els and weapons from the 900 day Siege in WWII. The Soviet Artillery Museum: 200 plus walk around pictures of Russian Artillery including Napoleonic guns. Russian fleet ships and Napoleonic forts. A Finish Naval Fort: Military Museums including a modified German Sturm and cannons. Sounds like an awful lot of pictures but Steve can always have a part 2 to this meeting.

- December 14th the second Monday of the month is our Holiday Party at the Airpower Museum with hot food. The same that we did last year and wives welcomed.
- January Rob will do another weathering clinic, or have Steve continue his pictures.
- February will be a clinic night TBD or Steve's pictures.
- March we will have the club contest night.
- April will be a clinic night TBD.

There is sad news from the IPMS office. Mary Jane (MJ) has suddenly passed away the second week of October. The cause was undetermined. Members of IPMS who have dealt with MJ knows she was always on top of any situation and always responded to every chapter's needs. I hope she will rest in peace, and IPMS will find a replacement with her talent.

Hey! Remember club dues? Yep, we need to have everyone current. If you aren't, the Treasury Man Doug, will be knocking at your door, and if not paid up NO HOLIDAY PARTY FOR YOU! You will be banned from the door.

Remember Steve Muth, our newsletter editor, can always use some reviews of any length on any of our hobby items. Even if you see a review of an item in a magazine, not everyone buys them and it would be nice to let our members know about the product. Steve will take care of editing and if necessary, look for a picture to add. If you need a form to follow, to make your effort easy, I and Steve will have them at the meetings. Steve and I want to thank the couple of members who submitted articles last month.

The Hudson Valley (HVHMG) show on October 17th in Poughkeepsie, NY was really nice as always. Hobby Fan missed it this time since he was still in Tailand, but he will return for the 2016 shows. Vendor, Military Miniatures Warehouse was a no-show again. Word is his health worsened and he isn't expected to re-

the LI Figure Show too. Keep our hobby alive and well,







Lockheed F-94 Starfire, Air Force Legends Number 218

by Alan C. Carey, Published by Steve Ginter, 2015, 162 pages SC

Reviewed by Steve Muth



Following the same format as the previous Steve Ginter books, this is primarily a photo essay with many new detail photos taken primarily from Lockheed and Air Force archives. There is a brief history of the F-94 development and its place among its contemporaries and competitors – the Northrop F-89 Scorpion, the F-86D Sabre and the Douglas F3D Skyknight. It is interesting to note that the F-94C

was the first to have as its primary armament a battery of unguided folded fin air to air rockets similar to those used by the Me 262 in the closing weeks of the war in 1945 10 years earlier.

Also covered are the NF-94 missile test bed, the YF-94D and F-94D ground attack variants, The YF-94A, YF-94C, F-94C and EF-94C with a recon nose. There is special emphasis on the differences between the F-94A, B and C, particularly regarding the cockpit and landing gear details.

Sixty eight pages are dedicated to photos and markings of virtually all USAF and Air National Guard squadrons. Did you know that the 61st FIS had tiger shark mouth markings? I didn't. There is even a color photo of one on the back cover! Great stuff!

Twelve pages are devoted to describing essentially all the kits that have been produced – starting with Comet and ending with the latest from Kitty Hawk. Included are many box top photos with pros and cons of each kit. Eleven manufacturers, in all, are covered. Even different releases are described.

My only complaint (I know, I am spoiled) is the paucity of color, only the front and rear covers have color photos and none of the detail photos are in color. But, the price is right and the subject matter is great!

I highly recommend it to anyone interested in early post war jets.



1/350 Carrier Kitty Hawk by Trumpeter



The USS Kitty Hawk, lead ship in her class of multirole aircraft carriers, was laid down in December 1956 and constructed by the New York Ship Building Corporation at Camden, New Jersey. Launched on 21st May 1960 and commissioned at the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard on April 29th, 1961, Kitty Hawk was originally designated CVA-63 (Aircraft Carrier, Attack, #63), redesignated CV-63 (Non nuclear) in may 1975.

