



The Plastic Whittler



Our Next Meeting:

Our next meeting will be on **Monday, November 15 at 7:00 pm**, at HobbyTown USA near Hamilton Place Mall. As custom our December meeting will be a Christmas party at my house 12/10/10. An interim meeting for strictly show business will be on **December 6th, 2010**. More on this later.....

Our Last Meeting:

Last Month we had a super turnout of folks and models. We looked at a signup spreadsheet of tasks for the show in January. Several signed up for various things and I'm grateful! Mike Moore gave a run down of the show and the process for ordering shirts (more later in this issue see pages 9 & 10) Mike Bradley updated us about the raffle. We passed around a sample of the medallion and had a good general discussion about the show. With so much happening we agreed to a special "show only" meeting on Dec 6th at the church building at 6:30pm. Enjoy this MEGA edition of the Trusty Plastic Whittler. Special thanks to Jeff Mattheiss and Mike Moore for their significant



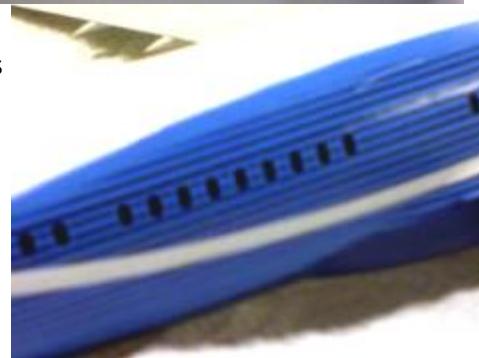
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contributions to this issue. We have not one but two articles on the show at Murfreesboro, the shirt order forms, an article on the SCOTTCON, and more.... And oh Yes—the IPMS Chapter Renewal has been sent in for processing. We should receive the official renewal any day now. C U Monday



UPCOMING EVENTS	DATE
Special Show Meeting	6:30 pm Dec 6
Christmas Party (see page 10)	Dec 10
IPMS/AMPS Chattanooga Show	Jan 22, 2011
AMPS Atlanta & Model Soldier Show	Feb 18-20, 2011
MTMA - Cookeville	Mar 12, 2011
Phantom Phurball—Anniston Alabama	April 16th, 2011

Among the models brought David Wells had this incredible paint work on this airliner fuselage. Note the subtle Dark blue stripes in the mid blue background.



Our Show Preparations Report by Mike Moore

A Look Back...A Look Ahead

And speaking of our show.....

Things are moving full steam ahead. We now have a checking account. We now have a whole bunch of Gold, Silver and Bronze medals. Mike Mattheiss and I met with John Brooks over at the Plaque Shack and are moving ahead with the Best of Plaques. I have three boxes of "office supplies" stacked up in my guest room (most of which can be re-used at future shows). Jeff Mattheiss is rocking on with vendor sign ups, I think we're up to about 40 tables pretty committed after his efforts at the Murfreesboro show. We now have registration forms up on the web site, as well as directions. And we're offering a \$3 discount for early registration ('cause it would be REALLY nice to get as much of that stuff entered into the scoring sheets before the day of the show as is possible.

So what does all that mean?

It's on! We're going to have a show in Chattanooga and we need everyone who can, to show up, pitch in and make this a success.

In addition to the meeting this month, we really need you to mark down Monday December 6th at 6:30 pm for a special show meeting at the Church. This is going to be a business only meeting and we'll really be looking to get a handle on the schedule and where we can get folks plugged in to help. That schedule Lynn had at the last meeting still has a lot of white space left! We really need everyone to show up for this meeting, because once it's done, we really only have one more meeting, just days before the show to tie up all the loose ends. We'll also be taking a look at the options Mike has come up with for the artwork for the Best Of plaques.

The show is just around the corner!

And speaking of the show...don't forget shirt orders! We've got 5 options to choose from, hopefully everyone can find something they like! Take another look at the options, and make sure you get your order form and payment to me by the Christmas party on December 10th. I'll get the order in shortly after the 10th and we'll all have CSM shirts to wear at the show.

That's it from me for now. See you Monday.

Mike



Chattanooga Model Show Gets International Recognition!

