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Welcome to the latest issue of our newsletter. We try REALLY hard to publish this each month, but sometimes stuff happens, or you know, CRS flair ups occur. Of course, what's published in this newsletter is probably out of date, known by everyone already, or completely off-topic. Maybe everyone will like the pretty colors, but then your ink cartridge will probably run out after only printing a couple pages. This paragraph is what's known as "filler text", which we needed since we added the snazzy table of contents and this area was kind of empty.

Additionally, we have returned the "Classified Ad" section to the newsletter. This section will give you a space to advertise items you want to barter, swap, sale or trade. Or even a request for research material. Check it out. Contact the seller directly. Note personal email addresses are not listed on the public site. Contact the seller directly via his/her email addresses.

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**Regular Meeting Minutes, 11 January, 2017**

Our last meeting was held on Wednesday, January 17, 2017 from 6-8 pm at the HobbyTown store in the Publix Shipping Center (North Pointe Shopping Center), Two Notch Road, Columbia (NE). We had 27 members and guests in attendance, including 3 new members: Henry Horlbeck (junior); Matthew Goodman (adult); and Bliss Furnace (member Tom McCoy's grandson). Welcome aboard, Henry, Matthew, and Bliss! For the Raffle, we had a DML 1/35 scale M1A1 with Mine Plow "Desert

*Storm*", #3516, which was won by Mike Roof, who then gave it to new Junior Member Henry Horbeck.

1. T-34/85 Mod. 1944 (DML + scratch built Engine Louvers, Fuel Tank Straps, Master Club Tracks, Aber PE & Barrel), 1/35 – Tom Wingate **[T-34 Group Build]**
2. T-34/76 Factory No. 122 (AFV Club + Detail Master Wiring, Master Club Tracks), 1/35 – Phil Cavender **[T-34 Group Build]**
3. T-34/76 Factory No. 112 (DML + Kit Maker/Tank Workshop resin Turret, Bits Krieg Boxes & Fuel Tanks, scratch built applique armor), 1/35 – Tim Darrah **[T-34 Group Build]**
4. IDF APC Nagmachon (Hobby Boss + AFV Club Hushpuppy Track for Centurions), 1/35 – Rebecca Hettmansperger
5. German Super Tank Maus (DML + Fruel metal tracks, Eduard PE, Aber metal Barrels), 1/35 – Trevor Edwards
6. M1A1 Abrams MBT (Revell EasyKit), 1/35 – Bliss Furnace (Tom McCoy's grandson)
7. T26E4 Pershing Heavy Tank (Trumpeter), 1/72 – Bob Kerfonta
8. Pz.Kpfw. II Ausf. J (VK16.01) (Flyhawk), 1/72 – Bob Kerfonta
9. T-34/76 Pressed Turret (DML + Tamiya Turret, Master Club Tracks), 1/35 – Dave Varettoni **[T-34 Group Build]**
10. T-34/85 No. 183 Factory "Berlin 1945" (Academy), 1/35 – Daniel Karnes **[T-34 Group Build]**
11. M1078 LMTV (Armored Cab)(Trumpeter + Voyager Armor Upgrade, ET Model Weighted Road Wheels, Minor Workable Leaf Springs), 1/35 – Daniel Karnes
12. T-55A Afghan National Army, 2004 (Tamiya + Eduard PE, Empire City Decals), 1/35 – Ben Brandes
13. OT-34 (DML), 1/35 – Ben Brandes **[T-34 Group Build]**
14. M-42 Duster (Tamiya + AFV Club parts, Eduard PE), 1/35 – Ben Brandes

RAFFLE: DML 1/35 scale M1A1 with Mine Plow "Desert Storm", #3516, won by Mike Roof, who then gave it to new Junior Member Henry Horbeck.

Photo Album on our webpage:  
[TBP]

#### **Business items:**

**1)** Treasurer's Report: Current bank balance is approximately \$3311.04 with a pending reimbursement of \$250 (individual NACM donations). Once reimbursed, our bank balance will be \$3561.04. This does not count cash-on-hand with the treasurer, approximately \$200. Pending expense of \$1K for the 2017 contest venue. Ralph passed on \$761 in checks and cash for deposit. This included NACM reimbursements, net from meeting raffles and club dues paid for 2017.

**Note:** We still have two outstanding NACM reimbursements. Please see Ralph if you're one of these two members.

**2)** We have formally invited the IPMS / USA Swamp Foxes chapter to cohost our 2017 show, 9-10 June. Mike Roof made a verbal invite at their 15 December meeting which was followed up with a formal letter proposing the details we would like to arrange. During their January regular meeting, the IPMS / USA Swamp Foxes declined our invitation citing IPMS / USA rules prohibiting contests

on the same date within a 250-mile radius of each other. There is an IPMS show schedule on the same Saturday to be held IVO Macon, GA which is only about 215 miles away.

3) Our rental application has been submitted to the Armory Manager for using the drill hall as our 2017 contest venue. Our application has been approved. Next step is to complete the actual venue rental agreement and pay. Tentative expense is \$1K (pending).

