



IPMS RICHMOND BULLETIN

Meeting Announcement & Club News



Next Meeting: Monday, April 15, 2024, at 6:30 PM, at Deep Run Park Recreation Center. Hall opens at 6:00 PM. Program: Doug Hayes on creating 3-D printed files.



Our April meeting will feature Doug Hayes presenting options for turning a model part or piece of sculpture into a printable 3-D file. CAD, photogrammetry, hand scanners, turntable scanners and more professional set-ups will be covered. Doug will also discuss the costs involved. Doug will scan John Mullins' "Beast" sculpture and will save it as a file ready to print. Along with our program, we will have our usual Show & Tell segment, so bring your latest hobby achievement or your current "in progress" project to discuss.

At last month's meeting, we reviewed the 2024 Old Dominion Open, learned about using two-part epoxy putty from Bob Walls, and enjoyed a kit raffle hosted by Mike Lyons. Our Show & Tell included our two cover models (see above), John Mullins' Aurora mold Frankenstein and Tom Dailey's Tamiya 1/35 Sdkfz 222 armored car. See inside for more pictures of our March Show & Tell models.

Minutes of the March 18, 2024, Chapter Meeting

President Glen Martin opened the meeting at 6:38 PM. He welcomed the 29 people who were in attendance and recognized 2 new guests. The business portion of the meeting started with a brief report by Treasurer Ashley Abernathy, who reported that he had completed and filed our 2023 IRS forms.

Ashley stated that our 2024 Old Dominion Open was a financial success. Full details on our finances will be available at the 2024 annual Board meeting, which will be in August. He also reminded those present that IPMS Richmond membership dues are now payable.

Secretary Bob Walls reported that the Spring Break Camp with Deep Run Park had been cancelled by the County due to the high cost of model kits and uncertainties with the number of campers. The Deep Run staff asked if we would consider helping with the camp in the summer and we told them we would. Details on our assisting with the camp will be passed along as soon as we receive them. Bob also announced our group build of Allied wheeled military vehicles used during the D-Day period in Western Europe.

Vice-President Richard Leininger gave a brief recap of the Old Dominion Open, but first asked if the membership wished to hold another ODO next year. The vote was unanimously in favor of hosting a 2025 Old Dominion Open. Richard stated he will reserve February 22, 2025, the last Saturday in February, with the Richmond Raceway. Overall, Richard was pleased with this past ODO, and he expects that the few issues encountered will be addressed by the Raceway and as part of our own planning for 2025 (Note: See more details on the 2024 Old Dominion Open on the two IPMS Richmond Facebook pages and on our chapter's website). Richard thanked everyone for all of their outstanding help in making the 2024 ODO the biggest to date.

Scott Oates addressed the IPMS Richmond display case at Hobby Town and discussed three planned displays featuring car models, Spitfire aircraft, and the D-Day military vehicles group build.

Next, for our program, Bob Walls presented a short demo on using two-part epoxy putty. Our regular Show & Tell followed with 7 modelers presenting 13 models. Our final activity was the regular chapter raffle managed by Mike Lyons.

Glen adjourned the meeting shortly before 9:00 PM. Our next meeting will be Monday, April 15, at 6:30 PM.

Bob Walls, Secretary

Upcoming IPMS Richmond Meeting Dates (THIRD Mondays each month)

April 15, May 20, June 17, July 15, August 19, and September 16. ALL MEETINGS WILL START AT 6:30 PM AND WILL END AROUND 9:00 PM.

Announcements, News and Upcoming Events

THE CLOCK'S RUNNING DOWN. If you have not already paid your 2024 IPMS Richmond dues, please give our Treasurer Ashley Abernathy \$10.00 pronto.

TAKE ANOTHER VICTORY LAP! After winning five awards in the 2024 Old Dominion Open contest's Automotive category, Jamie Brannan went to Myrtle Beach and entered the IPMS Grand Strand Scale Modelers' BeachCon 2024 model contest on March 23. Once again, Jamie's excellent car models were trophy winners. Jamie's movie Batmobile, Green Hornet and Indy Pace Cars collection won Second Place awards, and his 1998 Chevy Blazer took Third Place. Congratulations, Jamie! Keep that win streak going!

AND SPEAKING OF TROPHY WINNING MODELS.... Our April 15 monthly meeting will be two days after IPMS Northern Virginia's show on Saturday, April 13, in Fairfax. Here's a request to anyone going to the NOVA show and entering their contest. If your models win awards, please bring the models to the meeting next Monday night, present and discuss them during Show & Tell, and make sure that John Robinson takes pictures of them for the May newsletter. The NOVA event is always a good show with many fine models in competition and a great variety of vendors. So, if you go, tell us all about it and be prepared to show off any hardware-winning models at the April meeting.