It's True!! In the next issue of *Scale Aviation Modeller International* (That's Modeller with two "L's" - per the British version of the English Language) This issue will be on the stands shortly.



oh! 1/144 Boeing 737 in Simpsons livery

USA Events

■ November 13th, 2010

28th Annual IPMS Butch O'Hare Chapter Contest

Lakeview Jr High Sch, 701 Plainfield Rd, Downers Grove, IL

Presented by IPMS Butch O'Hare
<http://www.butchoharemodelers.com/>

■ November 13th, 2010

MaurauderCon 2010

National Guard Armory, 1035 York Rd, Towson, MD

Presented by IPMS Baltimore and IPMS Washington DC
 Mark Altizer (410) 682-4939

■ November 14th, 2010

IPMS/El Paso Model Display

Bassett Place Mall, 6101 Gateway West, El Paso, TX
 Presented by IPMS El Paso
 John Estes (915) 459-6957

■ December 4th, 2010

SilverCon 2010

Kerr Middle Sch, 8865 Elk Grove Blvd, Elk Grove, CA

Presented by IPMS Silverquines Sacramento
<http://www.ipmssw.com/>

■ January 22nd, 2011

A Look Back...A Look Ahead

Church of Christ, 7745 East Brainerd Rd, Chattanooga, TN

Presented by Chattanooga Scale Modelers
<http://chattanooga-scalemodelers.com/>

■ January 20th, 2011

SWAMP Show

Managan Center, 1000 McKinley, Westlake, LA

Presented by SWAMP
<http://ipmsswamp.com/>

Murfreesboro Report by Mike Moore

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Fall is finally here. First weekend in November, and it was FINALLY time to wear at least a vest on leaving the house. At least at the unholy hour of 7:30 on Saturday morning when Jeff came to pick me up for the drive to Murfreesboro. For my part, I was just proud of myself for not falling asleep on the drive! Once at the show, we located our tables and got things set up. And settled in to wait for the buying public to descend upon our treasure trove of one (or several) man's junk!

The show up there is coming along nicely for a show only three years back on the circuit. After being crammed into a building far too small two years ago, the last two shows have been in a new building much better suited for a show. Granted it's concrete floors, but it's heated, and well lit. The hosts are friendly and put on a nice laid back show. Unfortunately a schedule conflict with the Louisville show put a small ding in the vendor turnout (CRM Hobbies was notably missing) and perhaps some entrants as well.

But all in all, it was a nice day at a nice show. I picked up a second for my Aero L-39C and Tom picked up a couple of firsts in with planes, including Best Aircraft with his I-16. He also had several armor entries but I never heard how he did with them. I'm guessing pretty well if history is any guide!

Here's a few photo highlights:



**A little Publicity
for an upcoming
Show!**

Tom's Best Air
Craft Rata





A Saturday Excursion - Murfreesboro Report #2

by Jeff Mattheiss

At first I was taken a-back by Lynn's request that I write something about the Murfreesboro trip. I mean, just 'cause I can run my mouth well doesn't necessarily mean I can write anything. Sometimes just looking at the blank page (or, in this case, blank screen) seems to make my mind go blank. Yes, at this point you can add whatever other joke about my mind you wish to say.

I didn't get to go to Murfreesboro last year but was able to go two years ago when they first came back into the "show circuit". At that point the facility they were given to use was rather cramped and I still remember Dave Reed patiently "selling" that "next year would be better 'cause they'll be in THAT facility". Well, I was determined to go this year, especially as I missed Huntsville.

To start off my nephew, Jonah, had his 13th birthday last Saturday and his mom (my sister) thought it'd be cool for him to hang around his uncles (Mike was going to be there, too) at a model show for him to see all the "goings on". Once he arrived at the house it was off to pick up Mike Moore. He was actually awake (another story) and we had a good trip. An hour + ride doesn't seem so long when conversation is flowing. As a sidebar I must say that it is quite refreshing to have Mike as a fellow modeler (I use that term loosely since it's been awhile since plastic has crossed my fingers) since we can have a somewhat political discussion on opposite sides of the issue and still remain calm with each other and stay friends (no, his grasping the dash as I approached a semi was just a distraction on my part - cruise control can be a curse).

Once at the show the unloading and setting up of a table to "vend our wares" went rather smoothly. Easy in, easy set up. Tom and fellow modeler Ed Marcum from Knoxville joined our merry band with their table additions. My brother followed a little later. Dave Reed had told me that he had 50 tables reserved for vendors and, with only about 5 empty spaces, vending looked to be as good as any other show. Well, I could have done without the "sound track" of aircraft and such coming from the table behind us.

Models started to trickle in as the morning went by. Now, I wasn't paying too much attention to arrival times and such, but it seemed to me that no one was in a real hurry to display any models. I believe "cut off" time was noon and a few stragglers did come rushing in to finish out the show display. There was a good variety but not too many models overall. You might say, "based on what?". Well, I'm not sure. For Murfreesboro this may have been a good turn out. To me the vendors "over shadowed" the models. Or, the ratio of vendors to models was "skewed" somewhat. Does it matter? No, just an observation. The models themselves were quite well done overall. My nephew was amazed at what he saw and that another modeler about his age had entered a very nice car in the junior entrants.