4) Our Saturday Club Build Day is scheduled for 21 January, 1030 am – u/c at Mike Roof’s house. We will have lunch, light snacks and soft drinks available. (See February agenda for notes on the actual Build Day.)

5) Contest Theme – Discuss and select one. Several themes were proposed and discussed. After voting, the theme selected was “50 Years Later: The Arab-Israeli Six-Day War.” Mike Roof will draft up the eligibility rules.

6) Our website conversion to v7 Web Builder has been completed. However, there are still some bugs to be worked out in regards to how the new software operates and how we can use it to manage our website. Jeff is working these issues, but anyone in the club with experience building and managing websites is invited to lend a hand.

7) Our 2017 Contest Vendor Coordinator, Timmy, has already sold some tables. We should have our initial promo materials (contest flyers and contest poster) ready for the Atlanta AMPS Show next month.

8) Members were reminded that annual membership dues are due starting January. Dues remain \$12 for adults. Dues are pro-rated at \$1 per month for the remainder of the calendar year for new members, no dues owed for their first meeting. Junior members, under 18 years old, pay no dues. If you don’t pay your dues, you won’t be listed on the membership rolls that are used by the hobby shop to confirm your club member discount eligibility. Also, only members in good standing are kept on the “regular member” email contacts list, so you won’t get regular emails about club business or other news.

9) Floor was opened for New Business:

a. We had three new members join the club this month: Henry Horlbeck, a junior; Matthew Goodman, an adult member; and Bliss, another new junior and member Tom McCoy’s grandson.

b. Our membership roll now stands at 36 active adult and (independent) junior members. However, we do have two adult members on the rolls who have not participated in any meeting or club event in the last year. These members will be dropped from the rolls if they do not participate in at least one meeting or club event in the next six months.

**Regular Show & Tell:** See the meeting photos for all of the completed and works in progress brought to this month’s meeting!

## Tentative Agenda, Regular Meeting, 8 February, 2017

Our next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 8, 2017, 6-8 pm, at the HobbyTown store in the Publix Shopping Center (North Pointe Shopping Center), on Two Notch Road, Columbia (NE).

**Tentative Agenda Business items:**

**1) Treasurer's Report:** Current bank balance is \$4,072.04. We still have two outstanding reimbursements of \$25 each for the club's NACM donation. We have a pending \$1K (est.) payment for the 2017 show venue. These figures do not count cash-on-hand with the treasurer, approximately \$200.

**Reminder:** Club dues of \$12 per member for 2017 are now due. Please see the treasurer, Ralph Nardone, if you need to pay your dues.

**Note:** We still have two outstanding NACM reimbursements. Please see Ralph if you're one of these two members

**2)** Our meeting location, the HobbyTown / USA store, is under new ownership as of February 1<sup>st</sup>. If you get a chance, please welcome the new owner and tell him "thanks" for continuing to allow us to meet here. If you get a chance, please visit the owner's other hobby shop in Cheraw, SC.

**3)** We have extended an invitation to the "Military Timeline Impressions" (MTI) club to display their militaria collections and present living history impressions at our June show. I have received a tentative acceptance of this invitation. Hopefully by the time of our meeting, I will have more information.

**4)** Our Saturday Club Build Day was held on 21 January at Mike Roof's house. We had a smaller than usual crowd, only around 9, counting Mike and Sheila.

**5)** 2017 Contest Vendor Coordinator, Tim Darrah, update / report. Tim has begun to send out formal vendor invitations.

**6)** 2017 Contest Raffle Coordinator, Phil Cavender, update / report. Phil volunteered to be the contest raffle coordinator. He is in the process of sending out hard copy raffle donor solicitation letters. All club members should also consider making a donation to our raffle. However, please remember that nice items are more attractive to potential raffle ticket buys than... ahem... old moldy, crushed boxes that have been sitting in your stash for the last couple of decades.

**7)** If you would like to donate an item (or two) to the raffle, you may bring it with you to any meeting to pass on to either Phil or Mike Roof.

**8)** Jeff has completed our contest poster and flyer. Both of these have been sent out to other AMPS chapters in the AMPS South Region, and hard copies of both will go to Atlanta. If you have ideas about where we can put these promo materials, please offer to help out.

**9)** If you are attending the Atlanta AMPS show (or any other modeling show or contest), please consider yourself an ambassador / promotor for our own show. Take contest flyers and vendor invitation letters with you. Chat up the vendors, leave a vendor letter with them, and put out some show flyers.

**10)** Awards and category sponsorship solicitation letters have been sent out to all the AMPS South Region Chapter contacts.

**11)** If you are a member of a non-AMPS modeling club, please consider soliciting that club and its members to sponsor a category or a special award.

**12)** Remember that promotion really does effect attendance and attendance is what makes the difference between having a show that makes money versus a show that does not. It's your club, and it's your show: Spread the word!

13) Discuss and vote on obligating funds to purchase an advertisement in the State Newspaper for our June show. I have requested a schedule of advertising fees from The State. Hopefully we will have this information on hand at our February meeting.

