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2022 Club Officers

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Next Meeting is at
Socastee Library
141 707 Connector, Myrtle Beach, SC
11:00 AM - Saturday - 19 November

Meeting Minutes October 22, 2022

Grand Strand Scale Modelers

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 AM with eighteen members present including one new member. Please welcome Duncan Bare whose main interest is modeling and sculpting figures.

Our annual dues were collected amounting to \$300.00 which does not include a few members who will pay in November and December.

BeachCon 22 / BeachCon 23 was moved to Saturday, March 25, 2023, with setup Friday evening March 24, 2023. Same location and same hours. The movement in date was directly due to Hurricane Ian arriving on the Grand Strand on September 30, 2022. The venue location was closed as were all Horry County Public Facilities. No loss of money was involved to the Club. The tables for the show were sold out and thirty-six out of sixty award categories were paid for by various clubs and individuals. Refunds were offered to the vendors or to transfer to the March 2023 show. There were only three (3) vendors requesting refunds totaling \$430.00. These vendors will be contacted next month giving them an opportunity to vend in 2023. Even with the refund, the show income/expense report showed a positive of \$201.71. A new category was added to the award listing. "Best Avro Lancaster" People's Choice Award.

Eighteen (18) members are taking part in the Airfix 1/72nd Scale Avro Lancaster club build in addition to twenty (20) members from the Coastal Carolina Scale Modelers IPMS/USA chapter in Charleston, SC. Kits were donated by Stevens International. A big thanks to Mike for having the contact. The category will be Out-of-box with the additional opportunity for each member to use other markings or decals. Judging will be at the BeachCon 23 show as a "People's Choice" award. The design for the award can be seen in this newsletter.

The new dates for the upcoming club meetings are November 19, 2022, in the classroom, December 17, 2022, in the meeting room, and January 21, 2023, in the classroom. December 17, 2022. Instead of a regularly scheduled meeting, December 17 will be the club's Christmas Party. All members are asked to bring a covered dish. Also, a White Elephant Gift Exchange will be the centerpiece of the party. Rules for the White Elephant Gift Exchange will follow. The maximum dollar value spent should be up to \$40.00. Gifts should be wrapped.

The treasurer's report was given by Rick Reinert and can be found in this newsletter.

Next up were the club's officer elections. Nominations were taken and voted on by the members. A majority of members were present.

President – Rick Reinert

Vice President – Steve (Chaz) Chorazewitz

Secretary/Treasurer – Phil Cavender

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Webmaster – Mike Fleckenstein

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Next up included the Show & Tell portion of the meeting. Several models were brought by the members all were amazing. As a note on the Show & Tell segment, a time limit on member discussions will be instituted next month due to meeting time carrying over. The time limit will be **five (5)** minutes. This will ensure all members have an opportunity to show and tell their newest creations.

Due to the extended time, the raffle did not take place.

Meeting adjourned at 1:45 PM.

Phil Cavender

President

Treasurer's Report as of 15 November 2022

Current Balance is \$1098.43

Outgoing: \$12.00 - Truist Yearly Maintenance Fee
 \$120.00 - Refund to William Busch for BeachCOn

Incoming: \$349.00 - Cash from Dues and Raffle

The meeting in December is our annual PotLuck and Gift Exchange

Rules for White Elephant Gift Exchange

1. If you would like to participate, bring a wrapped, modeling-related gift. This can be most anything from a kit, to supplies and tools, to reference materials. It is important that your gift is wrapped, though. You may, if you want, put a "from" tag, but the "to" will be up to fate and your club mates!
 2. All of the gifts are placed together and everyone who is participating will draw a number, 1 through the total number of participants. This number will determine the order that participants will select a gift from the pile.
 3. In numerical order, starting with number 1, participants will select a gift. The gift MAY be selected from either - a. The pile of wrapped gifts... OR - b. An unwrapped gift was already selected by one of the other participants. (In the competitive vernacular of some of your club mates, option "b" is called a "STEAL"!)
 4. If another participant selects the unwrapped gift that YOU already have (i.e. they "steal" your gift), you MAY select again from the wrapped gifts OR "steal" another unwrapped gift from someone else! If you "steal" a gift, that loser MAY also exercise either option, select a wrapped gift or "steal."
- Note that any gift may only be "stolen" once per round. So, if the prize you have your eye on has already been stolen once that round, it is "safe" with the current holder until the next round. If not, though...Don't be shy... "Steal" it!
5. This process continues until someone finally selects the next wrapped gift from the pile, which is unwrapped for all to see.
 6. After the next wrapped gift is selected and unwrapped, the next participant in numerical order gets his or her chance following rule 3 above, to either select another wrapped gift or "steal" an unwrapped gift.
 7. The cycle of selecting, stealing, and unwrapping continues until everyone has had their turn.

