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IPMS Denver
Rob Wolf Chapter

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"They always say time changes things, but you actually have to change them yourself."
-- Andy Warhol

Next Meeting:
Wednesday, April 7 at 7:00pm
Burt Chevrolet, 5200 S.
Broadway (near Belleview)

This Month's Program:
Club Auction

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Prez Deppe

I regret that I have even less to say this newsletter than in the last months. Maybe it's the "Ides of March" affecting me. If my lack of words isn't bad enough, I probably won't make it to April's meeting either. My Mom is scheduled for a medical procedure on April 6th and has asked me to come back to Utah to help her out a bit.

Many thanks to Doug DeCounter for last month's entertaining and informative demonstration on how to apply a weathering wash. I am always impressed at how effortless our experienced modelers make their techniques appear.

For those of you planning on attending April's meeting, bring plenty of cash, as it's our annual auction meeting. As for me, I'll see you in May!

Grave Doubt Dealing with Death in Dioramas

By: Steve Lawson

'The Grim Reaper speaks out about hand grenades and horseshoes'. Dioramas give the modeler a chance to put their build in an interesting format that will invite the viewer to stop and look, much like a painting. 'How to build Dioramas' by Shep Payne was my first real stretch to build a better model. It's still available and should be in every modeler's reference library. The well-known aviation artist Jim Dietz says, '... the process of creating a realistic painting is like describing how a magic trick is done. Once the process is understood the viewer is apt to say, "Oh is that all there is to it?"... "They are to fulfill my own desires."

Someone once said that '...aircraft dioramas are limited to maintenance or standing.' The dioramas that have worked well for me are: in flight, taxi, factory assembly, field assembly, type test, acceptance tests, crashes & salvage. Of these there are usually the two types of dioramas that can have great impacts but are easily spoiled in their manifestation. Here I would like to discuss crashes and salvage dioramas. These deal with the delicate subject that is at the focal point of war. There are two things that can kill a diorama's chance to compete successfully -- Too much blood and too little planning. When recreating a crash scene ask yourself, '...what is my purpose for doing this?'

Monster figures with distorted and twisted features are one thing, as I'll discuss later. Recreating the morbid death of a realistic historic figure is another thing altogether. Sympathy for your subject matter is engendered by most people and their own experiences with death. If your treatment of the subject is perceived to be ham-fisted, clumsy or insensitive, your work will be unacceptable to most viewers including contest judges.

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Grave Doubt

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Here is what does not work:

1. I remember a fantasy diorama done with skeletons, dragons and warriors from small-scale metal figures. While intriguing, the multiple heads that were lopped off and simulated blood oozing from their open wounds detracted from the overall idea. With wounded figures a little goes a long way. Why would skeletons bleed anyway?
2. I have also seen a WWI trench scene with portions of a cadaver sticking out of the ground. While very realistic, judges passed it by because the artistic appeal was nullified on the idea that a modeler would attempt to recreate a rotting human corpse.
3. There was a Napoleonic vignette where the soldiers were freezing to death and eating the carcass of a horse. Fortunately the pink snow covered up most of the horse. It did not win anything but disdain.

In dealing with death or near death experiences the modeler needs to understand the impact that you will be having on the average viewer. The idea of leaving the viewer to come to his or her own conclusion is a time tested means of finding acceptance for the piece you have built. This means that you give them all the information that they need to draw their own conclusion.

Such as:

