



Butch O'Hare

IPMS / USA

The Monthly Resinator



The Official Newsletter of [IPMS Butch O'Hare](#) Scale Modelers

March 2017



PLANES OF FAME AIR MUSEUM CHINO, CALIF.

Story and Pics by Kevin Stover

If you're ever in Chino, Calif., don't forget to stop in at two of the nicest working air museums around, Planes of Fame and Yanks (which I've covered before). Both museums are down the street from each other and share the same Chino airport.

Planes of Fame is big. It has a sizable boneyard as well. Several of the exhibits are or will be flying, so this would be called a "working" museum.

I'll tell you one thing: I've never seen a big collection of flying P-51 Mustangs all in one spot. I counted nine of them! One was in pieces, packed in a case to be shipped to England for a collector. That bird looked like it had never flown before.

Consisting of several hangars, Planes of Fame will take you about two hours to get through. More if you actually talk to the docents.

One of my favorite displays was their collection of Russian fighters. Flying MiG-15, MiG-17, MiG-19 and MiG-21 planes are displayed under the same roof with multiple F-84s and F-86s. I guess that was the "Cold War hangar."

The working hangar, where old planes that have not flown in decades are given new life, is crowded with a Bell YP-59A Airacomet (America's first jet aircraft) and a silver B-25 waiting for paint. Both restoration projects are amazing because you can walk right up to the planes while they are being restored, and you are free to talk to the mechanics.

My recommendation is to visit Yanks first, do lunch, and finish with Planes of Fame. That'll be a six-hour day but well worth it.

In This Issue

The Review Corner:
"Clash of the Carriers"
page 7

Diplomatic Ties with Lakes IPMS:
A January Christmas Party
page 9

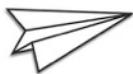
Ward's Workshop:
"Armory Flyers"
page 4

Important Stuff

Next Club Meeting
Friday, March 10, 2017
5:30 pm

Special Theme:
The Berlin Blockade Demo:
Blockade talk Keith Ward





letters

to the editor



I am a member of the IPMS Atlanta chapter. I just recently assumed the duties of newsletter editor for the club for this year.

Our chapter contact guy sent a link to your newsletter to share what other clubs are doing. I was very impressed with your newsletter and would like to start working on upgrading our effort in the newsletter area.

I was wondering if you would mind sharing the brand of the software/system approach you use for creating your excellent newsletter.

Any input/suggestions would be greatly appreciated.

All the best,

Bill Easton
IPMS Atlanta

.....

Thanks, Bill--no problem! I use an iMac and their Pages software. It's easy to grow into and has just enough tricks to make any effort spectacular. Kevin

.....

Thank you very much for the input!

Turns out I use an iMac and am just beginning to get my feet wet with Pages to bring the newsletter over ... building a new template. It was previously done with Microsoft Publisher.

I definitely have a lot to learn about design and Pages to get our newsletter up to the level at which you all operate! But I'm hopeful I can make a contribution in working with the club to build it up as we go.

All the best to you and your great club!

Bill

.....

We aim to please, Bill. Kevin

WARD'S WORKSHOP

Armory Flyers



Back in the days of my crash-and-burn model airplane efforts with the Chicago Scalemasters flying scale club, we had contests in two Chicago armories competing with scale, scratch built, balsa and tissue, and rubber powered model aircraft. There were usually 15 to 20 competitors in the scale category, all built by very skilled competitors intent on beating the Scalemasters' three or four entries.



A scale drawing and proof of paint scheme had to be presented for static judging, craftsmanship and accuracy on a 0 to 100 point score. Next, we had to wind up the rubber band motor, set the model on the floor and let the airplane take off and be timed for the complete flight until it touched down. The catch was that you earned one point per second of flight time to add to your static score, but only up to the number of points earned on your static score.