14) Floor will be open for new business.

**Regular Show & Tell:** to follow the business portion of the meeting. Finished models, works in progress and cool new stuff – Bring it all with you to share!

*Mike Roof*

REMINDER: **The HobbyTown USA store will close at 7:00 pm (1900).** This means that all purchases at the store must be made before then so that the cash registers can be closed.

6:15 pm (1810): Admin business and Show & Tell.

6:50 pm (1850): Break: Shopping & Social Mixer. Cash registers close at 8:00 pm.

7:10 pm (1910): Reconvene: Continue Show & Tell: Builds and WIPs

8:00 pm (2000): Meeting ends (officially)

*Regular meetings are held on 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesdays of each month at 6:00 pm (1800) at the HobbyTown USA store, 10120 Two Notch Road, Suite 5, Columbia, SC 29223, (803) 736-0959.*

## Up-coming Events

**AMPS Atlanta 2017**, Atlanta Armor, Figure, and Modeling Contest and Exhibition, February 17-19, 2017. Atlanta Marriott Century Center, 2000 Century Blvd., Atlanta, GA 30345, 404-325-0000. **2017 Show Theme: “Big Guns”**. <http://www.ampsatlanta.org/amps-atlanta-annual-show.html>



AMPS ATLANTA 2017  
**BIG GUNS**  
FEBRUARY 17 - 19 2017

Join us for our 9th annual AMPS Atlanta model contest and show! Our show provides a great opportunity to tune up your models in time for the AMPS Nationals. There are loads of vendor tables, not to mention great Southern hospitality and weather. All models are judged using the AMPS open system.

Not just a model show, there will be great figures on display as well as educational seminars.

Eligibility for the “Big Guns” show theme is defined by models of tracked gun tanks with a main armament of 88mm and larger

Atlanta Marriott Century Center  
2000 Century Blvd.  
Atlanta, GA 30345  
404.325.0000

www.ampsatlanta.org  
www.facebook.com/group/ampsatlanta/

**AMPS 2017 International Convention**, Crown Plaza Hotel, 18 Old Ridgebury Road, Danbury, CT 06810, Phone: (203) 794-0600, April 20 to 22, 2017. See the AMPS Homepage for info at: <http://www.amps-armor.org/ampssite/default.aspx>



**The 2017 IPMS Region 12 Regional Model Convention & Contest** hosted by the Gaston County Model Builders. Theme: "1967 Vietnam, Summer of Love & Pony Cars". Saturday April 29, 2017 from 9AM to 5PM at the Gaston County Citizen Resource Center, 1303 Dallas Cherryville Hwy, Dallas NC 28034. More information and show flyer can be seen at this web address: <https://sites.google.com/site/gastoncountymodelbuilders/>

**The 2017 IPMS Region 12 Regional Model Convention & Contest**

 **Gaston County Model Builders** present

**1967:**  
***Vietnam, Summer of Love & Pony Cars***

Bonus Theme:  
**"A long time ago, in a galaxy far, far away..."**  
(40 years of Star Wars)

**Saturday, April 29, 2017**  
**9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

Gaston County Citizen Resource Center  
1303 Dallas Cherryville Hwy  
Dallas, NC 28034

73 Contest Categories - 13 Special Awards - Vendors and Raffle  
Vendor setup on Friday, 28 April 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
and Saturday, 29 April 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Contest Registration: \$10 first three models, \$1 for each additional entry  
General Admission: \$2 - Juniors 16 and under free

Directions: Interstate I-85 to exit 17 (Gastonia, NC), take Hwy 321 North to Dallas-Cherryville Hwy, Rte 279 (under overpass to off ramp), go west on Dallas-Cherryville for about one half mile, building located on left

For more information visit Gaston County Model Builders on Facebook or contact Roger Woods (sky4raider@gmail.com or 704-824-2654)  
On line contest rules, categories and registration forms are at <https://sites.google.com/site/gastoncountymodelbuilders/>

 Sponsored by 4H Clubs of Gaston County

Separate awards for Best Vietnam War subject, Best Summer of Love subject\* & Best 1964-1967 Pony Car\*\*, plus Best Star Wars subject. \*Summer of Love subject - any peace loving machine, figure or diorama from the era; examples are transport plane, hospital ship, VW microbus, hippie, etc.; \*\*1964-1967 Pony Cars include Ford Mustang, Chevrolet Camaro, Chevrolet Corvair, Pontiac Firebird, Plymouth Barracuda, Rambler Marlin and AMC Javelin

**AMPS Central SC “Wildcats” Model Show and Exhibition:** June 10, 2017, South Carolina (SC) NG Armory & SC Military Museum, 1225 Bluff Road, Columbia, SC 29201. The theme for this show is 50 Years Later: 1967 Arab-Israeli “Six-Day War”.  
<http://www.ampscentralsouthcarolina.org/>