1. In my treatment of the fatal crash of Lt. Wegener in 'The Order of the Wooden Cross', I left the body figure out altogether. The post crash view showed such destruction of the aircraft, especially around the cockpit area, that the first response by most viewers was, '...Well the pilot could not have survived that...'
2. In my diorama of 'The Rittmeister is missing', I used historic evidence to cover the 'deceased Baron' figure with a ground tarp. This again allows the viewer to get the idea without having to be assaulted by the images of an exposed corpse.
3. In my diorama entitled 'I regret to inform you', I had the aircrew of an Albatros C.III getting ready for what was to be their last flight. The title alone suggested that this crew did not return from their mission.
4. With the diorama '463/17', I took various aspects of several Fokker Triplane crashes due to top wing failure and applied them to a Fokker Dr.I that had one too many flights. The overall appearance of the aircraft says that the pilot may have survived but the lone mechanic figure and the general wreck detail draws the viewer into the technical aspects of the crash.
5. In the diorama 'Nice landing Herr Lieutenant...', we see a recently repaired Albatros D.Va in Palestine 1918. Based on a true occurrence, the pilot had taken the machine up for a test flight. At about 300m he heard a loud bang! Looking over his top main plane he saw that the left wing tip had over stressed. He was able to safely land the aircraft. My version shows the pilot still in the cockpit holding his head in his hands. On the ground a German mechanic is surveying the damage. At least it was an area of the aircraft that had not been worked on.

If something is preposterous then we tend to overlook any of the macabre images and laugh it off as harmless. In the 'That can't possibly happen' category we have model companies like Aurora or Polar Lights putting out images of our favorite Monsters and their habitats. Monogram was famous for putting 1/24 scale skeletons with some of their hot rods. 'Lil Coffin', 'Boot Hill Express' and 'Rommel's Rod' were big sellers. When I developed the idea that modeling clubs are populated by die-hard, AMS afflicted, techno-weenies the words die-hard stuck. (I belong to two of them so I am pointing the finger at myself here too.) I asked myself what would happen if the members refused to go home one night. My answer was 'The Last meeting of IPMS Ragwing.' Here we have five die-hard modelers in their club house/garage stacked with various kits, doing what they, ah...er, did best. One re-enactor is wearing his coalscuttle and hobnails working on the club transportation. After all, they need something to get back and forth to the hobby store, right? One fellow seems to have 'bought it' putting the finishing touches on a spiral striped Fokker Dr.I. The fellow I call 'the stone cutter' will forever admire his last bit of work on his partially completed 'John Phillip Law' sculpture. If you look closely you'll even see his masonic ring. In the cockpit of the Sport Flyer Fokker Dr.I we see the club President 'da Baron' making those last minute flight checks before he takes off on his final mission. Then lastly we see the boney knees and boots of the R/C enthusiast of the club. Seems the poodle was locked in there for a longggggg time. While immensely funny to many this was just too close to being the truth for others. Having won several awards the real prize was just out of reach. Yes, sadly this diorama has never been given the coveted 'Lopez Demente' award by the Albuquerque chapter of the IPMS. (What in the world were they thinking when they gave it to that 'Toe-Tractor?') Yeah, you read it right, 'Toe-Tractor.' It just proves how subjective judging can really be.

MINUTES FOR MARCH 3, 2004

Our President, Tom Deppe, called the March 3, 2004 meeting to order at 7:13 PM at the Burt Chevrolet with 32 members and guests present.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mark Persichetti is still in contact with Vern Clark from Qwest about their meeting rooms. The intent is to possibly use these rooms to host a Denver area IPMS Show and Contest.

Grand Junction is having their show and contest on March 13th and 14th in Palisades Co.

High Plains Modelers show and contest will be at the Foothills Fashion Mall on April 3rd.

IPMS Centennial in Colorado Springs is presently going through some changes. Some of its original members have formed a new club called IPMS Centennial Legacy. One of the requirements of this club is that you need to be and IPMS National member to join. The intent of this club is to concentrate on military type subjects.

TREASURY:

Cliff Davis reported that we have a balance of 3588.18 in our club account.

OLD BUSINESS:

Derek Brown received a thank you note and plaque from the Baghdad modelers thanking Colpar Hobbies and us for our support.

NEW BUSINESS:

Al Gonzales suggested that we have some meetings where all models would fall under a common theme. He also suggested that we could do a swap meet night.

