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Boeing Gets it Right

Story and Photos by Kevin Stover



While on assignment in Seattle, Washington, I had the extremely fortunate opportunity to tour the Boeing aircraft manufacturing facility. My tour guide was a longtime Boeing engineer and friend of mine.

Touring the entire Boeing plant is impossible to do at one time. You would probably need one full week. There are basically two main plant locations. The first one, in Everett, just north of Seattle, manufactures the 767, the 777 and the new 747-8. The second facility, in Renton, is just south of the city. It makes the whole line of 737s--currently 31 airplanes a month.

Boeing Field, between the two plants, serves as a maintenance/testing hub for the company and for other types of airplanes. Boeing's Museum of Flight is also located there. The flight line, as seen above, is the most impressive. It looks

like a new car lot. There are so many 747-8s and 787s that one runway at Paine Field (Everett) had to be shut down for storage of the extra jets. Most of the jets are in their final stages of completion and may or may not be already painted.

Test flights are made every day, including weekends! We saw what looked to be the inaugural flight of a Cathay Pacific cargo 747-8. Those test flights can last anywhere from one to nine hours.

Whether it's whole planes, pieces of planes or stressed, beat-up old testbeds, you've got it all at the Boeing facility, but glimpsing one shiny jet is just like looking at a new toy. A \$319 million toy!

If you ever get an opportunity to visit Seattle, after you've done the "Space Needle," you can't forget Boeing. The museums are great, and the company is amazing. Who knows, you just might see something special.

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Important Stuff:

- Next club meeting at St. Paul's on Friday, **January 13, 2012, 7:30pm.**
- Special Theme: "Nose Art"



Top: Cathay Pacific 777 on the final assembly line in Everett. **Middle:** The old Boeing Company alongside the new. **Bottom:** Family and Friends day at the Everett facility. **Left, top to bottom:** 777, GE90 turbofan engine; 747-8 test flight leaving Paine Field, Everett; 767 cockpit section for testing; 787 Dreamliner section at the Future of Flight Museum, Everett.



Happy New Year!!!! Well, 2011 is in the books and what a year it has been!!! I personally would like to thank all the members for their support of the club. I have been a member of quite a few organizations, from other model clubs to Boy Scouts, where eventually someone thinks their "ego" is more important than the club itself. I haven't found that here. Everyone has always been open and helpful, which is how it should be and needs to be. A prime example is that with Steve Day's help, my airbrush and I are back on speaking terms and we're going to have a lot of fun over the coming year.

Our December meeting was our annual Christmas party, and even with the change from our normal Friday night, it was attended by 43 members. The air at the party was festive and the mostaccioli was plentiful (Don Smith wouldn't have it any other way). Once again our S&T table was full and the stories of modeling projects--past, present and future--were flying across the room at sub-sonic speed. So what will you be putting on the S&T table this year?



Membership

IPMS/USA is dedicated to the hobby (and fun) of scale modeling. It was started by Jim Sage of Dallas, Texas, in 1964. There are now branches of IPMS all over the world. Our local regions and chapters sponsor model shows and contests every year, but you needn't be a member to visit the shows or attend the club meetings!

With **IPMS/USA** membership, you will receive the outstanding *IPMS/USA Journal* six times a year. It includes features on all modeling subjects such as aircraft, armor, automotive, ships, figures--you name it! You will also find listings of IPMS contests, swap meets, hints and tips, and reviews.

Membership also qualifies you to participate in **IPMS/USA** sanctioned contests, particularly our world-famous **National Convention**, held each summer. As a member, you'll also be able to access our online discussion board, where a wide variety of modeling topics are discussed, and enjoy interaction with other serious modelers for help with questions about modeling techniques or IPMS in general. Many hobby shops and model vendors around the country offer discounts to **IPMS/USA** members.

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INCLUDING THE GUY
BEHIND THE CAMERA...AND COUNTLESS OTHERS
WHO ARE NOT IN THIS PHOTO...**



“HAPPY NEW YEAR!!”

**MAY ALL OF YOUR MODELING NEEDS BE MET AND
EXCEEDED IN THIS YEAR OF 2012!!!**

The Display Table



Darren Herde's Pogo and Douglas Skymaster are ready to go.



Jasper Schuchardt's Corsair is very nice.



Don Grajek's Douglas Skystreak looks 1950s fast.



Kurt Van Dahm's tug Lackawanna is finally done.



