



IPMS RICHMOND BULLETIN

Meeting Announcement & Club News



Next Meeting: Monday, October 16, 2023, at 6:30 PM, at Deep Run Park Recreation Center. Hall opens at 6:00 PM.

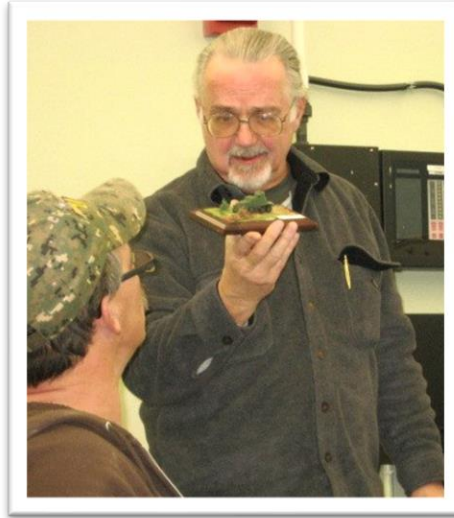
October's meeting will feature Bob Walls on "Making Decals Behave." This will be the first of two presentations by Bob on those worrisome waterslide films essential to many model projects. Bob will first cover "Friend or Foe—Know Your Enemy and How to Fight Him." In an early 2024 Part 2, Bob will discuss "Okay, That Did Not Go Well" and how to print your own decals. Our October meeting will include the latest models from our Show & Tell presenters, and Mike Lyons will host a kit raffle. Looking ahead... November's meeting will have a silent auction of kits, tools, books, etc., with proceeds to benefit the Virginia War Memorial Foundation. See the announcement in this bulletin for details. December 18 will be our annual chapter dinner and contest. We look forward to seeing you at Deep Run Center next Monday night as we again celebrate the Plastic Arts!



A salty old sailor watches skeptically, and a meticulously built diorama captures everything but the stench of sweat, blood and black powder on the deck of an early 1800's British warship. These were two of many fine works at the recent National Capital Model Soldier Society show in Springfield, VA. See article inside.

In Memoriam

RONALD LOUIS CRAIG



We were saddened by the news that Ron Craig passed away on August 24, 2023. Ron was born and grew up in Pennsylvania; he and his wife Kathleen moved to Virginia when their first son was born. Ron served our country in the U.S. Army and was in the Army Signal Corps. Following his military service, Ron began a forty-year career in sales for the steel and construction industries.

For many years, Ron was active in both IPMS Richmond and Central Virginia AMPS. He was a very accomplished model builder who concentrated on World War II Russian armor and vehicles. Ron liked the challenge of building models that were not from mainstream commercial kits. When armor kits from eastern European companies arrived on the market in the early 2000's, Ron worked on these frequently difficult moldings and produced very impressive models from them. Ron always savored the process of building, painting and detailing armor models, and he would often discuss and display his work during "Show & Tell" at club meetings. Ron was fond of military history and was an amateur historian. He was also very interested in home computers and liked sharing his hobbies with his sons. Ron is survived by his wife of 46 years, Kathleen Elizabeth Doman Craig, and his sons, Scott Doman Craig and Douglas Louis Craig.

Ron will be greatly missed by his friends and fellow modelers in both IPMS-R and CVAMPS. All of us extend our sympathy, sincere condolences and prayers to Ron's family.

September 18, 2023, IPMS Richmond Monthly Meeting Minutes

The September meeting was convened by President Glen Martin at 6:30 PM. There were 27 members in attendance with no visitors. President Martin reminded the members that the election of our 2024 officers will be held at the November meeting and he opened the floor to nominations for those officer positions. The current officers agreed to run for office again for another term. There were no nominations from the floor.

Vice President Richard Leininger informed the group that the 2024 Old Dominion Open is on schedule. He expected the show brochure and all forms to be ready and published prior to the end of the month (Secretary's Note: The forms were indeed published at the end of September on our blogspot and Facebook pages). Treasurer Ashley Abernathy stated there were no new changes in the chapter's financial condition. Members who wish to review the chapter's checking account can request and see these records during breaks at our meetings. Secretary Bob Walls had nothing new to report from his position. He requested those in attendance to note if they were willing to help with the November meeting's silent auction fundraiser. Eleven members signed up during the meeting to help with the auction. Bob asked the membership to vote on what organization would be the beneficiary of the auction's proceeds. The Virginia War Memorial Foundation received the vast majority of the votes, and all proceeds will go to it as a contribution from IPMS Richmond.

