

Announcements:

Next General Meeting Fairport at “The Church of the Assumption” 20 East Avenue, Fairport, 14450.

7:00 pm: December 4th, 2023, Second Monday. Meet and greet starts 6:30 pm.

Build Nights: Thursdays Seabreeze Bill Gray’s 5:00 to 8:30 pm

Upcoming Contest and Shows [Check for events <https://calendar.ipmsusa3.org/all-events>]:

November

- **BAYCON 2023** [<http://www.ipmsbaycolony.com/baycon/>], November 5, 2023, hosted by IPMS Bay Colony Historical Modelers, Elks Lodge, 1077 Pond Street, Franklin, MA, 02038.
- **Cleveland Model Show 26** [<http://www.clevelandmodelshow.org/>], November 5, 2023, hosted by IPMS Western Reserve & John H Glenn Chapters, Kirtland School Complex, 9150 Chillicothe Rd. (Rt. 306), Kirtland, OH, 44094.
- **Long Island Auto Replica Society ModelCar Challenge** [<https://www.liarsmodelcarbuilders.com/>], hosted by Long Island Auto Replica Society, Freeport Recreation Center, 130 E Merrick Road, Freeport, NY, 11520.
- **Bunkermania 2023** [<https://www.facebook.com/events/848598339763162?ref=newsfeed>], hosted by IPMS The Bunker Club, 1050 Clyde Road, New Florence, PA, 15944.

Upcoming Club Events

December 4, 2023: End of Year Celebration.

General Meeting:

Attendance: 22. Voting: 22.

Guest: Mike – Autos.

New Members: None

Topics/Agenda for Next Meeting: TBD

President Comments – Ken Brent:



Macedon Library Display: They are excited we are presenting in the display Case even if we do have an odd *Jurassic Park* scene – my bet is on the T-Rex. It is possible we may be able to add display cases next year as the library has additional cases that were smaller than the main case but also deeper so we can get in some aircraft.

Syrcon was not able to use the table legs to elevate the tables as the Chief Judge was in a wheelchair and would not have been able to see the models.

Vice Presidents Comments – Cliff Wiley:



None

Treasurer Comments – Dave Schwab:



None.

Dues are due. \$20.

General Discussion:**Contest Space for Rocon and Noreastcon [Ken Brent]:**

- The Greater Rochester Visitors Bureau, part of the Chamber of Commerce, was a bust. One of their missions is to line up venues with groups for events to attract visitors to Rochester. After two weeks there was no response from any Hotels.
- We received no feedback from MCC on use of their space.
- Village Gate has a theft concern for the vendors.
- RIT is proving troublesome for the student Train Club as their fees are too high for the club.
- Public schools will not work due to state law requiring sales beyond the renting organization, such as vendor sales, having to go to the PTA and school districts.
- Still considering Roberts Wesleyan.

Everyone in district is having the same issues so Noreastcon future is very unclear.

Contest and Show Report:

Cleveland Model Show 26 [Ken Brent]: This show was the day before our meeting. It was hosted by IPMS Western Reserve & John H Glenn Chapters. There were 595 models and 100 vendor tables with 2 hobby shops having full walls [even with that the take down after the show was complete by 4:50 pm]. It was a great show. Ken and Kathy [Editor – did not write down her name so apologies if it is incorrect Ken] made weekend of the show and had a fun time. Parks were close to the show. They had a fun time going to places nearby and back to the show. They found a great Italian restaurant that they went to twice.



HVHMG 2023 Poughkeepsie [Phil Wright] The show was hosted by IPMS /Mid-Hudson Valley Historical Miniatures Guild Chapter. It was held in the Elks Club Lodge. There were 12 vendor tables. There were lots of cars, 50-75, 30-40 aircraft, and 40+ armor. Seemed smaller than our show [per Ken we have a large space as well as great lighting]. They also had a formal restaurant which worked well. Generally, a good show.

Member News:

Marty Snow: Update on Simple Green for paint [acrylic] stripping. Marty felt it worked as well as other cleaners such as Super Clean he mentioned last month. Another possible cleaner is Purple

Power. Ken just tried Simple Green and the paint he had would not strip. Be aware that it will still depend on the paint formulation – acrylic is a term for resins made from polymers of acrylic acid so it is not a single chemical so formulations can be different which explains why thinners are not universal for acrylic paints.

Donn Wells: get well wishes go to Donn in recovering from an unfortunate ladder incident.

Sad News: The club has seen the passing of a former member, Mel Adner, and current member, Jim Elam, in the past month.

Mel Adner: Mel was one of the first people I met in the club back in 2014. Prior to my capturing photos of the members, he and his wife moved to Virginia Beach to be near family. Mel was an avid Real Space modeler when I knew him. He passed in Virginia Beach at the end of October.

Jim Elam: Jim was another of the first people from the club that I met in 2014 at the same place I met Mel – Mike Kelly’s house. Jim was a long time member and Treasurer before Dave Schwab took over in 2015. Jim’s interests were WWII German Ships, Sci-Fi, and Soviet aircraft. It was quite some time, 2023 in Penfield, before I saw one of Jim’s models, a ship which was very sharp looking. Jim was an avid reader of modeling and brought in his magazines to donate to the club via sales with money going to the club. He also sponsored show categories as well as working the entrance table at the start of each Rocon. Jim also attended other shows and even nationals. It will be strange to not see him at the meetings as it was strange to not see him at the November 6th meeting which was the day he passed.