SHOW & TELL:

Al Gonzales brought in a Revell 1/25 Acura RSX that was a father and son project. He also had a completed AFV 1/35 Holland YPR765-PRI and a Revell/Monogram MDD F-15E. He compared this model to a Sherman Tank because of its monochromatic paint. Only the blankets, tarps and bedrolls are missing. **Doug DeCounter** (Mister Prolific once again) showed us a Dragon 1/35 Nashhorn Late Version, a CMK 1/35 Volkswagen (Herbie the War Bug), a Tristar 1/35 Panzer IA, a Hasegawa 1/24 Jeep w/50 cal Machine Gun, a Maquette 1/35 38T Tank, a Tamiya 1/35 Sd.Kfz 251D, a Dragon 1/35 Sd.Kfz 251C, a Tamiya 1/48 Mitsubishi A6M5 Zero, and a Dragon 1/35 T34-76 MBT. **Jeffrey Osborne** completed a Polar Lights Klingon Battle Cruiser snap kit and a Hasegawa 1/48 Nakajima Ki-84 Frank. He also had a Tamiya 1/700 Shokaku IJN Aircraft Carrier under construction. **Chuck Stout** was inspired by Martin Sagara's modeling last month and he completed a Revell 1/72 SPAD XII. **Martin Sagara** showed us a Combat Aircraft Magazine that featured the Colorado ANG F-16 Tiger scheme aircraft. **Cliff Davis** brought in a Tamiya 1/24 Porsche GT2 completed with aftermarket Tiger scheme decals, a 1/32 Maserati Tipo 61 slot car painted and detailed for Don Gustavson, and the new Revell Germany 1/24 Sauber Petronas C-22 Formula one kit. **Terry Tuytschaevers** had a Tamiya 1/24 Alfa Romeo 155 DTM Racer finished in Jagermeister Orange colors, an Italeri 1/72 T34-76 MBT, a Hasegawa 1/72 M4A3 E8 Sherman Tank, an ESCI 1/72 M60A2 Starship, a Dragon 1/72 Panther pre-assembled die-cast tank, and a Dragon 1/72 pre-assembled die-cast tank. **Bob Nixon** showed us a MPM 1/72 Seversky P-35, a Squadron 44 1/72 Curtiss P-36, and a Pavla 1/72 Republic P-43. **David Reinecke** had his Tamiya 1/48 Dornier Do-335 project model. **David Bathke** brought in a completed Revell 1/144 Dornier DoX Seaplane. **Chris Diaz** had a beautifully finished AMT 1/25 1965 Pontiac Bonneville Hardtop. **Jennifer Jordan** showed us a 1/48 F4U Birdcage Corsair. **Mike Gawell** was trying to sell some Ghost Warbirds Calendars. He also had a Toko 1/72 Ilyushin Il-2 Sturmovik, a Mirage 1/48 PZL-11C, and a Tamiya 1/48 Bristol Beaufighter project model. **Justin Gawell** brought in a Revell 1/48 Rockwell B-1B Bomber Cockpit section. **Dale Summers** showed us an Imex 1/35 MDD AH-64D Longbow Apache kit, a completed Hobbycraft 1/48 CF-100, a 1/32 German design scheme aircraft, a 1/48 v-tailed F-15, a MDD 1/48 F-4E Phantom II in Japanese Markings, and a MDD 1/48 F-4F Phantom II in German camouflage test scheme markings. **David Nelson** showed us the new Military Miniatures Tiger Tank Book.

PROGRAM:

The program for the evening was a seminar on how to successfully apply washes to models presented by Doug DeCounter.

