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IPMS Phoenix / Craig Hewitt Chapter



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Fees are due this year

As we were well aware last year was a bit of an abnormality. We deemed everyone who was in good standing would not have to pay club fees for the whole of 2021. Well it is now a new, and hopefully better year, so it is time to start collecting club dues again.

Some of you have already paid and I keep a record of all paid fees so if you are in any doubt email me and I will tell you if you need to pay fees this year.

The easiest way to pay is bring your dues along to the monthly meeting and pay direct to Bill Dunkle. Fees are \$12 for an individual and \$15 for a family membership.

If you can't make meetings you can email bill using his email address which is bdunkle@msn.com Bill will then tell you how to get a cheque to him.

The club is not set up to do online or credit card payments.

I will send out a couple of reminders but if you have not paid sometime during the first quarter you will be in danger of no longer being in good standing and will lose all of the club benefits.

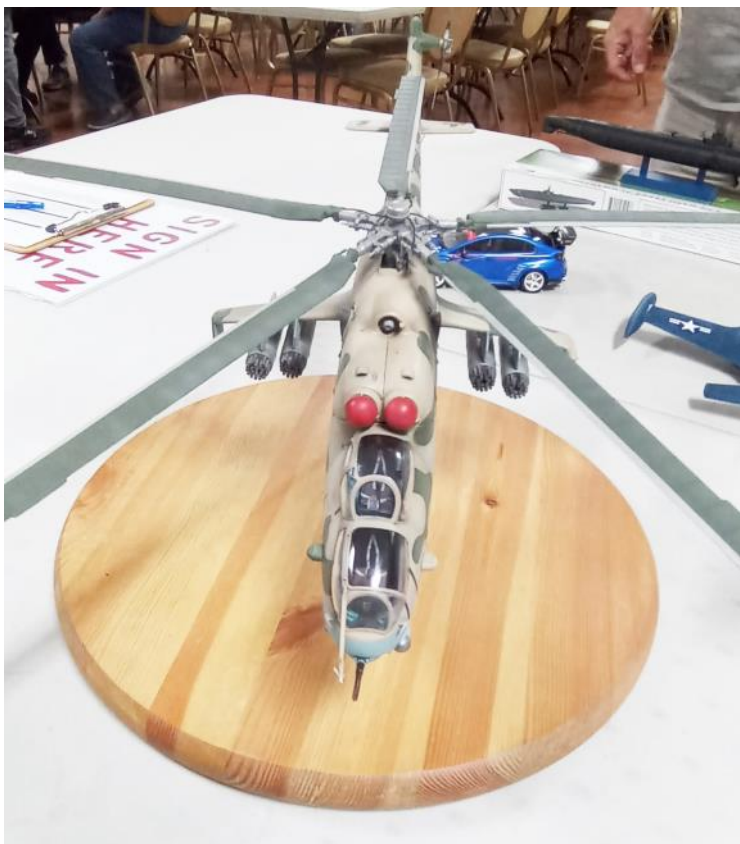
With 130 members on the books I am hoping that we do not have to withdraw membership privileges from anyone which is why I am re-posting this article.

Any questions please feel free to email me at lyngorton@hotmail.com

January Display Pictures



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January Raffle Winners



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Stripping Paint – Revisited and Improved
Tim Bongard

If you have been building models for any length of time, sooner or later you will run into a situation where you will want to strip a model of any finish it has in order to rehabilitate the model or to just simply have another go at re-applying a failed paint scheme. This isn't anything new and some of us have quite a bit of experience in removing bad paint finishes. This isn't really bragging. In reality it's an unwanted skill to acquire. I mean, think of it – in order to have a good amount of experience stripping paint, you have to have even more experience at screwing paint jobs up.

That having been said, I've tried all the typical recommendations for getting all kinds of paint off models and they all tend to be messy, marginally efficient, possibly damaging to the plastic or resin, and hazardous to your health in ways that would alarm most healthcare professionals. Everyone in the hobby seems to have their favorite paint remover that they would swear by and if you are one of those hobbyists, read on because I think what I discovered, quite by accident, is a bit of a break through and an improvement on everything else.

Traditionally, Brake Fluid is the granddaddy of 'em all. It's slow and generally does really funky things to your plastic, even weirder things to resin, and is really bad for your skin. Purpose-made products offered by the modeling industry for removing paint without harming the original parts aren't much better – most tend to be just as slow and semi-efficient, while yielding decent results after a lot of scrubbing and hard work. Solvent cleaners like Purple Power are very popular, but while they can work well with some paints, they can fail to make a dent in others.

