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DEM BRUDDERS SPECIAL EDITION DICK & BILL ENGAR

Congratulations to ASM for shining at the 2009 Regional in Colorado

Kudos to the officers and members of Albuquerque Scale Modelers for being selected as the Region 10 Chapter of the Year. You are in the midst of what is probably an unprecedented streak of three straight years and counting. Awards like that are very hard to come by and take a great amount of effort by all concerned, including your E-Board members from the past several years. Dem Brudders have always been made to feel welcome by your members whether we have visited New Mexico

June meeting highlights, clockwise from below: members milling about before the meeting; the Obi-Joe Project finally gets its screening; the business meeting in progress.

and intermingled there or have seen you at regional and national events and we appreciate your hospitality and congeniality.

You were well represented at the recent Regional in Colorado Springs by more than just sheer numbers of members attending. Dave Miller and James Guld walked off with "Best of Class" awards, which is always a significant feat. Nine of your members won regular category awards, which probably represented the most awards per clubs making any showing at the Regional, with maybe the exception of the host club Centennial Modelers.

Ken Liotta's excellent account published in the





Best of Show winners from June, left to right: Greg Hayes's Semovente 75-18 M-40 Tank, Jim Guld's Staghound Armored Car, and Tony Humphries's M4A1 Crew in Italy. The "Show Your Stripes!" contest (sponsored by Don Smith) was won by Frank Randall's P-47D.



May 2009 ASM Newsletter covered all the details, so there is no need to rehash anything more about the show other than the fact that it was good to see an appearance from an old friend and great modeler, Larry Horyna. From the standpoint of *Dem* Brudders, however, with over 100 entrants and 717 official entries, and close to 900 model pieces on the overflowing tables, this contest represented a return akin to the good old days of The Gathering, which succeeded due to participation by many of your members. Up until Centennial's Pikes Peak Model Expo 2009, we have not seen anything like The Gathering in terms of local contest numbers since 2003 anywhere, even in Utah. Thankfully, the concept of a Regional is again alive and well and with your monthly contests, etc. Your members should continue to be well-represented at the Nationals in 2010 in Phoenix and at future Regionals in our area with new builds. Keep it up and congratulations. We look forward to the future when you decide to once again host the Regional yourselves. We will make every effort to attend at that time, hopefully in the not-too-distant future.

Dick Engar & Bill Engar (Dem Brudders)

JIM'S ARMOR CORNER JAMES GULD

This month I thought I would talk about a product I picked up a few months ago and have had a chance to check out. It is from Iwata and is called a Triple Action Handle Assembly. It comes with all the instructions for how to install and use it, along with troubleshooting tips. I haven't had any problems with mine. It replaces the rear handle and

chucking nut and then has a new assembly that gets attached. One of the nice features is that it has a quick release knob on the rear, and the needle pops out slightly and you can pull it out for cleaning. It also has a preset built into the triple-action barrel to set the amount the needle can be pulled back. Right now I have it set up on my siphon-feed Eclipse. I haven't tried it out on my gravity-feed HP-CH, so "your mileage my vary."

CHALLENGE BUILDS BRIAN PECK

Greetings fellow ASM'er dudes!

Well, the time is fast approaching for Jack Garriss and Frank Randall to complete their "Challenge builds" that was issued a few months ago. Will they have it completed it in time? Will they need one more month? Will they owe all of us a steak dinner at the Ranchers Club (not really)? Come on down to



the next meeting and find out! We'll see you all there.

FIELD TRIP REPORT MIKE BLOHM

Warbirds—Flying Heritage Collection

This Field Trip Report covers a trip that I recently made to the Warbirds—Flying Heritage Collection at Paine Field in Everett, Washington, just North of Seattle. The museum consists of a large hangar with approximately 18 aircraft. Most of these are in flyable condition and perform on Saturdays from June through September. Unfortunately, my visit was a few months early. Select pictures are included below. A more detailed trip report and additional pictures are available on the ASM Web Site (http://abqscalemodelers.com/asm_field_trips.htm).