You really had to teach your model to fly for this difficult category event! My Piper Cub (above) usually had a static score of 80 to 90 points and consistently flew for 90-plus seconds (a long time for a rubber powered scale model). My Cub has a 26" wingspan, weighs 1 ounce without the rubber motor and won first place in its class at the 1973 AMA Nationals event flown in the Washington Park Armory on South Cottage Grove Avenue in Chicago. The 90-foot ceiling there gives a lot of room for long, high flights.

The other armory we flew in was at Madison and Rockwell Streets, and it was my favorite, with a beautifully polished maple floor and excellent seating compared with



Washington Park's usually unswept concrete, with a few trucks and 105mm howitzers parked at one end. The Madison armory had a lower ceiling at 70 feet, but in warm weather, two air vents in the center of the ceiling had warm air rising upward through them. This provided longer flight times if you had managed to trim your plane to take off and circle beneath the vents in an uplifting thermal!

The two smaller 13-inch wingspan Monocoupes (above) are what is called "peanut scale" and were strictly fun flyers for us before they became a new event. The strange mechanical thing in the picture is a "winder" for winding up a stretched-out rubber motor; each turn of the hand crank produces 16 turns of the motor hook for a total wind of about 1,000-plus turns! All fun except when the rubber motor breaks while being wound inside the model, and the fuselage explodes while some joker remarks, "Next time, back off one turn!"

Keith Ward

The Display Table



Left: Keith Ward's M-10 tank destroyer was definitely working during the Battle of the Bulge.
1/35, AFV



Right: Dan T.'s Jeep conversion is a guest appearance from another chapter.
1/35, Tamiya



Left: Butch Bejna checks in with this homage to the Tuskegee Airmen in a P-51 diorama.
1/144, Platz

IPMS/USA membership 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.

Memberships are available in several types:

Junior: 17 years or younger, \$17 per year; **Adult:** \$30 for 1 year; \$58 for 2 years; \$86 for 3 years

Family: \$35 Adult membership 1-Year plus \$5 (One Set of Journals) Multiple Cards;

Canada or Mexico: \$35 per year; **Foreign:** \$38 per year (Journal via regular mail)

Payment Information: Check, Money Order, CreditCard (MC / Visa / Disc)

Applications using payment via check or money order should be printed and mailed to:

Downloadable IPMS/USA Application Form. (in PDF, 100KB).



IPMS/USA, P.O. Box 2475 North Canton, OH 44720-0475



Local Hobby Shops



- **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
<https://www.yelp.com/biz/forever-timeless-chicago-2>
- **Des Plaines Hobbies**.....1524 Lee St., Des Plaines, IL, 847-297-2118
<http://www.desplaineshobbies.com/store/>
- **America's Best Hobby**.....865 Maplewood, Itasca, IL, 630-467-1102
<http://www.americasbesttrain.com/>
- **La Grange Hobby**.....25 S. La Grange Road, La Grange, IL, 708-354-1220
<http://www.yelp.com/biz/lagrange-hobby-cntr-la-grange>
- **Ron's Mundelein Hobbies**.....431 N. Lake St., Mundelein, IL, 847-949-8680
<http://mundeleinhobbies.com/>
- **M & Models**.....9329 S Cicero Ave., Oak Lawn, IL, 708-423-7202
<http://www.mmodelstore.com>
- **Past Time Hobbies**.....9311 Ogden Ave., Brookfield, IL, 708-485-4544
<http://www.pthinc.com/>
- **Berwyn's Toys & Trains**.....7025 Ogden Ave., Berwyn, IL, 708-484-4384
www.berwynstoytrains.com/
- **Walt's Hobby and Model Shop**.....2207 Plainfield Rd, Crest Hill, IL 60403
<http://www.waltshobbyonline.com/>



CLASH OF THE CARRIERS

by Barrett Tillman

Reviewed by John Kaufman

Everybody knows about the Marianas Turkey Shoot during World War II. However, I'll bet most of us couldn't say much more than that U.S. carrier forces destroyed a bunch of Japanese carrier-based aircraft in a very lopsided encounter. Very few realize the contribution of our submarine forces, or how the battle actually played out.