**AMPS CENTRAL SC “WILDCATS”**  
**50 Years Later:**  
**1967 Arab-Israeli “Six-Day War”**

**MODEL SHOW & EXHIBITION**

**9am – 6pm Saturday**  
**June 10, 2017**

**SC NG Armory & SC Military Museum**  
**1225 Bluff Road**  
**Columbia, SC 29201**  
**I-77, Exit #5**  
[www.ampscentralsouthcarolina.org](http://www.ampscentralsouthcarolina.org)

**Theme Award Eligibility:** AMPS qualifying model subjects from any of the four main combatants – United Arab Republics (UAR aka Egypt), Syria, Jordan or Israel as employed in the theater of operations bounded by those same four countries including their national land areas during the period of 5-10 June, 1967. Subjects must be depicted in the appropriate markings and / or color schemes and with the appropriate time-period technical features to be eligible. Model subjects from other nationalities that were actually present within the above defined area are only eligible if they appropriately depict vehicles or equipment as they would have actually appeared when supplied to one of the four main combatants during the war. Model subjects from other nationalities that were not actually present within this area are not eligible for the theme award even if they are otherwise historically or technically correct for the time period. Any questions about eligibility will be decided by the Chief Judge whose decision will be final.

**AMPS Central SC “Wildcats”**

**Model Show and Exhibition, June 9-10, 2017**  
**SC National Guard Armory and SC Military Museum**  
**1125 Bluff Road, Columbia, SC 29201**

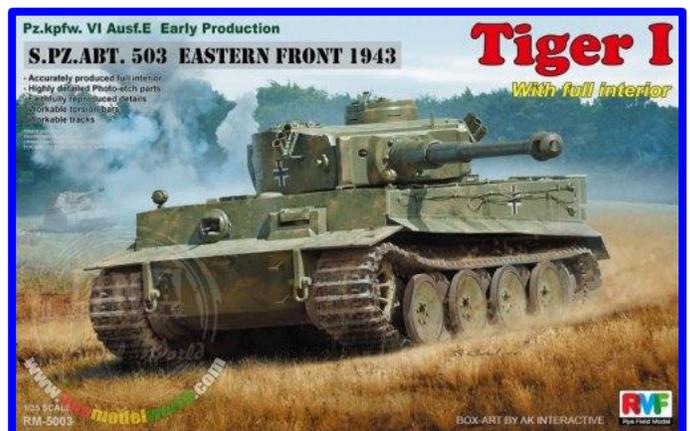
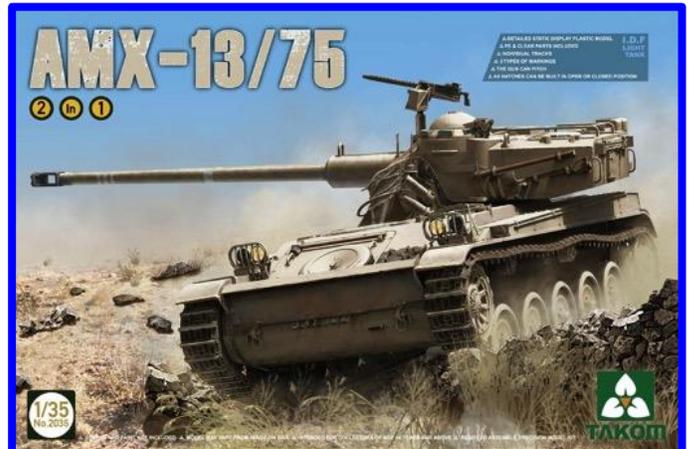
**Show Theme: 50 Years Later: 1967 Arab-Israeli “Six-Day War”**

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**Adjudication of Eligibility:** The Chief Judge will have the final say on the eligibility of any model entered in the show, to include eligibility for the Show Theme Award. It is the modeler's responsibility to provide any proof of eligibility (photos, textual descriptions, etc.) if requested by the Chief Judge or his designated representatives. **However, the Chief Judge's rulings will be final in all cases.**

## 2017 New Releases

- **IDF Magach 3 Main Battle Tank** – Dragon, Middle East War Series, 1/35<sup>th</sup> scale, kit #3567
- **AMX-13 13/75 IDF Light Tank (2 in 1)** – Takom, 1/35<sup>th</sup> scale, kit #2036
- **Pz.kpfw.VI Tiger I Ausf.E Early Production S.PZ.ABT.503 in Eastern Front 1943** – Rye Field Model 1/35<sup>th</sup> scale, kit #RM-5003



- Kfz. 305 Ambulance, Italeri, 1/72<sup>nd</sup> scale, kit #7055



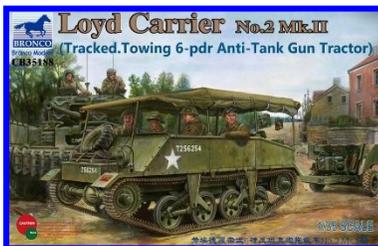
## Members Build Blogs

Build Blogs give an in-depth review of the construction process and allow the builders to share their knowledge. We are fortunate to have some of the members in our club with build blogs on modeling web sites.

