

# MOSQUITOGRAM

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## THE IRON WORKS



Fellow members, as we go to press I would like to keep this as brief as possible. I will just go over a few things and starting January its "Balls to the Wall" as we enter our shows phase. We will be busy and I mean we will all be busy for our shows. I expect above average turnout of members for both our shows. I give of myself and expect every member to do the same as club members. As I have said before the club is all of ours. Not mine, Marty's etc. We all have to chip in and help because this is a busy year for us. We will also grow in name when our Region 2 show is over as well. Nuff on that

Next up I was asked to address this and I will do it the only way I know how - "Full frontal assault". I also wish no member be embarrassed by this as well. It is not intended toward any one person, and we as the e-board had a meeting on this and have all agreed on this! The Fire Arms that have been being brought to the club will be no more. Several persons have voiced opinions and we as the e-board have decided this in the best interest of the club. It does not fit into the modeling genre and if you guys wish to do this it's more than OK, just not on meeting night. I thank all for their cooperation. I also shall keep the confidence of the members so don't ask me who. I will not tell you. Nuff on that. It is now a dead issue as far as the e-board is concerned.

Next it is nice to see young members. Keep it up Mike and Rob. It was also great of Stan to bring a prospective member! We need new blood and must open our doors to new members to keep the club fresh and have new ideas!

Next thing is the Annual Xmas Party! I will ask the members that raised there hands please come. I have ordered food for 50 and it will have some real different things from your normal lasagna. There will be Italian, but quite different. I also must ask each

member to bring nothing else. Just yourselves and spouses and kids if you wish. I have this covered from entrees to Pastries, Beer and soda! Mixed drinks are extra as is bottled beer at the K of C Bar. I hope all will enjoy what we have in store. The e-board, even though they don't know it yet, will be serving it up to you guys. I already have permission of the K of C to use their kitchen facilities before it goes on the Sterno Racks. Thanks to Mike the Mgr. of the K of C

I think that is basically it for this month. Starting in January, I would like to see work in progress on the Pegasus project. Devin Poore is going to do the photography (Thanks Devin) and the finished product will be shot and hopefully used by Pegasus hobbies and will be shown at Hyperscale, Britmodeller, Finescale, SAMI and travel with us to be displayed at some of the IPMS shows. More to come on this. That's it in the nutshell for this month, Hope yall had a great turkey day and we will see you 7PM on the 12th of December. Good modeling,

***BJG Bill Schwarz, President***

*This is the EZ snap in Warpaint! All the Markings are painted on. NO DECALS.*



# NOVEMBER CONTEST RESULTS

First order of business is to apologize to Mike O'Connor for not mentioning in last month's newsletter that he was the recipient of the "One of a Kind" award in the Land & Sea category for his beautiful USS Wichita. Congratulations Mike, well done.

November was the annual Russian Night sponsored by Simon V. and the table was not short on great entries. Since there wasn't any Russian armor...as soon as I build all the German armor I am gonna start on the Russian stuff ;o)... A tie was declared between Mike Terre for his Cah/Kamov A-7 bis 1/72 (I hope I read that right on his ticket) and myself for a winter whitewashed Hawker Hurricane. Thank you Simon for sponsoring Russian Night and providing the awards.



The monthly contest had its share of entrants as well. In the Air category, Ernest had a 1/72 Kamov 52 that was fully workable. It was hard to resist not giving the rotors a nice flick of the finger to get 'em going. Tom Stead had his 1/72 Frog Ju 88A-4 in desert camo. Mike O'Connor brought a 1/48 Hasegawa F-16C in a striking color scheme. The list of things Mike Terre did to his 1/72 scale Cah/Kamov A-7 bis would take me a week to type. Bill Connolly built his OV-1D Mohawk with lots of resin upgrade and Isradecals

Bill took 1<sup>st</sup> place with his Mohawk. 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places was the Battle of the Mikes, the lead changing hands nearly with every vote. Mike O'Connor slipped into 2<sup>nd</sup> over Mike Terre by a 1 point margin.

## AIR CATEGORY

1 <sup>st</sup>	Bill Connolly	1/72 OV-1D Mohawk	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mike O'Connor	1/48 Alaskan F-16C	Hasegawa
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mike Terre	1/72 Kamov A-7bis	

On the Land & Sea table, John Bucholz once again demonstrates his scratch building skill with his tiny Corellian Corvette from Star Wars” Tom Stead had a Braille scale Kubelwagen and I rounded thing out with a Sd.Kfz. 251 /17 Flak 38 with scratch built ammo box on the trailer.

### LAND AND SEA CATEGORY

1 <sup>st</sup>	Marc Rocca	1 /35 Sdkfz 251 /17 Flak 38	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	John Bucholz	1 /350 Corellian Corvette	Scratchbuilt

### JUNIOR CATEGORY

1 <sup>st</sup>	Christopher “C” Siebelts	1 /72 ARC-170 Clone Fighter	Revell
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The past 2 months there has been some confusion as far as voting for the different entries. Some had to do with models being entered in the theme night only and still getting the monthly vote. There was also a category issue for November in that John Bucholz’s Corellian Corvette got a few Air votes instead of Land & Sea.