Doug Hayes presented a program on 3-D printing. Doug showed slides and video clips of his printing setup, and he offered information about printers and the full process of making 3-D prints from software to printing. Doug brought in his printer to show various parts as they relate to the print process.

Show & Tell consisted of 14 models presented by 10 of the members attending.

There were no other activities and President Glen Martin adjourned the meeting at 8:30 PM. Various members stayed to discuss the Old Dominion Open until 9:00 PM.

Bob Walls, Secretary

Announcements, News and Upcoming Events

November Silent Auction to Benefit War Memorial Foundation

Needing to thin your stash of kits? Looking to find a bargain? Our November meeting will feature a silent auction of member donated model kits, tools, reference materials and other hobby items. IPMS-R will donate all of the money raised by the auction to the Virginia War Memorial Foundation.

Details about the auction will be covered at our meeting next Monday night, but here's a quick summary of how the silent auction will work. Starting at 5:30 PM, an hour before our November 20 chapter meeting, members can bring in donations which will then be registered and assigned item numbers. A bidding form will also be issued. Each item in the auction will then be placed on a table along with its bidding form. A reasonable starting bid would be, for example, \$2.00 for a 1/72 airplane or a good decal sheet. To bid, you write your name and your bid on the form for that item. The first person's bid starts the bidding. At 8:00 PM the bidding stops and the auction ends. For each item, the person with the last and highest bid wins. The winning bidders will collect their winning item and the bidding sheet and will pay that amount to our "check out cashiers." Cash or check only—no credit or debit cards accepted. We aren't Sotheby's Auction House! It should be fun and a good chapter event to benefit a local charitable organization that has a connection to model building.

Schedule for Upcoming IPMS Richmond Meetings

Please mark your calendar and plan to attend our future monthly meetings.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2023 Officer elections, Program: silent auction

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2023 Annual chapter Christmas dinner and model contest. Contest theme is "Movies and TV."

MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2024 Program: Part 2 of Decals (or to be announced)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2024 Program: Old Dominion Open preparations

MONDAY, MARCH 18, 2024 Program: To be announced

MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2024 (Tentative)

MONDAY, MAY 13, 2024 (Tentative)

PLEASE NOTE: As we are using a Henrico County government building for our venue, Henrico County official business events take priority over our meeting nights. Also, the building would be closed on any Mondays that are federal or state holidays. The E-Board will make every effort to post monthly meeting dates once confirmed with the County's building managers. Please check *Spare Parts*, the *IPMS Richmond Bulletin* or online at the chapter's blogsite or on Facebook at IPMS Richmond or at Friends of IPMS Richmond for meeting announcements.

IPMS Richmonder's Trophy Winners at the September 30 National Capital Model Soldier Society's Annual Show



The National Capital Model Soldier Society Annual Show convened for the sixty-second time on September 30 in Springfield, Virginia. A few members from IPMS Richmond traveled up I-95 to the show, and our friend Kimiyoshi Okabe was a trophy winner. Kimiyoshi won a First Place medal for his axe-wielding figure and a Third Place medal for his World War I tank vignette. Congratulations and again, our compliments on your excellent modeling!

The National Capital Model Soldier Society show event was well-attended and also featured a vendor area with kits, books and supplies covering most genres of scale modeling. Good weather and generally favorable traffic for a Saturday made for an enjoyable road trip for visiting the show. The contest room featured a wide variety of exceptional model figures, busts, vignettes and dioramas ranging from Crusader knights to Gundam subjects. And it was good to see some of the "Friends of IPMS Richmond" live and not just via Facebook.

EDITOR'S NOTE: As this newsletter was being prepared, the PaxCon show was literally in progress in Hollywood, Maryland. If you attended and have pictures or awards information, please e-mail me at motleysel@comcast.net for publication in our next *IPMS Bulletin* or the upcoming (December) *Spare Parts*. Thanks!

