

# MOSQUITOGRAM

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## THE IRON WORKS



Fellow Members, We only have a few things to discuss then it's "Showtime" I myself as well as many of you will be enjoying the upcoming shows but first and foremost on my list is MOSQUITOCON! We all need to be there as usual at 7am next Saturday! We need to get things going and going smoothly!!! I want as little grief as possible and I hope all but a few of us will get to enjoy the entire show. I look forward to seeing you all there. As many of you saw at the meeting, the new awards are outstanding to say the least. My friend Mike Reeves has outdone himself with these awards. I am hoping to set a new standard with these awards, Not that the old ones were bad, just that like everything in life, change sometimes is a good thing. These awards are a first of many new steps we as a club will be taking in the future!!!!

Next up is the group build, NJIPMS'ers fielded 16 out of the 25 models and the level of detail was really great. The models that weren't complete, I want back for the club, pay your money as we discussed at the beginning of the build or just complete them. These models will be used as a traveling display and will also be at the Nationals in OHIO! All of you deserve a cheer for yourselves. It was an exorcize by me to get people building and that's what happened. This is also a great thing. Many of the builders sent me emails to say how good it was to have something like this and can we do something again in the near future. My answer is yes yes yes. And if any of you have a good idea for the group, bring it on. As I said at the meeting the club is all of ours and we all have say in what go's on!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Last thing is the upcoming shows, I would ideally like all of the membership to go to all of the shows but I know that's not realistic but many of you should go if you can. Even though the shows look packed, we are a small number when it comes to the big picture. As such, I as well as all of you are needed to keep the hobby and the shows going on. The LISMS show is first, followed by MCON, and the day after MCON is the NJHMA. I am going this year to both shows and I hope to see alot of you there if even for a while to show our support of the NJHMA and LISMS. Years ago the NJHMA was the show of shows!!!!~ There was not a show like it! It inspired me to make better models and have also made a few long time friends in the process! Lets see if we can support them like many of them support us!!!! On that note, I would again like to thanks my long time friend and long time NJHMA member Andrei Korbanics for coming down and judging the group build. He meant what he said too about the club and the models. His words weigh in the modeling world because he in my eyes is one of those standards we strive for when we build models. He is also a true gentleman and a good friend to the club and myself and he has already accepted to be one of the head judges at Jerseycon. Thanks Andrei!!!

Join us on the web, at the [New Jersey IPMS web group](#)

That's all I think I have this month. after this we start marching the short road to Jerseycon which will be upon us before we can say it!!! We are almost done with the main things, and Tom VanDermark has just added to the matrix a Battleship New Jersey plan of attack!!! Region 2 will go off without a hitch! I know this because the guys I have working with me are doing things for this show all the time with not even a hint of stopping! So it's full speed ahead after the 3 shows are done. Again I ask, please support our sister clubs and the hobby in general. Also one last thing, Send Tom, Our newsletter editor articles, news etc. He is very willing to put a great newsletter together but needs the membership support to make the great job he is doing any better!

See Yall Showtime,

Big Bill

# THE JUDGES TABLE

## AIR CATEGORY

1 <sup>st</sup>	NO MONTHLY	CONTEST	
2 <sup>nd</sup>			
3 <sup>rd</sup>			

## LAND AND SEA CATEGORY

1 <sup>st</sup>			
2 <sup>nd</sup>			

## JUNIOR CATEGORY

1 <sup>st</sup>			
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The monthly contest took a back seat to the club Pegasus Group Build. If you did not make it to the meeting you missed an amazing display. I think there were 16 models that was less the \$150 worth of kits. How many have paid more than that with all the AM stuff? So you don't need to spend large to build great. Andre was invited by Bill to judge and had admittedly had a tough choice. His top 3 picks to received plaques where Stan Stankewics for a Hawker Hurricane, Vince D'Alessio for an Me-262 and Tom Reavly for a V2 rocket. 3 names were drawn to receive \$25 gift certs from SprueBrother.com. I got 1 and Vince and Tom got the double dip as the got the other 2. Excellent work all and thanks Big Bill for the prizes and setting the whole thing up. Dan Spera had his 262 on the, "I am almost done" table and it too was looking mighty fine.

