

IPMS RICHMOND BULLETIN Meeting Announcement & Club News



Next Meeting: Monday, May 20, 2024, at 6:30 PM, at Deep Run Park Recreation Center. Hall opens at 6:00 PM.



Steve Bruce's 1/72 Academy fire-fighting OV-10A Bronco was among the Show & Tell models presented at the April chapter meeting. See more model pictures inside this month's bulletin.

Join us next Monday night, May 20, as we again gather to enjoy the great hobby that is scale modeling. We will discuss plans for our June and July meetings and also see what projects our members have been working on or recently completed. We look forward to seeing you!

Minutes of the April 15, 2024, Meeting

The April 15 meeting was called to order by IPMS Richmond President Glen Martin shortly after 6:30 PM. There were 30 members and guests in attendance.

Before the business session began, Gene Rasmussen announced that he was leaving the scale model building hobby and will be selling off his collection of kits.

The business portion of the meeting was brief. Vice-President Richard Leininger announced that he was working on finding a better audio/public address system for next year's Old Dominion Open and is waiting for cost quotes. Several IPMS-R members attended IPMS Northern Virginia's Model Classic in Fairfax on April 13 and gave brief accounts of the show. Milton Conkle, Don Worley and Jamie Brannan won awards for their entries in the NOVA show's contest.

Doug Hayes presented a visual demonstration on how 3-D scanning works. Doug scanned a bust to show the process and discussed the equipment needed to scan objects as part of 3-D printing for model making. He also explained the capabilities of various 3-D scanners and their pricing.

During our Show & Tell part of the meeting, 10 modelers presented and discussed a total of 22 models. Among the models displayed were several projects being built for our D-Day and 1944-1945 Allied wheeled vehicles group build.

Before adjourning the meeting, Glen Martin reminded everyone that Gary Powers, Jr., is scheduled to speak at the June meeting. Glen will confirm our arrangement with Mr. Powers. The meeting then ended at about 8:30 PM.

Bob Walls, Secretary

UPCOMING MEETING DATES:

Monday, May 20	Monday, September 16
Monday, June 17	Monday, October 21
Monday, July 15	Monday, November 18
Monday, August 19	Monday, December 16

Monthly meetings are at Deep Run Recreation Center, Deep Run Park, off Ridgefield Parkway in Henrico County. Meetings begin at 6:30 PM and end by 9:00 PM.

Announcements, News and Upcoming Events

CONGRATULATIONS, GENTS ! Don Worley, Jamie Brannan and Milton Conkle won trophies at Fairfax for models they entered in IPMS Northern Virginia's show and contest. Always great to see our guys go on the road and win awards. You fellows represented our club well!

TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS... Last call: If you have not already paid your 2024 IPMS Richmond dues, please give our Treasurer Ashley Abernathy \$10.00. We should also soon have the date and details for our IPMS-R annual E-Board meeting in August at Deep Run Center.

KICKING OFF THE SUMMER... As the May meeting notice bulletin goes to press, Prez Glen, Bob Walls and John Robinson are making preparations for Gary Powers, Jr.'s, Cold War presentation at our June meeting. Mr. Powers' program will include some video features that have technical requirements to be worked out. In July, we'll have our summer contest. It's strictly for the fun of it with no theme. Back to that workbench and finish an entry or two!

ON A PERSONAL NOTE... It's great having our old friend and colleague Chris Bryan back in the full swing of the hobby again. Chris, everyone in the metro Richmond model building community wishes you all the best!

IPMS-R GROUP BUILD CONTINUES ROLLING ALONG. Judging from the postings on our "Friends of IPMS Richmond" Facebook page, IPMS-R's group build of D-Day 1944-1945 Allied wheeled vehicles is drawing a lot of participation and some outstanding models. It's not too late to complete a model for this group build, either.

SPARE PARTS RETURNS IN JUNE and your humble Editor is always looking for material. Features on new model kit releases, kit build and modeling product reviews, museum or special event visits and more are always welcome. I'm glad to help with preparing anything you would like to submit. E-mail me at motleysel@comcast.net.

WE'LL WAIT AND SEE... For those of us who enjoy *FineScale Modeler*, that magazine and its parent company, Kalmbach Media, have been sold to Firecrown Media, a company based in Tennessee. It's too early to tell whether the already pared down *FSM* will continue to be published, in what format, and at what price for subscriptions. For now, press releases are saying it's business as usual.

UPCOMING SHOWS AND EVENTS:

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

Show & Tell Models from the April Meeting

Photographs by John Robinson



Not "Poor Yorick" from Shakespeare's "Hamlet" but Doug Hayes' highly realistic 3-D printed resin skull in what looked to be 1/1 scale.



Doug Hayes brought Italeri and Mini Art World War II Harley motorcycles in 1:35 scale.



Scott Oates' Tamiya Spitfire Mk.I and its RAF Fighter Command pilot wait for more unwelcome visitors from across the Channel during the anxious summer of 1940.



Mike Lyons' Bandai Star Blazer and Italeri M6 Gun Motor Carriage.



Richard Leininger's Tamiya Brabham BT50 Formula One racer. Richard also built the car's display case.



Tom Dailey's 1/35 Tamiya Panzer III Ausf L German tank and an in-progress Skybow WC 51 "Beep" weapons carrier.



Mike Lyons was very pleased with AMT's 2023 Ford Bronco kit.



Scott Oates also built this in-flight Tamiya Battle of Britain Spitfire Mk.I. This model will be among the Spits on display in the chapter's case at Hobby Town.



Part of Doug Hayes' presentation on scanning objects for 3-D printing and model making. John Mullins' bust is the subject set in place to be scanned.



Bob Walls' assortment of 1/72 World War II Italian aircraft including a "Luftwaffe 1946" Focke-Wulf jet.



Jamie Brannan's fine trio of Indianapolis 500 pace cars: Lindberg's 1946 Lincoln, Lindberg's 1953 Ford Crestline and Monogram's 1964 Ford Mustang.



John Mills vintage Skilcraft model of the Visible Woman, "great with child" as such conditions would have once been stated. She is carrying one "Little Johnny" who would grow up to be quite a character.



Bob Walls' figure set of World War II generals and an in-progress command car used by General Patton.



Doug Hayes' intricate Bandai Gundam Barbatos along with some of the heavy firepower it carries.

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): 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: <u>www.ipmsrva.org.</u> WE ARE ALSO ON FACEBOOK AT "IPMS RICHMOND" AND AT "FRIENDS OF IPMS RICHMOND."

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