What's New In Town

By Terry Tuyschaevers

A+V MODELS

1/72 Kawasaki Ki-96

ACADEMY

1/35 M4A2 Sherman 76mm Medium Tank USSR WWII

1/25 German Tank Destroyer Jagdpanther

1/35 Panzerkampfwagen IV Ausf.H/J Medium Tank

1/35 M36 "Jackson" Gun Motor Carriage Tank

Destroyer

1/35 M10 "Duckbill" Gun Motor Carriage Tank Destroyer

ACCURATE MINIATURES

1/48 Eastern TBM-3D Night Fighting Avenger

ACE

1/72 Grumman AF-2S/3S "Killer" Guardian

AFV CLUB

1/35 Holland YPR765-PRI

AML

1/72 Messerschmitt Bf-109D

AMT

1/25 1951 Chevrolet Bel Air 2-Door 3-N-1

1/25 1969 Dodge Charger Street Machine 2-N-1

1/25 1966 Mercury Hard Top With Dual Quad 427

1/25 1965 Chevy II "Rat Packer" Street Freaks

1/25 NASCAR Car #8 Dale Earnhardt Jr Budweiser

Chevrolet

ATTACK HOBBY

1/72 Baynes Bat

AZUR

1/72 Vultee V-11 Attack Bomber Chinese Air Force

1/32 Dewotine D.520 French Fighter

1/72 Polikarpov 1-15 Chato Bi-Plane Fighter

CLASSIC AIRFRAMES

1/48 Gloster Meteor T.7 Royal Navy 2-Seat

Fighter/Target Tug

1/48 Gloster Meteor FR.9

CMK

1/35 Vietnam Armored M-151 Mutt Conversion.

1/35 Kriegslokomotive Br 52 1942-45 Engine & Coal Car

CZECH MASTER KITS

1/72 Supermarine Swift FR.5

1/72 Seafire F.46

1/72 Seafire F.R.47

CZECH MASTER/AIRMODELL

1/35 Praga RND 3 ton Shop Van

DRAGON/DML

1/200 Boeing B-52G Stratofortress With Cruise Missiles

1/48 Changzheng 2 (Cz-2e) Launch Vehicle

1/48 Luftwaffe Battle Of Britain Pilots, Ground Crew &

Equipment

1/48 Focke Wulf Fw-190D-12 Torpedo Flugzeug

1/72 Sukhoi Su-24 MR/MP Fencer E/F

1/72 Grumman F4F-4 Wildcat Wing-Fold & Carrier Deck

1/35 German Tank Hunters

1/35 Flakpanzer IV (3cm) Kugelblitz

1/35 Soviet Su-85m Tank Destroyer

1/35 German Large Rubber Dinghy With Pioniere

1/35 Sd.Kfz.250/3 "Greif"

1/35 Sd.Kfz.184 Elephant

1/35 Sd.Kfz. 184 Ferdinand

1/35 German Pontoon Set

1/35 Kampfgruppe Von Luck Normandy 1944

1/35 Sd.Kfz.171 Panther D 52nd Battalion

1/35 Panzergrenadiers Wiking Division Hungary 1945

1/35 British Bishop Self-Propelled Gun

1/72 Sd.Kfz. 171 Panther Ausf. F

1/72 Sd.Kfz. 182 King Tiger (Porsche Turret)

1/72 Pre-Assembled & Painted King Tiger

1/72 Pre-Assembled & Painted Jagdpanther

1/700 USS Tarawa LHA-1

1/700 HMS Ark Royal Ski-Jump Carrier 1991

1/700 HMS Illustrious Ski-Jump Carrier

EASTERN EXPRESS

1/72 Fighter Pfalz DXII

1/72 Fighter Sopwith "Snipe"

1/72 Fighter Nieuport 16c

1/72 Naval Fighter Hansa Brandenburg W29

1/72 Fighter Hansa Brandenburg D. I

1/72 Fighter Aviatik (Berg) DI

EDUARD

1/72 Lavochkin La-7

1/48 Ki-115 Tsurugi Propipak

1/48 German Personnel WW I

FIELD OF ARMOR

1/6 Tiger I Think big... think very big

FINE MOLDS

1/12 Caricature Figure Gulf War US Army Infantry

Women "Sandy"

1/48 Yokosuka D4Y1 Inline Engine "Judy Carrier

Bomber

1/48 Yokosuka D4Y2 "Judy" Inline Engine Carrier

Bomber

1/48 Yokosuka D4Y2-S "Judy" Inline Engine Night

Fighter

1/72 Messerschmitt Me-410A-1 I/KG-51 Edelweib

1/72 Kawasaki Ki-61-II Tony Early Version

1/72 Mitsubishi A7M2 Navy Heavy Carrier Fighter

"Reppu" Sam

1/35 Imperial Japanese Army Tank Crew (4-Figures

Standing)

