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This month's contest
is:

EMPIRE NIGHT

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This month's meeting
is on:

Friday September 8th



Please note:
All submissions to the
next newsletter **MUST**
be received by
9/29, or they **WILL NOT**
make it into the
October newsletter.

BOO BOO'S DEN

By Tom VanDerMark

Gentlemen... Well it is time for the September meeting so that means a couple things. Martin Quinn has graciously taken over the grilling duties and the fire department has been alerted in advance. Also Stan and his wife have been asked for their yearly contribution of potato salad. Ron D's wife has hopefully been asked to once again indulge our taste buds with the deserts that she graced us with at last years meeting. So if you want to bring anything to help liven up the festivities by all means bring it and most of all have a good time. If you also want to bring along the family they are more then welcome and it would be nice to see some familiar faces again.

Well that was the nice Tom now it is time to bring something else up. September is also election night. Now I have been saying that I would like to step down as President for quite some time now. I believe that Stan and myself have done a stand up job during our reign as your Vice President and President. Neither one of us has asked anyone to do anything that we ourselves haven't done in the past. I can go into our accomplishments but I wont, but now we would like to step back and take it easy for a while. I was quite shocked and quite annoyed that no one has decided to step up and volunteer to be nominated for these offices. Now I do have a contingency plan in case no one is nominated but I would rather not put these into effect. I am not going to ask specific people to step up, as I believe that this office should be done on a volunteer basis. To tell the truth I don't know why someone would not want to be taking my place. You get to meet a lot of good people, and it really isn't that hard. Don't get me wrong this office does take some of your time but it is time well worth it. So I will ask one more time if you are at all interested in running for President please come talk to Stan or myself.

September is also another one of our theme nights for our contest. September them is Empire Night sponsored by Martin Quinn.

I would also like to try to get people to do some workshops again. We have a lot of talented people in our midst and this has always been a good way to spread some of your talents to others in the club.

I also want to say that you only have two more meetings to take advantage of our offer to put you up for one night at the region contest in October down in Virginia. Come on guys, this is for you and all the hard work that we have done in the past so please take advantage of this offer. I have been to a couple of regional's and always had a good time so as I said please see Tom Dehan and he will set you up.

Well that's all for now see you all at the September meeting until then Happy Modeling

Tom

AUGUST 2006 CONTEST RESULTS

By Steve Zajac

Jerry Rinaldi's battle damaged Tiger I by Tamiya in 1/35th scale took the 1st in the Axis contest - Land / Sea, while Mike Terre's Etrich Taube by Pegasus in 72nd scale was the Axis Air category winner. *FYI: if you are traveling in Maine, there is a great reproduction of this one of a kind design (based on the zanonja tree seed pod) at the Owl's Head Museum. A total of 6 tasty Axis models were submitted.*



Mike's Etrich Taube, not surprisingly took a 1st in the Air category with its great rigging, detailed cockpit, and Aeroclub engine. 2nd place went to Dan Spera's Eduard Albatross DVa in 48th scale, Dan's first rigging attempt (?). Marc Rocca took a 3rd with his 48th scale Hasegawa Bf 109 E-3 with Airies cockpit and rear deck added. The other entries included Martin Quinn's Monogram TBD-1 in 48th scale with True Detail wheels and Aeromaster decals for VT-2 *USS Lexington* in May 1942, Art Doran's FW 190 by Tamiya in 48th scale built OOB, and Doug Fede's Bf 109 E-4/7 Trop also OOB.

AIR CATEGORY

1 st	Mike Terre	1/72 Erich Taube	Pegasus
2 nd	Dan Spera	1/48 Albatross DVa	Eduard
3 rd	Marc Rocca	1/48 Bf-190E-3	Hasegawa

Jerry's OOB Tiger I took the Land / Sea first place, and Bill Schwarz' Svezda K-19 "Widowmaker" in 350th scale took a 2nd place. *FYI: don't buy a submarine from this model company.*

LAND AND SEA CATEGORY

1 st	Jerry Rinaldi	1/35 Tiger 1	Tamiya
2 nd	Bill Schwarz	1/350 K-19	Zvezda

Upcoming Theme Nights

September - *Empire Night*, sponsored by Martin Quinn

November - *Russian Night*, sponsored by Simon V

If you would like to sponsor a theme night please see or email stevezaj@msn.com.

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FROM THE IRON WORKS
 By Bill Schwarz

Hi Fellow modelers! I am writing my column this month with not a thought in my brain! So lets see what comes to mind and how it comes out!

