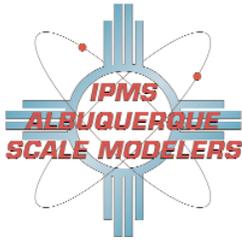


# ALBUQUERQUE SCALE MODELERS



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December 2004

## EDITOR'S NOTE JOE WALTERS

A campaign piece by Mike Mummey ran in the November issue. In the process of converting this item from its original form to something I could place in this layout, I inadvertently mistyped a short segment of text and introduced an unfortunate error in typography.

This was not a deliberate act, nor an attempt to prejudice, skew, or alter the outcome of an upcoming election; nor was it any other sort of nefarious action calculated to enact some secret agenda. It was just a mistake. That's all.

I apologize to Mike Mummey for the error.

## PRESIDENT'S CROSSHAIRS BRIAN PECK

Greetings all!

First off, I thank everyone for wanting me to be at the helm of ASM for one more year, this is a great club and I'm happy to serve my friends and fellow modelers. I will continue to do my best to lead the club and to work with *everyone's* input and ideas.

We are down to our last meeting for the year and as always the December meeting will have a lot to do and see. Don't forget that if you are in the running for "Model of the Year" to bring in your models for the final contest; plus, we all want to see those cool models on one table. We had a great turnout of models in November so let's see if we can top those numbers in December. We will also have the '05 Contest schedule that we compiled from everyone's great suggestions and also we will be going to go over some new 'tweaks' for next year to help make the meetings go faster and some fund raising projects as well to fund a probable Regional contest in '06.

There were several requests for more guest speakers

this coming year, so one individual we are trying to get is a gentleman that was involved in the D-Day landings; we hope to have him give a presentation about his experiences soon. Stay tuned.

I also want to thank all the people who participated in the one-hour model contest last month to make it a success. Congrats to all the winners: Logan Carbin, Jeannie Garriss, Don Smith and Dave Miller. Everyone seemed to have a good time and we plan on doing it again next year.

As always everyone is encouraged to bring in your latest and greatest model projects—finished or not. We're happy to break out more tables for all the models.

See you all at the meeting!

## VICE-PRESIDENT'S RAMBLINGS FRANK RANDALL

Well, the end of the year is almost upon us. It is just four days [at the time of this writing] to Turkey Day and thirty-four to Christmas Day. This year has just flown by and it is time to crown the Modelers of the Year. It has

### 2005 ASM E-Board Final Vote Tally

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Ken Liotta . . . . . 1	John Pattison . . . 17
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<b>Contest Director</b>	Jeremy Connell . . 8
Mike Blohm . . . . 44	Tim Estes . . . . . 1

been a great year with lots of excellent modeling. Great job by everyone. That's what this hobby is all about, building that great model and having fun. I do worry sometimes that we all (including me) can sometimes take this Hobby much too seriously. Remember, when all is said and done, It's just a hobby. Have fun; enjoy the moment and do your best with each new project.

This was point was brought home to me the last two weeks, with the loss of two of my co-workers and friends, and a third who may walk again after breaking her neck. Boy, life can change in a heartbeat. So let's enjoy our friendships and our skills and make this next year a great one and dust off and build that model that is our ultimate challenge.

On another note, next year's contest schedule looks great and already there are a number of special sponsored contests in the works, and a number of great workshops. So I am looking forward to a great building year, and another great opportunity to help make *your* club the best it can be.

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## CONTEST CORNER

### MIKE BLOHM

#### November Open Contest #2 Results

The November 2004 ASM meeting was a great success with four total contests being held during the meeting. We had 58 attendees and a total of 49 models. Besides the Open contest, the December meeting included Tom Perea's "Best 1/700 or 1/720 Scale Ships" and Casey Dick and Kellen Bethke's "Custom Cars and Post-1990 Sport Cars" sponsored contests. Perhaps the biggest hit of the night was the "One Hour Model Contest."