Several years ago I found and wrote about a relatively safe solvent called Ready-Strip that was excellent at removing virtually all types of paint while seemingly having no negative effect on most plastics or resins. It's a gel-like paste that you glop onto whatever fail you want to strip and it goes to work softening the finish. I found that putting the glop-covered part into a zip-lock bag kept the solvent working at maximum force while keeping the goop from drying out was a really good idea, because letting the stripping paste dry out results in the softened paint into something akin to concrete. I also found that using warm, soapy water and an old toothbrush were the best combination for scrubbing off goop and all the old finish. Even so, this was really messy and took a fair amount of work to get a model really clean.

About a year ago, I picked up a reasonably priced ultrasonic cleaner for some other purposes in my shop. While working on another project I accidentally dropped a rag soaked in Black Magic's Bleche-Wite onto a model I was going to strip. For a while I wondered where I had put the model until I finally found it under the rag and – holy cow! – the paint was seriously loosened just by the wet rag laying on the model. I quickly rinsed the model off with some warm water and found that the results were far easier and less fuss than using Ready-Stip. I then tried filling the ultrasonic cleaner with two bottles of Bleche-Wite and dropped the model parts into the solution and fired up the machine for 15 minutes. Just one quick round and most of the decals were gone and a good amount of the paint had been dissolved!

After that I tested several other old disasters and came to these conclusions: Bleche-Wite eats through every kind of paint I've tried. Some types take longer than others, but in most cases, a plastic model car body with several coats of primer and paint will be completely stripped within 48 hours with little or no effort on my part and with only occasional agitation with the ultrasonics. In most cases, I can remove the model from the solution and scrub it with an old toothbrush and some warm soapy water and any paint still left on the model will be gone. It destroys decals in a flash and cleans chrome and the clear lacquer undercoat found under most vacuum plating better than just about anything else. Best of all, it doesn't harm resin at all. If anything, it helps get any residual silicone off of the resin parts so that future paints stick better. To prove the results for this article, I had two models that I decided to use as demonstrators. The first was an old glue-bomb I got from a friend. The 1957 Chevy Nomad wagon was painted in several ghastly shades using what looked like old Testor's enamel paint and it was apparently glued together with light to moderate amounts of gel type glue and liquid cement. Into the drink it went and, after about six hours and four or five 10-minute ultrasonic scrubblings, the body was respectfully clean and a good amount of the parts had come loose. Almost all of the chrome was gone too.



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The second model is a Beemax Ford Escort World Rally car that had a really cool paint scheme on the box art. The decals in the kit were pretty high quality except that they didn't quite "pop" the same way the paint scheme did on the real car. I had fun decaling it but was subtly disappointed enough that the model just sat on the "Queen Shelf" waiting for a solution to present itself. After finding a different set of very cool aftermarket decals, I just needed to undo my earlier work, so into the Ultrasonic Cleaner it went with the Bleche-Wite. The decals came off almost immediately, but the gloss white lacquer took longer.



The model had about three coats of primer on it with another three thin coats of gloss white. At first nothing happened, but after twelve hours the paint bubbled in a few places, and I just let it keep soaking it and agitating it with the ultrasonics from time to time. Now, without any scrubbing other than the ultrasonic type, the body is as you see it here.

The neatest part of this process is the clean-up. Dissolved paint and decals end up as a kind of thin sludge at the bottom of your tank or bowl. Simply pour the solvent back into a bottle, let it settle, pour off the good, clean Bleche-Wite to reuse and toss the dirty residual. (The best method for this is to pour the dirty stuff into an aluminum pan or similar and set it in the sun to dry out. Once dry, you can safely throw it out in your trash).



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The bottom line is this: Bleche-Wite is an outstanding paint stripper. You could probably just soak a part in the stuff and eventually all the old paint would come off without dissolving the part (Yeah, I've done that too with other solvents...). But combine Bleche-Wite with a decent ultrasonic cleaner and you have a winning combination. I picked mine up on Amazon for about \$90 and it's a 3-quart model that has a heater and all the touch control surfaces are sealed on a vertical face to keep solvents from getting into the electronics of the unit. So, if paint fails are fairly commonplace around your shop, give this combination a try. It's safer than most other solvents, easy to clean up, easy to use, and with little or no gloppy mess to clean up. Best of all, this approach gets you the closest to starting back at square one with a fouled-up project. Do overs are always good!