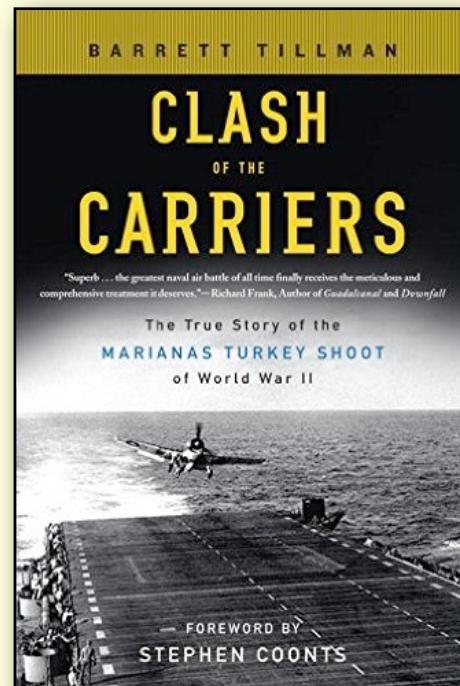
Barrett Tillman has tried to correct that lack of information in his book "Clash of the Carriers: The True Story of the Marianas Turkey Shoot of World War II." This is a well-researched and easy-to-read book covering the events of June 19-June 24, 1944 in the Battle of the Philippine Sea. Tillman introduces us to characters big and small, from Marc Mitscher, David McCampbell and Raymond Spruance and their Japanese counterparts, all the way down to a navigator on one of the vessels named Gerald Ford and an Avenger pilot named George Bush.

We hear how the defense of the U.S. fleet developed and the role radar and radio played in keeping losses in the American fleet to a minimum. We also ride along on the famous late afternoon mission to attack the Japanese fleet and the return to the lit-up fleet that so endeared Marc Mitscher to his aviators and saved many lives. We share the tragedies and heroics that always characterize a major battle. Non-combatants get their share of time also, including landing signal officers who did yeoman's work over two hours getting the strike back on the deck.

One funny story included is about an SBD crew whose pilot told his gunner to prepare for a water landing. When the gunner felt the plane stop, he hopped out ... and landed on his feet on the carrier deck the pilot found at the last minute! The gunner's comment is classic: "This water landing business isn't as bad as I thought it'd be." I love the way this personalizes the battle with not just statistics, but real human stories. One advantage of the later publications like this book is the additional research available from the Japanese side, and a fair analysis of the actual losses on both sides. For as important as this battle was, Tillman provides a much needed review of the details that have been lacking previously.

I recommend this book for anyone who is interested in the history of the Marianas Turkey Shoot or WWII history in general. I will also put a recommendation in for Barrett Tillman. This marks the fourth book I've read by him recently, and I have found him to be a very readable and enjoyable author. I am interested in reading more. Enjoy!