If you have something to bring to enter, bring it no matter what is going on that night. Models that fill the theme criteria will also be considered in the voting, by the membership, for the monthly contest. And vice versa, if it is British Night let’s say and you have a Zero... bring it. It won’t be considered for the theme judging. If you had a model on the table in past months for the monthly vote, if it qualifies for theme night later on, bring it in. We will mark it “THEME ONLY”. Mike O’Connor did it with his USS Wichita for “One of a Kind’ night and I did it with my Hurricane for “Russian Night”. You can do it too.

As far as Air or L&S is concerned, I am guessing the Corvette got votes in Air since it may have been viewed as an aircraft. It is in fact a ship... a space ship. A guy floating in space is not an aircraft so a model of that would be a “figure”. We can try o keep it as simple as there is an “Air” table and an “L&S” table.

Several 1<sup>st</sup> only ballots were cast and with the tight race like last month your vote really counts. Please cast you votes for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places as well as 1<sup>st</sup>.

The New Year brings a clean contest slate. If you would like to sponsor a theme night, the more advance notice you give the membership the better your chance of getting a good turn out. Even if you have more or less done a particular theme on a regular basis, please drop me an email stating what theme you would like to sponsor and a month of preference. My email address is [wingnut@wingnutmodels.com](mailto:wingnut@wingnutmodels.com).

**Theme Nights**

December 2008: Model of the Year

March 2009: Pegasus Models Group Build Night

<b>Model of the Year</b>				
	<b>Air</b>		<b>Land/Sea</b>	
<b>Month</b>	<b>Model</b>	<b>Modeler</b>	<b>Model</b>	<b>Modeler</b>
January	Curtiss H-16	Mike Terre	USS Gatling	Martin Quinn
February	P-47	Marc Rocca	IJN Musashi	Simon Vichnevetsky
March	Harrier	Ernest Connor	Superman Pro-Stock	Dave Schwartz
April	CH-46	Mike O'Connor	IJN Nagato	Tom Vandermark
May	B-66B	Bill Connolly	USS Wichita	Mike O'Connor
June	PBJ-10	Bill Connolly	RAF Rescue Launch	Mike Terre
July	Boulton Paul Sidestrand	Mike Terre	Tiger II	Marc Rocca
August	No Contest			
September	Siskin IIIA	Mike Terre	RM Andrea Doria	Martin Quinn
October	Saab Draken	Dan Spera	No Entries	
November	OV-1D Mohawk	Bill Connolly	Sdkfz 251/17 Flak 38	Marc Rocca

**IPMS/USA NEW MEMBER APPLICATION**

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# Pavlo's Pieces

By Mike Pavlo, VP

## Kits in the Stocking

It seems hard to believe, but the Holidays are upon us. As you read this, Thanksgiving has passed and Christmas is just a short time away. The other religious holidays also fall during this time of year, making this a special time for all. Some of my most memorable presents were model/hobby related. I recall the Christmas of 1966, being fully caught up in Batman "Batmania", so naturally I asked for the Corgi Batmobile. That engineering marvel and masterpiece of cool was all I really wanted that year. Luckily, I received it, and still have it. To this day, just the sight of that wonderful car brings back the incredible feeling I had the day I got it. For Christmas 1975, I asked one of my older sisters for the brand-new Monogram 1/48 B-17G kit. I was in high school, not earning much money, and the \$12.00 asking price seemed monumental at the time. When I saw that big box under the tree, I knew that she had come through for me and that modeling joy was in my immediate future. I built that kit over the winter break and it remains as one of my most memorable builds. I also recall, in the early 90's, my wife looking high and low to find the then-new Hasegawa SBD Dauntless. She knew how much I wanted that kit, and without me knowing, she made great efforts to track one down. When I think of that, it still warms my heart. If I have these (and more) Christmas model memories, I'm sure you do too. Be sure to find me at the meeting and tell me about yours!

On behalf of myself and my family, I'd like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and joyous Holiday Season.

Best Wishes,

***Mike Pavlo***

**p.s.** As we prepare for MosquitoCon, it's not too early to start thinking about trophy sponsorships. We would like to rely less on our members for this and more upon outside sources. If you feel that there is potential to approach colleagues, work associates, businesses associates, local businesses or corporations for a trophy package sponsorship, please do so. Packages are \$35.00 for non-members—Please see Tom Dehaan if you can help. Thanks.

# Irish Diplomacy

By Martin J Quinn

*Irish Diplomacy: The ability to tell a man to go to hell so that he looks forward to making the trip.*



**M**odel building is a process. From purchase to completion, there are steps along the way, each one requiring a decision. Is this the kit I want? Is this the scale I want to build in? What decals, markings or paint scheme do I want depict my subject in? What type of research do I need to do? How extensive will that research have to be? Do I fix that “known” (or discovered) error or build it as is? And so on...

