

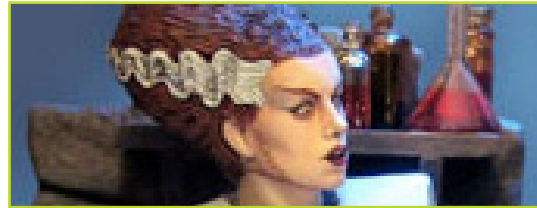
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From the Prez...

BRRRR... well the temp is dropping and that can mean only one thing – football!, er, modeling season is on the way! And that also means, modeling convention season. Even though our club follows an April to April fiscal year, I always think that September is the start of the year, when the leaves start changing and the golfers put away their clubs and the modelers sharpen their sprue cutters. It's time to start (and finish) those projects for the upcoming model season. And it looks like 2013 is shaping up to be a hum-dinger. A couple shows finish up the 2012 season in Fayetteville, NC and Baltimore, MD on the 10th of November and then the Chatanooga, TN chapter offers a 2-day show in January, followed by the kick-off of the 2013 Region 2 season with the Old Dominion Open in Richmond in February. Better check the oil on the RVIPMS-wagon and make sure it is ready for some heavy-duty mileage. I see a lot of projects are in the works, James Herndon is finishing up a nice ship diorama, Jay has some projects going on to help the VA Transportation Museum with their Aviation Gallery re-opening in November, recently re-joining member Jeff Hinchee (welcome back!) has a H-60 Seahawk project in the works, and yours truly is still looking for his glue (maybe a new bottle would be a wise investment?)



Anyway, the 2012 year for RVIPMS is in full swing and our own 2013 Region 2 Convention in October, 2013 is well underway in the planning stages (see 2013 Region 2 Updates in this issue) and it should be a great year. On a slightly more somber note, condolences go out to Ken Robert's family and friends on the passing of Ken as mentioned in the latest issue of the RVIPMS journal. Ken was a good friend of IPMS and was our docent and tour-guide at the last 2 trips we made to the Garber facility on our fun, fact-finding trips to the Air and Space Museum. It was always great to see the artifacts through the eyes of a fellow modeler. I was fortunate to meet Ken for the 1st time on a trip to Albuquerque for the IPMS Nationals years ago. We shared a van ride from the airport and became fast friends then and I will personally miss him a great deal.

Now, get busy and I'll see you at the next meeting. BTW remember to get your "air racer" done for the Christmas get-together in December. Chow! – er, I mean ciao!

Tim Ward

Visit www.rvipms.com for the latest info on shows, pictures, contacts and more.



The 1st planning meeting is in the books and it looks like some great ideas will make the 2013 Regional even better than the 2007 show we put on 6 years ago. Over 85 categories will be planned, including some new "miscellaneous" categories to take care of those entries that just don't fit anywhere else, so to speak.

We have a lot of cool stuff planned for promotional items and they will be available for sale at other shows in the coming months and will also be available thru our PayPal account on the website. Watch for updates in the coming months.

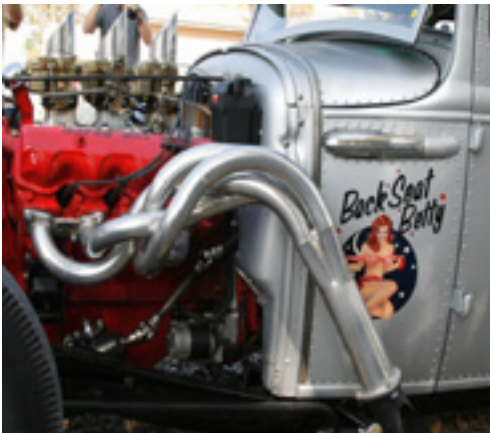
Our convention hotel will again be the close-by Holiday Inn Express on 460W, about 1/4 mile from the Civic Center, offering the 1st night's lodging for \$119 and a special deal of \$79 for the second night's accommodations. Please use code "IPM" for this special deal. This deal is good up until Sept. 4--don't delay--there is another convention in town that weekend. Watch our web-site for other hotel offerings and special deals.

Convention speakers, demo presenters and book-sellers are needed. Please contact Tim Ward at 540-977-6205 or send e-mails to twardf86@aol.com if you have a subject that you would like to present to the modeling world.

Watch www.rvipms.com and check out our Facebook page for upcoming contests on how you can win kits, decals and other 'goodies' to make your "Nose-Art" models come to life for our show.

We look forward to seeing you at the show, October 2013.

And remember, "Pin-Up" your ride!



RVIPMS planning meeting for the 2013 Region 2 Convention at Bob Rohrback's house.

Saturday, Oct. 20 at 1:30 p.m.

Important NEW info to be shared and discussed.



• Inspiration Dept.



Supermarine P. R. Mk. 19
No. 682 Squadron
Italy
February 1945

The Mk. 19 was the last and most successful photographic reconnaissance variant of the Spitfire. It combined features of the Mk. XI with the Griffon engine of the Mk. XIV. After the first 25 (type 389's) were produced, later aircraft were also fitted with the pressurized cabin of the Mk. XI, and the fuel capacity was increased to 255 gallons, three-and-a-half times that of the original Spitfire. This version was the type 390.

