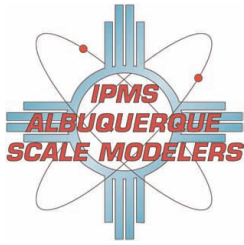


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June 2005

Special Note: The June mall show has been postponed, and will be rescheduled for sometime in the fall.

CONTEST CORNER MIKE BLOHM

May Contest Results: "World War I"

The May meeting was a busy night with two great contests. The World War I theme (points) contest had 27 entries, with 12 models relating to WWI—much higher than seen in previous WWI contests. The Micro-Modeling Sponsored Contest hosted by the E-Board had 25 entries—I didn't know there were that many small-scale builders out there! Additionally, we had 10 works in progress on display. Pictures of the best of show winners are in the Newsletter; all pictures and detailed contest results can be found on the ASM website.

In the Juniors division, Hamish Connell won the Best of Show and People's Choice Awards, and a Gold ribbon in Dioramas & Vignettes for his excellent "First Round of the Day" diorama featuring a British 18-Pounder field gun and crew. Jeannie Garriss won a Gold ribbon in the Automotive category with her nicely-finished Jeff Gordon "Pepsi" Monte Carlo. Bre Anna Camacho won a Silver ribbon in Aircraft with her Boiled Egg Blue Jumbo 747 Dash 400. Nice work, Juniors!

The Best of Show and People's Choice—Intermediate awards, and a Gold ribbon in Armor & Military, went

PRESIDENT'S CROSSHAIRS BRIAN PECK

Greetings fellow modelers!

First off, I would like to emphasize that the Cottonwood mall show has been postponed until the late summer or early fall. We will try out a new idea that we will bring up at the next meeting for discussion.

Also at the June 3 meeting, we will discuss a different lower budget option for our R10 contest next year and vote on one of the two formats.

Don't forget the Swap meet at Hobbies 'N Stuff on June 4 behind the shop—there are usually a lot of good bargains to be had!

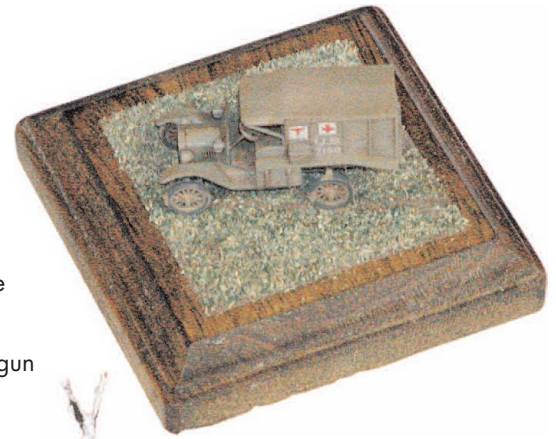
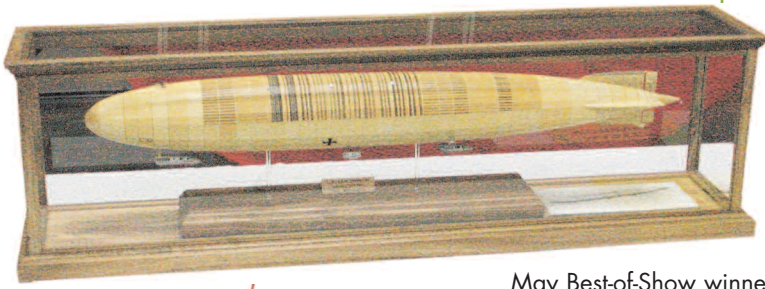
ASM will have our second swap meet at the July 8 meeting, so start saving those pennies!

I hope to see everyone at the meeting Friday!

