

# SUPER RAFFLE!

The November meeting will feature a "Super-Raffle" of this Hobbycraft 1/32 scale F-105D "Thunderchief" kit. Kit donated by Tim Estes—thanks Tim!!!



# About the Regional...

I would dearly love to list all of our members who won awards at the Regional, but so far only Dave Miller has supplied me with his results! As for the rest of you, if you'll EMail me what you won (placement, category, subject) at the address shown at the end of this newsletter, I'll be happy to list said results in the next issue! Thanks! -JW

# PRESIDENT'S CROSSHAIRS BRIAN PECK

Greetings fellow modelers! Things have changed quite a bit in my life since my last newsletter article two months ago. As most of you all know, my wife and I had our first child in September. Most people told me that it would change my life and, boy, has it in more ways than one! My days of cranking out two to three models a month are over for a while, as my stash of models had been collecting dust for about the last two to three months, a sight I never thought I would see.

Then I went to the Region 10 contest in Colorado a few weeks ago and was inspired to start building again. So between "Baby Duties" I have been working on my first project in almost three months. Last Saturday, I found my VCR tape of the "Black Sheep Squadron" marathon and watched and listened to 10 hours of the campy mid-'70s TV show while I built my 1/32 F/A-18D from Academy. Nothing seems to inspire building as seeing hundreds of models in one location. That is one thing I always like to see at our club meetings. Most of the time we have around 50 models of all kinds that everyone brings in to show. Keep it up, you all; the more the merrier, I say!

In November, we will have our annual club officer nominations, so now is the time to start thinking about whether you want to run or who else you want at the helm of the club. If you are a paid-up adult member that has been in the club for at least a year, then you're qualified for any ASM e-board position. There will be at least two vacated positions for next year, President and Contest Director. Both Mike Blohm and I have been on the E-board for several years and we are both stepping down at the end of this year. With my recent addition to my family, I won't have the time needed to tend to all the extracurricular activities that is involved in heading up such a great club.

Last but not least I would like to wish Tim Estes, former "bartender" at Hobbies 'N Stuff, the best of luck in his new venture. "Good luck, Dude!!"

So everyone try to make the November 4 meeting for the nomination of next year's ASM e-board, see you all then!!

# VICE-PRESIDENT'S RAMBLINGS FRANK RANDALL

Well, the time is upon us; it is time to think about nominations and elections. I do recommend that everyone give a thought sometime about taking an office or being on the pro-tem part of it. It is quite an eye-opener. You would think that it would be easy to do this; after all, it's a hobby and should be fun and a snap. But it seems that when you get a group of people together that there are conflicts. Now, we all share the same hobby, so I just can't fathom November Best of Show winners, clockwise from above: John Kendrick's Water Buffalo, David Boehning's He-219, Mike Mummey's Sturm Tiger, and Taylor Liotta's Gundam in a graceful moment...

sometimes the way people act and carry on. Another line of thought I have been kicking around is: has anyone else noticed how few past Presidents are still around and active? It is just a thought.

Congrats to all who won awards at the Region Ten convention and Desert Con. Remember we are seven months out from our Region Ten convention, and I am planing to sponsor a trophy and I challenge everyone to consider doing the same. With good club support, this show is going to be a walkover.

Lastly, I plan to sponsor a special contest next year. It will be an F-16 Falcon contest, any scale any kit.

Well, that's all for this column; happy modeling.

### CONTEST CORNER MIKE BLOHM

#### September Contest Results: "Battles of 1945"

The October meeting featured three contests. The theme contest was "Battles of 1945," which had 35 total entries. There were also two Sponsored Contests: "1/35 Scale German Armor" hosted by Don Smith and Rick Carver, and "Babefest" hosted by Dianne Pattison. Pictures of the Best of Show winners are above. Pictures of all the models can be found on the ASM Website (http://www.hobbies-n-stuff.com/asm\_pictures.htm).

In the Junior Division, Taylor Liotta made a points sweep with his very nicely done Gundam EZ8, winning the Best of Show and People's Choice awards, and a Gold ribbon in Science Fiction and Fantasy.