But wait! It's not over yet...

8. Since number 1 only gets to select from the pile of wrapped gifts, the last round goes back to him or her. Number 1 can either stand pat or "steal." If he or she stands pat, then the game is over.

However, if he or she "steals," number 1's old gift goes back on the table, and the loser gets to either select number 1's old gift or "steal" it from someone else. Remember, any one gift can only be stolen once per round, so the final round continues until someone selects number 1's old gift, or every other gift has been stolen once leaving the final loser only one option, number 1's old gift on the table.

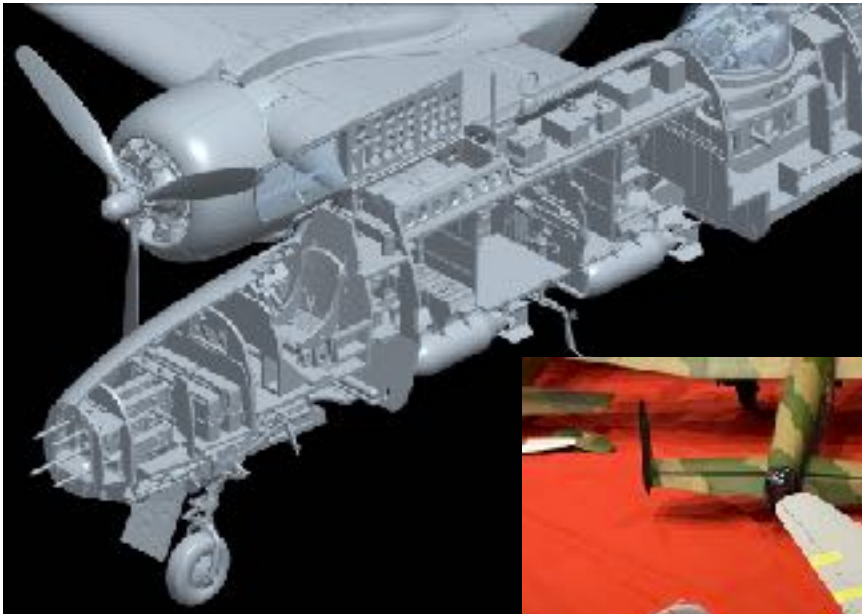
Sounds complicated, I know, but it is not, and there is a lot of scheming and strategizing to try to manipulate the stealing (for all the good it does!), and bragging rights often go to the person who brought the most desirable gift (i.e., the gift that was "stolen" the most). It really is a fun time.

Hobby News

New Releases

Hong Kong Models

A 32nd scale A-20 Havoc. CD Drawings and test shots (from Telford) packed with detail.



Takom

Two AH-64 Apaches in 35th scale.



I Love Models

A 16th scale Sherman Easy 8 (M4A3E8)



Meng

Not to be outdone, Meng is releasing its own AH-64 Apache



Italeri

Three new releases from Italeri, a 48th scale RF-4E, a Semovente M42 in 35th scale, a



32nd scale Tornado, and a Bugatti



The Tool Crib

N/A

Kit Review

N/A

Show and Tell

Phil C, brought in his completed 16th scale Pz. IIIJ from Gallery Models. Phil has a complete review on the IPMS website. The kit retails for \$199. No interior, but Phil expects one soon. The kit has active suspension and individual track links and rubber road wheels



Scott Murphy continued his presentation of his scratch building techniques that he is using on his Trumpeter 32nd scale F4F-3.



Herb brought in a bust of US Navy Seal “Chris Kyle”. It is an 18 part resin kit.



Earl showed of hi VW bus in 24th scale along with his Revell B-24 work in progress. It will be painted in Desert colors.



Les brought in his Airfix Spitfire Mk. VB.



Duncan (new member) brought in a 35th scale German Grenadier.



Sean Brough in a Bandai Star Wars speeder bike along with two Tamiya 35th scale pieces of armor, a Tiger II and Jagdpanser V. Rubber band tracks on both pieces of armor. Sean used an AK blend interactive brown filter on the armor to tone down the camouflage.



