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The Official Newsletter of the Roanoke Valley IPMS

Special points of interest:

- October business meeting will be on 10/27/16 @ 7pm. Rocky will be providing refreshments.
- November build and business meetings will be on 11/10/16 @7pm

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Message From the Prez...

Here we are again just moving right along this year and another newsletter for us to enjoy. It seems like just yesterday I was writing last month's message and here we are into another month. Of course we are now getting into the months I like with the cool weather, leaves turning colors which in turn makes the scenery a beautiful all around the area.

I want to remind everyone that we will be having a swap meet at our upcoming meeting so bring out those extra models kits to make room for more kits you don't need or will ever build. It has been suggested by a couple members that anything you sell maybe give a percentage

of the sales back to the club to add to the pot. This is strictly a volunteer thing and not required. Also a reminder that we will be having the Carrier Landing game at our November meeting so make plans on coming out for that event. Devon has set the plans for our Christmas party now and it will be on Thursday December 8, at 7 pm. The location of the party will be Jersey Lilly's in Salem. This is across from Lewis Gale Hospital in case you are not familiar with its location.

Congratulations go out to Ed Kennedy for his awards at the Region 2 Convention last month. Ed won Best Diorama and Best In Show. Congratulations Ed!

If you haven't done so yet please get your IPMS number and expiration date to Bob so he can have record of it to send to National.

Well till next time....Happy Modeling!

Rocky

Monthly Contest Results

- 1st Place - Rocky Sink (5) with his World War II diorama
- 2nd Place - Cliff Young (3) with his Type 60 Tank
- 3rd Place - Terry Eastman (1) with his TBM Avenger

Technical Tips and Tricks for the Hobby

I know we all know some little trick that makes building a kit a bit easier. So here are a few that has been sent to me by fellow members and maybe a couple of my own.

Use White Glue to cement cockpits in place, and to close any gaps where the framing meets the fuse-

lage. Any excess is easily removed with a water wet paint brush. (This avoids plastic cement scoring the cockpit.)

Molted camouflage: A sponge make-up applicator is a great tool for painting molted camouflage.

Plastic wire ties can be used as ammunition belts for 1/72 scale aircraft kits.

Foam ear plugs are great for masking around jet exhausts as well as intakes.

Lysol Basin, Tub and Tile cleaner will strip acrylic paints from kits.

Thanks for the submissions!!!

PROJECT HARP SPACE GUN *submitted by: Bob Rohrback*

Seawell Airport, Barbados



Project HARP Space Gun (via [Wikimedia](#))

Breaking through the Earth's atmosphere is not as easy as simply aiming a payload at space and shooting it like a bullet from a giant gun, but that doesn't mean we haven't tried.

Enter Project HARP and its [giant space cannon](#) in Barbados. This US-Canadian effort to use ballistic technology to send a projectile to space produced a massive 100 caliber gun in the 1960s that was unable to break orbit, but did set the world record for gun-fired altitude in its time. The project produced other similar guns at sites in Highwater, Canada, and Yuma, Arizona, but after HARP's dissolution these were broken down leaving only the original cannon to rust in the rich Barbados flora. The huge barrel has fallen on its side, but can still be reached via lush, overgrown trails along the coast.

Firing the space gun (via [Wikimedia](#))



Remains of the space gun in Barbados (photograph by [LesPaulSupreme/Flickr user](#))



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Christmas Party 2016

Please mark your calendars for the annual RVIPMS Christmas Party!

This year the party will be held at Jersey Lilly's in Salem, VA on December 8th 2016 at 7:00pm.

If you are not familiar with the location, Jersey Lilly's is located across from Lewis Gale Hospital.

A BIG thanks goes out to Devon for setting this up for us!!!

Upcoming Shows and Events

October 29th (Saturday) - Paper Modelers Convention at the Hampton Inn and Suites, 22700 Holiday Park Drive, Sterling, Virginia. For more information visit www.ipmc-info.org.

Swap Meets will be held during the "Build" as well as the "Business" meetings this month. Please bring your "sellables" and thin out the stash closet or maybe even add to it..

The Carrier Landing Game will be held during our November meeting.

November 12th will be the Boy Scout Demo at Andrew Lewis Middle School in Salem.

November 19th (Saturday) - Maraudercon model show and contest at the Level Volunteer Fire Company, 3033 Level Village Road, Havre de Grace, Maryland. The hours will be 9 to 5. For more information visit www.maraudercon.org

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NOVEMBER 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 <u>Election Day</u>	9	10 <i>Build/ Business meetings</i>	11 <u>Veterans Day</u>	12 <i>Boy Scout Demo</i>
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 <i>Happy Turkey Day</i>	25	26
27	28	29	30			



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Just a Reminder!!!

Saturday October 22nd the Warbirds Over Salem will be held from 10am to 3pm.

Swap meets will be held during both meetings this month.

The Carrier Landing Game will be held during our November meeting. Make plans to attend this event.

If you have any questions about the club, meetings, or need directions, contact us at; www.rvipms.com or mail written correspondence to: Roanoke Valley IPMS P.O. Box 20841 Roanoke, VA. 24018.



RVIPMS meetings are held at the Virginia Museum of Transportation.

How to get there;

From Salem Ave. turn onto 1 1/2 St. Drive the very short distance to Norfolk Ave. SW and turn left. Follow under the 2nd st. over-pass to the back of the museum. The fenced parking lot is behind the building as indicated in the picture. Enter through the rear door, (the main entrance will be locked) walk down the hallway and turn right. Meeting room is in right corner.

When to get there;

The club has two meetings per month, with a couple exceptions. Build meetings are the second Thursday each month. Business meetings are the fourth Thursday each month. All meetings start at 7 p.m. For further details visit our website. www.rvipms.com

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