Mike Roof has 2 on Track-Link.com:



MiniArt T-44 Soviet Medium Tank, Kit # 35193  
[http://www.track-link.com/forums/site\\_blogs/27686](http://www.track-link.com/forums/site_blogs/27686)



Bronco Loyd Carrier No. 2, Mk II (Tracked Tractor), # CB35188,  
 towing a Riich British Ordnance QF Mk. IV A-T Gun 6 Pdr, # 35042  
[http://www.track-link.com/forums/site\\_blogs/22053](http://www.track-link.com/forums/site_blogs/22053)

Jeff Nelson has 1 on Armorama.com:



Fine Molds Japan Ground Self-Defense Force Type 60 APC, FM40  
[http://www.armorama.com/modules.php?op=modload&name=SquadBox&file=index&req=viewtopic&topic\\_id=213731&page=1#2056793](http://www.armorama.com/modules.php?op=modload&name=SquadBox&file=index&req=viewtopic&topic_id=213731&page=1#2056793)

Additionally, Jeff did an In-Box-Review of this kit.  
<http://armorama.com/modules.php?op=modload&name=Reviews&file=index&req=showcontent&id=9272>

Keith Frape also has 2 on Armorama.com:



Chieftain Mk. 7 ARR (Tamiya + Accurate Armour Conversion)  
[http://www.armorama.com/modules.php?op=modload&name=SquawkBox&file=index&req=viewtopic&topic\\_id=241027](http://www.armorama.com/modules.php?op=modload&name=SquawkBox&file=index&req=viewtopic&topic_id=241027)



Up Armored Scimitar LEP with Bar Armor (AFV Club + Castoff Models Conversion)  
[http://armorama.com/modules.php?op=modload&name=SquawkBox&file=index&req=viewtopic&topic\\_id=212968](http://armorama.com/modules.php?op=modload&name=SquawkBox&file=index&req=viewtopic&topic_id=212968)

## New Technique – Link To Link Individual Tracks

With the advent of metal tracks, we as modelers sometime take the easy way out and purchase the metal tracks when kit links would be just as good. Why do we do this? Is it because we don't understand the construction of individual link tracks or is it we just take the easy way out thinking we can save time associated with the links? Or do we think track sag cannot be obtained with kit tracks?

The cost associated with metal tracks sometimes equals or exceeds the cost of the kit.

The following is a presentation by Mike Roof on using the kit styrene individual link tracks.

*“I'd suggest just doing a couple of short, straight runs from the bottom track section up to the idler wheel and drive sprocket and allow those to dry hard, too. To get the length of each of these short sections, place the model on the long bottom section and use a ruler to measure up from the bottom dead center of the first and last road wheels to the tangents on the idler and driver. Mark these lengths on your fixture. You'll then be able to then make two more short sections that can be molded around the idler wheel and drive sprocket after letting the glue set for about 15 minutes. Once those are done, you'll have known points to start and stop the top track run, giving you its minimum length. Mark that on your fixture, too. This top can also be glued together, but then molded across the return rollers to get the track sag you want. Again, just allow the top run glue to set a few minutes before you form it on the model. Keep in mind with the top run that it will shrink just a little in length as the glue dries, so when you figure out its length, allow maybe an extra track link to compensate, or you might find that that your top run will dry too short (or that your track sag will disappear).*

*I assume that the instructions state the number of track links for each section of the track, but keep in mind that the track will shrink as it dries. Building it in sections and allowing them to dry hard before you start each successive section will help you to figure out how much (if any) extra track to add in the very last section you assemble (the top run?).*

*I use the same Testor's liquid cement, but the plastic also effects the drying time. If you can work fast enough, you can use a faster setting glue, but you don't want a glue that sets so fast that by the time you get done gluing up the track run, the end you started is way stiffer than the end you just finished. Also, you don't want to inadvertently glue the track to the idler, driver or return rollers, so you need to let the track dry out a bit before you form it over those. As long as you can mold and form the track, though, you should be good to go. If the instructions don't give the number of links for each section of the track, start (like you did) with the bottom run. Set the model on the track assembly fixture and mark the bottom dead centers for the first and last road wheels. That give you the length of the bottom track run. After that, you measure off that bottom run to start the short sections up to the idler and driver. Use the tangent points on those wheels as the start points for the sections that will curve around them. Their ends will be at about the top dead center of the idler and driver wheels. These points then establish the MINIMUM length of the final, top run of the track. Any desired tack sag needs a little extra length added to that measurement. (You can mark the ends of these curved wheel track sections on the wheels and use a pair of dividers or calipers to measure the distance between them if the fenders / upper hull is in the way.) Allowing each of the previous sections to dry helps with compensating for the shrinkage that comes when the glue dries (each glue joint between each pair of track links will shrink just a tiny bit, but the cumulative shrinkage can be as much as the pitch of a full track link)."*

