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June Display Pictures













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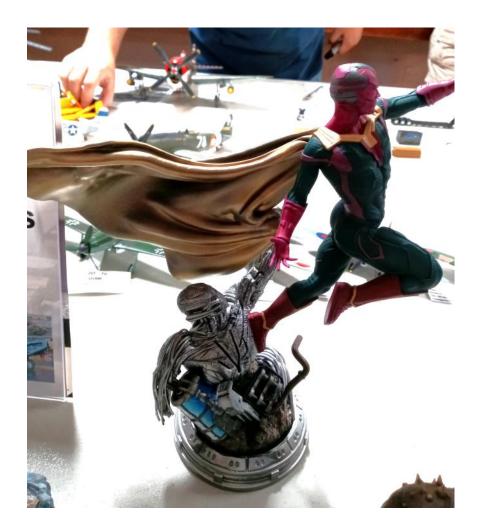




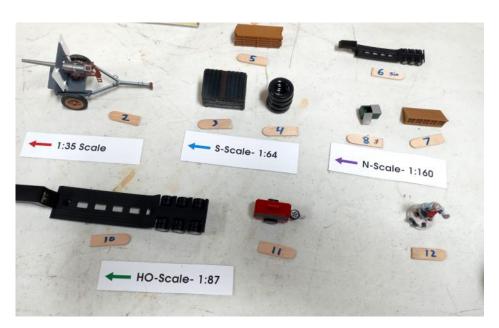


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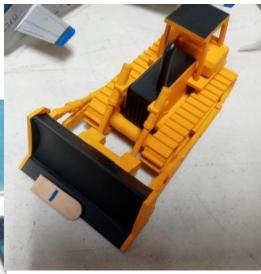












June Competition (Any 3D printed model or figure) Winners



Advanced Winner Mike Pabis "Nexu"

Novice Winner Martin Cohen 1/35 British ww1 3 pounder





June Raffle Winners











June Raffle Winners









PMS Craig Hewitt Chapter June Meeting Secretary's Report Hal Sanguinetti filling in for John Carroll

The June meeting was called to order by Club President Dick Christ at 7:07. Former club Secretary Hal Sanguinetti was asked to take the minutes due to the absence of Secretary John Carroll.

There was one guest, related to another member, who was just getting back into model building.

President Christ reported that due to a failure of communication on his and other members' part that the promised snap kits were not delivered to the Hobby Bench Make & Take the previous Sunday, and apologized for same.

There were no minutes of the previous meeting read due to the absence of the Secretary.

There was also no in-person Financial Report due to the absence of Treasurer Bill Dunkle, however President Christ reported that he had talked to Bill and was assured we were in good shape.

Membership Chairman Lyn Gorton urged everyone to be sure to sign in, and that if your name was not on the sign in sheet you were not currently a member in good standing, and to see him if you felt that was in error. He also reminded us that since the July meeting date was July 4th, the July meeting would be held the following week, on July 11.

Our Chapter Contact Scott Cohen reported on a few semi-inconsequential items that I forgot to write down, sorry.

Member at Large Bryan Guggemos reported on the success of the Hobby Bench Model contest, which wrapped up on the previous Sunday. There were 101 models entered, with club members Mike McFadden and Craig Brown judging - they did a great job. Bryan, who helped the M&T along with John Carroll, reported it went well and all the kids and parents were pleased - especially the kids. That's what it's all about!

Kevin then talked about tonight's raffle with some good descriptions of the models being offered.

Wendel reported on plans for November's Modelzona, and that full planning sessions would begin shortly; if anyone wishes to help with planning or the show itself to contact him.

Hobby Bench Manager Dekker Zimmerman and employee Hal Sanguinetti then discussed the Make & Take, reporting it was a success with kits taken from Hobby Bench inventory, and that both the contest and the Awards ceremony were considered successful. Hal brought his Nostalgia Top Fuel car and fired it up (loudly!) two times, reporting that he was bummed at not receiving any neighbor complaints.... but that one car alarm did go off which was considered a win!

We then broke for contest judging, after which the winners were announced: Mike Pabis won the Advanced category, and Martin Cohen was the Novice winner.

