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LAST MEETING

June 30: 18 members and 4 family members met at Godfathers Pizza for our monthly meeting. The meeting theme was “60’s.”

Michael Steenstra brought in his built 1:35 Tamiya version of the Israeli 1967 Sherman tank. Michael crewed his tank with the kit figures and added a resin stowage set from Legend products.

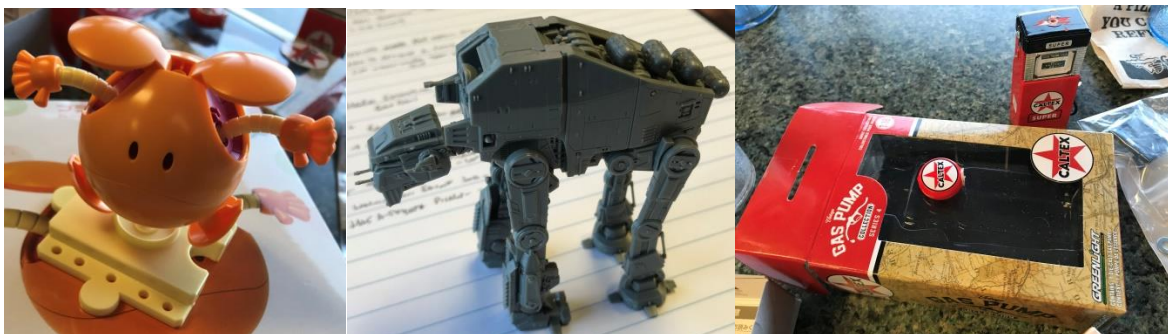


Mike Mangan brought in his in-progress custom built steam engine. Mike used some CAD plans he found online, but ended up having to custom make a few parts in order to allow the engine to be fully functional.



Mark Mahy brought in a couple recently finished Bandai kits: the Haro Shooting Orange figure kit, and the Star Wars AT-M6 walker. Both kits were snap together kits, and Mark noted how impressive the engineering is on these Bandai kits; the AT-M6 was built in 45 minutes earlier before the meeting started. Mark also brought in a die cast 1:18 scale vintage fuel pump that he plans to modify into a Centex gas pump and give to his buddy who is a Centex collector.





Bill Loden brought in his in-progress 1:20 AMT 1992 Toyota pickup truck. Bill wanted to build a model of his 1994 Toyota pickup, but this kit is the closest thing to it he could find.



Going with the 60's theme, **Phil Jurkowski** brought in his 1:72 Hasegawa UH-60 Blackhawk kit!

Bryan Lloyd set a goal for himself to build something and work on models for at least 30-40 minutes

every day; not contest quality, but simply to build. In order to meet that goal, he has been building smaller scale models, so Bryan brought in a recently finished 1:144 diorama with two UH-60 Blackhawks and a Harrier jet. Bryan also brought in his Robbie the Robot, a Klingon Bat'leth, and his fictional German UFO kit, as well as a small scale Star Wars Hoth diorama, and a Batpod from the Dark Knight movie. Bryan added lighting to both the UFO and Robbie the Robot.



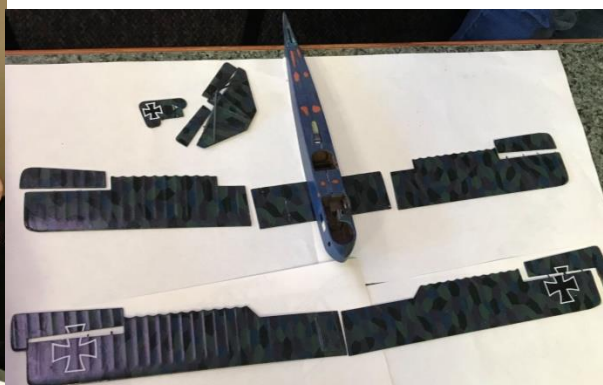


Nick Kimes brought in an idea for resource storage. When his employer was throwing away old 3-ring binders, Nick asked if he could have them, and found that Squadron/Signal books fit perfectly in a clear plastic sheet protector which can be added to the 3-ring binder!