Captions:

Strip 2: '57 Nomad Glue Bomb prior to stripping.

Strip 3: Ford Focus WRC prior to stripping.

Strip 4: Focus coming out of the Ultrasonic Cleaner.

Strip 6: My 3-quart Ultrasonic Cleaner. I got mine through Amazon and am very happy with it.

Strip 7: Stripped Nomad. Chrome wheels in this kit were molded in red from an earlier run of the kit, but both chrome and clear primer is gone.

Strip 8: Ford Focus WRC stripped and ready for a second try...

Strip 9: Bleche-Wite in the bottle as it's found on the shelves in most auto parts stores.



Focke-Wulf FW-190A/F/D Stencils

Reviewed by: Floyd S. Werner, Jr.

If you are like me, you enjoy building the Eduard Overtree kits then you know you need to source some decals for the stencils and markings. Maybe you even have an older Trimaster, Dragon or Tamiya FW-190 kit, but you'd like to have perfect decals. Well Barracuacals has your answer.



Packaged in a small ziplock bag, the decals are designed by Chris Busbridge. So with a pension for perfection, Barracuacals are very thin and beautifully printed by Cartograf. They have good color saturation and are in perfect register. The finesse of the printing is perfection, even the smaller lettering is beautifully rendered and perfectly readable. The white is in perfect registration under the red warning panels.



Focke-Wulf FW-190A/F/D Stencils Reviewed by: Floyd S. Werner, Jr.

There is a small instruction sheet that shows you where everything goes. It uses the same numbering system that Eduard uses in their instructions so that is helpful if you are using this set on an Overtree kit. These decals are finer than the Eduard ones and very complete.



The decals react perfectly with Microscale Microsol and Microset, as well as, Solvaset. Once placed on the model the carrier film virtually disappears. They performed flawlessly and conformed to the model and the panel lines. The only one that needed to be finessed into place are the wing walk lines.



Focke-Wulf FW-190A/F/D Stencils
Reviewed by: Floyd S. Werner, Jr.

These are a perfect way to decorate your Focke-Wulf FW-190. I'll be using them again on my future Eduard builds. They are perfect and look great on the finished model.

Highly recommended

Thanks to Barracudacals for the review copy. You can obtain your copy directly from their website at <http://www.barracudacals.com/>.



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December: "White Elephant"

Note there will be no competition due to the White Elephant but displays are welcome



EDITORS CORNER

BY LYN GORTON

Yavapai County Sheriffs office has invited all modelers to put together a replica of one or more of their service vehicles.

Completed models should be delivered to the Sheriffs office at 255 E. Gurley Street, Prescott, AZ from July 6th to August 1st 2022. Entry is free and the flyer below shows the office vehicles.

Also contact info is on the flyer. If you require more information please contact Jennifer.gray@yavapaiaz.gov


Inmate Transport Vehicles



2014 Chevrolet Cargo Van



2017 MCI D4000 Inmate Bus



1977 Cessna T210M - Extrajurisdiction Plane

Special Service Vehicles




Animal Control Vehicle - 2019 Chevrolet K1500 XCAB 4x4



DUI Enforcement Bus Truck - 2013 Kohatsu Commish/Const

Yavapai County Sheriff's Office Employee Fund

And



Independent Modelers Association (IMA)

2022 YCSO Service Vehicles Model Competition

The Challenge
YCSO invites all scale modelers and miniature hobbyists to put together a replica of one or more of our service vehicles for display in the Sheriff's History of YCSO Gallery.

Important Dates
Completed models and miniatures should be delivered to the Sheriff's Office at 255 E. Gurley Street, Prescott, AZ from July 6 - August 1, 2022.


Contact
Send an email to Jennifer Gray to be added to the email group for updates about this event.
jennifer.gray@yavapaiaz.gov

Modern Patrol Vehicle



2012-2020 Chevrolet Tahoe 4x4 SSV

Service Vehicles of the Past



1926 Studebaker Big Six Sport Phaeton



1986 Dodge Diplomat Police Car

The Judges

YCSO Employees and Volunteers will be able to view the displays and submit their votes for their favorite replicas.

Best of Class - Stand Alone: Ages 15 and Up
Best of Class - Stand Alone: Ages 14 and under
Best of Class - Diorama: Ages 15 and Up
Best of Class - Diorama: Ages 14 and under

Entry Fee
FREE

Prizes
Winners will be announced at the 2022 High Country Model & Miniature Expo. Check out their website for more information.
www.highcountryexpo.com

Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 entries in each category. Prizes will include "I Support YCSO" Gift Bags and Gift Cards to hobby shops.