Mike Roof  
AMPS #1632

## Interesting Articles – T-34 Group Build

### **AMPS Central South Carolina “The Wildcats” T-34 Group Build**

We decided at our August club meeting that we would have a group club display of the T-34 Group Build Models at the **Atlanta Armor, Figure, and Modeling Contest and Exhibition** to be held 17-19 February, 2017 at the Atlanta Marriott Century Center. Several members of our club are participating in this endeavor. So as a note: let's get the builds done so we can make a great showing in February. So far we have the follow modelers participating:

1. T-34/85 No. 183 Factory “Berlin 1945” (Academy), 1/35 – Daniel Karnes
2. T-34/85 Mod. 1944 (DML + scratch built Engine Louvers, Fuel Tank Straps, Master Club Tracks, Aber PE & Barrel), 1/35 – Tom Wingate
3. T-34/85 (DML #6810 + Eduard PE), 1/35 – Carl Wethington
4. T-34/76 Factory No. 122 (AFV Club + Detail Master Wiring, Master Club Tracks), 1/35 – Phil Cavender
5. OT-34 (DML), 1/35 – Ben & Noah Brandes [father/son build one each]
6. T-34/76 Factory No. 112 (DML + Kit Maker/Tank Workshop resin Turret, Bits Krieg Boxes & Fuel Tanks, scratch built applique armor), 1/35 – Tim Darrah
7. T-34/76 (Darius Miniatures “Wedgie”), 1/35 – Steve Reid
8. T-34/85 (DML + Aubis Creations Resin Turret, Self-cast resin details, bent wire, RB Model barrel), 1/35 – Steve Reid
9. T-34/76 M42 (Italeri Fast-Build), 1/72 – Tom McCoy

10. T-34/85 (DML + Masterbox Tracks), 1/35 – Trevor Edwards
11. T-34/76 Russian Tank, 1942 Production (Tamiya), 1/35 – Mike Roof
12. T-34/76 Pressed Turret (DML + Tamiya Turret, Master Club Tracks), 1/35 – Dave Varettoni

Steve Reid has graciously volunteered to be the main point person for questions concerning you build. He has spent several years dedicated to building Soviet Armor and is a wealth of knowledge. In addition, he not only casts resin parts, but he has an extensive library. **Contact Steve directly.**

## Interesting Article – “Six Day War”

Since our June 2017 show’s theme is “The Six Day War”, I thought it pertinent to include a short article on the “Six Day War” and to summarize the military equipment used by both sides.

Israel consistently expressed a desire to negotiate with its neighbors. In an address to the UN General Assembly on October 10, 1960, Foreign Minister Golda Meir challenged Arab leaders to meet with Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion to negotiate a peace settlement. Nasser answered on October 15, saying that Israel was trying to deceive world opinion, and reiterating that his country would never recognize the Jewish State.<sup>(1)</sup>

<sup>(1)</sup>*Encyclopedia Americana Annual 1961*, (NY: Americana Corporation, 1961), p. 387.

The Arabs were equally adamant in their refusal to negotiate a separate settlement for the refugees. As Nasser told the United Arab Republic National Assembly March 26, 1964:

*“Israel and the imperialism around us, which confront us, are two separate things. There have been attempts to separate them, in order to break up the problems and present them in an imaginary light as if the problem of Israel is the problem of the refugees, by the solution of which the problem of Palestine will also be solved and no residue of the problem will remain. The danger of Israel lies in the very existence of Israel as it is in the present and in what she represents”.*<sup>(2)</sup>

<sup>(2)</sup>*Yehoshafat Harkabi, Arab Attitudes To Israel*, (Jerusalem: Keter Publishing House, 1972), p. 27.

Sounds a little familiar, doesn’t it?

When Mariah Carey’s road crew was asked to perform at the 2017 New Year’s Celebration in Time Square one member posed this question. “When is New Year’s”? Dah! So, in keeping with that stupidity how long did the Six Day War last? Six days obviously from June 5<sup>th</sup> through June 10<sup>th</sup>, 1967 fought between Israel and the neighboring states of Egypt (known at the time as the United Arab Republic), Jordan, and Syria.

There is much information on the background and the history of the Six Day War, so in this short article I will limit the article to the military equipment used including AFVs, APCs/IPVs and artillery.

<b>Equipment Type</b>	<b>Israel (IDF)</b>	<b>Arab Armies</b>
AFVs	M50 and M51 Sherman, M48A3 Patton, Centurion (w/ upgraded British 105mm), AMX-13, Magach 3	Egypt, Syria and Iraq used T-34/85, T-54, T-55, PT-76, and SU-100/152, World War II-vintage Self-Propelled Guns. Jordan used M-47, M-48, and M-48A1 Patton tanks. Panzer IV (used by Syria) <sup>[55][56]</sup>
APCs, IFVs	M2 / M3 Half-track, Panhard AML	BTR-40, BTR-152, BTR-50, BTR-60 APCs
Artillery	M50 Self-Propelled Howitzer, Makmat 160 mm Self-Propelled Mortar, Obusier de 155 mm Modèle 50, AMX 105 mm Self-Propelled Howitzer	M1937 Howitzer, BM-21, D-30 (2A18) Howitzer, M1954 Field Gun, M-52 105 mm Self-Propelled Howitzer (used by Jordan)

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Six-Day\\_War](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Six-Day_War)

Mike Roof  
AMPS #1632

**Interesting Articles – Club Build Day**

The club sponsored another Club Build Day at Mike’s house on January 21<sup>st</sup>. Although attendance was not up to our usual level, all those who attended had a great time, especially since Sheila and Mike provided pizza for lunch. Here are some pictures from the event. Club members that attended were: Steve Reid, Matthew Goodman, Bryan Moeller, Kevin Cook, Tony Abbott, Mike Roof, and Sheila Roof (who kept us all in line), Rebecca Hettmansperger and Jeff Nelson.



