



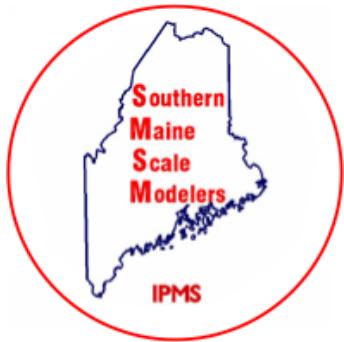
# The Modeling Maineacs

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## January Models





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# Madame Prez Says

By Grace Leavitt

Happy New Year!!

Welcome everyone to the first meeting of 2026!

First up is the election of officers.

Nominations were held in November and are as follows:

Secretary- Norm Jordan

Treasurer-Dave Osborne

Vice president-Paul Paradis

President-Grace Leavitt

The website is up and running...thanks to Kent Waterson for getting us online.

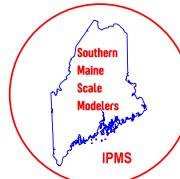
[www.IPMSsouthernmaine.com](http://www.IPMSsouthernmaine.com)

We will be looking for food options for DowneastCon as Addie's now has a location. Grace and Carol Loranger will be looking into options.

March is club project night-I am looking forward to seeing everyone's helicopters!!

Yours in plastic,

Grace Leavitt, President



# Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

By Norm Jordan

## SMSM Meeting Minutes

### SMSM MEETING MINUTES--- 13 January, 2026

Meeting begins at 7:03pm with opening remarks by Prez Leavitt

#### OLD BUSINESS

Reminder: March 2026 meeting's club project is 'Helicopters'

The officer elections for the year were held. This year's officers are:

President: Grace Everest Leavitt

Vice President: Paul Paradis

Treasurer: Dave Osborne

Secretary: Norm Jordan

All officers were voted in by past secretary as there were no new nominations for the positions.

The President reported that the IPMS Charter renewal is in the works; just confirming some memberships.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Ron Garland made a motion that the officers memberships in IPMS be paid for by the club to satisfy the charter requirements. It was seconded by Jim Loranger. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

The SMSM website is up and running!!! The Downeastcon forms are now available online as well.

OHTM contacted the club about creating a display case of models at their museum. Norm Jordan made motion to look into it and it was seconded by Bob Pierce. Motion passed unanimously.

The contest committee will meet on 1/31 @1300 to discuss preparations for upcoming contest.

The July Club Project will be 'Water Planes' and the October project is 'Figures'

CLUB BREAK---7:35- 7:49

SHOW AND TELL--- there were 6 modelers with a total of 7 models. Bob Pierce won model of the month.

Bill Schaffner won the 50/50 Raffle and donated it back to the club.

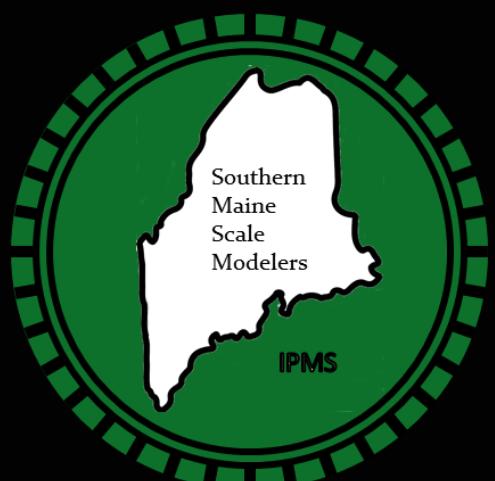
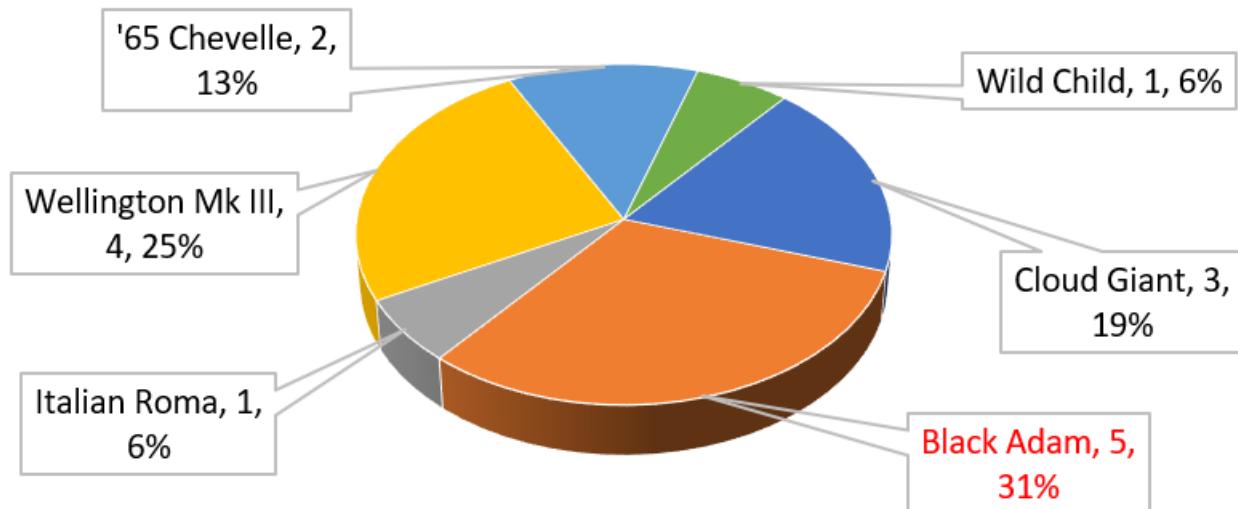
Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm

Members attending: G. Bangs, K. Waterson, E. Bittner, D. Moreau, M. Moreau, R. Garland, T. Bonti, G. Leavitt, N. Jordan, R. Jordan, L. Gaudet, K. Keniston, R. Allen, D. Osborne, B. Schaffner, J. Lornager, C. Loranger, E. Kruger



# Modeler of the Month

## January Model-of-the-Month Voting



Modeler of the  
Month

January 2026

### *Black Adam*

By Bob Pierce





**1/8 Black Adam  
(Supermind)**

*By Bob Pierce*

Finished with  
Duplicolor &  
Testors paints

Pros: Assembly  
was great, easy  
to paint

Cons: Still  
learning to  
shade

Comments: Fun  
kit





### 25mm Cloud Giant (Wizkids)

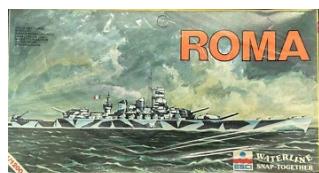
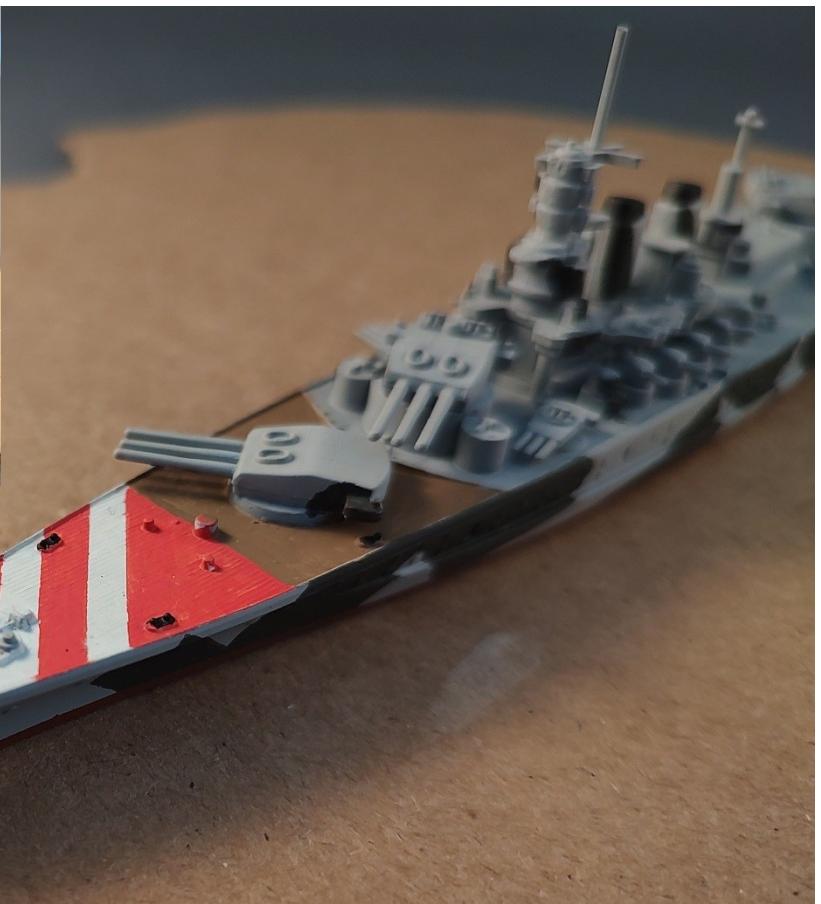
By Tony Bonti

Finished with various Army Painter paints.

Pros: Excellent

Comments: Very large, all hand painted





### 1/1200 Roma Italian Littorio Class (ESCI)

By Grace Leavitt

Finished with hand painted paints

Pros: Small (my scale) Easy to build

Cons: Fit was not great

Comments: Not bad for free kit



### 1/48 Wellington Mk. III (Trumpeter)

By Larry Gaudet

Finished with Tamiya Flat Black, Burnt Iron, Light Gray, Orange, Flat White, Dark Green & Dark Brown

Pros: Very good fit

Cons: Some parts had to be shaped a little, needed to fill a lot of joints

Comments: Still a nice model by Trumpeter





**1/25 Wild Child Ford  
(AMT/Ertl)**

*By Ron Garland*

Finished with  
Rustoleum Gloss  
White, Gloss Apple  
Red.

Comments: Good kit,  
bad decals





**1/25 1965 Chevelle Modified Stocker (AMTJ)**

*By Ron Garland*

Finished with Testors Gloss White, Gloss Red, Gloss Blue

Comments: Rebuilt after a bad paint removal problem





### 1/25 1957 T-Bird (AMT)

By Rich Allen

Finished with Testors Flat Black

Cons: Flashing on frame & engine



**11:59 - New Years Resolution  
Stop Buying Models**



**12:01 - Thank You For  
Your Order**



**2026 RESOLUTION #1:**

**Finish one.**

**Buy none.\***

*\*...for at least a week.*



**OUR NEXT MEETING  
WILL BE ON TUES-  
DAY, FEBRUARY 3,  
2026 AT THE MAINE  
MILITARY MUSEUM,  
SOUTH PORTLAND,  
ME AND WILL START  
AT 7:00 PM**

**Calendar**

February 3—SMSM Meeting

March 3—SMSM Meeting—Club Project—  
Helicopters

April 7—SMSM Meeting

April 12—DowneastCon

July Club Project: Water Planes

October Club Project: Figures