John Kendick's excellent LVT-4 Water Buffalo won both the Best of Show and People's Choice awards in the Basic Division, as well as a Gold ribbon. Don Smith won a Silver ribbon for his nice Jagd Tiger, and a Bronze ribbon for his 1/144 scale Nashorn. John also won a Gold ribbon for his USS Fletcher destroyer and a Gold ribbon for his Samurai Warrior.

The Intermediate Division had a great turnout in the Figures and Science Fiction and Fantasy areas with ten entries. David Boehning's excellent Heinkel He 219 "Uhu"

(Owl) night fighter won both the Best of Show and People's Choice—Intermediate awards, and a First Place in Aircraft. In the Armor category, David Down's nice but muddy M3 Half Track in 1/72 scale took First Place. Jeff Frickstad's LVT won Second Place. In Figures, Brian Willard had a host of excellent entries, winning First Place with his Adventurous Dwarf and Third Place with his Artic Dwarf. David Downs won Second Place with his Cowboy figure. In Science Fiction and Fantasy, John Mayo won First through Third Place with his excellent Fantasy figures: "Ranger," "Altera," and "Countess Karnstein on Throne."

The Master Division had 16 model entries. The Best of Show-Masters award went to Mike Mummey's outstanding Sturm Tiger. The People's Choice-Masters award went to Jim Guld's excellent "Turn Left at the Outhouse" diorama featuring an M4 Sherman. In the Armor & Military category, First place went to Mike Mummey's Sturm Tiger. Second place went to John Tate's Su-85M, and Third place was won by David Miller's sharp 1/72 scale Jagd Panther. In the Aircraft category, Mike Franklin won First and Second Place with a pair of nice 1/48 scale P-47D's from the 56 Fighter Group and 615 Squadron RAF. Third Place went to John Tate's 1/72 scale C-47 with the Soviet V-VS in 1945. In Figures, Mike Mummey took a Second Place with his USAAF Pilot Capt E.L. Heller, "Strafe King." In the Diorama and Vignettes category, First place went to Jim Guld's "Turn Left at the Outhouse." Second place went to John Tate's T-35/85. Third place went to Glenn Bingham's "Me 163B-1 Post Flight."

#### "1/35 Scale German Armor" Sponsored Contest

The "1/35 Scale German Armor" sponsored contest hosted by Rick Carver and Don Smith had eight entries. The Best Basic Entry was won by Don Smith's Jagd Tiger. The Masters Division was split into two areas, Armor and Dioramas. The Best Masters Entry—Armor award went to Jim Guld's Flak Panzer 341. The Best Masters Entry— Diorama award was won by Jim Guld's "Operation Battleaxe" featuring a Panzer III.

#### "Babefest" Sponsored Contest

The "Babefest" sponsored contest hosted by Dianne Pattison had 17 entries, and was a tough judge because of the high quality of all the entries. First Place was won by Debbie King's "Countess Karnstein on Throne." Second Place went to John Moya's "Ranger." Third Place was won by Debbie King's "Reflection." Fourth Place was taken by John Moya's "Altera."

#### **November Contests**

This is the last chance for points in 2005, so let's see a "flood" of models at November's **Open Contest #2**. Don't forget that November also features the "**Best F/A-22 Raptor**" sponsored contest, hosted by Mike Blohm. The trophies will definitely be worthwhile so don't miss this one! And finally, the November meeting also includes the annual "**One Hour Model Contest.**" Contest kits must not be started in any manner—parts must still be on the sprue, and unpainted. Work on the model can begin at the "go" call. All work must stop at the 60 minutes call. Judging will be by People's Choice, with awards in each Division.

#### 2005 Modelers of the Year and Model of the Year Contenders' Showdown

We have a bunch of very close races going for the 2005 Modeler of the Year awards. Remember that First through Third awards are given out. In the Junior division there's a close race between Jeannie Garriss and Hamish Connell with both Shawn Brown and Taylor Liotta not too far behind. The Basic division has a very tight race between John Kendrick and Don Smith. David Boehning is out front in the Intermediate division, but is within striking distance from David Downs with Hank Petitgirard and Rick Carver not too far behind. In Masters, John Tate is way out in First and Jim Guld is soundly in Second, but there's a tight race for Third place between five modelers.