Public Display Opportunities:

Macedon Public Library: We have a very full case display. The case is 69 inches wide, 45 inches tall, and the shelves are 5 – 5.5 inches deep.





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Top Right



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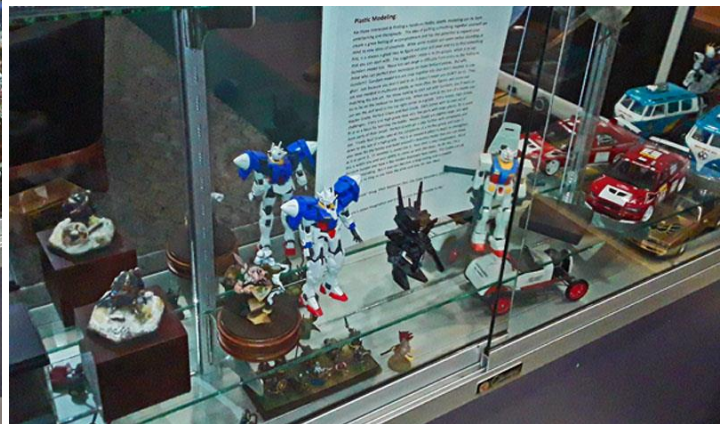
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Right Middle Shelf



Left Bottom



Middle Bottom



Right Bottom

Club Challenges and Group Builds: None scheduled.



How To – Judging Auto’s and Aircraft by Ken Brent

A separate *How-To* paper will be published with this information and include Armor and hopefully Figures, Science Fiction, and Real Space. To be fully transparent, the additional topics will help me [editor] to correctly retell the information as there is a lot there between what the judges look for and what the modeler should be doing in their presentation.

SHOW AND TELL – Photos by Neil Farukhi.**Cliff Wiley**

First up from Cliff is an Amusing Hobby 1/35 KF51 Panther. It is modern armor based on the Leopard 2A4 chassis while being fourth generation armor. Rheinmetall teamed with Krupps for the L55 gun. The digital camo shown by the manufacturer is flashy but quickly changed to something more routine by the buyers of the tanks. Cliff used Tamiya colors.

Cliff learned a lot about modern tank warfare from the activities in the Ukraine with the Russians using drones to attack tanks from above. The KF51 happens to carrier predator drones in that popup on the turret to defend against other drones. It also has a 50 caliber machine gun turret for defense.



This is a Tamiya M16 half track Cliff found for \$25 on eBay, already built. He tore it down to the frame and started over. The tear down caused a hole in a fender when stowage was removed so it had to be filled. It has after market decals and Tamiya Olive drab coloring. It is also carrying a lot of stowage. It came out okay and was a low stress build.



Roger Rouse



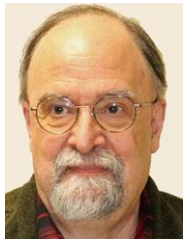
Roger had two figures he picked up at Heritage Con. On the left is a White Metal French soldier. On the right is a Medieval Knight from Heritage Con.

The P-51 if from Airfix and done in the colors of the Tuskegee Airman which was one unit and one set of markings. Roger’s finishing with “Looks Like Glass” made the canopy and tail impressive. Overall, a good kit.



Ken Brate

The image with the three figures is the marketing image for “Hare of the moon”. The sculptor is BROM. Ken was intent on painting this bust in the same coloring as the image.



Ken Brate

The Mermaid is from to Kontrast Minatures and Mind Works – The Warsaw Mermaid but without the shield. The mermaid is based on the story of a mermaid in Warsaw Poland [<https://kontrastfest.pl/en/2023/05/09/kontrast-miniature-warsaw-mermaid-now-you-can-support-our-festival/>] and was a limited edition in 2023 from May 8th to 14th. It is painted with Scale 75 and Chimera paints [acrylics] and has Vallejo Still Water for the water. The Still Water has maximum thickness of 3 mm and cures in 48 hours. If one times it right, it can be brush textured.

The Knight is an Alexandros Miniature by sculptor EBROIN and painted to be The Order of Knights of the Hospital of Saint John [Knights Hospitaller]. It is a white metal figure with Vallejo paints.



Chris Boss

Here we have Chris's Maroon 1967 Chevy Impala SS with a 427 Cubic Inch big block. This AMT/ERTL kit has a great engine. Color is from Testors spray can enamel



Chris Boss



Chris is building Impalas. Here we have started the 1961 Impala SS from AMT/ERTL. Chris likes the idea of a two tone and is starting with a Rust-Oleum Green with a satin finish – it will need a clear coat to fix that. He is considering black or silver separators for the two tones. The interior has lots of detail.



Tom Darcangelo



This beautiful green Camaro is a 1968 AMT/ERTL that went together easily. It has Testors Extreme Lacquer. Colored Testors Lacquer does not need to be decanted before spraying but the clear must be decanted.



Tom Darcangelo



It is a 1940 Ford Pickup that has required shortening and lengthening of parts of the frame for the engine and rear end. This is the completed model from last month and took 1st place in trucks at Syrcon. A challenging choice as shiny paint jobs grab the judges attention. Ken Brent was one of the judges and pointed out the skill required to achieve the even and properly weathered finish that Tom put on the truck.