Winners may also continue to display their work in the Sheriff's History of YCSO Gallery.

(Prize Categories and number of prizes subject to change based on the number of entries.)

Tactical Vehicle




2013 Lenco Bearcat G3

Search and Rescue Vehicles



2005 Robinson R44

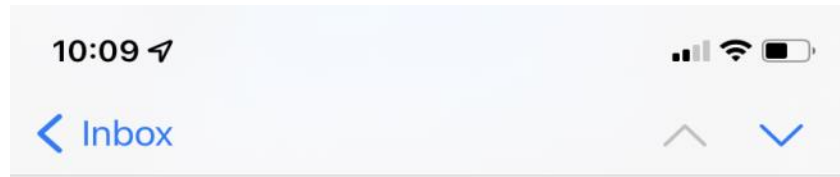


"Search 1" Rescue Vehicle



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BY LYN GORTON



Fwd: Spruefest 2022 Delayed

-----Original Message-----

From: Brookhurst Hobbies <info@brookhursthobbies.com>

To:

Sent: Mon, Jan 3, 2022 5:23 pm

Subject: Spruefest 2022 Delayed

Hello Everyone,

With the current uncertainty due to the fluctuating Covid Protocols (Mask Mandates, Capacity Limits, etc.) and hosting an event indoors, we have made the difficult decision to postpone SprueFest to later in the year. After discussing in great length with the contest directors and vendors, we have arrived at this decision, a decision we do not make lightly. As you may know running a large event takes months of planning and as we have seen in the past month alone, these wide-ranging changes are beyond our control.

We plan on still hosting SprueFest this year and are looking at a spring timeframe but are waiting to see how things are going before confirming a date.

Thank you,

Juan Briseno

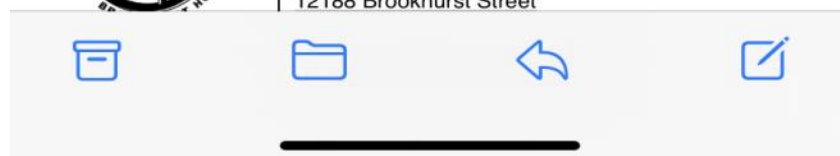


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WW2 Carrier Training on Lake Michigan

By Ed Kucharski

A few Corsair issues back, I penned an article describing the recovery and Pensacola restoration of a Grumman F6F Hellcat that splashed into Lake Michigan while on carrier quals on the converted paddle wheeler, USS Sable. Recently I found a You Tube story on ops of both the USS Sable and USS Wolverine on Lake Michigan. In it was a statistical breakdown of all the USN aircraft that did not make it safely onto either ship and went to the bottom of the lake. Ready?

- 41 Grumman TBF/TBM
- 37 Grumman F4F
- 38 Douglas SBD
- 17 North American SNJ
- 4 Grumman F6F
- 2 Vought SB2U

Of those 139, 25 have been recovered, with several made flyable, but most will only be static display birds. Unfortunately, recovery of the remainder may be untenable as a species of foreign muscles has been introduced into the lake and they seem to have a taste for aircraft aluminum.

Membership

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- . Modelzona**
- . Monthly Raffle Prizes**
- . Monthly contest awards**
- . Annual club Christmas party**
- . And more**

Remember that you have to be a member **in good standing to enter and win competitions, get a copy of the monthly newsletter sent directly to your email, and vote for anything that the club brings to the table.**

So Make sure to see Treasurer, “Bill Dunkle”, at the club meeting to sign up for membership

2022 CLUB MEETING CALENDAR

All meetings held at American Legion Post #1, 364 N. 7th Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85003

JANUARY 2022Tuesday 4th, 7pm
Seminar/Speaker:**JULY 2022**Tuesday 5th, 7pm
Seminar/Speaker:**FEBRUARY 2022**Tuesday 1st 7pm
Seminar/Speaker: Valuing Models
from Collections/Dick Christ**AUGUST 2022**Tuesday 2nd, 7pm
Event : **Club Swapmeet****MARCH 2022**Tuesday 1st, 7pm
Seminar/Speaker: Making Scale Rope/
Jeff Alderman**SEPTEMBER 2022**Tuesday 6th, 7pm
Seminar/Speaker:**APRIL 2022**Tuesday 5th 7pm
Seminar/Speaker:**OCTOBER 2022**Tuesday 4th, 7pm
Seminar/Speaker:**MAY 2022**Tuesday 2nd, 7pm
Seminar/Speaker:**NOVEMBER 2022**Tuesday 1st 7pm
Seminar/Speaker:**JUNE 2022**Tuesday 7th 7pm
Seminar/Speaker:**DECEMBER 2022**Tuesday 6th, 7pm
Event: **White Elephant**



February Raffle

Tickets are \$1 or six for \$5.