1/72 Light Armored Car Type 97 "Te-Ke" With 37mm

Tank Gun

FUJIMI

1/72 Vought A-7D Corsair II Flying Tiger

1/72 Vought F7U-3P Cutlass

1/72 Grumman EA-6A Black Bunny

1/76 M4A1 Sherman Tank

1/76 M36 Jackson

1/76 KV-1A

HASEGAWA

1/32 Messerschmitt Bf-109E JG 26 9/40, JG 52 10/40

1/32 Messerschmitt Me-262A JV44 Adolph Galland

1/32 Nakajima Ki-43-II Hayabusa (Oscar)

1/48 RF-4E Phantom II SE Asia Camouflage "Nose Art"

JASDF

1/48 McDonnell RF-4B Phantom II VMFP-3 USMC

1/48 North American P-51D Mustang "Cripes A" Mighty"

"Blue Nose"

1/48 Mitsubishi A6M2b Zero Type 21 "All Green"

1/48 Chance Vought F4U-4B Korean War Corsair VMF-

214 "Blacksheep"

1/48 Aichi D3A1 Type 99 Type II Carrier Dive Bomber

"Val" Coral Sea

1/48 Nakajima Ki-44-II Hei Shoki "Tojo" 104th Flight

Regiment

1/72 Canadian AF CF-104 1-Seat & CF-104D 2-Seat

(Two Complete Kits) Starfighters Demonstration Team

1/72 Focke Wulf Fw-190F-8 Schlachtgeschwader 4

1/72 Lockheed P-38L Lightning "Major Bong"

1/72 Lockheed F-104J Starfighter 203rd Squadron

JSDF

1/72 Republic P-47D Razorback 47th Fighter Squadron

1/72 Messerschmitt Bf-109E-3 Swiss Air Force

1/72 Nakajima Ki-84 Type 4 Fighter Hayate (Frank)

HISTORIC MODELS

1/48 Mikoyan Mig-19s Farmer C

1/48 Chinese Shenyang J-6/F-6 (Mig-19)

ICM

1/35 French Campaign, 1940

1/48 North American P-51 D-15

ITALERI

1/12 F-104G Cockpit

1/48 Henschel Hs-123A-1 Bi-Plane Fighter-Bomber

1/35 Soviet T-55 Heavy Tank

1/35 British Crusader Mk.1 WWII Tank

1/72 French Infantry War Of 1776

1/72 Battle of Kursk Diorama Set

1/72 Operation Overlord War Game

1/72 American Civil War Union Artillery Set

1/72 Cossack Cavalry Napoleonic Wars 1805-1815

1/72 Opel Blitz Kfz. 305 WWII Africa Corps Troop Truck

1/72 M48A2/A3 Patton MBT

1/24 Reefer Trailer \$52.50 \$46.97

LINDBERG

1/25 Blacktop Patriot R/C Low-rider Pre-Finished Build-

N-Play '64 Impala

MAC MODELS

1/72 SPAD VII C.1 US Volunteers

PROGRESSIVE PUBLISHING

Autoblindo AB 41 & AB 43

MINICRAFT

1/144 Boeing VC-137C Air Force One JFK Through

Reagan

1/5 Visible Mazda Rotary Engine

1/16 1901 De Dion Bouton

1/16 1931 Ford Model A

1/16 1948 MG-TC Roadster

1/16 1931 Ford Model A Deluxe Roadster

1/16 1931 A-V8 Highboy Roadster

1/16 1931 Ford Rock'n Roadster

1/16 1958 Triumph TR3A Rally Club Car

1/16 Rat Trap Pick 'Em Up

1/20 Mako Shark

1/24 1958 Triumph TR3A

1/26 1829 Stephenson Rocket

MONOGRAM RACING

1/32 Shelby Cobra Daytona Coupe Lemans 1964 Car

#5 Slot Car

1/32 Shelby Cobra Daytona Coupe Nurburgring 1965

Car #54 Slot Car

1/32 '63 Nassau Corvette Grand Sport Car #65

1/32 '64 Sebring Corvette Grand Sport Car #2

MPM

1/72 Lockheed Vega Model 5 "Winnie Mae & Lady

Lindy"