KITS AND PARTS NEEDED. Tyler Turpin is looking for the nose section (from the cockpit forward) of a 1/72 scale F-14A Tomcat. The late 1970's Monogram Snaptite kit or the 1/72 Hasegawa or Fujimi F-14A kits will all work. Tyler is looking for this as part of building an A-3 Skywarrior that was a test aircraft for the Phoenix missile. He will pay up to \$10.00 for each 1/72 Tomcat kit. If you can help, please e-mail Tyler at tylerturpin@verizon.net.

IPMS-R GROUP BUILD IN THE WORKS. As part of our ongoing effort to keep IPMS-R's Hobby Town display case fresh and interesting, a group build is planned. With June 6, 2024, marking the 80th anniversary of D-Day, we are planning a group build featuring 1/35 scale Allied armored and "soft skin" military vehicles that were in the Western European Theater during 1944-1945. The vehicles modeled must have at least two wheels (for example, half-tracks, armored cars, military motorcycles, trucks, etc.). See Bob Walls for details and more information. In the meantime, we are planning a Spitfire display and a case shelf devoted to car models.

UPCOMING SHOWS AND EVENTS:

April 13, 2024	IPMS Northern Virginia Model Classic	Fairfax, VA
April 20, 2024	Soda City ModelCon	Columbia, SC
July 17-20, 2024	IPMS / USA National Convention	Madison, WI
July 20, 2024	Down EastCon 2024	Havelock, NC
August 10, 2024	IPMS Roanoke Valley 2024 Virginia Shootout	Salem, VA

More Show & Tell Models from the March Meeting

Photographs by John Robinson



Doug Hayes' 1/144 Bandai figure, Aerial from the Witch from Mercury. Doug also discussed the process of assembling and arming Gundam figures.



Mike Lyons' two Bandai Gundam figures, both 1/100 scale, Epyon and Thunderbolt with full armor.



Ashley Abernathy's 1/24 AMT-Round 2 1950 Chevrolet pick-up. This rusted truck won a First Place award in the 2024 ODO's Automotive category.



Tom Dailey's 1/35 Trumpeter KV-2 754 (R) Soviet tank in its new colors and markings following capture by the Germans.



John Mullins' Polar Lights Gojira (Godzilla) wreaking havoc.



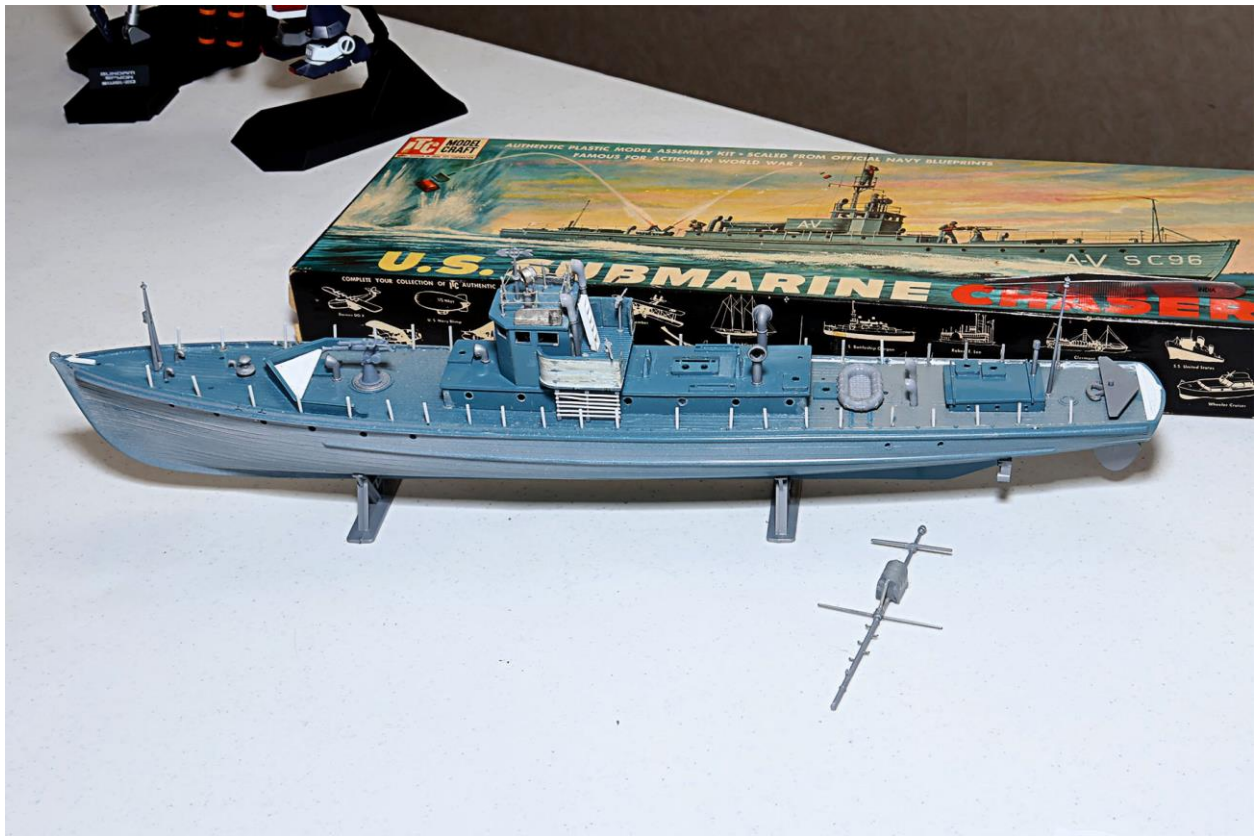
The models within the model: from Adam South's in progress 1/200 USS Arizona, an aft 14" gun turret with catapult and floatplane and an assortment of ship's motor launches and boats.