In the Juniors division, Hamish Connell won the Best of Show—Juniors and People's Choice—Juniors awards and a Gold award in Armor & Military with his excellent Panzer Elefant. Taylor Liotta won a Gold award in Science Fiction and Fantasy with his MS-14E Gelgoog. Jeannie Garriss had three total entries, winning a Gold in Science Fiction and Fantasy with her "Gundam and Pet," and a Gold and Silver Award in Automotive with her Ecto-1 Ghostbusters Car and Scooby-Doo Mystery Machine van.

The Best of Show—Basic, People's Choice—Basic, and a Gold award in Ships went to Jeremy Connell's very nicely done S-100 Schnellboot. Jeremy also won a Gold award with his "Cautious Victory" diorama. John Kendrick won a Gold in Science Fiction and Fantasy with his RX-78 Gundam G04. Tom Tagert won a Gold award with his C-5A Galaxy.

It was a very tough judge in the Intermediate division,

with the Best of Show—Intermediate and a First place in Armor & Military going to Mike Mummey for his excellent SIG-33 tank with a magnificent winter/mud finish. People's Choice—Intermediate and a First in Dioramas & Vignettes went to James Guld's awesome "In the Bag." Second place in Armor went to James Guld's V-2, and Third place went to Mike Mummey's Sturmtiger. Mike took a Second place in Dioramas & Vignettes with his "Aragon's" Oil Field Service and Machine Shop. In the Aircraft category, first place went to Paul Carbin's Bf 109C; second went to Walt Schanwald's PZL P-24F in Bulgarian markings; and third went to Cecil Severs' very interesting Tallmantz P-1 from the movie "The Flight of the Phoenix." In the Ships category, Philip Spaeth took a First and a Second place with his excellent German battlecruiser "Scharnhorst" and Japanese aircraft carrier "Taiho." John Pattison won First and Second place in the Automotive category with his excellently-finished Porsche GT-3, and Nissan Skyline.

The Best of Show—Masters, People's Choice—Masters, and a First in Dioramas & Vignettes went to Stan Harris' fabulous "Rorke's Drift—1879." In the Aircraft category, First place went to Mike Blohm's P-51D Mustang in the markings of Bruce Carr. Second place went to Chuck DeWitt's excellent N1K2-J Shinden Kai "George." Third place went to Mike Blohm's P-51D Mustang in the markings of Robert Foy.

The winners of Casey Dick and Kellan Bethke's "Post-1990 Sports Cars, and Custom Cars—All Eras" sponsored contest were as follows: Best Overall Entry went to John Pattison's Porsche GT-3. Best ASM Member's Entry went to John Pattison's Nissan Skyline. Best Guest Entry went to Ian Brown's 1969 Plymouth GTX.

The winner's of Tom Perea's "Best 1/700 or 1/720 Scale Ships" sponsored contest were as follows: First place went to John Tate's Imperial Japanese Navy battleship "Hiei." Second place went to Philip Spaeth's German Kriegsmarine battle cruiser "Scharnhorst." Third place went to John Tate's US Navy Fletcher-class destroyer "USS Melvin"—the "Blue Devil."

Pictures of the Best of Show winners are included in the Newsletter. Pictures of all the entries can be found in the Model Pictures section of the ASM Website. Meeting pictures ("people pics") can be found in that section of the website. Speaking of the website, please contribute your favorite modeling tips and modeling links for posting to those new sections!

#### December Meeting Highlights

In addition to the "Between the Wars" special contest, the December meeting also features the "Model of the Year" showdown between all the Best of Show

November *Best of Show* Winners, clockwise from upper left: Hamish Connell's Panzer Elefant, Stan Harris's *Rorke's Drift*, Mike Mummey's SIG-33, and Jeremy Connell's S-100 Schnellboot.



winners from the seven 2004 theme contests and the three Best Entry winners from the special contests. A listing of the eligible contenders is below, if you have forgotten which model you won a Best of Show with. Models need to be present at the meeting to compete in the contest, but the builders do not—so please arrange for your model to be there if you cannot be there yourself. Awards for the winners in the four divisions will be presented at the January 2005 meeting. The **Group Entry Contest** will also take place. The **2004 Modeler of the Year awards** will be presented to the winners in the four divisions. It was a very close race all the way through November in several of the divisions. The **ASM 2005 Contest Schedule** will be presented to the club membership. Please note that the January contest theme will now also include “Science.” This includes any subject related to the field of Science, including dinosaurs, human physiology, insects, etc.