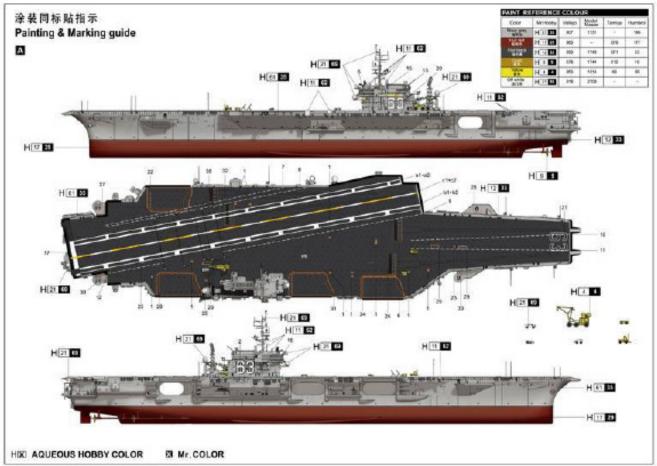
She was the last conventionally powered super carrier. The Trumpeter 1/350 scale kit of the carrier Kitty Hawk finally arrived at Bayshore Hobbies. We were joking around about it being sent by freight - it's in a big box that is rather heavy. Looks to be a nice kit, and was packed well, with compartments and boxes inside the outer carton. On top of everything was the large instruction manual, color painting illustrations, and a couple of nice decal sheets. The hull is in one huge piece with a separate port side sponson under the angled deck. There is no provision for a waterline model, unless you're willing to cut the bottom off yourself. (There are no waterline indications on the part). The flight deck is one large piece, and a hanger deck is included. The model depicts the ship late in her career, with the appropriate aircraft

included (molded in clear). Two large frets of brass photo etch parts are included for the fine details. Unfortunately, although the temptation is great, I won't be able to begin work on it until we move into our new house (this will take a while - I've got a lot of stuff). The plan is to back date the ship to its appearance as it was during the Viet Nam war, with changes to the bow and stern details, the Sea Sparrow launchers and CWIS would be deleted and replaced by Talos missile launchers and directors. Some of the radar arrays will also need to be changed. The carrier Air Group of the era included F-4's, A-7's, A-6's, A-3's, RA-5C's, and a few aircraft from support detachments. These are already available from Trumpeter and I've already got them. The challenging part will be the decals for the 1/350 planes. I'm also considering doing it up as the sister ship USS Constellation. This is definitely an impressive kit, and should turn out to be a great model when it is done.

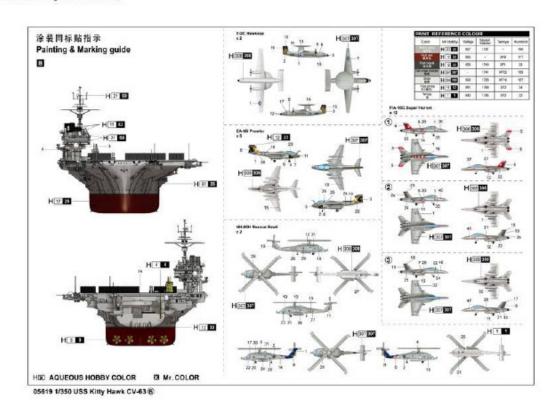
I'm going to need a bigger shelf!

Editor – The kit contains over 1400 parts, has a length of 935.1 mm and a beam of 245.4 mm.





05619 1/350 USS Kitty Hawk CV-63 ®



OCTOBER 2015 SEEN ON THE TABLE



There was supposed to be a contest at this meeting but everybody showed up but the Contest Committee. Never the less there were 17 models on display at the meeting. Model were by Tim Kelly, Bob DeMaio, Marshall Voizard, Joe Yeager, Steve Muth, Ray O'Neill Steve Marten, Jim Boulukos, Michael Guld and Rick Vereist. Included were five works in progress – a Cougar 4X4 MRAP, a Hydro Ski Boat, a 1955 Kurtiss Kraft Indy car, Star Ship Enterprise and a M-18 Hellcat. In place of the contest Bob had a show and tell session. I enjoyed it very much.