The Display Table

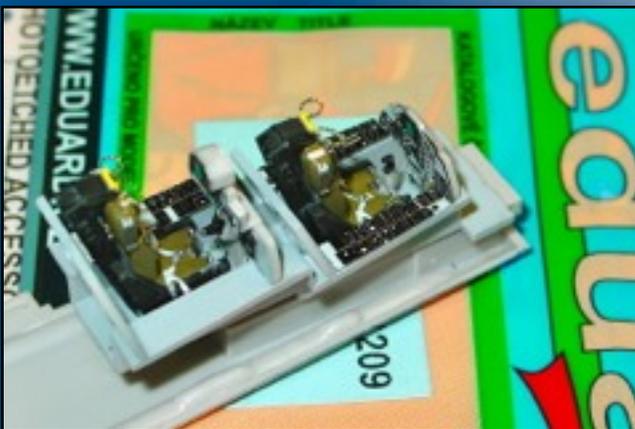


← Butch Bejna's Zero looks cool.

Don G.'s Viking is the best of the naval bunch. →



← Stan Kurcz's F-4 cockpit is waiting for a fuselage.



Don G. is really spanning the globe for the Navy... →



← Read Schuchardt's snow speeder still looks good for being 30 years old.





This is one of two walls consisting of 36,000 1-foot-long wooden school rulers. You know, the ones you used to use in 3rd grade. Boeing thought that there should be a visual representation of what 36,000 feet looks like...cute.



This Month in Military History

January 17, 1991: Operation Desert Storm opens up with a massive air strike equaling 1,000 missions per day. Iraqi air defenses and command and control facilities are job number 1.



January 27, 1973: The U.S. signs the Paris peace talks, effectively ending America's Vietnam War.



When did the "last" U.S. helicopter leave Saigon, signaling the end of the Vietnam war?

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- **Chicagoland Hobby**..... 6017 N NW Hwy, Chicago, IL, 773-775-4848
<http://www.yellowpages.com/chicago-il/mip/chicagoland-hobby-inc-23073935>
- **Forever Timeless**..... 4438 W. Belmont Ave., Chicago, IL, 773-545-6959
<http://www.city-data.com/businesses/218387017-forever-timeless-hobby-shop-chicago-il.html>
- **Des Plaines Hobbies**..... 1468 Lee St., Des Plaines, IL, 847-297-2118
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- **Al's Hobby Shop**..... 121 Addison St., Elmhurst, IL, 630-832-4908
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<http://ad-venturehobbies.com/>
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<http://local.yahoo.com/info-17171034-ron-s-mundelein-hobbies-mundelein>
- **M & Models**..... 9329 S Cicero Ave., Oak Lawn, IL, 708-423-7202
<http://www.r-jweb.com/tpt/Armor/Kits/MModels/MModels.htm>
- **Woodstock Hobbies**..... 124 Cass St., Woodstock, IL, 815-337-8770
<http://stores.woodstockhobbies.com/StoreFront.bok>
- **Past Time Hobbies**..... 9311 Ogden Ave., Brookfield, IL, 708-485-4544
<http://www.pthinc.com/>
- **Greenfield Hobby**..... 6815 W. Layton Ave., Milwaukee, WI, 414-281-1800
<http://www.greenfieldnewsandhobby.com/>
- **Oakridge Hobbies & Toys**..... 7511 Lemont Road, Suite 100, Darien, IL, 630-435-5900
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THE BEST BOOKSTORE AROUND

By Kevin Stover

The **United States Air Force Museum** in Dayton, Ohio is known worldwide for its collection of everything current and vintage that flew in its service. What most people don't know until they get there is that the museum also houses one of the best--if not the very best--military bookstores.



Once you enter the museum, the bookstore and exhibits are on your righthand side. The Imax and outside displays are to the

left and straight ahead. To get in and out of the museum, you must go through the store. Ah, very smart...

First, the museum, including the Presidential tour, will take you over eight hours to get through. That's if you don't read most of what you see and don't take tons of pictures. With pics and reading, tack on one and a half days total time. The bookstore adds another one to two hours.

Get there Monday morning (9am) and you'll be completely done on Tuesday around 1pm, lunch included.



Trust me on this one. On two separate trips to the museum, I carefully planned my day, but I still ran out of time at 5pm. This is a huge place!

Most civilian bookstores have several sections of subjects for varied interests. This place has war biographies, airplanes, soldiering and more airplanes. No "Brides Today" or "Modern Kitchen" here. This stuff is pure macho.