As you go along the process, what steps do you enjoy most? Is it the research? The assembly or painting of the model? Or perhaps making the modification need to depict the mark, variant of era you want to model? Maybe it's adding the markings or decals, or putting on that final finish coat?

I've come to really enjoy the research part of a build – and I do consider research as part of the build process. Delving into the history of the subject – markings, colors and camouflage, operational history – bring it to life. Sometimes I'll find colors or camouflage that I find particularly striking and decided to build that version. Sometimes I'll want to build a particular ship **just** based on the camouflage. Of course, that adds a degree of difficulty to the build, which is sometimes why they take so long to complete!

Here are a few examples of camouflage patterns that have caught my eye. Hopefully they'll someday grace the corresponding models of the real thing that I have in my stash. They are, in order, USS Indiana in Ms15, USS Alabama in Ms12 Mod and USS Arkansas in Ms31a/7b.



Of course, **wanting** to build and actually finding the time to build are two different things, but that's the master plan.

Whatever get's your modeling "jones" going, I hope you have a very happy and joyous holiday season and find some of the goodies you desire under the holiday vegetation of your choice. In other words, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

***Martin J Quinn***

# Veterans Day 2008

Michael J Dobrzelecki

Hi Everybody,

My brother Ron made the papers today (11/12/09) – marching in the Veterans Day Parade in the Big Apple – he’s on the far right of the front row under the yellow leafed autumn tree. Ron joined the USAF in 1970 served in Thailand and other areas of SEA (South East Asia) during the Vietnam War, served in various capacities in the USAF Reserves during the Cold War and the latest War against Islamic Fascism over a 38 year period. 38 years – not too shabby. His regular 9 to 5 job? – Making explosives at the Picatinny Arsenal in Dover NJ for use in the defense of America and the free world in the same protracted struggles – definitely, not too shabby.

***Michael J. Dobrzelecki***

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# INTREPID BUSH'S

## City gives big salute to heroes

By DAVID SEIFMAN  
and TIM PERONE

Flag-waving New Yorkers lined barricades on every one of the 30 blocks of the city's Veterans Day Parade yesterday, as one of the largest crowds in recent years came to say a personal thank you to those who serve their country.

"This is the biggest crowd I've ever seen for the last seven years for this parade," said Mayor Bloomberg, who has marched every year he's been in office.

"I don't know whether it's greater appreciation, more patriotism, maybe some combination of that," said Bloomberg, who placed a wreath at the Eternal Light Monument in Madison Square Park.

Some along the route held



# Quick Modeling Tip

By Big Bill Schwarz

**M**embers. I have to share this with you. I have been doing it for a very long time with great results. Have you ever handled your model only to wear the paint off the sharp edges? I have a quick fix for it and it's not only easy, It works great too! Take a cap full of Future and a good cotten swab. Not the dollar store shit or you will find out why I said not the dollar store shit! Dip the swab in the future and wipe off the drips on a paper towel or rag. Use whats left to go around the sharp edges of your model. Leading, trailing edges, Fenders etc. Only a light coat on DRY paint. What this does is forms a clear barrier in between your paint and fingers and as it hardens you wont be able to easily wera the new paint off. Remember DRY paint!!!! Try it it works. I use it to keep the paint in my wings of my airplanes from rubbing off! Good Luck and

Happy modeling,

***BJG Bill Schwarz, President***

# The Veep's View

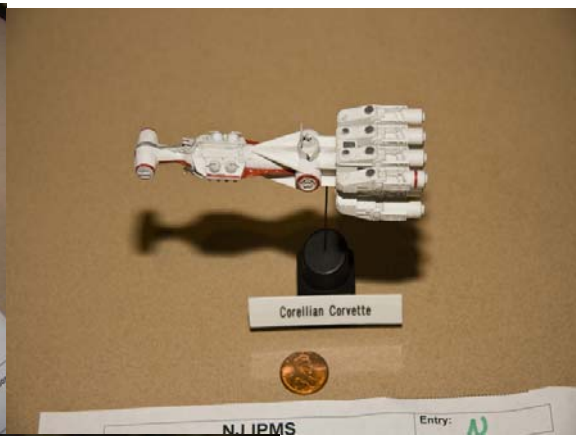
By Joseph F. Smith, VP

Gentlemen,

**H**ope everyone had a safe and happy Thanksgiving. Kudos to Prez Bill for starting a great club project, I am really enjoying my Me262 and can't wait to see all these finished! Kudos to Marc for his great workshop,i will be trying these steps in the future!

I can't wait to see the new menu at our Dec. meeting and will be looking forward to awards as well! In closing i would like to wish everyone Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and a safe and Happy New Year!

***Joseph F. Smith***



*This month's meeting will be on:*

***Friday  
December 12<sup>th</sup>***



*This month's contest:*

***Model of the Year***

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