Kevin and Hal did the raffle, and the meeting broke up shortly thereafter.

New Release Trumpeter 1/32 TBD Devastator Ed Kucharski

FINALLY! After almost two decades since announcement by Trumpeter, it has arrived, but not without a delivery fubar by UPS.

Kitlinx provided the shipping label number which I plugged into my laptop to track its journey. When it came to delivery day, I waited diligently for delivery, before 7pm. At 6:30pml checked my laptop and read "Package Delivered Front Door At 5:24pm." Looked again, no package! I started a lost package claim with the UPS computer. WTF! Package came next morning. Long story, but UPS notification system in dire need of revision.

This is my third "century series" kit. Century series does not refer to F-100, 101, 102, etc., but to the purchase price of the kit.

This puppy comes in a big box, 17 inches x 10.5 inches x 4 inches. Box art depicts TBD 0300 assigned to VT-2 on the USS Lexington. This was the 32nd Devastator bought by the Navy and was onboard Lexington when she sank on May 8, 1942.

Opening the box, I found 13 plastic bags of parts, some of which hadstyrofoam inside wrapping especially sensitive parts. Decals and PE were bagged as well. Observed a 2020 date on the PE panel! PE for cockpit items and torpedo fins. Decals are pre-war, pre-Midway livery. Something I really appreciate is the 39 part canopy mask sticker.

The 2 cowlings feature one cooling gills closed and one gills open.

Now one thing that intrigued me were the 2 vinyl main L/G tires.Hmmmmm? Plastic ones are also included.

Wing decaling should not be an issue as I had on Monogram's Ju-52as the molding is only twice the height of a raised panel line.

Modeler will have to choose wing configuration, folded or straight.

No figures are included.

And Trumpeter also added an advertisement sheet for 3 armor kits. Shame none were of a Ukrainian farm tractor towing an abandoned Russian T-72.

If you want a video of an unboxing Brandon Lowe of Squadron, did one on You Tube at squadron.com/watch?v=iQaBBrxc704

By "Mark L. Rossmann"

The "Sun Setters", were the VLR Mustang pilots of the 15th, 21st and 506th Fighter groups, VII Fighter Command based on Iwo Jima

The 506th FG was delivered by ship to Guam on March 17th 1945, where they began the "unpickle" process; put brakes on and change spark plugs which had been damaged by cinders coming out of the smoke stack of the carrier.

A week later the unit flew to Tinian. 7 weeks of CAP and practice missions were flown while North Field, on Iwo, was prepared for their arrival. The first Combat Air Patrol was flown on March 29th. During this time there were two accidents, neither resulted in fatalities.

On May 11, the FG landed at North. First combat missions didn't occur until May 18th, flying defensive CAP, the first casualty occurred as Lt. Roland Carter crashed and was killed at North Field.

Japanese territory was finally the target on May 22nd when eleven aircraft bombed Chichi Jima. Followed by the first VLR mission to Japan on May 28, 1945, attacking the Kasumigaura Airdrome on the Island of Honshu. The 506th Group tallied 50 Japanese planes destroyed or damaged on the airbase, while having no losses. However, Capt. Kensley M. Miller of the 462nd, was lost to flak over Imba Airdrome. Miller was a veteran of a previous tour of combat in the Mediterranean flying P-40's with the 76th Fighter Group.

Black Friday, June 1, occurred when a large weather front was entered by all 3 Fighter groups, 15th, 21st and 506th, which 59 Mustangs were from the 506th. As a result, 27 planes and 24 pilots were lost, on that day's mission no plane was lost to fighters or ground fire.









By "Mark L. Rossmann"

506th Headquarters; lost Lt. Col. Harvey Scandrett and Capt. Edmund Crenshaw.

<u>457th</u> lost the most pilots: 1st Lt. James Best and 2nd Lt's Robert Kripple, Robert Griffith, Leonard Kloiber, William Saks. Lt. Lawrence Grennan bailed out at 5,000 ft. 10 miles from Iwo and was rescued.

458th lost the fewest: 2nd Lt. Thomas F. Kerrigan and 2nd Lt. Robert B. Harvey.

462nd lost; Capt. Lawrence Smith, 1st Lt's. Gale Loomis and Archie Ridley.