Apart from books, you've got T-shirts, leather jackets, jewelry, etchings, patches and more books. They even have models too!

There's always some kind of "special sale" going on, so I defy anyone to walk in and out without buying a single item. It's impossible! Everyone coming out has a bag--even babies in strollers!

Plan on two full days to visit this museum in Dayton. It's worth the time--heck, you won't even realize time is actually passing.

P.S.-Eat lunch somewhere else.



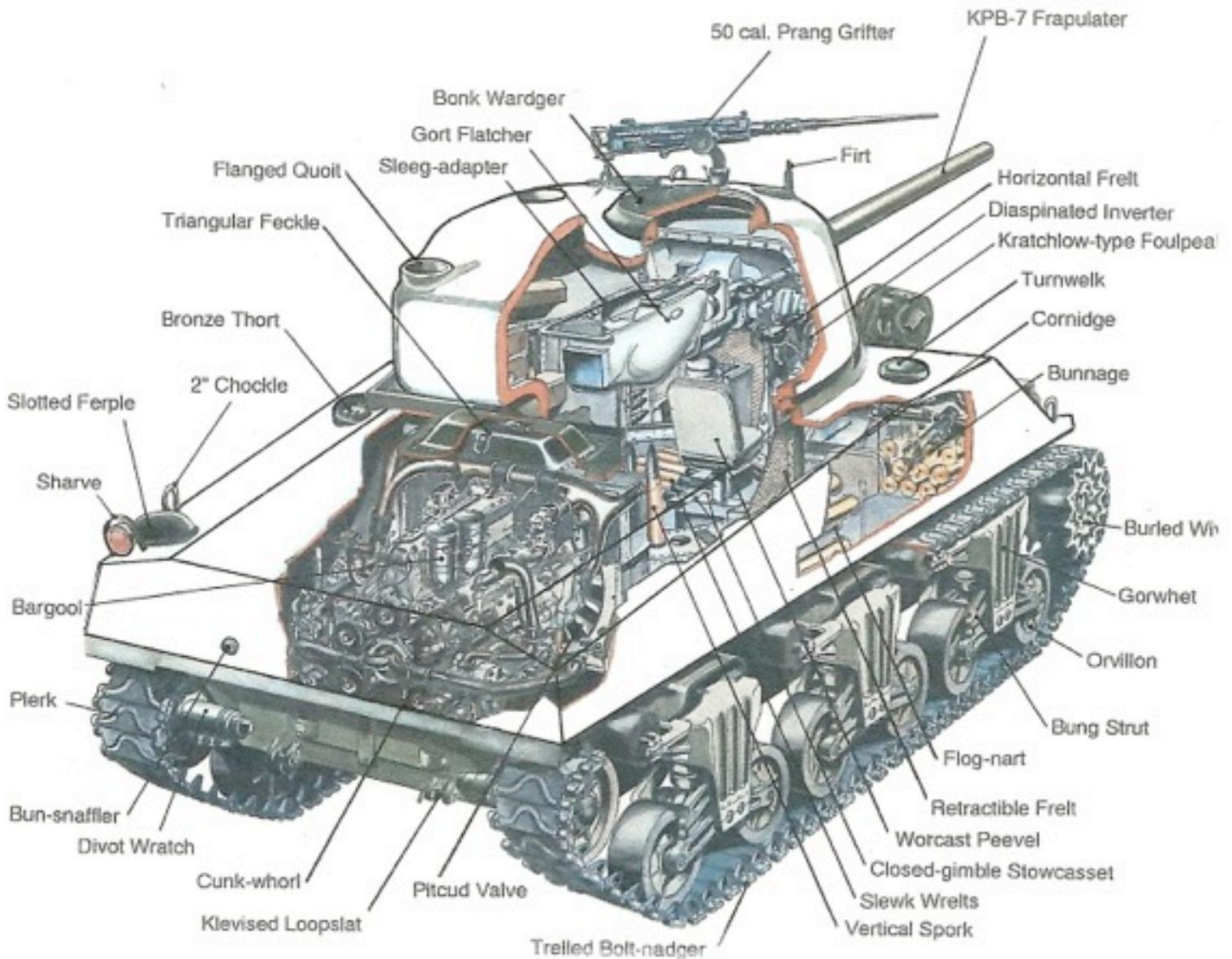
You're So Funny...