John



The Display Table

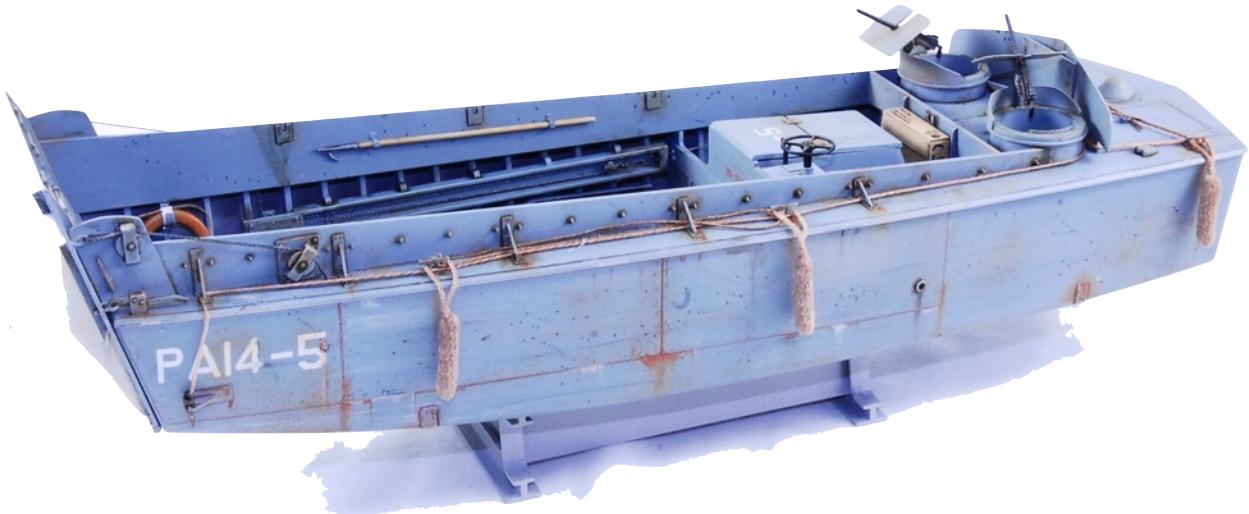


Joe's Page



Left: Joe Kozak's Willys Jeep
1/24, Italeri

Below: Joe's perfect LCVP landing craft
1/35, Hobby Boss



Left: Joe's V-100 Commando armored car is a military police special.
1/24, Italeri



DIPLOMATIC TIES WITH LAKES IPMS

WHO SAYS A CHRISTMAS PARTY IN JANUARY CAN'T BE FUN?

Because our regular monthly meetings are on the fourth Friday of every month, we hold our yearly Christmas party the following January. Banquet halls are cheaper to rent and not booked up at all. The Golf Club of Illinois in Algonquin serves as a great place to have such an event. Both the food and camaraderie were wonderful.





FROM THE OVAL OFFICE



Fellow Butch O'Hare club members,

I hope all of you had a great time at last month's meeting. The models on the table were great to look at and fostered a lot of conversation. I would like to thank Dan T. for appearing at the meeting to discuss the World Expo that is going to happen in July. It sounds like a once-in-a-lifetime type of show that you don't want to miss! The region show in Crystal Lake is fast approaching, and I hope that you will be planning to attend and are building to enter! The Crystal Lake raffle last year was very good, and hopefully they will have another stockpile of interesting stuff for everyone. I have reserved the Butch O'Hare show date with IPMS for Saturday, Nov. 11, 2017. This has been confirmed with our region coordinator. For our show, Hector and I have had a meeting with the Chicagoland AMPS organization. They have agreed to help us out with our show. First and foremost, they will be taking on the challenge of judging the armor category. This will be tremendous for us. In addition, they have offered to help out with some other areas as well. We will be doing more planning for our show, and I will keep everyone posted.

During our last meeting, member John Kaufman brought up the subject of a planned display event involving the Vietnam memorial Moving Wall display. The display of the wall will be at the Oswego Public Library and will be held from June 29 through July 3, with models being returned on July 8. The library is interested in having a display of models that are Vietnam War era pieces. They have a display case that the models would go in, and it is secure. John has volunteered to bring models to the library and return them to the owners at the meeting in July. We will need some publicity flyers made and 3x5 cards to identify the model and the modeler. I would like to have some further conversations on this display at our next meeting. Please check your calendars to see if this display works for you.

The meeting in March will have a theme of the Berlin Blockade. Keith Ward will be having a discussion on the subject. This should be an interesting topic as this time period was one of the most interesting in history. It also presents itself as a great topic for many modeling ideas. Also, don't forget that DUES ARE DUE! If you haven't paid up, please see Hector at the next meeting.

That's all for now--see you at the Mad City Modelers show March 4 or at the next meeting! *Frank C.*

On April 9, 2009, Kamehameha Park officials installed this M60A3 at their veterans field memorial on the Big Island of Hawaii. Apparently this tank was part of the Kohala National Guard before it was retired. Curiously, there was no signage at the site indicating why this tank was there.