First off is the Presidency! Been there (LONG TIME) done that! It's one of those jobs you like or hate! I actually did both!!!! When Tom was looking for nominations I heard the same old story! No one wants the job!!!!!! Well maybe it's time someone new steps up to the plate and jumps right into the Presidency! Don't think you can't do it! If I can do it, any "F@&^%\$g" buddy can!!! Don't be afraid or timid! Just do it! Your club is calling on you to payback some of the benefits you have reaped over the years!!!! Just do it!!! Along with new blood comes fresh ideas too! Think about it and just do it!!!!

Next is remember how I said its supposed to be fun in the club? Well that's what it should be! Everyone has a different interpretation of what fun is, and that's good! Just have fun though! A classic of the member who has fun is Jim Merrigan! More people should look at his fun-style of model building! He is an outstanding member!!! I've learned a thing or two from his outlook on modeling! The O'Conner boys (Mike and Patrick) too! They keep the plastic model business real busy! And that's a good thing! They build lots more models then I ever will, but they really enjoy it "WIN OR LOSE". I'm glad to know these guys! I'm sure you all get my drift about this subject!

One Last thing I think before I end this letter is that you all should THANK the current and past E-boards for making the club a great thing! I'll see what I can write about for my next column starting tonight! With Brainfry from the meds i'm on, I'm surprised I can THINK at all! LOL LOL LOL 'Nuff said except step up and VOTE!!!!!!!!!!

Regards,

Bill Schwarz

Short Review

By Bill Schwarz

This is a quick review of what's in the new 48th scale EDUARD Fokker DV Flying Razor.

Beautiful plastic parts, on par with some of the BIG companies. A nice PE fret, Eduard masks for the national markings, and some of the nicest decals I have ever seen in a kit!!!! It also comes with easy to read full color instructions, and brief histories of the 4 aircraft covered by those great decals! Lozenge fabric is also included and is CUT TO SIZE!!!!

All in all it is a great TOTAL CONCEPT KIT! Best of all it only carries about a \$25.00 price tag! If you like WWI aircraft, get this kit!

P/S I'll bring it to the meeting for those of you who would like to see it.

Big Bill Schwarz

FROM THE CHAPTER CONTACT

By Mike Pavlo

Editor's Note: Mike forwarded me the following correspondence that he received:

Dear Mr. Pavlo,

As the point of contact for the NJ International Plastic Modelers Society, I was wondering if you, or some members of your group, would be interested in displaying some of your model aircraft and the various building skills required to construct them, to a contingent of 7th and 8th grade students who have been invited to what will hopefully be the first of many future Career Days at Teterboro Airport, scheduled this year for Thursday, October 12, 2006 from approximately 8:30 am to 2:30 pm.

The program would involve no cost to your organization, with the exception of your own transportation to/from the airport. You would have table space inside the AIG Hangar to display the various model aircraft that your members may decide to bring.

As a volunteer member of this committee, and having been involved with similar Career Days at Newark Liberty over the past fourteen years, we are always looking for additional displays that might somehow whet the appetite, so to speak, of youngsters to get involved in the field of aviation.

If you think you might be interested in participating, for further information please contact Ms. M.J. Vespoli, Customer and Public Services Coordinator (at EWR), at either mvespoli@panynj.gov or call her at (973)961-6334.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Thomas J. Flieger
Career Expo Committee

THE PROTOTYPE PAGE

By Tom "The Bee Master" Stead

The air war against the Reich was awesome. Thousand plane raids, and continuous day and night bombing on a scale unimaginable. The Reich's answer to these raids was literally two walls, one of fighters and one of flak. Among the latter were guns, rockets and missiles of all sizes and shapes. The Feurlillie (Fire Lily) was a winged guided missile, designed to be launched off a modified 88mm gun base. A number of these were built and tested, but the war's end brought a stop to this development.



