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September Club Contest



Foothills Plastic Pros 2008 Fall Classic Conover, NC.



MarauderCon 2008

From The President..

Well we're over half way through October and before you know it Thanksgiving and then Christmas will be here. It's true what the old timers always said in that time goes by faster as you get older. This month has been especially fast with something going on every weekend.

At the last minute on October 4th, I traveled to Conover, North Carolina for the "Foothills Plastic Pros" Fall Classic model contest and swap meet. It's always a good show with lots of vendors and great models on the contest tables. Look for some of the show pictures on page 4 and in the future on our club web site at RVIPMS.com.

RVIPMS members conducted a model building demo at the Virginia Museum of Transportation on Saturday, October 11th. There were eleven members present working on various modeling projects throughout the day. Completed models along with the club display were set up for museum attendees to look over and to find out what we're all about. It was a good time and thanks to the members who attended and thanks to Don Moser for setting up our visit to the museum.

This pasted Saturday, October 17th I traveled with Tim Ward to Towson, Maryland for MarauderCon hosted by IPMS/



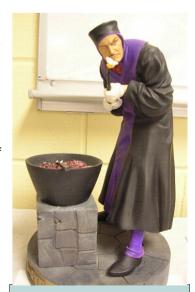
Bela Lugosi "Dracula" bust from MarauderCon

Washington, D.C. and IPMS/Baltimore. Neither of us entered models in the contest so we did our civic duty and helped with the aircraft judging, always a tough class to judge. Before the contest awards were given out I accepted the Region 2 Chapter of the Year award for Roanoke Valley from Region 2 coordinator Glen Martin. Congratulations to all of the RVIPMS members and I'll have the award for all to see at the next meeting.

Planning for the 2009 Virginia Shoot Out has begun and the artwork for the awards, promotional posters and flyers have already been submitted by Tim Mullins and approved by the members at the September business meeting. Forms for vendors, sponsors and entrants will be completed soon, so everyone get geared up for selling those sponsorship packages.

Congratulations to Cliff Young for winning the September club contest with his Gloster Meteor. Second place went to Mike Overstreet for his scratch built Sci-Fi Vehicle and third place was won by Terry Eastman for his Spitfire Mk.Vb. The winner of the "whatisit" contest from the September newsletter was Arthur Harris who correctly identified the Dodge Tomahawk on page two. Until next month, Happy Modeling and Happy Halloween!

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Vincent Price figure from MarauderCon



FROM THE CROW'S NEST

BY TIM WARD

BRRRRRRR!!!! Well the weather is changing and the mercury is dropping. Good time to get ready to hibernate and retreat to the model room.....or watch TV?!?!?! Hopefully you know which to choose. This time of vear also means the end of the Region 2 contest season as IPMS' Baltimore and Washington, D.C. had their fine show, MarauderCon this past weekend. Dennis and I loaded into the official RVIPMS Mini-Cooper and headed up 81 through the beautiful countryside of VA, WV and MD for about 4 hours arriving in Towson, MD around 1100 hours (had to stop for the official IPMS breakfast....it's a rule!!!). The vendors had filled the upstairs gymnasium with all sorts of old and new kits, books, decals, you know the drill, and the downstairs rooms housed the completed competition models. Looked like the numbers were down this year but I did not get a count, and I didn't see some clubs represented including Tidewater and Lynchburg. Maybe the "honeydo" lists put a kibosh on travel

plans. We had a good time looking at the stuff and later helping judge the aircraft categories. There were some fine rigged aircraft built by a modeler named Mike Terre from NJ who had tackled some subjects that deserve a medal just for attempting these kits including a gorgeous 1/72 Meikraft Caproni CA-3, which if you have ever seen the unbuilt kit, you would be amazed at what his finished product looked like. Super job, Mike!!! He also gave us a great tip on making rigging line to look like real scale wire. He takes clear plastic forks and breaks off the tines and stretches this to make stretched sprue. It looks great and can be tightened using he match trick the same as regular sprue. Give it a try, next time you need rigging line. The awards were given out around 4:00 and we were very honored to accept the 2007 Region 2 Chapter of the Year award. Congratulations to all of the members of RVIPMS for a super job this past year.....you guys really worked hard to make our chapter truly special. Thanks!!!

See ya' Thursday.

Tim

It's time again for that famous "whatisit?" contest. Take a gander at the picture to the right, fill out the ballot at the meeting and you may win a prize!!!

Prize courtesy of **SPASTIC PLASTIC**



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IPMS/Roanoke Valley meets the second and fourth Thursday of every month at the Science Museum located in downtown Roanoke at the "Center in the Square". The second Thursday building meetings are held in the classroom on the fifth floor and the fourth Thursday meetings are held on the same floor in the Conference room. All meetings start at 7:00pm.

If you have any questions about the club, meetings or need directions

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2008 RVIPMS CLUB POINTS CHAMPIONSHIP As of 10 - 20 - 08

Dennis Smith	78
Tim Ward	65
Cliff Young	62
Terry Eastman	51
Ed Kennedy	49
Mike Overstreet	46
Greg Clower	42
Bob Rohrback	29
Devin Bledsoe	27
Drew Porter	25
David Draper	23
Don Jones	22
Jay Dennis	22
Tim Mullins	21
Jeff Hinchee	18
John Arfaras	17
Arthur Harris	17
Tommy Carr	14
Bob Stull	14
Melvin Matthews	14
Don Smith	12
Ken Bowyer	9
Mark Crouch	7
CR Casey	5
Ralph Leslie	5
Jerry Smallwood	1

RVIPMS Club Championship points can be gathered in many different ways. Model building and other club activities will garner points. This gives everyone a chance to be a *model citizen*.



Approximately ten RVIPMS members attended the modeling demo at the Virginia Museum of Transportation in downtown Roanoke on Saturday October the 11th. Traffic in the museum was light, but a good time was had by all of the members who worked on various projects throughout the day.







September Amb-Business Meeting Photos











Foothills Plastic Pros FALL CLASSIC OCTOBER 4, 2008

Pictures from the Foothills Plastic Pros 12th Annual Contest & Swap Meet that took place in Conover, North Carolina. The show is predominately automotive, however several military classes have been added over the past few years sense the club became a chapter in Region 12 of IPMS/USA. It's a fun show with plenty of vendors and excellent quality contest models on the tables.









































October

23 - RVIPMS Business Meeting, 7:00pm,5th Floor, Center in the Square.

November

- **8** ACME NNL Southern Nationals, Smyrna, Georgia. Bob Downie, grdeyed@gmail.com
- **13** RVIPMS Build Meeting, 7:00pm,5th Floor, Center in the Square.

20 - RVIPMS Business Meeting, 7:00pm,5th Floor, Center in the Square.

December

- 5 RVIPMS Christmas Party, The Roanoker Restaurant, 6:30 pm.
- **11** RVIPMS Build Meeting, 7:00pm,5th Floor, Center in the Square.

January_

- **8** RVIPMS Build Meeting, 7:00pm,5th Floor, Center in the Square.
- 22 RVIPMS Business Meeting, 7:00pm,5th Floor, Center in the Square.









Blast from the Past



1/169 567-98 Lindberg North American B-70 SAC Bomber



IPMS Richmond Present: The 2009 Old Dominion Open Scale Model Show and Contest February 28, 2009

At the Richmond International Raceway Complex

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The October
Business Meeting is
on Thursday the 23rd,
7:00 pm on the Fifth
Floor at Center in the
Square

Club Contest for the October Business Meeting "Open" Anything Goes!!

Build it, Bring it !!

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