ARMOR TERMINOLOGY

This simple diagram illustrates the various parts of a tracked vehicle, enabling us aircraft builders to understand and carry on an intelligent conversation with the many armor modelers in our club.

(WARD'S WORKSHOP)



Art by Keith Ward



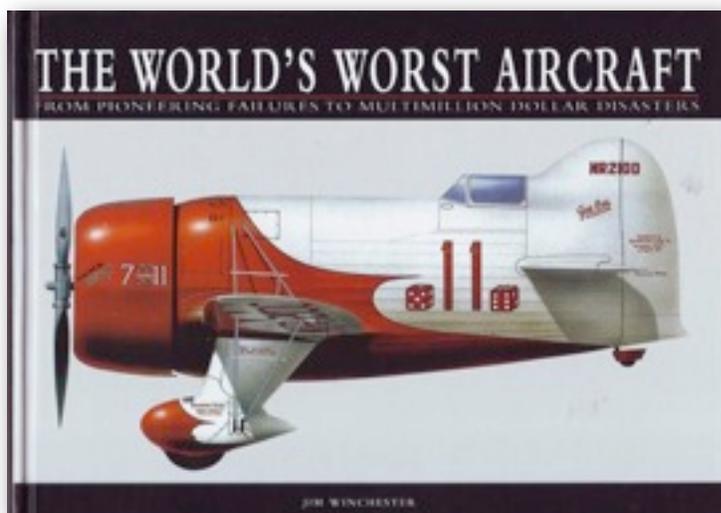
The World's Worst Aircraft

By Jim Winchester

Reviewed by Walt Fink

UK author Jim Winchester has published several authoritative aviation books, but he has taken a little bit of a humorous twist on his literary road with this offering. As Jim points out in the book's Introduction, the 150 aircraft featured between its covers are his own choice, and while there could be arguments both pro and con on his selections, a number of them should be considered more as "flops" than "worst." Various factors affected many aircraft--a poor choice of power plants, an idea that wasn't borne out in practice, or simply a case of the design's being obsolete before it was produced.

He notes that all of the aircraft in his book were--at one time--"labors of love" representing someone's dream, and all cost a good chunk of money. Some of them cost people their careers and large fortunes as well, and he respectfully doesn't take cheap shots at anyone who's tried and failed.



Being a fan of lesser-known aircraft, I love this book because a lot of the birds contained in it are actually favorites of mine, which (in my skewed thinking) are actually pretty cool machines. But I like Winchester's tongue-in-cheek sidebars in each chapter. On the Fisher P-75 Eagle, he notes, "The bright idea of making a new craft out of pieces from various other aero planes was doomed from the start. What resulted was a machine that looked awful and flew even worse." Well, I don't know about that. I kinda thought the Eagle was a pretty neat aircraft. And I've got the Valom kit of it on my short list of projects too.

The huge 1928 Beardmore Inflexible was described this way: "Although it was incapable of serving any useful role, it could at least fly." He also notes that a related design, the Beardmore Inverness, was "an all-metal flying boat whose creators had such faith in its airworthiness that it was equipped with two large masts and sails to get it home in the event of a forced water landing." Of the sleek and good-looking Hughes XF-11, the author states, "Howard Hughes' XF-11 nearly cost him his life. Some say it cost him his sanity."

And of Supermarine's Swift, "It had a tendency to pitch and flip over without warning ... one Rolls-Royce test pilot, who flew more than 80 types, reported that it was the only one that flew him, instead of the other way around." Besides the good humor leveled at the 150 entries in Winchester's book, a lot of history is in there as well, much of it new to me. There are two full pages devoted to each aircraft as well as photographs and full-color artwork of them.

Initially, I thought this book would be just a good read, but I was pleasantly surprised at the amount of reference material in it, particularly the photographs showing details that I can use when I get around to building models of the birds that interest me. This is a good book, so don't let its name deter you from buying it--and in fact, it might be found on the bargain book shelf at Barnes & Noble.



FROM THE OVAL OFFICE



“Happy New Year Butch O’Hare!!”

It's hard to believe that we have put another year in the bucket, but we did!

Looking back, we had a really good year. We grew as a club, attracting new members. We had one of the best club auctions ever. We've had an uptick in member participation both in club activities and bringing in models for show & tell. Our newsletter just keeps on getting better due to Kevin's hard work and more of you guys sending in articles. We are even getting articles from people from outside our club--now that's cool!! We had our best contest ever, and again, our annual Christmas party was a blast, even though the date was changed last minute due to church needs.