It's getting close to the end of the year, and the 2005 Model of the Year showdown at the December meeting. Dust off your Best of Show and Best Entry winners from the contests this year, and get them ready to go. A listing of all the contending models is on the ASM website.

#### **Upcoming Contests / Events of Interest**

Nov 4: **ASM Theme (Points) Contest—Open Contest #2.** All scales, subjects and eras.

#### **One-Hour Modeling Contest.**

Sponsored Contest: **F/A-22 Raptors** (Mike Blohm) Note: The European Sports Cars Sponsored Contest has been canceled.

Dec 2: Special (Non Points) Contest #3 "Modeling New Mexico." Any subject from New Mexico's history.

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	Titles in <b>blue</b> indicate contests for
	"Modeler of the Year" Points
7 Jan	Special Contest #1
J Jaii	Special Contest #1 Sci-Fi/Science/Real Space/Fantasy
4 Feb	<b>D-Day Presentation</b> —no contest.
4 Mar	<b>Open Contest</b> —Any kit/scale.
	*Sponsored Contest: Gundams
	(John Kendrick)
	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
0 Jun	1941 – Present
	*Sponsored Contest: Best P-40
	Subject (Ken Liotta)
8 Jul	ASM Swap Meet—no contest.
5 Aug	Jets & Prototype Aircraft/Vehicles/
0	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	<b>Open Contest</b> —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

All subjects, scales, nationalities and eras. Awards sponsored by Hobbies 'N Stuff (Thanks, Stan!)

**"Model of the Year" Competition** amongst the Best of Show/Best Entry winners at each skill level from all the 2005 Theme and Special Contests

May 5 – 6, 2006: **Chile Con 2006.** Region 10 2006 Regional Convention and Contest in Albuquerque, New Mexico. See web page (http://www.hobbies-n-stuff.com/ Region\_10\_Chile-Con\_2006.htm).

Aug 6 – 9, 2006: 2006 **IPMS/USA National Convention.** Crown Center Exhibition Hall, Kansas City, Missouri (http://www.ipmsusa2006.org)

# JIM'S SPRUES & REVIEWS JAMES GULD

Oh, what to build next? How many times have you asked yourself this? After coming back from the Region 10 show in Colorado I've been contemplating what to build in the upcoming months. I usually only have one or two projects going at a time. I have a couple of small dio ideas in my head along with a few massive projects. Here in lies the problem. Big or small? The big dioramas are: 1) The Arco dei Fileni monument, which earlier in the year was going to be my next big project but after doing a few desert vehicles, I'm learning towards other subjects for the time being; 2) Falaise pocket dio (or, my name for it, "The original road of Death") which, right now, seems to be what will happen next; and 3) "Last Days" set at a train switching station with a particle bridge, a large retaining wall, and abandoned German armor on the way back to the rebuilding factories on flatcars found by an US recon unit. This project was going to be the next one, but I figured I wouldn't have it done by the time Nationals come around next year. The small dioramas are: 1) 251/22, set after war's end with two German youths playing "war" in it; and 2) 251D, also set after war's end and being used by Gypsies.

For me, I prefer to build dioramas to just plain armor, or at least some sort of small setting. I like to add figures and the surrounding to give everything scale and a sense of history. Large complex dioramas usually take a lot of time—the Berlin Zoo dio I did last year was done over a 5-month period. So if I start the railroad dio now and just concentrate on it and all the vehicles and buildings, I might be able to have it ready for next year's Nats. The problem is staying focused. With our own model contest themes coming into play, I sometimes want to wander off into something new to build. This past year I said to myself that I would try and compete for the top dog spot in our club. Well, I fell short, so for the upcoming year I'm going to just build for me.

So you see my dilemma, my fine model-building compatriots. I have to choose one major project to start and stick with it. So at the next meeting, please feel free to come up and put in your two cents on what I should start. Now go build something.