Models in the September Meeting's Show & Tell

Photos by John Robinson



Mike Lyons' ready to rumble Gundam



Mike Lyons' Roman Warrior

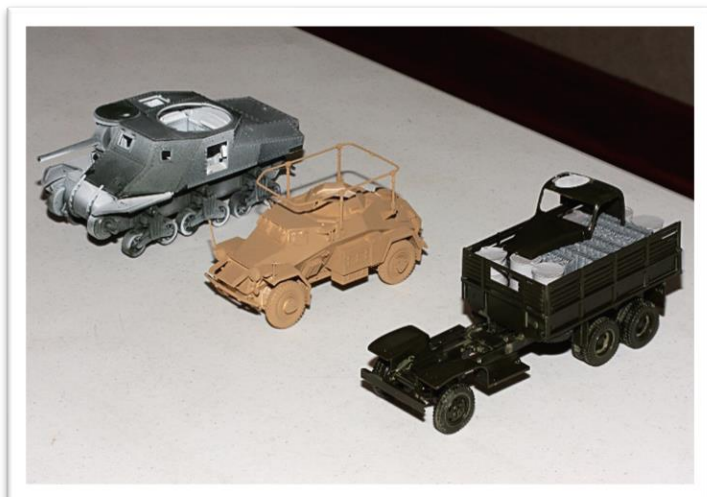


John Mullins' Zombie



Scott Oates' 1/48 scale Tamiya P-51D with pilot, jeep and figures. Scott's Mustang is motorized. The prop realistically spins when activated by a magnetic switch mounted in the base's planking.

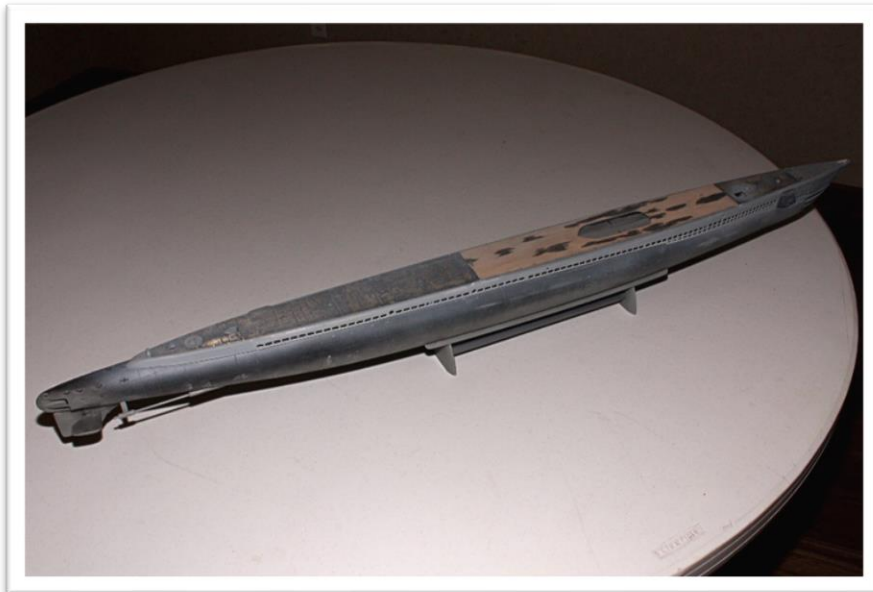
Dieter "Dutch" Thomassen's 1/48 scale Tamiya A-1 Skyraider finished in Southeast Asia camouflage and fully armed for a mission.



Three of Tom Dailey's 1/35 scale models in progress: an Academy M3 Lee tank, an Italeri GMC truck, and a Tamiya Sdkfz.223 armored car.



Doug Hayes' 3-D printed Naga figures. And thanks, Doug, for discussing 3-D printing and models at the September meeting!



Ed Franz might tell us that it's a speed of "two knots ahead and one knot in reverse" in the ongoing build of his 1/72 scale U.S. Gato class submarine, but we can see his steady progress and very detailed work.