Andrew Rasis brought in a Stuka diorama using the old Lindbergh kit in 48th scale. The truck is 144th scale to give a forced perspective. Woodland scenic snow was used in the diorama, Andrew also brought in a Greek armored cruiser "Georgios Averot" in 350th scale,



We ran out of time and could not get all the show and tell documented. More in the next news letter. Also, did not get all of the pictures of kits brought in. I apologize if your kit is not shown.

Finally, Congratulations to Mike Fleckenstein for coming in first place at the NATs in the Ships:Vignette category.



Chattanooga ModelCon 2023

Modelcon 23 is coming! Same room, different days and this year we are back to the World of Wheels dates!

The Event Coordinator can be reached at bgibby1964@outlook.com

The Vending Coordinator can be reached at jeffmattheissfamily@gmail.com

When

Friday January 6th and Saturday January 7th 2023 (hours, Fri 2pm-6pm.; Sat 9am-4pm.)

Where

Chattanooga Convention Center, Ballroom E-J

Cost

General admission \$7 for both days.

\$15 for both days (\$2 discount for IPMS/AMPS members) for 3 models, \$1 per additional models, (anyone bringing a LOT of models or very large models is encouraged to let us know in advance at bgibby1964@outlook.com)

Juniors (under 16yo) are FREE!

Vendor tables

\$30 each (8' tables) until Dec. 1 then \$35 . For table reservations, contact Jeff Mattheiss at jeffmattheissfamily@gmail.com.

Judging Format

Gold-Silver-Bronze for most, NNL for Automotive

Display format

Models grouped by type

Hotel

Rooms at the Marriott will be offered at a discount rate for Modelcon 23 guests. Tell them you are with the Murphy 3 Group when reserving to get the discount. Cutoff date for reservations is Dec 6 2022.



JAXCON 2023

Jaxcon 2023 has been scheduled for Friday night Feb. 10th and all day Saturday Feb. 11th, 2023. That's right! JAXCON 2023 will once more be a TWO DAY show! This year's Friday night festivities proved very popular so we'll be looking to repeat the good times had by all with (possibly) more Friday night raffle prizes to win and more pizza to munch on!

Jaxcon 2023 will again be held at our new home, the North Jacksonville Baptist Church Fellowship Hall near the Jax Zoo. Those of you who've been attending know what a GREAT venue this is, with plenty of free parking, easy access off of I-95, plenty of light, and lots of room for the vendors and the contest. We'll also be looking to have a couple of food trucks again so you won't have to go far for food!

In any case, mark your calendars for Feb. 10/11th, 2023 for JAXCON 2023! More info will follow this fall as details develop!



Jaxcon 2023

North Jacksonville Baptist Church
8531 N Main Street
Jacksonville, FL 32218

GRAND STRAND SCALE MODELERS and COASTAL CAROLINA SCALE MODELERS

Present

BeachCon 2023

Saturday, March 25, 2023 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center
800 Gabreski Lane, Myrtle Beach, SC

Contestants

\$10.00

*Unlimited number
of models*

Model Contest Over 50 Categories

Award
Sponsorships
\$40.00

Non-Contestants

\$5.00 Single Adult

(18 and older)

\$8.00 Family

Special Theme Award

Best of the Beach

Please refer to Contest Rules on Website for definition

Vendor Tables

6' Table - \$30.00

8' Table - \$40.00

Juniors

(17 & under)

and

Active Duty Military

(with ID)

FREE!

On Site
Food
Concession!

Raffle

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Flyer Design by
Miky Fleckenstein



ATTENTION DEFICIT MODELER DISORDER

Where you start to build one model but get distracted by another kit that needs building causing you to build another model!

HERMAN

JIM LINGEL



The Lighter Side



Websites

For kits and supplies:

<https://spruebrothers.com>

<https://www.kitlinx.com>

<https://www.hlj.com>

<https://www.eduard.com>

<https://spraygunner.com>

Modeling Reviews, Forums, and How To's:

<https://ipmsusa.org>

<https://hyperscale.com>

<https://largescaleplanes.com>

<https://doogsmodels.com>

<http://umm-usa.com>

<https://forum.ww1aircraftmodels.com/index.php>

<https://www.themodellingnews.com>

<http://www.zone-five.net>

<http://www.plasticmodelsworld.com>

<https://www.culttvmanshop.com>

<https://www.scalemates.com>

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Plastic Posse Podcast

ModelGeeks Podcast

Plastic Model Mojo

Sprue Cutters Union

Just Making Conversation