



IPMS RICHMOND BULLETIN

Meeting Announcement & Club News



Next Meeting: Monday, November 20, 2023, at 6:30 PM, at Deep Run Park Recreation Center. Hall opens at 5:30 PM for silent auction donations and registration.

We will have our annual election of chapter officers and our first ever silent auction charity fundraiser. IPMS-R will contribute the auction's proceeds to the Virginia War Memorial Foundation. Our chapter will also add \$300.00 to the funds generated by the auction. We have already collected a sizable bounty of model kits and other hobby items to bid on. Please see details of the silent auction process and schedule on Page 3. You will also find silent auction forms and a chapter election ballot attached to this newsletter. If you haven't already, bring kits, tools, books or other modeling items to Deep Run starting at 5:30 to donate. We'll get everything registered and ready. Please note: No credit or debit cards accepted for the auction—only cash (we'll have change) or check payable to "IPMS Richmond Non-Profit." As well as elections and the auction, we'll have Show & Tell as usual. Looking forward to seeing you there!



Just a small sampling of the kits and items up for auction at the November 20 meeting. And donations are still welcome. See inside for more information or visit the IPMS Richmond Blog or Facebook pages.

Minutes of the October 16, 2023, Chapter Meeting

Chapter President Glen Martin called the meeting to order with 32 people in attendance including one new visitor. Glen asked for reports from the officers. Vice-President and Old Dominion Open Chairman Richard Leininger gave a brief report on our ongoing contract negotiations with Richmond Raceway. Craig Norris noted that we presently have 59 tables rented by 20 vendors. Treasurer Ashley Abernathy had nothing new to report. Secretary Bob Walls discussed the November meeting's silent auction fundraiser to benefit the Virginia War Memorial Foundation. Bob also informed the members that Henrico County has approved a new rental policy for non-profit organizations using the county's facilities. This means that Henrico County will not charge the chapter rent for the Deep Run Center ballroom which is our meeting place. This new policy will result in a savings of \$10,000.00 over the next six years if we continue meeting at Deep Run Park.

There was a reminder that officer elections will be held at the November 20 chapter meeting. Only the current officers are running and there have been no other nominations.

Ashley Abernathy attended the recent PaxCon show in Hollywood, Maryland. He stated it was a medium-sized show that was well attended. A good number of modelers and vendors were on hand. The show was hosted by the Southern Maryland Modelers Society. The model contest used a modified judging system which was a cross between AMPS and IPMS judging methods. The Southern Maryland Modelers have decided to hold their show every other year; their next PaxCon event will be in 2025.

After the business portion of the meeting, Bob Walls presented Part One of a two-part program on working with decals. Bob's Power Point presentation covered techniques for preparing models for decaling and tips for avoiding mishaps. He also covered the problems presented by old decals. Bob will present Part Two at a meeting in early 2024.

A call was made for members to give demos or other presentations in 2024. Adam South, Doug Hayes and Tom Dailey volunteered.

Show & Tell featured 9 presenters discussing 12 models.

Because our meeting ran a bit long, the planned kit raffle was postponed until the January 8 chapter meeting. Mike Lyons requested everyone to keep their ticket stubs and bring them to the January meeting. We then adjourned.

Bob Walls, Secretary

Silent Auction Details

We anticipate a good turnout for our charity silent auction. Many premium kits have already been donated and we hope to receive more just before the November 20 meeting. To help the event run smoothly, here is information about how the auction will work.

WHAT IS A SILENT AUCTION?

A silent auction has no presiding auctioneer and items are not auctioned off one by one through a series of announced or signaled bids. Instead, the items auctioned (model kits, hobby tools, etc.) will be displayed together with a bidding sheet for each particular item. Bidders will write their name and their bid on the bidding sheet. At the close of the auction, the last and highest bid will win that item. The winning bidder will take the item and its bidding sheet to an auction cashier to check out. The item will then be paid for and belong to the winning bidder.

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?

While it's not a requirement in order to bid or win an item, we hope you will donate to the auction's inventory. Unbuilt and complete model kits, good decal sheets, airbrushes, reference books and other scale modeling related items are all welcomed and appreciated. You can bring your donations to Deep Run Center on the meeting night starting at 5:30 PM. The plan is to have auction items on the tables and to open bidding at 6:00 PM.

WHAT IS THE SCHEDULE FOR THE AUCTION?

5:30 PM: Hall opens. Those who are bringing model kits or anything to donate can come in and register them. **Please save everyone time by having your silent auction forms already completed prior to your arrival at Deep Run.** The form is attached to this newsletter. Please print and complete a form for each item donated.

6:00 PM: Bidding begins and will continue until the meeting is called to order at 6:30. Bids may also be entered during breaks in the meetings or at such time as President Glen permits. Bids should be made in \$2.00 increments.

6:30 PM: Donations and registration close. Meeting will be called to order.

7:00 PM: (time approximate) Show & Tell will begin.