As a result of this loss of pilots, changes were made for future raids, specifically placing a single person in overall command of the airborne fighter groups and making sure a combat experienced "Sun Setter" was posted to the B-29 Weather Plane. It was found on that day's mission the assigned fighter pilot had no combat experience.

457th FS

Claimed 12 enemy aircraft shot down, with Capt. Abner M. Aust as the only ace for the 457th FS and the 506th FG. On July 16th he was credited with three Ki-84's and two Zero's on August 10th. He remained in the Air Force flying 300 missions in F-4 Phantoms during Vietnam. Nine 457th pilots were to pay the ultimate price for the victory over Japan.

Commanded by: Maj. Malcom Waters 10/44 to 1/6/45 and Maj. Daun Anthony 1/6/45 to EOW.

P-51's were assigned numbers 500 to 549 and were painted with 4-inch green stripes on the rear fuselage vertical fins and stabilizer but not on the rudder or elevators. The unit began changing their identification scheme about mid-June as they went from striped tails to solid color tails, this in an effort to simplify the painting process and to have better identification of each fighter squadron. Some aircraft carried the unit badge on the rear of the cowling on the port side.

Here are two examples of the aircraft markings, stripes and solid.

"NIP 'NOCKER" (both sides), with an incomplete unit badge on port side. #531 was flown by 1 Lt. Wesley Murphy Jr., from airfield #3. He scored his only kill on 16 July shooting down a "Tojo" and damaging a "Zeke" over Nagoya. This is a Tamiya 1/48 P-51D, decals are from SuperScale sheet 48-1152.

"HEL-ETER (1st Lt. John W. Winnen, port side for his wife Helen and son Peter) / LIL – TODDIE (1st Lt. Phillip G. Alston starboard side after his daughter). #527 flew from airfield #3, as in most cases there were more pilots than planes. This was the late paint scheme with the solid green tail, #527 was lost in August while Alston was on leave in Hawaii. This is an ICM 1/48 P-51D, decals from AeroMaster sheet 48-795.





By "Mark L. Rossmann"

458th FS

Commanded by: Maj. Harrison Shipman 10/44 to EOW.

P-51's were assigned numbers 550 to 599 and were painted with 4-inch dark sea blue stripes on the rear fuselage vertical fins and stabilizer but not on the rudder or elevators. Replacement plane's, began about mid-June, having their tails as solid colors, original aircraft of the 458th were reported to have retained their stripes.

Here are two examples of the aircraft markings, stripes and solid.

"Madam Wham-Dam" #550, was piloted by Maj. Shipman. However, on the fateful "Black Friday" Lt. Col Scandrett deputy commander of the 506th was flying the plane and did not return. This is a Tamiya 1/48 P-51D; decals are from AeroMaster sheet 48-794.

"Boll Weevil", "A Neat Package" #556, flown by 1Lt. Bennett C. Commer hailing from Mississippi, named his side "Boll Weevil" after the common pest back home. The second pilot, 2Lt. Harry J Seeger's, "A Neat Package", was complete with pin-up artwork along with 1 kill marking on the port side for his kill of a Japanese fighter on June 10^{th.} These pilots were assigned to "A" flight. This is a Tamiya 1/48 P-51D; decals are from AeroMaster sheet 48-794.









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462nd FS

Claimed 10 enemy aircraft shot down by 10 different pilots. The 462nd lost 7 pilots killed or MIA; Capt. K.M. Miller - 28 May, 1st Lt. R.E. Carter- May, 1st Lt. Loomis, 1st Lt. Ridley, Capt. Lawrence Smith - 1 June, 1st Lt. Roseborough - 9 July, 2nd Lt. Marklin - 13 July. 462nd was

Commanded by: Maj. Thomas D. DeJarnette, 10/44 to EOW.

462nd FS P-51's were assigned numbers 600 to 649 and were painted with 4-inch yellow stripes on the rear fuselage vertical fins and stabilizer but not on the rudder or elevators. Replacement plane's, began about mid-June, having their tails as solid colors. Most aircraft carried the squadron badge portside, just below the cockpit. Here are two examples of the aircraft markings, stripes and solid.