Google to the rescue!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0cktEHDYeNQ>



Copy and pics by Kevin Stover

The Display Table



Right: Carl Knable's F-86D
from the Texas National
Guard
1/72, Hasegawa



Middle: Carl's BAC Lightning
with pristine top view
1/72, Airfix

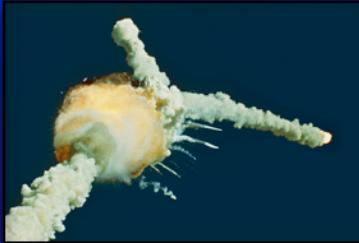


Right: Al Race's Curtiss SBC-4
in training colors
1/48, Classic Airframes

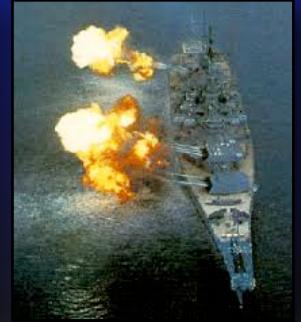


THIS MONTH IN MILITARY HISTORY

March 9, 1986: Navy divers find the crew compartment of the space shuttle Challenger along with the remains of the astronauts. (tdmh)



March 25, 1953: The USS Missouri fires on targets at Kojo, North Korea, the last time her guns fire until the Persian Gulf War of 1992. (tdmh)



UPCOMING EVENTS

March 4, 2017 - 9am to 4pm

Mad City Modelers 22nd Annual Model Show

Madison Labor Temple

1602 South Park St.

Madison, WI

Bill Wedeword 53715williamwedeward@yahoo.com

April 22, 2017

Fleacon 13

Berndes Center

766 North Maple St.

Monticello, IA

Adam Mangold amangold2126@gmail.com

March 11, 2017 - 9am to 5pm

KCCON 2017

Kansas City First Church of the Nazarene

11811 State Line Road

Kansas City, MO

Stuart Malone stuartmalone@icloud.com

May 20, 2017 - 9am to 4pm

Nimcon 6 Region V Convention

McHenry County College

8900 U.S. Hwy 14

Crystal Lake, IL

Phil Pignataro phil.pignataro@me.com

April 8, 2017

Surgicon 23

Hy-Vee #2 Euclid Room

2540 East Euclid Ave.

Des Moines, IA

Joe Lotz jlotz@iowatelecom.net

June 3, 2017 - 9am to 4pm

"Spring in the Pines" Annual Model Contest

Eagle River Masonic Lodge

610 E. Division St.

Eagle River, WI

James Unger ungerjp@charter.net

NIMCON 6

(Sixth Annual Northern Illinois Model Contest)

1917
*America Enters
The Great War*

IPMS R5 Regional Contest

Saturday May 20, 2017

9:00 am to 5:00 pm



Gold/Silver/Bronze Judging

Special Theme Awards for WW I Subjects

Gigantic Raffle/Large Vendor Area

Food by WGW Foods, LLC

Walk in entry fee: \$5;
Contest registration: \$10
for 5 models, additional
models at \$1 each

Children 12 years old
& under enter free



McHenry County College

8900 US Highway 14
Crystal Lake, IL.
60012

Active Duty Military &
First Responders
with ID enter free

Visit www.lakesregionmodelers.com
for more information, show flyer, forms, & updates

The Display Table



Above: I think Carl's Navy B-52R with new motors and sea missiles should become a reality.