The models were a balance of aircraft, armor, some figures and ships plus dioramas and cars. Some real nice items that caught my eye were a set of construction vehicles - a mobile drilling rig and a old style bucket crane. Then there was this fish, like in an aquarium. The painting of the scales and such looked good to me.

Once I'd done the "once through" of the models (no, I went through the vendors FIRST) it was about time for lunch. This is where the locals did quite well. They went and set up a Subway package deal. That is, 4" sandwich, chips, and a drink for \$5. Not bad as all we had to do was walk to the entry way. Sure beats driving back to that TERRIBLE intersection and crossing the interstate to drive through and..... well, you got the picture. I do have to comment that I like my donuts and, I know the guys tried, but that wasn't Krispy Kreme!

After lunch I commented to Mike Moore about a good time to start my "rounds" on trying to get vendors to come to our show. "Go for it" was all the words I needed. The next 2 hours or so I spent "pressing the flesh" with almost every vendor there. A very nice bunch for the most part. Lots of them had heard we were having a show and most

A Saturday Excursion Continued

seemed interested. As of right now we have 38 tables "reserved" with 7 more "possibles" and others that have expressed interest but have not made any reservations as of yet.

At this point I want to stop and mention a new vendor to me. Starfighter Decals was there and his stuff looked quite good. It was mostly 1/72 and a lot of mid-war and naval aviation but still quite nice looking stuff. In talking with Mark (Starfighter Decals is by Mark's Models and Toys) I made mention of his coming all the way from Stephens City, VA to this show. He then spent an hour explaining that he went first down to Maxwell, AFB to do research on some new decals he was working on. He got into a LONG dissertation on the base (you can e-mail me if you want me to do the explaining on that one) and then proceeded to pull out his lap top and show me his "prizes". He got picture after picture of early P-40's, some WWI and mid-war close up stuff, F-82 arriving at Dayton, OH, plus squadron badges, unit history, etc., etc. This was very enjoyable to me. A very nice fellow, too, and I hope he can make our show. Mike Moore said he bought some items from this vendor so you can ask him about the quality.

During this time the judging was going on and the raffle prizes were being handed out. My nephew, such a "golden child" on his birthday. Some lady had to leave early and gave him 6 raffle tickets. Wouldn't you know it, he won a model and then a set of paints and didn't buy a single ticket! Enough to make you cry.

Well, before you know it, awards were being announced and handed out and everyone started to "pack it in". Now, I didn't hear all the awards and such but I know Mike's Albatross got a 2nd while Tom's ubiquitous I-16 got a 1st PLUS Best Aircraft. I think his AR234 got 1st as well. The only other award I know of was Best of Show which was a scratch built 1/25th (?) scale very heavy construction semi tractor. It was a nice kit but it's winning set off another LONG, involved discussion on the ride home of the difference in how car modelers and armor/aircraft modelers view a kit in regards to judging.

In finishing I want to add that, to me, the vending was top notch as far as what was there and the amount of it. Did I find what was on my "short, to have" list? No. But that's OK. I'll still live. I'm already looking forward to having a good "chunk" of these guys with us in January.

Was it fun? You bet! Was it fast? For me it went TOO fast! I actually didn't get to see all the kits on display before they started being packed up. Yeah, I hear you, I talk too much, blah, blah, yadda, yadda.....

I think that'll about cover it. Thanks!
Lt. Gray

Chattanooga Scale Modelers Shirt Order Form

All shirts are priced with an embroidered CSM logo on the left chest and include shipping.

Remember...we don't all have to get the same shirt...get the shirt YOU want. Want two kinds of shirt...no problem, just check the boxes below and gimme the right amount of money!
Want one of each? Even better!

Please note that the pricing is based on a minimum order of 6 shirts. If there are less than 6 shirts ordered, the price will go up by \$5 each to cover the low volume on the embroidery. I'll let you know if we don't get enough shirts to cover the embroidery. Please call me or email me if you have any questions. (423) 596-5130.
maxwinthrop@yahoo.com

I'll submit the order for shirts on Monday 12-13, after the Christmas Party. That gives you three opportunities to hand deliver this form and your payment to me (the Nov meeting, our special show planning meeting on 12-6 and the Christmas Party, or you can mail it to me:

Mike Moore

1306 Duncan Ave

Chattanooga TN 37404

Make checks payable to Mike Moore

		S	M	L	XL	XXL (add \$2)	XXXL (add \$2)	Big back logo add \$28.00***
A) White Polo Shirt	\$32.25	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B) Beige Button Down	\$38.25	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C) Beige T-shirt	\$16.25	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
D) Beige & Black Camp/ Bowling	\$38.25	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

"Direct Transfer" T-shirt (similar to silk screened designs, this will be a white t-shirt)

Logo on chest	\$11.50	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Logo on Back	\$13.50	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Logo on Chest & Back	\$17.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

We need 6 guys to do this or it isn't worth the cost (\$48 just for the logo on the back of the shirt if we don't have 6 guys. If you want the logo on back, check the box and make sure I get the money. If we don't get 6 guys, I'll get the extra money back to you



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The Phantom Spook Says It's Christmas Party Time!