It's labeled a "field latrine" on the ICM boxing, but for most of us in Virginia, it's simply an outhouse. Tom Dailey's 1/35 outdoor privy features a well-worn pathway and realistically weathered wood.

John Mullins again carries classic horror films into highly accomplished model building. This bust is from "Let the Right One In."





Ed Franz continues to make progress on his 1960 vintage ITC (Ideal Toy Corp.) 1/74 scale Subchaser.



Tom Dailey's 1/35 Tamiya Panzer II tank in Afrika Korps markings and a bit faded by the desert sun and sand.

IPMS Richmond Chapter Information

The Richmond Chapter of the International Plastic Modelers Society (IPMS) was established in 1972 by five area model builders. Combining great talent and a passion for scale modeling, they formed IPMS Richmond with the expressed hope of spreading their enthusiasm for scale models with others in Central Virginia and beyond. IPMS Richmond is part of a national organization, IPMS-USA, with chapters serving modelers across the United States. The International Plastic Modelers Society is also worldwide with members in many countries, all united by their enthusiasm for scale modeling.

IPMS Richmond meets at Deep Run Recreation Center in Deep Run Park, 9900 Ridgefield Parkway, Henrico, VA 23233. Our meeting dates for the remainder of 2024 are (THIRD MONDAY NIGHTS): April 15, May 20, June 17, July 15, August 19, September 16, October 21, November 18, and December 16. All of our meetings begin at 6:30 PM and end about 9:00 PM. From time to time at our meetings, we have guest speakers and other special programs. Whenever possible, we have demonstrations of model building and painting techniques presented by our members or local hobbyists. In December, we host a chapter model contest and enjoy a catered holiday dinner. Our members also organize trips to public events, museums or places focusing on history, aviation, automobiles, military vehicles or other facets of our hobby. Each year, we travel to model shows and contests sponsored by other IPMS chapters in the area. IPMS Richmond publishes *Spare Parts* quarterly, an online newsletter featuring chapter news and a variety of hobby articles written by our members. In other months, a meeting announcement bulletin is prepared and sent. We are a non-profit organization, and we host special events to benefit charitable organizations which relate to our hobby.

Our annual model show and contest, the Old Dominion Open, is held the last Saturday in February at the Richmond Raceway. The Old Dominion Open (ODO) has grown over the years into the largest one-day scale modeling event in the Mid-Atlantic region. Our show usually draws as many as 1,000 people and has approximately 1,000 scale models of everything from World War II fighter planes to Formula One race cars, movie monsters, and Gundam figures in competition. All genres of our hobby, from model ships to science fiction spacecraft, are represented on the contest tables. Over 200 trophies are awarded, covering scores of categories. The Old Dominion Open also features an excellent variety of vendors with the latest and vintage model kits, books, tools and hobby supplies.

Our annual dues are \$10.00 per year. Regardless of your model building experience or your preferred subject, we welcome you and invite you to join us.

VISIT US AT: www.ipmsrva.org. WE ARE ALSO ON FACEBOOK AT "IPMS RICHMOND" AND AT "FRIENDS OF IPMS RICHMOND."

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