#### Master

John Tate
James Guld
Mike Mummey
Stan Harris 620
Glenn Bingham 605
Mike Blohm 589
Mike McNichols
Don MacBryde
Dave Straub
Ken Liotta
Mike Franklin
Ken Piniak
Larry Horyna 125
Patrick Dick 118
Ed Mummey 100
Dave Miller
Fred Franceschi
Keith Liotta
Chuck DeWitt 2
Brian Peck 2

#### Intermediate

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David Boehning 1080
David Downs
Hank Petitgirard
Rick Carver
Tom Redling 455
Walter Schanwald 450
Frank Randall
Brian Willard
Jeremy Connell
Kyle Garber
John Moya
Cecil Severs 139
Jeff Frickstad
Debbie King
Jack Morris
Phil Spaeth
Mark Soppet 8
11

# Basic John Kendrick 2141 Don Smith 1912 Don Blea 245 Matt Blohm 200 Alberto Bernal 110

#### Junior

Jeannie Garriss 88	0
Hamish Connell 80	5
Shawn Brown 66	0
Taylor Liotta 55	0
Logan Carbin	7
Kelly Brown	0
Adam Martin 11	0
Bre Anna Camacho10	0
Jimmy Letterhos 10	0
Nathan Shatto	0

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ASM CONTEST

ASM members are encouraged to submit articles, reviews and other items as appropriate. Contact editor Joe Walters for details and specs. Submission deadline for each issue is the 20th of the prior month.

# Albuquerque Scale Modelers 2005 MODEL OF THE YEAR CONTENDERS

Best of Show Winners from seven 2005 Theme Contests (Points) and Best Overall Entry Winners from three 2005 Special Contests (Non-Points)

#### October 2005 "Battles of 1945"

Best of Show, Juniors	Gundam EZ8	Taylor Liotta
Best of Show, Basic	LVT-4 Water Buffalo	John Kendrick
Best of Show, Intermediate	Heinkel He 219	David Boehning
Best of Show, Masters	Sturm Tiger	Mike Mummey

#### September 2005 "Africa and the Middle East-1914 to Present"

Best of Show, Juniors	Lowrider	Shawn Brown
Best of Show, Basic	SdKfz 251/1 Half Track	Don Smith
Best of Show, Intermediate	P-38F Texas Terror	Hank Petitgirard
Best of Show, Masters	Bf 109F-4	Glenn Bingham

#### August 2005 "Jets and Prototype Aircraft / Vehicles / Ships"

Best of Show, Juniors	Wright Flyer	Shawn Brown
Best of Show, Basic	German Maus Heavy Tank Prototype	Don Smith
Best of Show, Intermediate	Do 335A-0 Pre-Production	David Boehning
Best of Show, Masters	MiG-17F VPAF	John Tate

July 2005 ASM Swap Meet, No Contest

June 2005 "Southeast Asia-1941 to Present" Special Contest

**Best Overall Entry** 

P-40N-1

John Tate

#### May 2005 "World War I"

Best of Show, Juniors	"First Round of the Day" British 18-Pounder	Hamish Connell
Best of Show, Basic	Mk A "Whippet" Tank	John Kendrick
Best of Show, Intermediate	Ford Model-T Ambulance	David Downs
Best of Show, Masters	Zeppelin L32	Dave Straub

#### April 2005 "Bent Wing Birds, Cats, or From the Animal Kingdom"

Best of Show, Juniors	"Eagle vs Bear: Final Showdown on Zulu Prime"	Hamish Connell
Best of Show, Basic	"Screamin Eagle" U.S. 101st Airborne	Don Smith
Best of Show, Intermediate	"Year of the Dragon— Taming a Panther"	Jeremy Connell
Best of Show, Masters	P-40N Warhawk	John Tate

#### March 2005 "Open Contest #1"

Best of Show, Juniors	P-51D	Logan Carbin
Best of Show, Basic	Gundam Battle	John Kendrick
Best of Show, Intermediate	Bf 110G-4	David Boenhing
Best of Show, Masters	V-Weapons	John Tate

#### February 2005 Guest Speaker—No Contest

January 2005 "Sci-Fi / Real Space / Science / Fantasy" Special Contest

Best Overall Entry

Patrick Dick

X-Wing Fighter