"Dinny B" #615, piloted by 1Lt. Willie Willis. I have no further information on this pilot or aircraft. This is a Hasegawa 1/48 P-51D, decals are from AeroMaster sheet 48-795.

"Hon Mistake" #619, was piloted by 1st Lt's Bercaw and Ebersole from airfield 3. Apparently, the name of the plane was the result of shooting up a Japanese soldier using an outhouse, an "Honest Mistake". The nose art is one of the most elaborate in the whole 506th FG. Ebersole flew 10 VLR missions and destroyed 1 twin engine bomber on the ground at an airfield northeast of Tokyo on 23 June. No service information on Bercaw. This is a Tamiya 1/48 P-51D, decals are from AeroMaster sheet 48-796.

Note: The twin UHF antennas were actually made out of wood. These were fashioned out of flat end toothpick









By "Mark L. Rossmann"

Epilogue:

The last two weeks of August 1945, flying was restricted to the local area around Iwo Jima, waiting to hear of actual signing of the peace agreement. On August 31, the 'Sun Setters' were assigned a final VLR mission to Japan - a 'Display of Power' flight over Japan, led by Col Harper of the 506th FG. Few wanted to risk another long haul over the Pacific, and an incident did happen, 1Lt William S Hetland of the 457th FS, experienced engine trouble over the target area. Fortunately, he made a safe landing at Atsugi Airfield and returned to Iwo aboard a C-46.

On 2 September, Brig Gen 'Mickey' Moore boarded an LB-30 Liberator transport with orders reassigning him to the Pentagon. Most veteran pilots and ground personnel, with in the week, began getting their tickets home. VII Fighter Command began shrinking rapidly, and in October pre-separation lectures were instituted for the men.

Late in the year, the headquarters was moved to Guam and re-designated the 20th FW. The 506th FG was deactivated in mid-November and its remaining personnel transferred to the 21st FG, while the 15th FG was transferred to Hawaii for deactivation. The 21st FG finally transferred to Saipan in the final weeks of 1945 and then moved to Guam, where it was re-designated the 23rd FG in October 1946.

The final score which the 506th had tallied on the twenty-two effective VLR Missions run in the period 28 May to 14 August for the 457th, 458th and 462nd were:

DESTROYED PROBABLES DAMAGE LOSSES

Air: Ground Air: Ground Air: Ground 33 96 Pilots: Planes
20 29

Other targets of rolling stock, power lines, and shipping which, due to the nature of the targets, could not be accurately assessed for this score.

These are among the last USAAF Mustang units to be activated for combat. If you would like to know more about the VII Fighter command, the Banzai attack and the storm of June 1, you will enjoy reading the following:

References: Osprey Aviation Elite Units – Very Long Range Mustang Units of the Pacific War – Author: Carl Molesworth.

Decals: AeroMaster 48-794 through 797 and SuperScale 48-1152.

Web Site: 506thfightergroup.org





2023 Club Contest Themes

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January: Any Model Star Wars, Star Trek or Battlestar Galactica

related

February: Any aircraft (of any country) that has three(3) or more

colors (topside only) in its camouflage scheme

March: Any auto or truck model from 1950-1975(any make or

model)

April: Any WW2 era(1939-1945) vehicle or armor model (from any

country, in any paint scheme)

May: Any naval ship (from any country) from 1975 to present

June: Any 3D-printed model or figure, stand alone or part of a

diorama

July: Any non-US aircraft or helicopter from 1949 to present

August: Novice Night.Only enter if you have not won before.Subject

is your choosing.

September: Any real spacecraft(from any country)1950 to present.Can

be stand alone or part of a diorama

October: Any naval ship prior to 1949, from any country (can be

wooden or ironclad)

November: Any US civil war to end of WW2 diorama or scene

December: "White Elephant"

Note there will be no competition due to the White Elephant but

displays are welcome

Dioramas can be entered in any month that meets that theme



EDITORS CORNER

BY LYN GORTON

Have a look at the "where we were" page and note the date. It is the date that the club was hoping to get full recognition from IPMS. Also an interesting fact that club dues were to be \$6 annually—we only Charge \$12 after a full half century has elapsed. In case you were wondering "Dirty Plastic " continued for a further 16 years so I have plenty more snippets to keep you amused. Please feel free to let me know if you are enjoying this glimpse into our modeling past