8:20 PM: (time approximate) Bidding stops and the auction ends. The winning bidders will take the item won and its bidding sheet and proceed to the auction cashier's table to check out. Payment for all items won is by cash or check only. No credit or debit cards will be accepted. All items donated to the auction are "as is" with no warranties made by the donor or by IPMS Richmond. All auction sales are final. Raffle Chairman Mike Lyons will have first rights to any kits or items not bid upon or which aren't claimed by the winning bidder. Mike will have the option of adding those items to the chapter's stock of prizes for drawings at future chapter meetings or at the Old Dominion Open.

Time permitting: Regular meeting resumes with adjournment no later than 9:00 PM.

Bob Walls had the idea for this silent auction event and has put much time, thought and effort into its planning. We thank Bob for his efforts on IPMS-R's behalf and also thank everyone contributing model kits and items to the auction. If successful, we hope to have our silent auction become an annual event to benefit charities which have a connection to our hobby.

Your Chapter, Your Choice: Your Ballot is Attached

Our chapter officer elections will be held at the November meeting. Nominations were called for at the September meeting; all four of the current officers (President Glen Martin, Vice-President Richard Leininger, Secretary Bob Walls and Treasurer Ashley Abernathy) announced their intention to run for another one-year term. No other nominations were made that night, nor has anyone announced their candidacy for any of the chapter's offices.

So why vote? It's already a done deal, right? It's the same E-Board for next year. Well, not so fast. There is a ballot attached to this month's meeting announcement bulletin. You'll note there is a line under each candidate's name for write in votes. Got a beef? You can enter a write in vote. Our officers aren't just consumers of seating space and oxygen at a head table each month. They manage IPMS-R's business matters, our finances, oversee our events and meeting schedule, and are the stewards of a Virginia chartered and federally approved non-profit corporation. It's your say as to who sits there. Yeah, the current officers are all running unopposed, but IPMS Richmond is your chapter. You have a voice and any elections aside, the E-Board wants to know what's on your mind. What would you enjoy or think the chapter can do better? Program or demo ideas? More group builds? It all starts with you. Please print your ballot, vote, and bring it to the November 20 meeting.

Announcements:

Keep your October raffle ticket stubs! We ran out of time last month and had to postpone the kit prize drawing until January. Mike Lyons will host a kit raffle at the January 8 meeting and will honor your October tickets.

Food, a fun evening...and did someone say, "Model Contest?" Monday, December 18, is IPMS-R's annual holiday dinner at Deep Run Park Recreation Center. Mike Lyons' brother will again provide barbecue and all the trimmings from his Supper restaurant. Our December chapter contest has the theme of "Movies and TV," and the contest will include a separate category for James Alvis group build models. And Santa may drop off some very fine model kits for lucky winners in our Christmas prize drawing. We'll have details at the November meeting.

Get ready.... The 2024 Old Dominion Open is Saturday, February 24, 2024, in the Old Dominion Building, Richmond Raceway.

Show & Tell Models from the October Meeting

Photos by John Robinson



Red, white and neutral...Dieter "Dutch" Thomassen's 1/48 Hobby Craft Swiss Bf 109. This is Dutch's model for the James Alvis group build.



Not a wind tunnel test model but another Alvis group build model. Glen Martin's in progress 1/300 Hobby Craft Boeing 777.



Glen Martin's 1/35 Academy Panzer IVH with an unusual and well-presented German camouflage scheme.



Looking ready to hoist
Admiral Lutjens' flag...Adam
South's big 1/350 Tamiya
Bismarck.



A Corvette at the Brickyard.
Jamie Brannan's Revell 1/25
1978 Corvette Indianapolis
500 pace car.



John Mullins' scratchbuilt 1/4
scale Mask of Satan figure
from the 1960's Italian horror
movie, "Black Sunday" (not to
be confused with the much
later terrorist plot thriller
"Black Sunday").



Science fiction meets the North Africa campaign with two of Tom Dailey's current projects: a 1/20 Nitto S.F.3D Armored Fighting Suit and a 1/35 Academy M3 Lee tank. The Lee will have a detailed interior when completed.



Not two of the witches from "Macbeth" but Morticia Addams and Elvira up to mischief in a 1/8 scale Texelion 3-D printed model from Doug Hayes.



From armor modeling's early days, this is Scott Ratliff's in progress 1/40 Life-Like M-31 Honest John battlefield missile system. Scott has everything to complete the launcher truck but needs the 1/40 scale Honest John missile. He's still searching for that 1950's rocket.



Scott Oates' 1/144 diorama of a 1940 RAF Fighter Command base somewhere in southern England was built using Beacon components and two Mk.Ia Spitfires.

2024 RICHMOND IPMS OFFICER ELECTION BALLOT

PRESIDENT

Your Choices

- Glen Martin
- Write In

VICE PRESIDENT

Your Choices

- Richard Leininger
- Write In

SECRETARY

Your Choices

- Bob Walls
- Write In

TREASURER

Your Choices

- Ashley Abernathy
- Write In:

Bring completed ballot to meeting on November 20, 2023.

IPMS Richmond Silent Auction

Item# _____ Donor# _____ (these provided at the auction)

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<i>Bidder</i>	<i>Starting Bid</i>
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All bids must be in at least \$ 2.00 increments. Use reverse side if needed.

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