Steve Muth





1/24 Hemi Hydro Ski Boat with major mods work in progress by Jim Boulukos



Steve Marten's Merit 1/48 Elco 80 ft PT Boat



Steve Marten's 1/35 Cougar 4X4 MRAP work in progress







1/72 Lightning by Marshall Voizard



Bob DeMaio's Trumpeter 1/32 MiG-3 in winter camouflage



Tim Kelly's 1/12 Guillows Stick and Tissue P-40E



Steve Muth's old 1/32 Nichimo N1K2-J Kai/



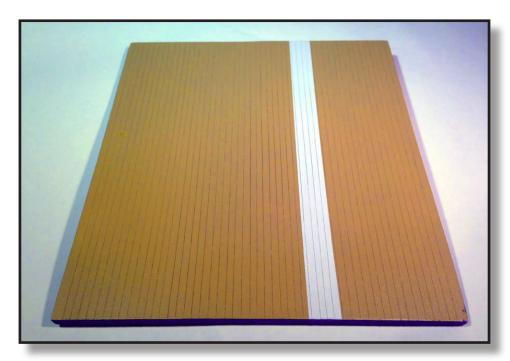
Effectively camouflaged 1/35 Schwimwagen by Joe Yeager/



Create a Japanese Carrier Deck Fast, Easily and Inexpensively

Minicraft Models #14715

By Sal Picataggio All photos by Janet Picataggio.



Once you've finished a model, the big question (other than "What's next?") is "How do I display this?" On a shelf would be nice. Displaying them as a group of related models is good, too. There is always the possibility of a diorama, but sometimes, you've just about had it with the model and do not want to do much more. A simple base, with maybe a figure or two could be just the thing.

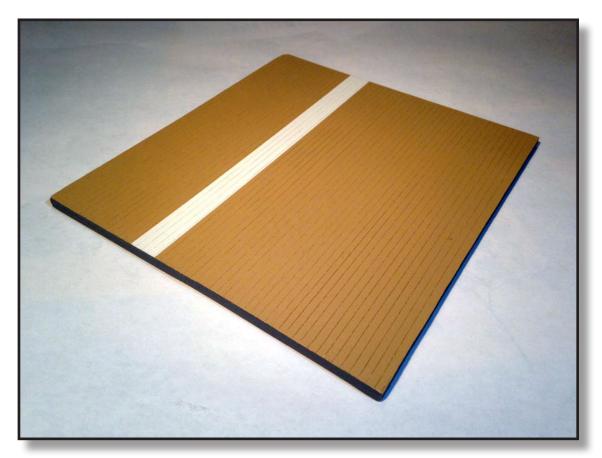
A carrier deck is perfect for navy aircraft. There are quite a few aftermarket deck sections out there, but you can do it yourself quickly and inexpensively. I have chosen an early WW2 Japanese carrier deck as my subject. Many of these techniques can apply to American carrier decks, too.

Japanese (and American) carrier decks in WW2 were wood planking, and nothing looks like wood as wood. So, start with a piece of flat wood from a craft/hobby store. Something in the soft range (like basswood) is best, but not balsa- too soft. For reference, Google "Japanese carrier deck", and a lot of good photos will come up. Choose/ cut a size slightly larger than your subject. A light sanding will eliminate any fuzz. Some Japanese decks had sections where the planking ran forward and aft, rather than the left and right of American decks. Using a sharp knife, score the wood with lines about 1/8 inch apart (for 1/72 scale). This is about double the width of American planking. Check your photos, and cut with the grain.

Next, prime the deck with a coat of white. This can be used as deck striping, for interest, later on. Mask off your stripe. Early war Japanese decks were a light wood color (there are accounts online of American pilots at Midway being surprised by the light deck color, as US decks were already a gray-blue for concealment). I used Tamiya XF-59 Desert Yellow, which works well. Finally, the wood edges can be painted medium gray or black. At this point, I will mention that decking usually had tie-down fittings for the aircraft. I have chosen to ignore them in the interest of simplicity, and to enable any viewers to concentrate on the model.