Mmmmmmm, Pizza!



Caught you, Rebecca!



Mike making weld seams on his T-34 for the Group Build

## Interesting Articles – Review K4weathering Product Review

On page 15 in the January / February 2017 issue of “*Boresight*” is an interesting review article on K4 Weathering Products (<http://www.k4weathering.cl/>) from Chile written by our own Tim Darrah.

The products are distributed in the US by Tiger Productions Diorama Products available at [www.tigerdio.com](http://www.tigerdio.com).



Check out the “*Boresight*” January / February 2017 issue.



<http://amps-armor.org/SiteMain/Boresight.aspx#Boresight>

**National AMPS Members please note, their website has recently changed:**  
<http://amps-armor.org/SiteMain/Main.aspx>

## The USA Historical AFV Register

Mike Roof has provided us with a great link he found that may be of interest to all.

"For those who are interested in preserved AFVs or photographing them for research, here's a link to the latest issue of the AFV Register Organization's "The USA Historical AFV Register."

The register is broken down by state and city, with the AFVs listed along with their exact locations (to include GPS lat/long coordinates). This is a good list to keep saved on your computer.

If you travel around you can plan accordingly (look up your travel destination or itinerary stops to see what interesting AFVs might be there), and if you need reference material on a particular vehicle, you can often contact one of your "virtual" friends online who lives near an exhibit to take some pictures for you".

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*Armored Fighting Vehicles Preserved  
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March 2016

**Michel van Loon  
Neil Baumgardner**

For the AFV Association



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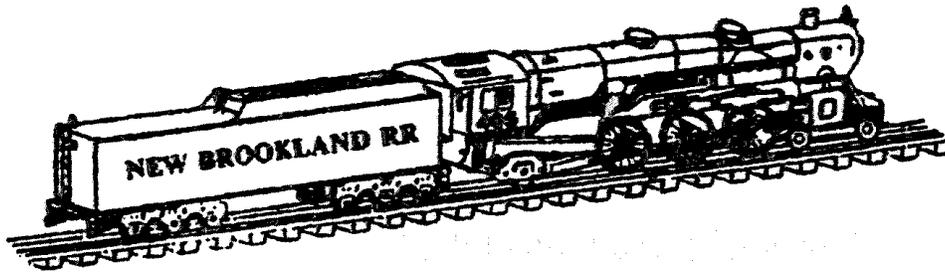
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## Classified Ads

All submissions for entry into the Classified Ads section should be submitted to the editor two (2) weeks prior to the monthly AMPS meeting. Next submission deadline will be February 22, 2017.

**For Sale:** Eliere Tolan wants to sell a DML1/35 King Tiger, Henschel turret with zimmerit (kit 6208). He also has two photo etch sets (Eduard and Voyager) and two aluminum gun barrels as well. The kit has been opened, but not the bags. This is an early version kit and does not have the molded on zimmerit that later versions of this kit does, but the kit does have Atak zimmerit, which can be applied separately if so desired. \$60.00. Buyer pays postage. See Wildcats Build Site on Facebook for pictures. **Contact Eliere Tolan.**

**For Sale:** John Sherrer has a large number of DML/Dragon figure kits that he would like to begin divesting himself of in the coming months. They are too numerous to list. Contact John directly for specific kits he has in his stash. **Contact John Sherrer.**

## For Sale:

- 1) 1:35 Trumpeter German s.F.H. 18 Field Howitzer ~ \$28.
- 2) 1:35 Tamiya German 4x2 3 ton cargo truck (Opel Blitz). Extra German fuel/oil drums and Jerry cans included. ~ \$25
- 3) 1/72 Italeri B-17 Fortress Mk. I (re-box of the Academy B-17 C/D with 7 marking options; 3 U.K., 4 U.S.). I assembled the main landing gear and removed the main wings from the sprues, but other than that the kit is like new. ~ \$25

Contact Ben Brandes.