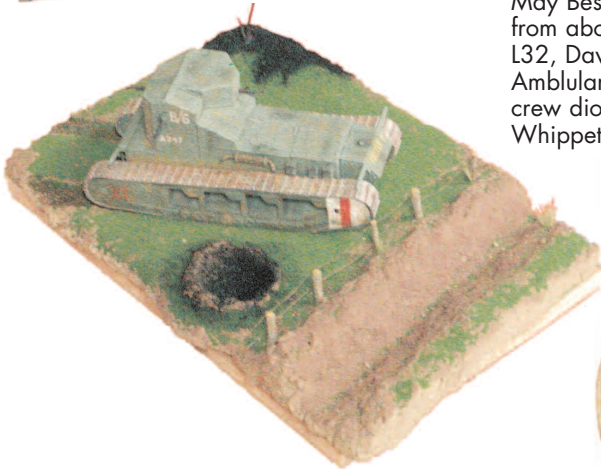


May meeting highlights, clockwise from left: Brian Peck shows how it's done; the meeting opens; Regional presentation by Tom Perea and Jim Guld





May Best-of-Show winners, clockwise from above: Dave Straub's Zeppelin L32, David Downs' Ford Model T Ambulance, Hamish Connell's field gun crew diorama, and John Kendrick's Whippet tank.



to John Kendrick for his excellent "Mk A 'Whippet'" tank. Don Smith had a bunch of excellent models entered, winning a Gold and Silver ribbon in Dioramas & Vignettes with his "Raptors" (two nicely-finished dinosaurs, not F/A-22s); and his "On to Hill 227" featuring two very, very, very tiny Sherman tanks in 1/700 scale. Don also won a Silver ribbon in Figures for his World War I German pilot.

In the Intermediate division, David Downs won both the Best of Show and People's Choice awards, and a First in Armor & Military with his excellently finished and weathered Ford Model T Ambulance in 1/72 scale. Second place in Armor & Military went to Tom Redling's British AS-90 155 mm Self-Propelled Gun. Rick Carver had a group of nicely done models, taking a First and Second in Science Fiction & Fantasy with his Sulaco spaceship and Dropship from the "Aliens" movie. Rick also won a First in Figures with his "N/A" (you'll have to check out the website to see what this was). Brian Willard swept the Aircraft category with his nicely built A-7 Corsair II (First place), F-15C Eagle (Second) and Su-27 Flanker (Third).

The Masters division had their best showing of the year with 14 excellent entries. The Best of Show in Masters was won by Dave Straub's superb Zeppelin L32 airship, which also took First in the Aircraft category. The People's Choice—Master award was won by Ken Piniak's excellent FT-17 Tank in 1/72 scale. In the Dioramas & Vignettes category, First place went to Stan Harris' excellent "Trench Warfare—1917." Jim Guld took Second and Third places respectively with his excellent "The Long Road Home" and "Operation Black." In the Armor & Military category, First place went to Jim Guld's excellent VC Firefly, 3rd Troop, 1st Northant's Yeomanry, 1944. John Tate took Second and Third places respectively with

his excellent Mark IV (Female) Tank, Cambrai 1917, and German WWI

7.7cm Field Gun. In the Aircraft category, Dave Straub took First with his Zeppelin L32 airship. Second place went to Patrick Dick's Fokker D-VII in 1/48 scale. Third place was won by Mike Blohm's Nieuport 28 in 1/72 scale. Don MacBryde also had an excellent Fokker D-VII entered. In the Figures category, Stan Harris took First place with his awesome mounted "Scots Grey—1815." John Tate took Second with his nicely-done "Teufel Krieg"—WWI German Stormtroop.

Micro-Modeling Contest Results

The Best Overall Entry award was won by Dave Straub's Zeppelin L32 airship. With 25 total entries in multiple categories, it was tough to break down the lower level awards.

The E-Board's decision on the breakdown, and the winners, are as follows: The Best Aircraft award went to John Tate's Su-25 Frogfoot. The Best Military Award went to Dave Miller's 105mm Leichte Feldhaubitze 18/40 artillery piece. The Best "All Others" Award went to John Tate's "Kursk" submarine.

The E-board greatly appreciates the excellent turnout. Awards will be presented at the June meeting.