The April meeting will be an open contest. Don't forget the Tom DeHaan is sponsoring "Destroyer Night" in May. So get your Gleaves Class boats, Bf 110 birds and Dicker Max AFVs finished. Reminders... bring something for the contest table even if it does not qualify for the theme night as we will have the regular monthly contest as well.

Marc Rocca

# The Contact's View

By Mike Pavlo, VP

By the time you read this, MosquitoCon will be history. I'm writing this about a week before the show, and the excitement is building. I can't wait!

Once all the fun of MosquitoCon has passed, we can focus our efforts on JerseyCon. As quickly as time passed leading up to MCon, the same thing will happen for JerseyCon. It will be fun and exciting as we prepare for our big Region 2 extravaganza. I'm looking forward to see the end result of our efforts. Big things are on the horizon for NJIPMS!

See everyone at the meeting.

Until the, best wishes,  
Mike P.

## **MAW Decals, Resin update set for non IFF FA/18 Hornets**

This is a simple resin add on set from "MAW DECALS" that adds several resin parts to make an updated FA/18 Hornet. This particular set is kit # 48-R011, which is the update sets for non-IFF hornets. Non-IFF means Identification Friend or foe. In the kit there are 2 aerials one go's on top and one on the bottom, as well as a GPS dome and a gear door with a faired antennae on it. The Gear door is only used on the "C" model Hornet, the rest of the set can be used to update any of the "A" Through "D" models. Of course you will have to check your reference but these are basically the ticket for this update as used by the Marine Corp. There are no instructions in the set but if you go to [MAW decals.com](http://MAWdecals.com), they will send you a few pics of what go's where. The resin parts are very high in quality and will look great on any kit you are building. Remember they are for the "A" through "D" versions. The "E" and "F" models are a whole other ballgame!!! These are highly recommended and very easy to work with. Creighton Henthorn from Maw doe's his homework, great castings, modeler friendly, and provides a great network of aftermarket parts for Marine Corp and Naval Aviation!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Big Bill Schwarz, IPMS30924

# 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.*



**H**ave you been attending the workshops that our “Minister of Workshops” Dan Spera has been working so hard to schedule for us? If not, you are certainly missing out. You are also in danger of having Dan coming to have a “chat” with you!

While “club business” has prevented me from attending each workshop, it’s amazing to see the ingenuity and craftsmanship of our fellow members on display in these sessions. You also don’t know when the opportunity will arise for you to put some of what you learned to practical use. Case in point, Marc “Workshop” Rocca’s tutorial last year on using “[Fun Tack](#)” (aka Blue Tack, etc) as a mask when applying camouflage on models.

The night before the last meeting, I had still not applied the 2<sup>nd</sup> camouflage color to my Pegasus Hurricane. I wanted to bring the model to the meeting the next night, and was so rusty with the airbrush that I didn’t want to try free-handing the pattern. Sitting at my workbench, I was wondering how I was going to mask this bird off, when – Eureka! – I remembered I had bought some “Fun Tack” after Marc’s workshop in 2008. Out came the “Fun Tack”, and 45 minutes (or so) later, the Hurricane was ready for a coat of Dark Green. After airbrushing the Hurricane thoroughly, I set it in a plastic tub to dry. The next morning, I removed the masking before heading off to work. While the hastily applied pattern wasn’t exact, there was no over spray at all. I was very happy with the results. I’ll definitely try using this again – maybe on a ship that calls out for one of those complex Ms12 modified “wave” patterns. Thank you Marc for sharing with the rest of us!

So, next time there is a workshop – try and attend. You don’t know what you might be missing!

Just a note – which I’m sure will be covered elsewhere, but here goes anyway: The April Meeting will be on its normal date, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month, which will be April 10<sup>th</sup>. The Knight’s had a party the following week, April 17<sup>th</sup>, so we were unable to move the meeting back a week, as we had discussed at the March meeting.

Hope to see everyone then,

**Martin J Quinn**

*This month's meeting will be on:*

***Friday***

April 10th, 2009



*This month's contest:*

***OPEN***

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