The photos show the final result. Give it a try!



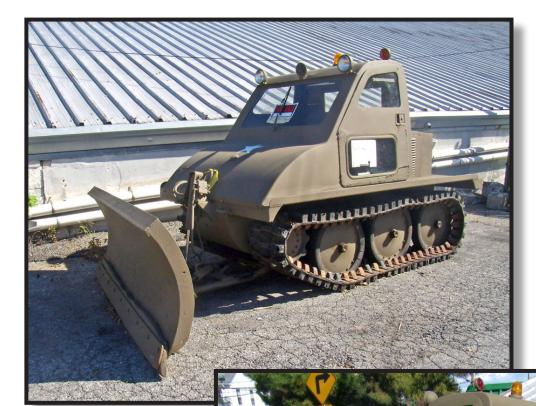




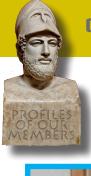
What is it?

By Steve Muth

These photos were taken at a used car garage at the Glen Head railroad station in Glen Head. It is apparently a small tracked bulldozer manufactured by Bombardier Co. in Canada. The manager of the garage doesn't know much about it except it was last owned by the City of Glen Cove and was probably used for snow removal. The skin appears to be light weight steel. The paint job is probably just cosmetic. Does anyone know what it is?











Tell us a little about yourself. How and when did you get started building models?

When I was about five years old my father bought me a P-51 plastic model and I have been building ever since.

Favorite Scale?

My favorite scale is 1/35 armor but I also build some ships in 1/700 and 1/350. I some time build in 1/72 and 1/48.

Favorite subject to build?

I mostly like to build armor.

What are you currently building?

Quite a few are in the works – ie. M18 AFV Club Hellcat, two Dragon M4 Shermans, and a Dragon Stug IV.

How big is your unbuilt kit stash and why? I'm up to about 15.

Why did you get into the hobby? If you are returning to the hobby what brought you back? I just like doing it.

What satisfies you about building a model?

The end result is very satisfying. Satisfaction in completing something tangible.

What most frustrates you when building?

Parts that don't fit well and small PE parts with complicated folds.

What is your dream project to build?

I don't really have one.

What three models would you like to see released and in what scale?

I would like to see more Sherman variants.

What is the dumbest thing you did to yourself or your model while building a kit?

Sliced myself and got a piece of resin in my onceye.

How did you hear about The Long Island Scale Model Society and what persuaded you to come to a meeting?

I heard about the Long Island Scale Model Society from someone on an on line forum. I looked into it and came to a meeting.



Show Calendar Listing for 2015

See Bob DeMaio for details

Date	Event & Location	Website	Day
Nov. 1, 2015	Baycon 2015 Elk's Hall 326 Farnum Pike Smithfield, RI 02917	www.ipmsbaycolony.com	Sun
Nov 14	LIARS Freeport Recreation Center 130 Merrick Rd Freeport, NY	http://www.wix.com/liarsmodelcarclub/liars	Sat
Nov 21	Long Island Figure Show Freeport Recreation Center 130 Merrick Rd Freeport, NY	http://www.longislandmodelsoldiers.com	Sat
April 2, 2016	Mosquitocon 25 1 Pal Drive Wayne, NJ	http://njipms.org	Sat
April 29 & 30	NOREASTCON 45 The Museum of American Arn 1303 Round Swap Road Old Bethpage, NY 11804	nor www.lisms-ipms.org www.themuseumofamericanarmor.org	Fri-Sat
Aug 3 – 6	IPMS National Convention 201 Columbia Metropolitan Conve 1101 Lincoln St Columbia, SC		Wed-Sat
Sept. TBA	Armorcon Crown Plaza Danburt, CT	www.militarymodelers.org	Fri-Sat
Oct 22	HVHMG 26 Elks Lodge 29 Overocker Road Poughkeepsie, NY	www.hvhmg.com	Sat
TBA	Baycon 2015 Elks Hall 326 Farnum Pike Smithfield, RI 02917	www.ipmsbaycolony.com	Sun



Photo:Steve Muth



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