June Contest Entries

The June 3 Special Contest is "Southeast Asia 1941 – Present." Please be sure that you document the "where, when and how" information (country and dates) concerning your model on your entry sheet to help the judges confirm that your entry does fit the theme. A few examples include: 1) a P-40 or P-38 from a unit that was based in

Year 2005 Contest Quick Reference Chart

Titles in **blue** indicate contests for
“Modeler of the Year” Points

- 7 Jan** **SPECIAL CONTEST #1**
SCI-FI/SCIENCE/REAL SPACE/FANTASY
- 4 Feb** **D-Day Presentation**—no contest.
- 4 Mar** **Open Contest**—Any kit/scale.
*Sponsored Contest: *Gundams*
(John Kendrick)
and
ASM Swap Meet
- 1 Apr** **Bent-wing Birds/Cats/Animals**—
Any kit, any scale, any era.
- 6 May** **WWI**—Any kit, any scale.
*Sponsored Contest: *Micro-Modeling*
(ASM E-Board)
- 3 Jun** **SPECIAL CONTEST #2: SOUTHEAST ASIA**
1941 - PRESENT
*Sponsored Contest: *Best P-40*
Subject (Ken Liotta)
- 8 Jul** **ASM Swap Meet**—no contest.
- 5 Aug** **Jets & Prototype Aircraft/Vehicles/**
Ships—Any kit, any scale.
*Sponsored Contest: *Night Fighters*
(Patrick Dick & Jason Clevenger)
- 9 Sep** **Africa/Middle East, 1914 - Present**
Any kit, any scale, any nation.
*Sponsored Contest: *Best P-38*
(Stan Johnson)
- 7 Oct** **Battles of 1945**—Any subject/scale.
*Sponsored Contest: *1/35-scale German*
Armor (Rick Carver & Don Smith)
*Sponsored Contest: *BabeFest*
(Larry Horyna)
- 5 Nov** **Open Contest**—Any kit, any scale.
Plus: **One-Hour Modeling Contest**
*Sponsored Contest: *F/A-22 Raptors*
(Mike Blohm)
- 2 Dec** **SPECIAL CONTEST #3**
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India but flew missions into Burma during a particular campaign in World War II; and 2) an A-6 or A-7 from a squadron that flew missions into Vietnam while assigned aboard a particular aircraft carrier during a particular time period. If your model also fits into the “Best P-40 Subject” Sponsored Contest theme, please be sure to circle “Enter in Both Contests” on your entry form.

Upcoming Contests / Events of Interest

June 3: ASM Special (Non-Points) Contest #2: “Southeast Asia 1941 - Present” Any subject from the Southeast Asia nations, or involved in conflicts in those nations, from 1941 to the present. All scales. SE Asia is defined as the current nations of: Brunei, Burma (Myanmar), Cambodia, East Timor, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam;

or what had once been these nations from 1941. Trophies are sponsored by Hobbies 'N Stuff—thanks, Stan!

Sponsored Contest: “Best P-40 Subject” (Ken Liotta). Any era, any scale, and any model kit manufacturer. Best Entry award; secondary awards possible depending upon participation; *i.e.*, division level, scale, nationality, etc.

June 18 - 19: Region 6 2005 Convention, Moore, Oklahoma. <http://htwebservices.net/r6conv>

July 8: ASM Swap Meet (No Contest)

July 20 - 23: IPMS/USA Nationals, Atlanta, Georgia. <http://www.ipmsusa2005.org>

August 5: ASM Theme (Points) Contest: “Jets and Prototype Aircraft/Vehicles/Ships.” Any jet subject; or any prototype airplane, ship or vehicle subject, military or civilian. All scales & eras.