POLAR LIGHTS

1/24 Action Pak Combo 2-Kits: Batplane And Batmobile

PST MODELS

1/72 PT-76B Light Amphibious Tank

1/72 BTR-50PK

REVELL/MONOGRAM

1/24 Ed Roth's Scuz-Fink With Dingbat

1/24 2003 Nascar #29 Kevin Harvick Goodwrench

1/24 2003 Nascar #20 Tony Stewart's Home Depot

1/25 1969 427 Cubic Inch Yenko Camaro SC Coupe

1/25 1957 Chevy Bel Air

1/24 Dale Earnhardt Jr. #8 Chance 2 Motorsports Dmp

"Flame"

1/48 Republic A-10 Warthog Iraqi Freedom

1/48 MDD AV-8B Harrier Iraqi War With Book

SKYWAVE/PIT ROAD

1/700 Luftwaffe Aircraft Set 2

1/700 US Navy Ship Equipment WW II

1/700 Erimo Class Sata/ Shiraya

1/700 DD-436 Monssen

1/700 IJN Aircraft Carrier "Unryu"

SPECIAL HOBBY

1/72 Fairey Barracuda Mk.III

1/72 North American BT-9/NJ-1 "U.S. Trainer Plane"

1/72 Goodyear F2G-1/2 Super Corsair

TAMIYA

1/25 German MG 34 Machine Gunner

1/25 German Panzer Grenadier with Rifle

1/25 German Wehrmacht Squad Leader

1/25 German Artillery Officer

1/35 German Army Officers

1/35 Flakpanzer IV Wirbelwind Antiaircraft Tank

1/35 JGSDF Type 90 Main Battle Tank With Mine Roller

1/35 German 8-Ton Semi-Track Sd.Kfz.7

1/35 German Panther Type G With Photo-Etched Parts

For Zimmerit Coating

1/35 German Panzer Iv Ausf.J With Photo-Etched Parts

For Zimmerit Coating

1/24 Mercedes-Benz CLK DTM 2000 Team Original-

Teile Car #18 Pre-Finished Body

1/24 Porsche 911 GT1 Mobil 1 Car #25 Pre-Finished

Body

1/24 Opel Astra V8 Coupe, Opel Team Phoenix Pre-

Finished Body

1/24 1985 Ferrari Testarossa

1/24 Mythos Ferrari By Pininfarina

1/24 Toyota Tom's EXIV JTCC Car #1 Racer

1/20 Ferrari F189 Early Version

1/48 Hayate "Frank" With Electric Propeller & Base

SQUADRON/SIGNAL PUBLICATIONS

Ilyushin Il-4 in Action

Aces 3

CLASSIC PUBLICATIONS

Bf-109 Recognition Manual

CONCORD PUBLICATIONS

Warlord Armies

TRUMPETER

1/35 German Panzer Division Poland 1939 Pt.II Figure Set
1/24 Nakajima A6M2N "Rufe" Zero Floatplane Fighter
1/25 1960 Pontiac Bonneville Convertible. Kit consists of 209pts, 6 sprues, real rubber tires, operable steering, detailed interior and 389CI engine, opening hood & trunk with photo-etch hinges, 8.75"L, metal coil springs
1/25 1960 Pontiac Bonneville Sport Coupe. Kit consists of 219 parts, 7 sprues & real rubber tires Operable steering, opening hood and trunk, detailed interior and 389CI engine, photo-etch hood hinges, 8.75"L, metal coil
1/35 Mil Mi-24V Hind E Attack Helicopter
1/72 Sdkfz.194 Elefant Tank
1/72 Sdkfz.184 Ferdinand Tank

VERLINDEN

1/16 US 3rd Infantry Division Figure Iraq 2003
1/32 Fw-190D-9 Upgrade Set
1/32 F-105D Cockpit & Gun Bay Detail Set
1/35 Ambush Gun Emplacement
1/35 T34/85 85mm Ammo
1/35 3rd Infantry Division Iraq 2003
1/35 280mm Ammo for K5 Leopold Rail Gun
1/35 LVT A4 Interior and Detail Set
1/35 Soviet Casualties WW II
1/35 Have a Light Marine?
1/35 British MG Team Gulf Wars
1/35 British Recon Gulf Wars
1/5 Lt. Gen. Ulysses Grant