- Item A: Revell 1/535 USS Missouri – The “Mighty Mo”
- Item B: Horizon Models 1/72 Mercury – Atlas
- Item C: Academy 1/72 F-104G Starfighter
- Item D: Hobby Craft 1/48 Dornier Do-17M/P
- Item E: Trumpeter 1/48 Sukhoi Su-27UB Flanker C
- Item F: Monogram 1/35 M48A2 Patton Tank
- Item G: Monogram 1/24 Garbage Truck (Surf Buggy)
- Item H Special \$5/ticket: Tamiya 1/32 F4U-1 Corsair ‘Birdcage’ with lots of aftermarket stuff

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 23rd—Desert Scale Classic
November 5th—Modelzona

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2022 Chapter Officers

The club meets at 7pm on the first Tuesday of each month at the American Legion Post #1 in Phoenix. Check the club website at www.ipms-phoenix.com for more meeting info.

American Legion Post #1

364 N. 7th Ave.
Phoenix, AZ 85003

The post is located South of I-10 just a few blocks North of Van Buren. Look for the huge American flag.

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DESERT SCALE CLASSIC **LIVE**

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Model Car **18** Championship & Swap Meet

Saturday, April 23, 2022
8am to 5pm



THE CHAMPIONSHIP

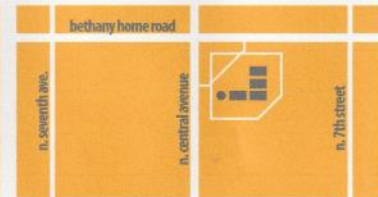
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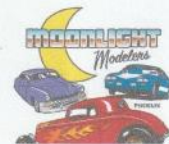
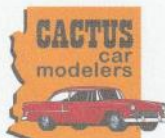
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Here's the new product information for the military, structure/infrastructure, and automobile paints for January, 2022.

Military

1376: FS-15050: Blue Angels Blue
1377: FS-13655: Blue Angels Yellow
1269: ANA-620- Light Gull Gray
1385: German- Hellgrau 77 (Light Gray)
1386: IJN- Light Gray, N10
1387: IJA/N- Medium Red, N20
1504: WWI Artillery- Yellow-Brown
1505: WWI Artillery- Dark Grey
1506: WWI Artillery- Natural Wood
1507: WWI Artillery- Khaki Green

3D Printed & Cast Resin

9289: CSX- Yn3 Scheme, Blue
9290: CSX- Yn3 Scheme, Yellow

Railroad

396: Metallic Burnt Iron

Brushables

888: Flat/Brushable Rich Oxide Brown

Aerosols

4038: Matte Aged Brick Red
4039: Zinc Chromate

We are always open to new ideas for paints. If there are colors that you need but aren't made, shoot us an email at tru.colorpaint1@yahoo.com. If we can find enough information on the color, we could put it in the next year's product schedule.



Useful Links

Bjorn Jacobsen—Aircraft Dioramas	www.dioramas-and-models.com
Plasmo—good visual instructions on “You Tube”	just search for plasmo
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Video tour of USAF Museum in Ohio	https://aerodynamicmedia.com/usaf-museum-storage-video/
New digital magazine	www.phoenixscalepublications.co.uk

If you have a good reference site let me have a brief description and a web address and we will keep this list as a reference.

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Membership also gives you access to the online Discussion Forum, where you can exchange ideas and information with other members of IPMS.



CONTENT NEEDED!!!!

The Corsair needs your help! To keep this newsletter filled with all the great content, I need your help with content. Here are some useful items that I can use to put together future issues each month:

- Kit reviews/In-box reviews
- Website links
- Modeling related articles
- Commentary and featured columns
- Neat, strange or otherwise shareable pictures
- Book reviews
- Trip and vacation write-ups

Anything you have can be used. Don't hesitate. Even a few paragraphs are great.



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