**ASM Judging Corps.** A sign-up list will be passed around at the December meeting for anyone interested in participating in judging ASM contests and learning how to judge if you have never done so. There will be side-sessions at the January and/or February meetings to cover the basics of model judging and to form judging teams for the 2005 year. Please consider helping with judging and learning how to judge—it will certainly benefit your own modeling skills!

### 2004 Model of the Year Contenders

Best of Show Winners from 2004 Theme and Special Contests

#### November 2004 “Open Contest #2”

Junior . . . . . Panzer Elefant (Hamish Connell)  
 Basic . . . . . S-100 Schnellboot (Jeremy Connell)  
 Intermediate . . . . . SIG-33 (Mike Mummey)  
 Masters . . . . . “Rorke’s Drift 1879” (Stan Harris)

#### October 2004 “World War II – The Western Front” Contest

Junior . . . . . Red Mask Gundam (Jeannie Garriss)  
 Basic . . . . . “Handschar on the Move” (Jeremy Connell)  
 Intermediate . . . . . Surrender of Iserlohn (Jim Guld)  
 Masters . . . . . Panzer IV Panther Prototype (Dave Miller)

#### September 2004 “Aces and Heroes” Contest

Basic . M113 APC (Carlos Hathcock, USMC) (Jeremy Connell)

Intermediate Spitfire Mk Vb (Jan Zembach) (Tim Wood)  
 Masters . . . . P-39Q (Grigori Rechkalov) (Mike Blohm)

#### July 2004 “Modern Marvels” Contest

Junior . . . . . Porche 911 GT1 (Casey Dick)  
 Basic . . . . . Typhoon Submarine (John Kendrick)  
 Intermediate . . . . Sling Shot Top Fuel Dragster (John Pattison)

Masters . . . . . “Baghdad Patrol” (Stan Harris)

#### June 2004 “Battles of 1944” Special Contest

Overall Best . . . . . “Bloody Omaha” (Jim Guld)

#### May 2004 “World War II Pacific” Contest

Junior . . . . . Blitz Gundam (Jeannie Garriss)  
 Basic . . . . . M4A3 “Classy Peg” (John Kendrick)  
 Intermediate . . . . “Yamato” Battleship (Philip Spaeth)  
 Masters . M6A1 “Seiran” Float Plane (Glenn Bingham)

#### April 2004 “Open Contest #1” Contest

Junior . . . . . Gundam Blue & Yellow (Jeannie Garriss)  
 Basic . . . . . X-15 (John Kendrick)  
 Intermediate . . . . “Damn Jabo’s” Diorama (Jim Guld)  
 Masters Panzwerfer 42(SF) Auf LKW Opel (Dave Miller)

#### March 2004 “Russia / Soviet Union” Theme Contest

Junior . . . . . Nissan 350 Z Custom (Casey Dick)  
 Basic . . . . . Su-27 UB (John Kendrick)  
 Intermediate . . . . Soviet BT-5 Tank (Mike Mummey)  
 Masters . . . . . T-35 Russia, Fall 1941 (Stan Harris)

#### January 2004 “Sci-Fi / Real Space / Fantasy” Special Contest

Overall Best. . APC from “Aliens” Movie (Rick Carver)

### Upcoming Contests / Events of Interest

**December 3:** Special Contest #3 “Between the Wars.” (Non-Points) Any aircraft, ship, armor or vehicle specifically between World War I and World War II (“Golden Age”), or from the end of WW II through the 1950s (excluding the Korean War 1950 – 1953). Any scale, all nations. Trophies sponsored by Hobbies ‘N Stuff. Also:

- “Model of the Year” Competition amongst the Best

of Show winners at each skill level from all the 2004 Theme and Special Contests. Models must be present to participate.