It's the first meeting of the new year, so you know what that means. CLUB ELECTIONS!!!! Don't be shy or come to the meeting not wanting to do much for the club. Just like in the old comic books, don't get sand kicked in your face by the **procrastination bully**. Join the service of your club. Become a “He-man” modeler and help lift Butch O'Hare until it's standing tall. Come to the meeting, cast your vote and earn the right to complain!!!

On a personal note, I would like to thank all of my fellow officers--Ron, Don, Hector and Kevin--for their service. I would also like to thank all members who made our show run like clockwork once again and all of my club brothers who helped in their own way to make this one of the best years I have had as a member of this club!

Thank you guys, one and all. *Maddog*

Upcoming Events

March 24, 2012
Semdex 2012
Michigan Military Technical Museum
16640 Stephens [Map](#)
Eastpointe, MI
[Jim Ashford](#) 248-399-2386

May 5, 2012
Mad-City Modelers Model Show
Doubledays Banquet House
4586 Baxter Road [Map](#)
Cottage Grove, WI
[Michael A. Luedke](#) 262-567-9147

April 13-14 2012
WrightCon 2012 - R4 Regional
Hope Hotel and Conference Center
State Route 444 and B Road [Map](#)
Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
[Dave Koukol](#) 937-602-4033

May 19, 2012
Model Fest 2012 (R-5 Regional)
Holiday Inn
8787 Reeder Road [Map](#)
Overland Park, KS
[Marty Nevshemal](#) 816-916-8613

April 20-22, 2012
MODELFEST 2012
INTERNATIONAL PALM RESORT
1300 N. ATLANTIC AVE. [Map](#)
Cocoa Beach, FL
[JOHN A THOMAS](#) 321-636-6373

May 26-27, 2012
Wonderfest 23
Crowne Plaza Hotel
830 Phillips Lane
Louisville, KY

2012 BOH Monthly Themes

Keep This For Your Records

January 13	**Nose Art	Past and Present Aircraft
February 10	Speed is Life	Fastest Anything / Record Breaking
March 9	Dirty or Rusty	Dirty or Rusty Anything
April 13	** Six Wheels	Cars, Trucks, Aircraft, Armor
May 11	Auction Night	
June 8	Libya 2011	British, French, Libyan, Non-American
July 13	** Royal Anything	HMS Ships / British Colonial Ships
August 10	Hovering Things	Helicopters, V-22, Harriers, Flying Saucers
September 14	Tank Killers	A-10s, Frogfoot, Tank Destroyers, Armor, etc.
October 12	** "Spy Craft"	U-2, SR-71, Scout Cars, Observation Craft
November 10	Contest	
December 14	** Looney Tunes	Humorous Subjects

All contributors to the Monthly Theme will receive an additional raffle ticket at that specific meeting (2 total) per person. Themes will rotate out after one year.

**** Indicates bonus nights where 2 additional raffle tickets will be given (3 total) per person. First timers will be given only 5 raffle tickets.**

Questionable entries will be adjudicated by the Czar or club officers.

All decisions made by club officers are final!!!

(Fighting over raffle tickets will not be tolerated...so there!)

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Upcoming Schedule 2012

Date	Theme	Demo/guest
January 13	**Nose Art	TBA
February 10	Speed is Life	TBA
March 9	Dirty and Rusty	TBA
April 13	**Six Wheels	Build-it Night #1
May 11	****	Auction Night
June 8	Libya 2011	TBA
July 13	**Royal Anything	TBA
August 10	Hovering Things	TBA
September 14	Tank Killers	Build-it Night #2
October 12	** Spy Craft	TBA
November 10	****	Contest Time
December 14	**Looney Tunes	TBA



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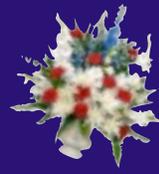
**"The newsletter
you save may be
your own!"**

**All meetings are held on the second Friday of the
month at:**

**St. Paul's United Church of Christ
5739 Dunham Rd.
Downers Grove, IL**



In Remembrance



IPMS Techmages sadly announces that John McDannell passed away around 7pm on November 25th, when he succumbed to cancer. John was a founding member of the Techmages and its first president - or as he liked to refer to himself, "Deposed Dictator for Life." On a personal note, John was a very good friend and always willing to help when needed or just show up for fun and games. I'll miss him greatly as I'm sure we all will.



John McDannell

If you want to send a card, here's the address:

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