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A few months ago I had pleasure in publishing an article written by Scott Germain about the 4BFTS which was based at Falcon Field during WW2. His article was the basis of creating a permanent exhibition at the Wings Of Freedom museum at Falcon field, to remember the 1500 British pilots who were trained there during ww2. I am pleased to tell you that the first set of models (about 20 in all) were handed over to Scott a few weeks ago and myself and Mark Krumrey were involved in the building. I am also pleased to announce that Scott will be coming to our club meeting on July 11th to expand on his thoughts and answer any questions you may have on this worth while project. The work has only just started and there will be ample opportunities to become involved in creating a memorial to those that trained at Falcon Field.

EDITORS CORNER

Dear Phoenix/Craig Hewitt R10C3,

Our President, Dave Lockhart, recently offered an editorial intended to emphasize the supportive partnership history of IPMS/USA within the hobby, to motivate scale modelers to consider the benefits offered by joining our organization, and to urge the membership to more fully participate in all that IPMS/USA has to offer. Unfortunately, his choice of words clearly missed the intent, and he offered a sincere apology upon realizing the mistake.

Our hobby is rapidly growing. It's also expanding exponentially in subject matter and technology to include a broad new generation of modelers. We realize that messaging is generational in its nature and takes time and contemplation to fully resolve. The Board supports David Lockhart in his continued long service to our organization and the hobby. We discussed the necessity of committing to a more welcoming message from IPMS/USA to the broader hobby community, and an appreciative thanks to our membership for their support. We're working together to get that message out to everyone involved.

If you're a scale modeler of any subject matter, and particularly one who prefers to model newer, non-traditional modeling genres such as Gundam/Gunpla, Mecha, MaK, Anime and other Science Fiction subjects, we welcome you. We also encourage you to consider attending the IPMS/USA National Convention to be held August 2-5, 2023 at the Embassy Suites Convention Center in San Marcos, Texas this summer. You do not have to be a member of IPMS/USA to attend this event. Whether you choose to attend for a day, or for the full convention, we think you'll discover a welcoming community of modelers that will immerse you in all the things we love about this hobby of ours. We trust you'll leave the experience fully motivated by world-class contest models, how-to seminars, demonstrations, all the newest and some older classics product offerings from the world's largest 4-day hobby shop, and most importantly, you'll have the opportunity to form new relationships with friends that share your passion for the hobby and new direction for IPMS/USA.

We encourage the membership, and those of you from the larger hobby community to join in this new commitment from IPMS/USA to make our organization more welcoming and valuable to all modelers. We look forward to hearing your ideas about how our Society can continue to grow and evolve along with the modeling community we are a part of. You have our assurance we welcome all modelers and listen to all voices. Sincerely,

The IPMS/USA Executive Board

The International Plastic Modelers Society – USA Branch

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"WHERE WE WERE"





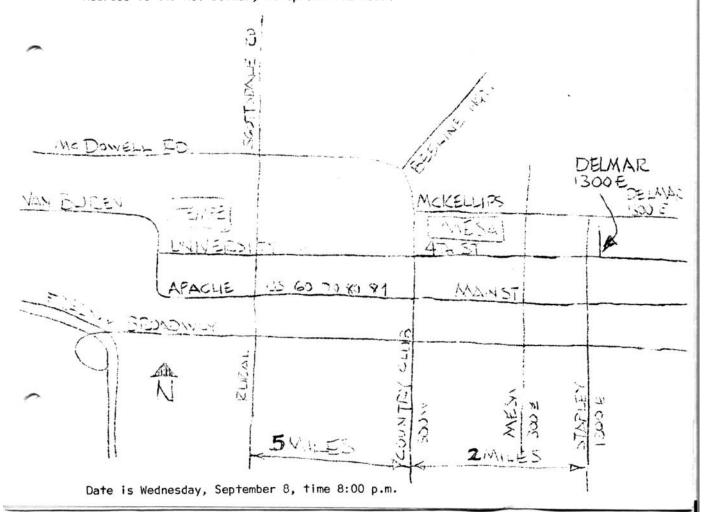
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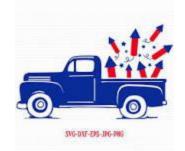
Hopefully by meeting time our charter will be received and the IPMS on our masthead will indicate the International Plastic Modelers' Society.