Workshop: Scratch-Building and Rivets (James Guld)
Sponsored Contest: Night Fighters (Patrick Dick and Jason Clevenger)

September 9: ASM Theme (Points) Contest: “Africa and Middle East—1914 to Present.” Any subject from Africa or Middle East from 1914 to the present. All scales, nations. Includes African continent nations, with the Middle East defined as the current nations of: Turkey, Iraq, Iran, Syria, Lebanon, Israel, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Qatar, United Arab Emirates, Oman, and Yemen; or what had once been these nations from 1914. Sponsored Contest: *Best P-38* (Stan Johnson)

Sep 23 - 24: The Gathering / SHOCON Annual Contest. Davis Conference Center, Logan, Utah.
<http://www.utscale.org>

Sep 30 - Oct 1: Region 10 2005 Regional Contest, Fort Collins, Colorado.
<http://www.ipmshpm.org/2005Region>

JIM'S SPRUES & REVIEWS

JAMES GULD

On the Bookshelf

I figured I would do something different this month. After looking over the living room bookshelves, more of which I now have to build to fit all the armor reference books, I decided to list some of my favorites and give a brief description of each. Now I'm not saying you have to go out and buy all of these, I just thought I would list some of my favorites.

“Sherman Firefly” by Mark Hayward. This book is the bible on the Firefly. It has tons of excellent wartime and

preserved Firefly pictures. It also has 1/35 scale drawings of the different Firefly models and lists the different kits out there.

“The British Soldier Vols. 1 – 2” by Jean Bouchery. These books cover just about everything you will need to know about the Brits from D-Day to VE-Day.

“Terrain Modeling” by Richard Windrow. Not a bad book but I was hoping for more. It does cover a number of different techniques such as water, rocks, and general landscaping.

“The WWII GI in Color Photographs” by Windrow & Hawkins. Excellent book with all the different uniforms worn in WWII and pictures of weapons and even a Sherman M4A1 thrown in for good measure.

Concord Series of books. Not very big usually under 100 pages but useful for diorama ideas and usually have a number of good pictures of buildings and geographic locations.

After The Battle Magazine. Of the few I have they are great for particular battles and usually have nice detailed maps and units involved in the battles.

“Model Fan Encyclopedia #6 T-34 in Combat Vol. 2.” This was a fairly inexpensive book, under \$20, and in this volume it covers the T-34 up to the 1943 versions.

“Panzerwrecks Vol. 1” by Lee Archer & Bill Auerbach. The title says it all. Great pictures of destroyed German Armor on the Western Front 1944 – 45.

Jentz & Doyle Series of books on German Armor. Pretty much can’t go wrong here. These guys don’t re-

lease books until all the i’s are dotted and t’s crossed. They also do the Panzer Tracts series of books on different German Armor.

Spielberger Series of books on different German Armor. Before Jentz & Doyle he was the Mack Daddy of German Armor. Still these books stand up.

Model Graphix series of books on German Armor. Good for getting the details in the right places but it is a good idea to double-check some of their pictures against the Jentz & Doyle books. They even show how some of the different onboard tools were used, like the track changing tools.

AFV Modeller. This is my favorite model magazine. It has great photography and layout, done as well as any art magazine I’ve ever seen. They usually have a section on extreme details that has walk around photos of a particular vehicle. They also do articles about different weathering techniques. I’ve picked up a number of my techniques from this magazine. The only downside is that it is slow in getting to my house.

So that about does it for this month. Now back to model building. I’m trying to keep up with Obi-Wan Tate.



Master

John Tate	1385
James Guld	943
Stan Harris	620
Dave Straub	335
Mike Blohm	268
Ken Liotta	247
Don MacBryde	230
Ken Piniak	174
Larry Horyna	125
Patrick Dick	114
Glenn Bingham	110
Brian Peck	2

Intermediate

Rick Carver	585
David Downs	472
David Boehning	460
Jeremy Connell	335
Hank Petitgirard	330
Brian Willard	300
Tom Redling	285
Frank Randall	235
Walter Schanwald	220
Cecil Severs	139

Basic

Don Smith	1029
John Kendrick	922
Don Blea	245
Matt Blohm	200

Junior

Hamish Connell	805
Jeannie Garriss	745
Logan Carbin	325
Taylor Liotta	225
Adam Martin	110
Bre Anna Camaco	100
Jimmy Letterhos	100
Nathan Shatto	100

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