

Tactical Notes

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So many kits... So little time...



Hetzer Smackdown & Spring Show Reports

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Editor's Notes

MMCL Members,
Our "Friday Night Fights" and "Hetzer SmackDown" was a big hit! I was not able to make it, but the pictures and YouTube video shows it was packed and our largest turn out for a Friday Night Fight yet. I heard it was in the neighborhood of 50 people. I will post some of the pictures and winners of the "Hetzer SmackDown" in this issue of Tactical Notes. Did you make it to any of the Region 4 Spring shows? I made it to the Dayton and Indy shows and will also post some pictures and reports of them.

Take care and happy modeling.
Jason

The cover image is the winner of our "Hetzer Smackdown". It is the Hetzer done by Dave Philley

Don't Forget to join us on our Saturday Morning Workshops. The Workshop is open most Saturdays from 6 AM to Noon.



Membership Renewal: Please renew as soon as you can. You can renew online (PayPal), in person at the Saturday Workshop or at a Monthly Meeting, or at Scale Reproductions (Please, NO debit or credit cards).

President's Page

Hello MMCL Members,

Friday Night Fights (FNF) and the **Hetzer Tank Destroyer Smackdown was a huge success!** We had 40+ modelers enjoying a night of friendship and modeling. There were 10 entries for the Hetzer Smackdown, with four individuals placing 1st, 2nd (tie) and third. Our next smackdown will be determined at the May meeting. Please be thinking of themes for the next smackdown. Saturday mornings have been well attended with plenty of good conversation and joking. If you haven't been to a Saturday Workshop or it's been a while since you attended one, you should try to make one. I have learned several techniques over the years and it's a chance to see what everyone is building.

So, come out to a Saturday Morning Workshop and enjoy a morning of modeling with your friends!

Our next meeting will be May 16, 2024. We will have a full agenda with some business items, Show-N-Tell, and our monthly raffle. Bring a kit or two and receive a free raffle ticket for each item you donate. An agenda will be sent out before the meeting. I will be asking club members about their interest in ordering more MMCL hats and t-shirts. In particular, a t-shirt design that Tom Romanowski initiated in 2004. An MMCL shirt that states "So many kits... So little time." It was a big success then, and I think it's time to have more of these shirts produced. We have several members that were not around to get these MMCL shirts. I definitely need to order a few for myself. By the way, this original Tom Romanowski (and maybe other MMCL members at the workshop) phrase will be on the Business Cards that I will be presenting at the May meeting.

REMINDER:

- We will have Saturday Morning Workshop on Derby Day.
- We still have several members who have not renewed their membership. So, please Renew your club membership for 2024.

As always, relieve your stress level and build a model!
Rich

Hetzer Tank Destroyer Smackdown 2024

We had 10 Entries and the winners where

1st Place Dave Philley



2nd Place was a tie between Chilton Zuber and Evan Ellsworth



3rd Place was won by Rodney Walston



Thanks everyone for all the great entries.





Congratulations to Myles Marcovitch on winning an MMCL Modelers Achievement Award for service to the club and presenting at our annual show and your modeling expertise.

Spring Show Reports

WrightCon 2024



I had the opportunity to attend two shows this spring. One was in March at WrightCon 2024 put on by the Wright Field Scale Modelers on March 23-24 at the University of Dayton. There were 425 entries, and the largest category was aircraft.

The highlight of the show for me was meeting Rock Roszak from Detail & Scale Publications. They are in my opinion some of the best aircraft modeling references out there.



The winner of the best in show was a 1/350 USS Hancock from April 1945. It was superb.

Some of the other entries at WrightCon 2024



**Indy Invitational Model Contest & Swap Meet 2024
"The Roscoe Turner Show"**



The Roscoe Turner Show was a great show again this year. This show is always well attended by MMCL members, and this year was the same. It was great to see you guys up there. The vendor room was the best one I have ever seen at a region 4 show. It had everything, not just kits and books. A big thank you to Stu Cox for helping me fine an Academy 1/35 M7 Priest.

Final Tally of Shows Entries

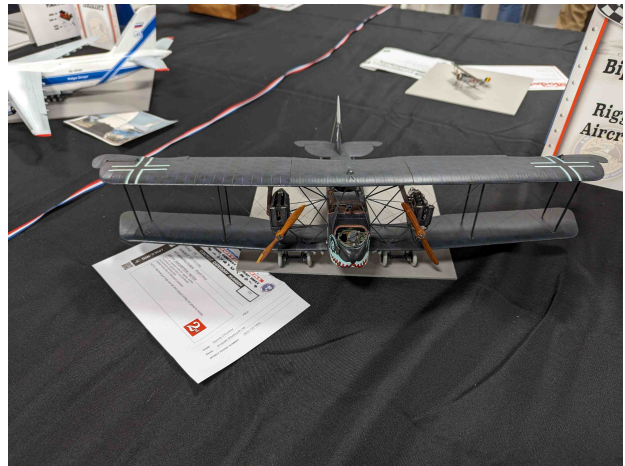
- I. Aircraft 130
- II. Military Vehicles 90
- III. Figures 46
- IV. Automotive 193
- V. Ships 13
- VI. Space Scifi Fantasy 35
- VII. Dioramas 33
- VIII. Juniors 19
- IX. Misc 10
- Total 569 entries

Best of Winners

- Aircraft: TBM3 Avenger by Mark Spalding
- Military Vehicles: Sdkfz7 37 mm flak by Bruce MacRae
- Figures: Finnish Volunteers Nordland by Bruce MacRae
- Automotive: 1971 Ford Ranger TestaRossa engine by Greg Mayton
- Ships: Operation Drum Beat by Bruce MacRae
- Space Scifi Fantasy: AT-ST by Bruce MacRae
- Dioramas: Moo! by Bruce MacRae

BEST OF SHOW: Moo! By BRUCE MACRAE

Some of Entries at The Roscoe Turner Show



A very busy Vendor room at the Roscoe Turner Show.

Upcoming Nearby IPMS Shows

Smoky Mtn Model-Con

May 25th, 2024 9 AM to 3:30 PM

Knoxville Catholic High School

9245 Fox Lonas Rd. NW

Knoxville, TN 37923



Huntsville Plastic Modelers Society 47th Model Contest

August 24th, 2024 8 AM to 5 PM CDT

Huntsville Jaycees Community Building

2180 Airport Road

Huntsville, AL 35801

**Military Modeling Club
Of Louisville
MMCL**

March

2024

PNC Bank

Starting Cash Balance:

\$8,788.88

Cash Receipts		Date	Check Receipts		Date
Workshop/Raffle/Membership Renewal					
	\$671.00		Item	\$0.00	
			Item	\$0.00	
			Item	\$0.00	
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			Item	\$0.00	
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			Item	\$0.00	
Total Cash Receipts	\$671.00		Total Reimbursements	\$0.00	

TOTAL RECEIPTS

\$671.00

Cash Or Debit Expenses:		Date	Cash Or Debit Expenses:		Date
Kyana March		3/10/24	225.00	Item	
				Item	0.00
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Total Cash Expenses:			(\$225.00)		

Reimbursable Expenses:		Date	Reimbursable Expenses:		Date
Item			0.00	Item	0.00

Total Reimbursements:

0.00

TOTAL EXPENSES

(\$225.00)

**NET Monthly
Increase(Decrease):**

ENDING CASH BALANCE:

March

2024

\$9,234.88

\$446.00