Model: Feurlillie AA missile	Mfr: Extratech	Scale: 1/72 nd
Origin: Czech	Type: Resin, photo etch, simple instructions in a cardboard box	

Assembly:

- 1) Essentially this is a two part kit, the missile and the launcher. The missile consists of a fuselage, two wings and a pair of vertical wingtips, all in resin. The only thing to be careful of is the alignment, as there are no locator slots or pins. I drilled out the rear of the missile and put in a piece of tubing to simulate the rocket motor.
- 2) The launcher is next. This was the standard 88mm gun base with a long launch rail in place of the gun. The launcher is resin with a number of small PE pieces. These include elevation wheels, foot pads, adjustment screws, etc. If you don't want to work the resin, you should be able to substitute the plastic one put out by Minicraft/Hasegawa.
- 3) The launch rail is two long PE pieces that are folded the long way to form the front and rear halves of the rail. The only tricky parts here are the topmost folds (these are folded toward each other leaving an open channel in between) and the gluing together of these two halves to achieve a single (relatively) seamless rail. That being said, it really isn't out of line for a modeler who has mastered the basic skills and has a bit of patience. This rail is glued to the gun base after painting. I glued mine at an approx. 30° angle.
- 4) The missile is glued to the rail and you are done!

Painting and decaling:

The paint scheme I chose was as simple as could be. Panzer Gray for the launcher and rail, and Lichtblau for the missile! A light brushing of Burnt Metal along the rail and you're finished. Obviously, if you like, you can utilize a number of late war cammo schemes, but I liked the simplicity of this one. There are no decals supplied or needed.



Summary:

Once again, a simple, easy to build kit, suitable as an introduction to resin and photo etch. Construction should hold no problems for the average modeler, and the bending of the PE parts is really not all that difficult. The launcher would also be suitable for the Condor Models Enzian as well. Highly recommended.

THE PROTOTYPE PAGE BONUS ARTICLE!

By Tom "The Bee Master" Stead

Professor Kurt Tank of the Focke-Wulf Company was a design genius. Besides the FW-190 and others, he also had his initials attached to the TA-152, TA-154 and this jet project, the TA-183 Hucklebein. Designed as a high altitude fighter to go against the predicted swarms of B-29's that were to fly against the Reich, only a mockup was constructed before the end of the war. The Soviets grabbed the mockup and as much of the design work as was available and (this may be apocryphal) developed the MiG-15. In any case Dr. Tank moved to South America (didn't they all?) and continued work on aircraft until his death. F.Y.I. the name Hucklebein refers to a mischievous cartoon crow (A Nazi Heckle & Jekyll?)



Model: Focke-Wulf TA-183 Hucklebein	Mfr: PM Models	Scale: 1/72 nd
Origin: Czech	Type: Injection molded plastic, clear styrene canopy, decals and simple instructions in a cardboard box with mediocre box art.	

Assembly:

- 5) We start with the cockpit, but there's not much here. A floor, seat and stick are it! The floor has a couple of triangular bits that are supposed to simulate rudder pedals. I glued a set of PE pedals to these, added a seat harness and a decal instrument panel. I suppose the more ambitious would do something similar with an aftermarket resin cockpit tub from an FW-190. Add as much weight as possible to the front to avoid tail-sitting before gluing the fuselage halves together. Add the front piece and rear exhaust cone and do what little sanding is needed here.
- 6) The tail is next. This is a T-tail and should have the horizontal tail glued on first. Do a little filling and sanding where they join. Glue to the fuselage and fill the small seam.
- 7) The wings are added next. They slot in nicely to the fuselage and also just need the slightest smear of filler.
- 8) Painting is best accomplished now.
- 9) The landing gear wells and doors have absolutely no detail. Add what you wish and install the simple gear and doors.
- 10) Add decals, dull coat (or semi-gloss coat), and the canopy and you are done.

Painting and decaling:

Only one scheme is given, a splinter of Dark Green and Brown-Violet on the wings and upper fuselage with a mottle of the same on the tail and rear fuselage sides, along with a Light Blue underside. The decals are nice, except for the politically correct atrocities that I call swishstakas. Obviously since this never flew, you are at liberty to do an alternative paint scheme. I saw a decal pack for the 1/48th scale AmTech model that had Japanese, Hungarian and other German markings. Go wild!

Summary:

Overall a fun kit to build. PM is making a name for itself by providing Luft '46 aircraft at an affordable price, but without a lot of detail. These will serve well as an introduction to these types of prototypes. I recommend this kit especially for beginners.



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Empire Night

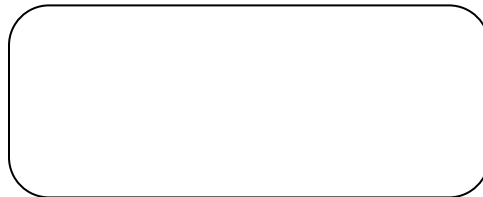
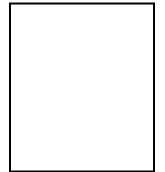
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