Note Bowling Shirt!

MODELS MOVIES DVDS MUNCHIES BOOKS MODELERS

Lynn Petty:
423-653-3453

Date: 12/10/10

Time: 6:00 PM (Or Whenever) Till.....



9018 OAK HAVEN DRIVE
CHATTANOOGA, TN
37421

653-3453 7TH HOUSE ON THE LEFT

Pot Luck—Finger Foods --
Soft Drinks as always.....

From I-75 take the Shallowford Rd Exit (#5) and go east to Jenkins Road (four way stop). Turn left on Jenkins and go to Standifer Gap Road. Turn right. Go approx 1.5 miles and watch for Quail Run Subdivision on the left. Go past it but slow down this hill! Turn right onto Oak Shadow Drive; right on Allegheny, & right onto Oak Haven

SCOTTCON - Warner Robins Show Report by Lynn Petty



Located on a corner of Warner Robins Air Force Base, the museum was again the location for the annual show put on by the good folks there. The ride down is a bit long, but made very pleasant by Tom Gaston's MP3 collection of ecliptic mix songs including a couple of local unnamed artists amongst us. Not to mention my obsessive musing wondering about the correct outer wing bulges (or more properly lack of) on a FW-



190A6/R-11 on my workbench. As you can see from the photo on the right the show tables were nestled in amongst the SR-71, a U-2, a F-16 and other displays in that particular building of the museum. Compared to last year, the total area was expanded quite a bit. Vendors being the primary cause of the expansion. The display area was again equipped with some first class tables, that included table skirts and a white neutral colored top. This is always a good show to attend. The people there are pleasant. The museum is an attraction in itself. If you're a fan of Robert L. Scott and his book "God is My Co-Pilot" this place will appeal to you. He was a local to this area and the museum pays a lot of tribute to Col Scott. The model show includes a special trophy for entries depicting the Flying Tigers. Of note in the room was



a nice 1/72 model of Scott's P-40 that won it's class. Adjacent to it was another 1/72 model done to depict John Wayne's movie prop P-40 from the 1942 classic movie *The Flying Tigers*. Interesting concept, not built by the same modeler! Other highlights included Ken Nile's Albatross which won Best A/C at this show. When this makes it to the nationals it will undoubtedly be a contender. A nice large scale E-2 Hawkeye was present as well as many other nice models. The raffle was a personal highpoint for me. Although done in the style of "they pick for you" I was rather fortunate in winning mostly 1/72 models of interesting to me subjects. I also won a "paper model" kit. This show included a special category for paper models, bucking a former IPMS trend of plastic only. Tom and I bumped into Brian Webb at the show. So we weren't the only "Chattanoogaans" there. We did take a few minutes to stroll round the complex. We spent some time looking over the special project C-130 (high lift—short take-off and landing)



variant that was featured in the IPMS journal a couple of issues ago. It's fun to wonder what if this thing had made the trip to Tehran on the second hostage rescue attempt that never took place. We also spent some time looking at the PSP (Pierced Steel Planking) around some of the displays for a future project by Tom. The stuff is really coated in rust!!! We also noted the use what we think is precast concrete planking for some of the exterior displays that must be the modern counterpart to quick build hard-

stands. Maybe someone out there knows? Our stroll included lunch on the top floor of the main building with a helping of reasonably good Chili. As for the contest we did well. The show did highlight the strongpoint for the GSB style of contests. There were several splits to accommodate large numbers of entries in certain categories. There were some categories that had only one or two entries and a good number of categories with no entries, that were the source of the trophies for the unplanned splits. A surprise (to us anyway) was a star award. I never really figured out the criteria; these Plexi-glas stars just showed up around some of



the models. Apparently a kind of "we really liked your model" award perhaps. Here are more photos. Enjoy and keep this show in mind for next year!



A new photos of Ken Nile's Award winning Albatross (a portion of it anyway). Since it's showing in Huntsville he has added a pilot figure.