Displayed aircraft of note include: Supermarine Spitfire Mk Vc, Hawker Hurricane M XIIb, Messerschmitt Bf 109E-3 Emil, Fiesler Fi 156C-2 Storch, Curtiss Jn-4 Jenny, Curtiss P-40C Tomahawk in American Volunteer Group markings, Republic P-47D Thunderbolt, North American P-51D Mustang, Mitsubishi A6M3-22 Zero-Sen, Nakajima



Year 2009 Contest Quick Reference Chart Titles in **blue** indicate contests for "Modeler of the Year" Points SPECIAL CONTEST #1 9 Jan SCI-FI/SCIENCE/REAL SPACE/FANTASY **ASM Swap Meet**—no contest. 6 Feb 6 Mar Open Contest—Any kit/subject/scale. 3 Apr 3 or More Engines—any kit/subject/scale/era. Sponsored Contest: Tank Destroyers of WWII (James Guld & John Tate) 1 May SPECIAL CONTEST #2 THIRD WORLD—Army, Navy, Air Force, etc. No Warsaw Pact, no NATO. Sponsored Contest: Battle of the Bulge (Fred Franceschi) **12 Jun Italiano**—Any kit/scale/subject/era built or operated in or from Italy. Sponsored Contest: Show Your Stripes!—Best invasion-striped WWII D-Day aircraft (Don Smith) 10 Jul Armored Cars—Any scale, era, manufacturer. Sponsored Contest: "Best Panzer IV & Variants" (ASM E-Board) 1/48 Single-engine Props—Any 7 Aug kit/scale/subject/era 11 Sep **Sharkmouths**—Plane, Tank, Car, Truck, etc. Any kit/subject/scale. Sponsored Contest: "Best Hellcat F6F" (Frank Randall) SPECIAL CONTEST #3 2 Oct BEST COMPETITION RACER OR ATHLETE Figure) Sponsored Contest: "Best Porsche" (Patrick Dick) Open Contest—Any kit/subject/scale. 6 Nov Sponsored Contest: "Best Vietnam Subject '64 – '75" (Tim Wood) 4 Dec SPECIAL CONTEST #4 XYZ PROTOTYPES Sponsored Contest: Best Mirage III, IV, V. 2000 or Variant (Rick Carver) Plus Model of the Year competition!

Ki-43 Hayabusha (Oscar), Polikarpov I-16 Type 24 Rata, and Polikarpov U-2/Po-2.





Aircraft of note that are either static or not flown due to rarity include a Focke-Wulf Fw 190D-13 Dora, F6F Hellcat, Messerschmitt Me 163B Komet, Fiesler Fi 103 / V-1 "Buzz Bomb," and a Fiesler Fi 103R Reichenberg (manned V-1). The museum also has a nose section of an Avro Lancaster Mk 1 bomber and a "Space Ship One" replica on display.

Very highly recommended—plan on at least half a day to see everything. Unfortunately, the aircraft are grouped together and surrounded by low barriers, so you can't walk totally around them or get very close up. Try to visit during the summer when they are flying on Saturdays—the web site has a schedule for "Flying Days" that includes which specific aircraft will be flying. Hint: If you are there on 18 July you can see the Bf 109E and P-47D go

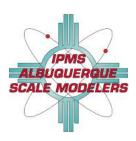
head-to-head. Check out the Collection's web site (http://www.flyingheritage.com).

ROSWELL MODELS HARRY DAVIDSON

The Roswell airport is attempting to set up a model display. Anyone wishing to assist with this project should contact Harry Davidson (256-7212, evenings; if you leave a message, please speak very clearly!).

Models are needed of the following aircraft:

B-17	B-24	B-29
B-50	KB-50	B-47
P-51	F-84 (3 types)	F-89
C-47	AT-11	C-119
C-54	KC-97	KC-135
C-135	C-130	P3-V Slurry



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