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## LAST MEETING

**July 28:** 11 members met at Branson Hobby Center for our monthly meeting. The meeting theme was “Summer & Heat.”

Relating to the summer portion of the theme, **Paul Drinkall** brought in his AMT 1963 Custom T-bird convertible that he built back in 1963 or 1964. Paul noted that this kit was a nice kit for back in the day when it was first released. He painted it with a rattle can spray paint, something along the lines of candy red. Paul used some Edsel Station Wagon tail lights for this kit even though they were the wrong scale.



**Travis Paschall** brought in two of his figures. The first one is a work in progress Gundam figure kit. Travis customized his figure by installing a battery pack in the back and wiring the kit so the figure's eyes would light up red. Travis recommends magnet wire for wiring small items like this kit.







In keeping with the summer and heat theme, Travis also brought in his 1:12 Bandai Clone Trooper that he finished and placed in a desert scene. Travis built this figure for an Instagram build off competition, and customized his figure by adding sculpted hood, and creating the Trooper's backpack out of old computer parts. The Trooper's weapon sling is made from electrical tape.

**John Nottestad** brought in a couple small Dungeons and Dragons figures that he finished using a wash technique and also a highlight painting technique. John explained that his technique is to use a Tamiya white wash over a dark paint on his skeleton figure, rather than a black wash over a



white paint on the figure. John also painted his second figure with a dark paint, then airbrushed a blue-gray color from above to highlight the figure.

John also

brought in his 1:35 Jagdpanzer to show his technique for applying a white wash camouflage pattern on armor.

**Mike Mangan** brought in his Johan 1960's Dodge Dart kit that he started custom making transparent clear red

taillights.

Mike ordered some transparent clear acrylic rod, and decided to use his lathe to turn out some new taillights since the kit's taillights were missing when he bought this second-hand "builder" kit. Since the kit was partially started, Mike had to disassemble the kit, clean it up and sand down the old glue and tool marks, then primed the kit with Tamiya primer, alternating gray and white primer as he worked to clean up the imperfections and damage from the previous owner.





**Nick Kimes** brought in his AMT 1:1000 Star Trek Klingon Bird of Prey kit that he is using as a painting color and technique test bed for a larger version of the same starship. Nick used IJN Green as the base coat, but since it was too light for his liking, he added some additional green colors for variation and interest.



**Rusty Hamblin** brought in his recently finish Hasegawa AV-8B Harrier Egg Plane that he recently finished. The canopy gave him some fit trouble, and the nose probe broke off, but other than that, the kit turned out to be a good kit!







For the theme, **Nate Jones** brought in his Bill Mauldin cartoon inspired Willie & Joe vignette titled “Don’t startle ‘im, Joe – it’s almost full.” When Nate built this vignette, he actually burned out the inside of the building and the fallen rafter, using matches to add the realistic smoke pattern and charring.

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## LAST MEETING

**August 18:** 9 members met at Branson Hobby Center for our monthly meeting. The meeting theme was “80’s and 8’s.”

**Bill Loden** brought in his 1994 Toyota pickup that he says is “the closest thing to mine as I could find.” In the early 90’s Bill had a red Toyota pickup and in 1994 wanted a charcoal gray one, so now he was finally able to have his ‘94



charcoal gray pickup!

Bill also brought in his recently finished Monogram 1:48 UH-1 Huey Hog. This “piece of crap kit” was a 2000’s rebox of the 1970’s era kit. The fit was as expected for the kit, and Bill had to





use styrene to fill some gaps around the doors and the windscreen. Bill weathered the rotor blades using his finger: after painting the blades NATO black and letting them dry, he wiped the blades in the airflow direction using his finger and it gave a nice, slightly weathered look to them.

**Brian Lloyd** brought in a 1:144 diorama that he made after finishing two UH-60 Blackhawks, an F-15, and an F-111. The kits are from a variety of manufacturers that he picked up for relatively cheap, and wanted to get some models completed.



Brian also recently finished a 1:35 Tamiya HMMWV with TOW missile launcher. He placed his HMMWV in a desert setting with a brick wall and some other various 1:35 accessories to add interest to his vignette.

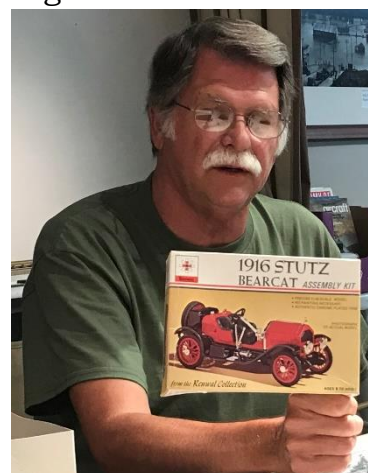


For the theme, **Gary Sanders** brought in his work in progress 1:35 AFV Club M88 Tank Recovery Vehicle. Gary noted that he once slept underneath one of these vehicles while in



Khe Sanh, Vietnam. The AFV Club kit has proved itself to be the toughest build that Gary has had so far in his model building career. When one of the sleeves for the hydraulic arms went missing, Gary found a bead at Michael's Craft store that he hollowed out and used as a suitable

replacement. Gary also found some craft bead wiring for the tow cables and liked how they turned out.





Gary also brought in a 1:48 Renwal 1916 Stutz Bearcat kit that he picked up the day before the meeting at a car show and swap meet. And he also brought in his 1:25 MPC “The General” 4-4-0 locomotive kit. Gary looked up the history behind the real “General” – during the Civil War a Union raiding party captured the locomotive in Georgia and used it. The real locomotive is now on display in Tennessee near Lookout Mountain. In the 1960’s Disney made a movie about the events of this locomotive.

For the 80’s and 8’s theme, **Michael Steenstra** brought in his Cyber Hobby 1:35 Initial Production King Tiger tank with the 88mm main gun. The kit had a lot of photoetch details and individual links. Michael also added the Atak resin Zimmerit kit.



**Rusty Hamblin** brought in his recently completed Polar Lights Beetles’ Yellow Submarine “George” figure kit. Rusty notes that he has not seen the movie, nor is he going to anytime ever, but he wanted a quick and easy



build and this figure would fit that bill. Rusty airbrushed the tuba with Humbrol brass. As he was putting the finishing touches on the figure, he realized that the figure was supposed to be wearing gloves! Oh well! The kit came with a dog, but Rusty said that he hated the look of the plastic dog and was definitely not going to include it with the tuba playing figure!



**Nate Jones** brought in his in-progress 1:48 Monogram F-86 Sabre Jet and MiG-15. This double plane kit was released in the 1980's as part of Monogram's Air Combat Series. Nate started these models about 8 years ago, and put them on the shelf since, but they have recently been returned to the workbench in the hopes of finishing them soon!



## WHERE HAS YOUR SHIRT BEEN

In April, Gary Sanders and his wife traveled to the Tall Grass Prairie Preserve located north of Pawhuska, Oklahoma. "We saw a lot of short 'tall' grass since we were there early in the Spring and the grass did not have enough time to grow" Gary noted. "We did see hundreds of American Bison as they roam freely on the Preserve." There are 2,700 Bison in the Preserve which spans approximately 40,000 acres, which is the largest unplowed prairie in the United States.



## NEXT MEETING

**September 29, 2019 – Sunday, 6pm at Godfather's Pizza in Ozark (510 E. South Street).** Join us for dinner; the pizza buffet opens at 5pm. **Meeting Theme: "Favorite built kit of all time"** As always, bring a model, tip or technique to share and discuss!

**Happy Modeling!**



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