IPMS has provided a list of local members which have been included on our mailing list. For their benefit I'd like to mention that we're a low keyed group, enjoying to get together on the second Wednesday of each month to sit, chat, share information, view and review a hobby of mutual interest, and if we have time conduct the bare minimum of any necessary business. Dues are \$3.00 for the remainder of the year, then \$6.00 annually. We'd like to have you visit us at a meeting and hereby extend an invitation.

Our meeting with the PIMA PISANOS will be in October. So this month, we meet on the east side of town; Mesa. Pat Vail has invited us to descend upon him. Address is 605 No. Delmar, Telephone 962-9325.







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So Make sure to see Treasurer, "Bill Dunkle", at the club meeting to sign up for membership

2023CLUB MEETONG CALENDAR

All meetings held at American Legion Post #1, 364 N. 7th Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85003

JANUARY 2023

Tuesday 3rd 7pm Seminar/Speaker:

JULY 2023

Tuesday 11th,7pm

Seminar/Speaker: Scott Germain

4BFTS at Falcon field

FEBRUARY 2023

Tuesday 7th 7pm Seminar/Speaker:

AUGUST 2023

Tuesday 1st 7pm

Event: Club Swapmeet

MARCH 2023

Tuesday 7th, 7pm

Seminar/Speaker: Dioramas

Mike McFadden

SEPTEMBER 2023

Tuesday 5th, 7pm Seminar/Speaker:

APRIL 2023

Tuesday 4th 7pm

Seminar/Speaker: Stuart Bricker Tools, Products, Tips and Tricks

OCTOBER 2023

Tuesday 3rd, 7pm Seminar/Speaker:

MAY 2023

Tuesday 2nd, 7pm Seminar/Speaker:

NOVEMBER 2023

Tuesday 7th 7pm Seminar/Speaker:

JUNE 2023

Tuesday 6th 7pm Seminar/Speaker:

DECEMBER 2023

Tuesday 5th, 7pm

Event: White Elephant



July Raffle

Tickets are \$1 or six for \$5.



Item A: Airfix 1/72 D.H. Mosquito NF.XIX/J30

Item B: Minicraft-Hasegawa 1/72 General Dynamics Convair F-106A Delta Dart

Item C: Revell 1/32 Hawker Typhoon Mk 1B Item D: Revell U.S.S. Lionfish Submarine

Item E: Revell-Monogram 1/25 Plymouth Prowler with Trailer

Item F: Lindberg 1/32 '40 Ford Convertible

Item G: Testors-Italeri 1/35 Self-Propelled M109 Howitzer

UPCOMDNG EVENTS

November 4th—Modelzona(Flyer on Back Pages)

PMS Phoenix / Graig Hewitt Chapter 7pm on the 2023 Chapter Officers

The club meets at 7pm on the first Tuesday of each month at the American Legion Post #1 in Phoenix. Check the club website at www.ipms-phoenix.com for more meeting info.

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New digital magazine www.phoenixscalepublications.co.uk

Swiss page covering aviation.

Wide range of military subjects, airshows, color profiles, etc. <u>WINGS-AVIATION</u>, <u>www.wings-aviation.ch</u>.

WW2 Video reference Site –Lots of Documentary DVD www.victoryfilms.us

If you have a good reference site let me have a brief description and a web address and we will keep this list as a reference.



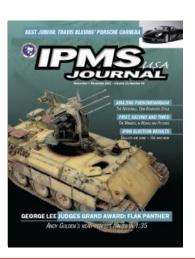
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CONTENT NEEDED!!!!

The Corsair needs your help! To keep this newsletter filled with all the great content, I need your help with content. Here are some useful items that I can use to put together future issues each month:

- Kit reviews/In-box reviews
- Website links
- Modeling related articles
- Commentary and featured columns
- Neat, strange or otherwise shareable pictures
- Book reviews
- Trip and vacation write-ups

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