- Group Entry Contest. ROE: Min of 2 people, max of 3 people per team. Each member must make a significant contribution to constructing the model. Models must be completed and ready for judging at the December meeting. Judging by popular vote. Awards—TBD

**January 7, 2005:** Science Fiction / Science / Real Space / Fantasy Special Contest (Non-Points Contest). Any subject/scale in the realms of science fiction (Star Wars, Star Trek, etc.); science (dinosaurs, human physiology, insects, etc.); real space exploration (Mercury – Apollo, Space Shuttle, etc.); and fantasy (comic book heroes/villains & anime, Gundams, etc.).

### Year 2004 Contest Quick Reference Chart

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

- 9 Jan** **SPECIAL CONTEST #1**  
**SCI-FI, REAL SPACE & FANTASY**
- 6 Feb** **ASM Swap Meet**—no contest.
- 5 Mar** **Russia/Soviet Union**—Any kit/scale.  
\*Sponsored Contest: *Best Russian Aviation or Armor (Tim Estes)*
- 2 Apr** **Open Contest**—Any kit, any scale.  
\*Sponsored Contest: *Best 1950s US Naval Aviation (Rick Carver & Don Smith)*
- 7 May** **WWII—Pacific**—Any kit, any scale.
- 4 Jun** **SPECIAL CONTEST #2: BATTLES OF 1944**  
\*Sponsored Contest: *Best Fw 190 (Ken Liotta)*
- 9 Jul** **Modern Marvels**—Any kit, any scale.  
\*Sponsored Contest: *Big (Brian Peck)*  
\*Sponsored Contest: *Fast Movers (John Tate)*
- 13 Aug** **ASM Swap Meet**—no contest.
- 10 Sep** **Aces and Heroes**—Any kit, any scale.
- 1 Oct** **WWII—Western Front**—Any kit/scale.  
\*Sponsored Contest: *Babe Fest (Ken Liotta)*
- 5 Nov** **Open Contest**—Any kit, any scale.  
\*Sponsored Contest: *Best 1/700 or 1/720 Ship (no subs) (Tom Perea)*
- 3 Dec** **SPECIAL CONTEST #3**  
**BETWEEN THE WARS**  
Plus: **Model of the Year**

Workshop: Figure Painting (Stan Harris)

**February 4, 2005:** ASM Swap Meet (No Contest)

**February 19, 2005:** Modelfiesta XXIV, Live Oak, Texas, IPMS-USA Alamo Squadron, San Antonio, TX

**March 4, 2005:** Open Contest #1 (Points Contest)

All scales, subjects and eras.

Workshop: *Tracks (James Guld and Patrick Dick)*

The following is a tentative non-final representation of the 2005 Contest Schedule, for your perusal. The official final list will be published in the January newsletter.

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- 7 Jan** **SPECIAL CONTEST #1**  
**SCI-FI/SCIENCE/REAL SPACE/FANTASY**
- 4 Feb** **ASM Swap Meet**—no contest.
- 4 Mar** **Open Contest**—Any kit/scale.
- 1 Apr** **Bent-wing Birds/Cats/Animals**—  
Any kit, any scale, any era.
- 6 May** **WWI**—Any kit, any scale.
- 3 Jun** **SPECIAL CONTEST #2: SOUTHEAST ASIA 1941 - PRESENT**  
\*Sponsored Contest: *Micro-Modeling (ASM E-Board)*
- 8 Jul** **ASM Swap Meet**—no contest.
- 5 Aug** **Jets & Prototype Aircraft/Vehicles**—Any kit, any scale.
- 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)*
- 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**  
**MODELING NEW MEXICO**  
Plus: **Model of the Year**

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