Les MacLaren brought in the parts and plans for his in-progress 1:48 Gotha G5 World War I airplane. The kit has some cockpit inaccuracies which Les is



working to correct, along with adding detail. Les started work on this large airplane years ago, and plans to finish it in the Lozenge camo scheme with a full interior.



Gary Sanders brought in his recently finished 1:35 Tamiya Early Sherman kit, which Gary noted was the “easiest kit I’ve ever built.” He used a broom bristle for the antenna. Gary also brought in his 1:35 Dragon models Vietnam era M48 Patton tank, which he said was the “most difficult kit I’ve built to date.” Gary used the Molotow chrome pen for the interior of the headlights and searchlight, and took decals from another kit and individual bumper numbers to finish it in the markings of his



unit in Vietnam.

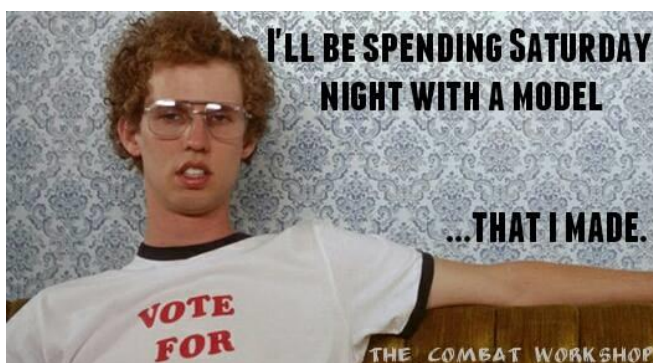
Always on the lookout for an easy diorama base, Gary found that some scrapbook paper looks very similar to concrete. A few pencil or pen lines made with a straight edge will simulate expansion joints, and *voila* a quick diorama base!



New member, **Travis Paschall** brought in his Tamiya 1:35 USMC M60 with Reactive Armor that he built to represent going into Iraq during Desert Storm. Travis admits that the street sign is incorrect for the area where the USMC M60s actually operated, but he decided to keep it on his diorama anyway! The dust stirred up by the tank advancing is made from fake spider web material that he airbrushed a dust color and glued in place.



Go to www.ipmsmoss.com and check out the Gallery for more pictures!



Source: Facebook – The Combat Workshop

WHERE HAS YOUR SHIRT BEEN

I had recent visit to the Tennessee Museum of Aviation while my wife and I were vacationing in the Smoky Mountains. The P-47D "Bubbletop" is named the "Wicked Wabbit" and is flyable. Other displays are a B-25 that was used by Hollywood in movies. They had cut panels out and cut the back off for the bigger cameras they used at that time. Not 100% sure but they might have used the B-25 for the movie "30 Seconds Over Tokyo". Also there was an Evel Knievel rocket car, a pair of A-1 Skyraiders. There was wreckage of a P-47 cockpit recovered in the Pacific Theater area. Besides aircraft, there were at least a couple of Jeeps, a World War II Harley Davidson motorcycle and one halftrack in the museum which I did not expect in an aviation museum. The museum itself is one worth going to, but after being at the Naval Air Museum in Pensacola, most museums are going to appear small to me though. If a person does decide to go, checkout the coupon books that you would get at a Visitor Center; Connie and I used a \$5 off coupon on our admission to the museum. Before entering the actual aircraft and military display, you will go through an area that displays uniforms, smaller memorabilia, and videos. ~MS





NEXT MEETING

July 28, 2019 – Sunday, 6pm at Branson Hobby Center.
Meeting starts at 6pm. **Meeting Theme: “Summer & Heat”** As always, bring a model, tip or technique to share and discuss!

Happy Modeling!



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