YANKEE MODELWORKS

1/350 USS Houston CA-30
1/350 USS Gambier Bay CVE-73
1/350 USS Atlanta CL-51
1/350 USS Northampton
1/350 USS Louisville
1/350 USS Juneau
1/350 USS Oakland
1/350 IJN Furutaka Heavy Cruiser
1/350 USS Massachusetts
1/350 USS South Dakota
1/350 USS West Virginia

AEROFAX

Saab Gripen Sweden's 21st Century Multi-Role Aircraft

CLASSIC WARSHIPS PUBLICATIONS

USS Ticonderoga CV/CVA/CVS-14
IJN Yamato Class Battleships

COMBINED PUBLISHING

Waffen-SS Kursk 1943

GINTER BOOKS

Naval Fighters #20 Grumman AF Guardian

HEIMDAL BOOKS

21st Army Group
Villers-Bocage Normandy 1944

HIKOKI PUBLICATIONS

Mission 376: Battle Over the Reich

ILIAD DESIGNS

US Navy WW II Carrier Aircraft Color Chips
RAF WW II Tropical/Desert Color Chips

JJ FEDOROWICZ

Drama Between Budapest and Vienna
Tiger: History of the Legendary Weapon

OSPREY

D-Day 1944 Utah Beach & The US Airborne Landings
Modern Israeli Tanks & Infantry Carriers 1985-2004
#58 Slovakian And Bulgarian Aces Of WWII
#59 Israeli Mirage And Nesher Aces
Aircraft Of The Aces Legends Of WWII
Iranian F-4 Phantom Units In Combat
Modelling the Matilda Infantry Tank

SCHIFFER PUBLISHING

Paramarine!
Uniforms and Insignia of the Cossacks WW II
SS-Panzer Artillery Regiment 1 LAH
Dietrich's Warriors
Messerschmitt Me-262

SPECIALTY PRESS

The Warlords Vol.1
Saab Gripen
Mil Mi-8/Mi-17
Junkers Ju-288/388/488
Luftwaffe Fighter-Bombers Over Britain

Classified Ads

KIT(S) FOR SALE

I have a few 1/9th scale ERTL (ESCI) Zundapp KS-750 WWII German motorcycle with sidecar kits for sale. Each kit also has the "pioneer gear", which includes weapons and personnel gear. These are the kits that ERTL re-released using the old ESCI molds and advertised in their Blueprinter magazine. The price is \$35 / OBO
If anyone is interested, please contact Shawn Schwaller (contact info below)

CALL FOR ARTICLES

My cache of articles is running low and I could sure use some new ones: buildups, kit reviews, book reviews, museum reviews, how-to articles, etc. etc. Get those articles written and then either snail mail or e-mail them to me! I use Windows98 to produce the newsletter so articles via email can be Microsoft Word, plain text, or PDF format. Thanks!

Also, if you have a favorite website, drop me a line and we'll put it in the Website of the Month section.

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Website of the Month

I've got nothin'. If you know of a great website out there, please let me know so that I can tell everyone else about it!

Upcoming Presentations

Contact either Prez Deppe or Editor Schwaller (Contact info on last page of newsletter) to schedule a presentation.

WE NEED PEOPLE TO SIGN UP FOR PROGRAMS!!

April: Club Auction

May: Jeff Osborne Talks Ships

June: <still open>

July: <still open>

Calendar Of Events

April 3 – Model Contest; Foothills Fashion Mall, Fort Collins, CO. Registration from 10am to 2pm, awards at 6:30pm. Contact Larry Hersh (Hersh1@verinet.com) for more information.

May 5 – Club Meeting; 7:00pm, Burt Chevrolet, Denver

If you have contest dates or other dates of modeling interest, please send them to the newsletter editor for placement on the Calendar of Events

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