**Wanted:** I am looking for the Eduard (35 233) 1/35 photoetch M110A2 SPH update set for the Italeri M110/M1102, and M107 kits. As with the Hobby Fan resin Kit, I kept waiting to buy one until it also was gone! -- Are you picking up a recurring theme here? **Contact Carl Wethington.**

**Wanted:** I am looking for the Hobby Fan (HF001) 1/35 resin M110A2 SPH update set for the Italeri M110/M1102, and M107 kits. As you can tell from the item number it was the first resin detailing kit make by Hobby Fan. It was an excellent set that replaced much of the traditional Italeri soft detail, and included an outstanding loader / rammer section. I kept waiting to buy one -- until, well, it was gone! If you come across one, I would be glad to "rent" the set to make resin masters for my M110 and M107 kits. Thanks for any leads you can offer!  
**Contact Carl Wethington.**

## "The Day Room"

*In the US military, most company-level units have a "day room" in the barracks where the troops hang-out, relax, and BS. When you want to learn the latest in "rumor control," you swing by the day room and chat-up the Joes and Janes hanging out there. They might not always get it right, but they're always willing to tell ya just what they think! So, welcome to "the Day Room..."*

Well, folks, this is the 11<sup>th</sup> issue I've had the pleasure to be the editor. Don't forget about the upcoming events to show our support.

Also don't forget to send me your favorite techniques you've learned through the years. We all would benefit. I'll include them in our next newsletter.

Finally, if you aren't a member of AMPS, now is the time to join. **Join AMPS Now!**

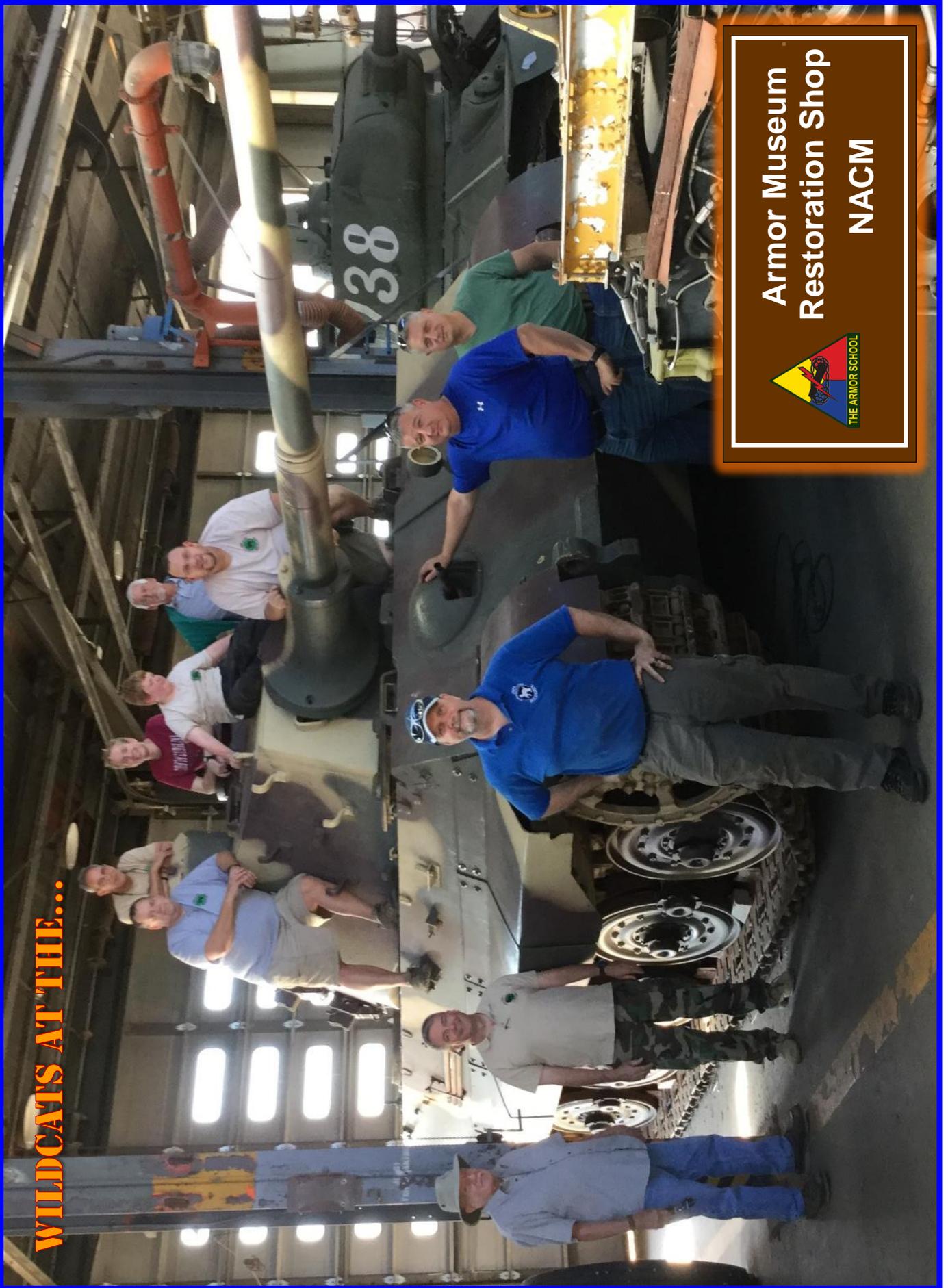
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Happy modeling,

*Phil Cavender*

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