The first Mk. 19's entered service in May 1944, and by the end of the war, the type had replaced the earlier Mk. XI. A total of 225 were built with production ceasing in early 1946.



Dewoitine D.520
Colonel Wassil Walkow
Commandant
6th Istrebitelen Polk
Karlowo, Bulgaria, 1944

This is the 1/72nd scale HobbyBoss kit. The decals are from a RS Models kit of the D.520.

The Germans and Vichy Governments supplied some 85 D.520's to the Bulgarians in 1943. The planes retained the French camouflage on the superior surfaces, but the fuselage sides and inferior surfaces were repainted RLM 76. The splotched colors were RLM 74 and 75.

Even this late in the war, the Bulgarians had success against B-24 and P-38's on their raids on Sofia.

Colonel Walkow was arrested by the Communists, and executed on 13 March 1945.





• Inside Info

In-club events and stuff to think about for the club...

Club build: Star City Air Racers

The Rules:

1/72 scale single engine prop aircraft

Can be any WWII or Earlier. No post WWII aircraft.

Can be an actual race plane, i.e., a Gee Bee racer.

All military apparatus must be removed or just not added.
(it's an air race not a dog fight)

No military paint schemes or markings.

Must have a non-military star somewhere in the markings.

(because of the Star City nickname for Roanoke) Unless it's a real racer.

Can be as detailed or out of box as you choose.

If displayed in flight, must have a pilot figure in the cockpit.



Dr. Lee Anthony on the 25th will present a program on his search for historical artifacts in France. If at all possible, we should have some members standing by to aid Dr. Anthony with artifacts that he will probably display, i.e., taking the items to the conference room. Terry suggests that those who can help Dr. Anthony be at the museum parking lot at 6:30.

Terry will be providing a platter of chicken wings from Food Lion. Also a dip (not Terry), potato chips and lemonade to go with the wings. We eat wings while hearing about wings



— Reason's to Build Stuff —



Club build: Star City Air Racers
December 2012
Christmas Dinner. (see rules pg.5)



Chattanooga ModelCon 2013
Jan. 11-12, 2013
Chattanooga Convention Center
Chattanooga, TN



TAMS 20th Annual Model Car/Truck Contest & Swap Meet
Oct 27, 2012
VFW Post 4809
Norfolk, VA



Old Dominion Open
Feb. 23, 2013
Richmond International Raceway
Richmond, VA



2012 AMPS All-American And Lafayette Scale Modelers
Model Show and Contest
Nov. 10, 2012
Fayetteville, NC



MDA Model Car Contest
Theme: Champions
Mar. 2, 2013
Roanoke Civic Center
Roanoke, VA



ACME-IPMS Southern Nationals
Nov. 10, 2012
Smyrna Community Center
Smyrna, GA



IPMS Region 2 Convetion
Oct. 4 & 5, 2013
Theme: Nose Art
Roanoke Civic Center
Roanoke, VA



Maraudercon 2012
Nov. 10, 2012
Hilton Garden Inn
Baltimore, MD

Always check websites for up to date info on shows and contests

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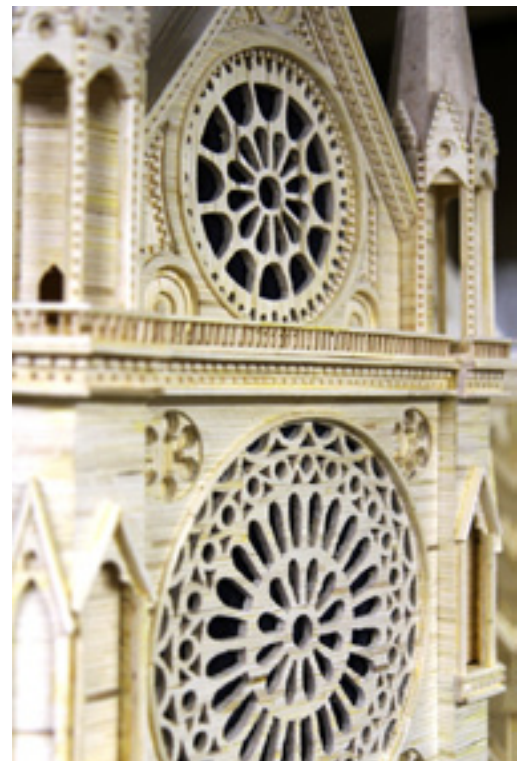
Submissions deadline is the first Sunday at 1 p.m. after the build meeting.

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MATCHSTICK MARVELS TOURIST CENTER
319 2nd Street, Gladbrook, IA 50635

MATCHSTICKMARVELS.COM

The construction of the Matchstick Marvels' version of Notre Dame cathedral began in August of 2010, and was finished 4/1/12. It took approximately 298,000 matchsticks and 2000 toothpicks to build.



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Next Build Meeting
Nov.8, 2012
7 p.m. VMoT

Next Business Meeting
Nov. 15, 2012
7 p.m. VMoT

Still need Pics of
your Model Stash.

If you have any questions about the club, meetings, membership, etc., contact us at; www.rvipms.com or mail written correspondence to: RVIPMS, 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 $\frac{1}{2}$ 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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