



Hello my friends,

I hope all of you are doing as well as to be expected with all the political “happenings” going on. Since most or if not all of the contests and shows in our region are being canceled or soon will be, I hope that you guys haven’t lost your “mojo” for building. Hopefully soon, life will return to normal, or somewhat normal.

I would like to wish Don a happy and prosperous retirement. Hope that you keep healthy as well as busy building kits, but most of all enjoy yourself!

Well, it’s time to cut off this computer and get back to life of a community college student’s mom and get her to her classes. Stay safe and warm.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

Remember, I am always in need of articles.

Penny

THINGS TO REMEMBER

- *Regular build meetings will start back in the new year.*
- *Build meeting will be held on Jan. 14th at 7pm.*
- *Business meeting will be held on Jan 28th at 7pm.*
- *A vote will be held at the business meeting on the future of our Region 2 show.*
- *MDA announced that they continue on having their show for all three days.*

Latest on the Fire at the Eduard's Warehouse

Gentlemen, good evening.

Thank you for your participation and sympathy. We appreciate them very much!

The fire broke out in the morning on the second floor of the building, in the molding of moldings. The reason is still unknown, it is probable that there is a fault in the electrical installation. Nothing of our people happened, at the time the fire broke out, no one was in the area of the fire from us. Our people were taking an inventory of the moldings there, the fire broke out when they left for a snack. There were still maintenance workers working on the elevator in the room, it seems that just one of them was inhaling smoke and being taken to the hospital, so he was the person mentioned in the reports.

The fire destroyed just over one million moldings for about 200,000 models. Furthermore, a three-month supply of shipping boxes, such large, parcel, various sizes, burned down. The delivery arrived last week.

Fortunately, the firefighters managed to locate the fire in this upper hall, so that it did not reach the second part of the building, the newer extension, separated by the wall of the original building and connected to the affected area by two staircases and connecting corridors. Thanks to this, other components for model packaging, instructions, boxes, decals, etchings, masks, etc. have been saved so far. The packaging plant is not damaged either, but we will definitely have to leave it.

In this part of the building, shipments are also prepared for some Czech merchants (MNM, Artur, Pecka, etc.). These are also undamaged. The question now is how do we manage to get them out of space and send them. They'll probably get a crane through the window.

The dispatch warehouse and sales department are upstairs under the fire area. Surprisingly, there is not much damage there yet, there is surprisingly little water that flowed from the upper floor up the stairs and in the area of the columns of the hall. There are stored things wet, but on a small scale. If we manage to get the goods out and move, I assume that we will be able to save about 80%. Of course, we need to quickly find other suitable storage and shipping facilities.

Unfortunately, there is a risk of the roof of the building collapsing, where the reinforcing elements of the reinforced concrete structure were obviously damaged. We will see how the structure will behave during its cooling and whether the internal stress does not tear it. And if so, whether the ruins of the roof will fall only within the 2nd floor, or whether it will break through the ceiling of the 1st floor. I hope it doesn't happen. Keep your fingers crossed for the barracks! The building is from the beginning of the 20th century, it is obviously robust and structurally oversized. Perhaps it will resist. The intervention commander said that if this burned in a modern industrial building, it would burn to the ground.

Thanks to Pep Choreň and the commander of the intervention, that they took me to the building after the fire was extinguished, and that I was able to find out the current state thanks to them. I have to say that it calmed me immensely, really immensely, and lifted my spirits. All day long, we shuddered to keep the fire from penetrating the back, the model components.

If we could not save the warehouse from the damaged building, we would temporarily open a sales department in Obrnice. In January, we would sell the January news, to which we would gradually add more items as we renewed and put them back on sale. Then we would move to new premises.

We will have the biggest problem with topping up the models, because we will have to completely restore the stock of moldings. That will be a great deal of work. We will go for it from the latest production and we will press from the news against the flow of time, gradually older and older items. Unfortunately, the purchased moldings are gone forever, so dolphins, for example, will not be there unless they make a new purchase. The same is the Tornado, which unfortunately will no longer be with posters, or the Bf 108 in 1/32. However, there are moldings in Prague, which can be added relatively easily.

Special Hobby will also be involved in completing our moldings. In SH, it has been pressing for us for a long time.

Thanks again for the ideas for our support. We all appreciate them very much in Eduard, really. There is not much you can do for us at this time.

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Deadline for newsletter submissions is the second Wednesday of each month.

All submissions should be emailed to ladybuilder@outlook.com along with any photos, write up and/or kit reviews pertaining to the article you wish to submit.

Christmas Party 2020 - "Covid Style"

With all the restrictions, rules, guidelines, and cancellations taking place for the last several months due to "covid" it was unsure whether the club would be able to have our annual Christmas Party. Devin once again took on the job of planning our party and trying to find somewhere that would accommodate us for the event. Devin came back with the good news that The Roanoker Restaurant would be willing to have us back again this year.

So, on Friday, December 4th the club members met to have a great meal, conversation and of course present exchanging "Dirty Santa" style. Devin had set up for us to have five entrees to choose from for our meals which had a variety of steak, fish, chicken and spaghetti with delicious sides and salads to go along with them.

After the meal we had short business meeting to go over a couple items and then it was on to the presents. All the members chose a number to set how each would pick a present and the fun began. It's always fun to see who gets to keep their gift or have it taken away from them. Some of the gifts, as in the past, had a extra little gift attached in the form of a gift certificate from The Rail Yard Hobby. Of course, everyone was hoping to be lucky enough to end up with one of those. After everyone had picked it on to a auction for the extra gifts that had been brought in. Bidding was fun and lively as members bided on unknown gifts.

All in all, it was a great night for the Christmas party, and everyone had a good enjoyable time. A big thanks goes out to Devin for planning and setting up the party again this year.





Upcoming Shows and Events



Jan. 29, 2021	Model Con 2021 - Chattanooga, TN	Mike Moore mmoore1732@gmail.com
March 6, 2021	39 th Annual Smokey Mtn Model-Con - Knoxville, TN	Johnny Galza 262galza@gmail.com
March 20, 2021	AtlantaCon 2021 - Marietta, GA	Kim Elmore kdmcelmore@gmail.com
April 10, 2021	MosquitoCon 2021 - Wayne, NJ	Bill Schwarz whsch@optimum.net

39th Annual Smoky Mtn Model-Con Presented by The Knoxville Scale Modelers Assoc.



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**SATURDAY, March 6
2021**

9.00 am to 4.00 pm

KNOXVILLE CATHOLIC
HIGH SCHOOL
9245 FOX LONAS RD. NW,
KNOXVILLE, TN 37923

MODEL CONTEST

Aircraft, autos, armor,
dioramas, fantasy, figures, sci-
fi, ships, and more on display.

Contest entry forms &
judging info available
on our website.

HOBBY VENDORS

RAFFLE DRAW with great
prizes

Contestant Admission:
Adults - \$10.00 for first 3
models and \$1.00 for each
additional model.
Under 18s - FREE

General Admission:
Adults - \$5.00
Under 18s - FREE

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Remember to check the websites and/or chapter contact for up to the date info and details on the contests.