1/144, Minicraft



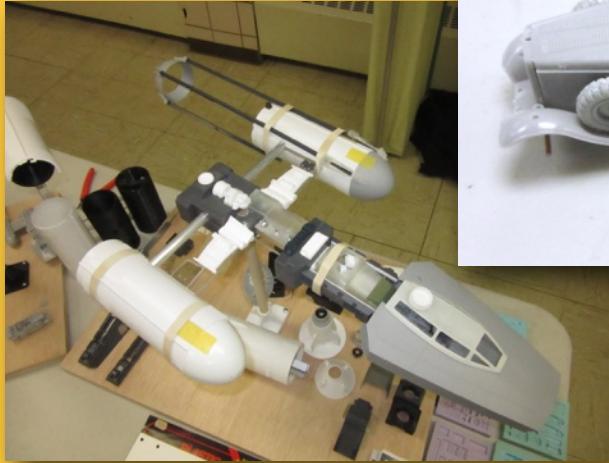
Left and below: These three tank models were built by inmate John Foster #71996 of the Hutchinson Correctional Facility in Hutchinson, Kan.

He will build and donate to whoever wants one. Contact Paul Milam for details on having one built and delivered to you. Paul says that, by rules, John can have only two models in his cell, so he builds for other inmates and even the guards and wardens.

Where does he keep his sharp tools and paint? I would love to see his setup.



UNDER CONSTRUCTION

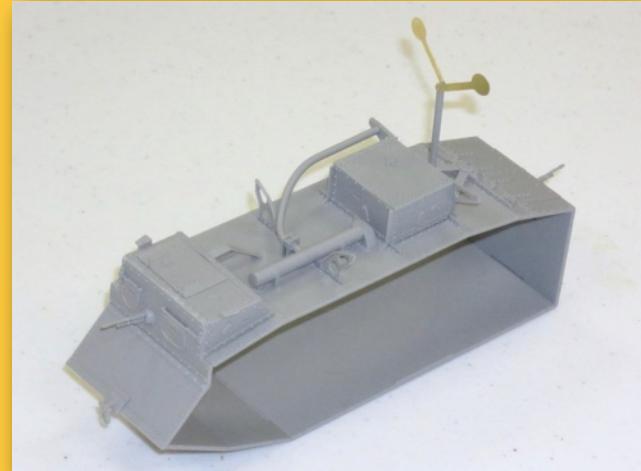


Right and left: Read and Oliver Schuchardt's 1/24 scratch built Y-wing fighters

Middle: Adler's not quite-finished 1/72 Mercedes-Benz



Left: Frank Ciccarella's draggin' wagon in 1/35 from Hobby Boss with tank from Tamiya



Above: Dick Beemer's Revell F-106 in 1/48

Above: Ronbo's tank thingy--looks alien to me

New Kits...and stuff

Thanks to those who brought in these new releases for us to see.



“No BIG Secret Final Warning!

Dues are due!!

Don't miss out on being
included in the
Final Roster.

The Final Roster
goes out the end of
March!

Officers Club

Upcoming Schedule 2017

President: Frank Ciccarella

773-358-8346

fciccarell@aol.com



Vice-President: John Novak

708-783-1160

j.novak@comcast.net



Secretary: Don Smith

708-771-4429

mustangp51c@netzero.net



Treasurer: Hector Colon

630-809-9072

hdcolon@yahoo.com



Newsletter Ensign

Kevin Stover

224-217-3789

plasticjet@comcast.net



Club Store

<https://butchohare.qbstores.com/>

Club Website

www.butchoharemodelers.com

Quick Link to Newsletter

www.butchoharemodelers.com/latest-newsletter.php



Date	Theme	Demo/guest
January 13	****	****
February 10	*****	*****
March 10	<i>Berlin Blockade</i>	<i>Blockade Speak (Keith Ward)</i>
April 14	<i>Non-Street Legal</i>	<i>Sanding after Priming (K Stover)</i>
May 12	<i>Space...</i>	<i>Auction Night</i>
June 9	<i>Infantry Aids</i>	
July 14	<i>Patrolling our Coast</i>	Using wire for detailing (Frank C)
August 11	<i>Red Things</i>	
September 8	<i>Still Serving (old but still working)</i>	<i>Build-It Night</i>
October 13	<i>Young Upstarts (Less than 5 yrs service)</i>	
November 10	<i>Contest</i>	<i>Setup</i>
December 8	<i>Club Builds</i>	<i>Party</i>

WE NEED YOUR HELP



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