

SPRUE



December 2024

Keeping History Alive....One Model At A Time



*Merry
Christmas*



A Little Mexican In The Air For This Years Christmas Dinner

By Rocky Sink

On Friday, December sixth, the members of the club held it's annual Christmas Dinner and gift exchange. This event is always a well attended and exciting event each year to close out the club activities before the start of meetings and shows for next year. As always there was great food, fun times doing Dirty Santa and of course good socializing.

This year we held our Dinner at El Rodeo on Electric Road. With it becoming harder to find locations that will do big groups and as well do a full menu for a large group Devin had a hard time getting the Dinner lined up this year. Devin finally was able to locate the El Rodeo and they were more than happy to handle our group. We were able to have the dinner in the banquet type room and allowed us to have the room we needed for everything.

As everyone arrived they dropped off their gifts for Dirty Santa and found a place to sit. The one waiter that was taking care of our group was taking drink orders as everyone came in and did a wonderful job of taking all the orders from the twenty-seven members and guests we had at the Dinner.

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Member Shout Outs:

Well wish's go out to Gerald Adams wife Betty who recently had surgery. Glad to see her at the Christmas Dinner and hope she continues to recover.

Happy Anniversary to Michele and his wife. They recently celebrated 41 years of marriage. Best wish's for another 41 years!



-REMINDERS-

January
Build Meeting
January 9 @ 7pm

January
Business Meeting
January 23 @ 7pm

February
Build Meeting
February 13 @ 7pm

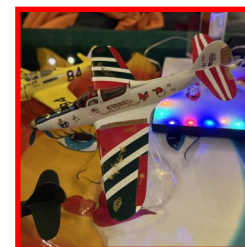
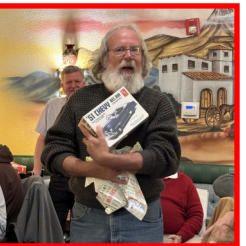
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With being able to order from the full menu the members ordered numerous kinds of Mexican food. Some elected to keep it simple and just order steak and fries while others order full bore Mexican. There were a few even seen eating dessert after a huge meal.

Of course the Dirty Santa is always one of the highlights of the night and this year was no exception. As usual there were some really nice gifts that some got to keep and some didn't. Thankfully everyone played along well and no fights broke out! With some Rail Yard Hobby gift certificates mixed in to some gifts its always a luck of the draw to get one. Tom Shema was even about to throw the \$50 gift certificate away. Luckily several saw it before he did and let him know about it.

As well this year we had a group build of the P-39 Airacobra to be built to the members preference. The kits were supplied to the members for the build. There were themes that were plane related, some car related and some sci-fi related. There was a great mixture of themes there to see.

All in all it was another great Christmas Dinner this year and a ton of thanks goes out to Devin for planning the Dinner and having everything lined up for us!!



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

All submissions should be emailed to Rocky Sink: snkchevcol@aol.com

along with any photos, write up and/or kit reviews pertaining to the article you wish to submit.

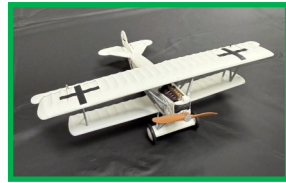
Christmas Dinner Additional Pictures:



IPMS Nationals Category Update

For the 2025 IPMS Nationals and those after, the contest committee has added 9 additional Gundam class's to the line up. So for those interested those class's will now be broken down even further to bring a total of 10 class's for the those models. This is a much needed add for these models.

November Club Contest:



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IPMS RICHMOND
2025 Old Dominion Open Scale Model Show & Contest
Saturday, February 22
50 Model Contest Categories
Extensive Vendor Marketplace
Huge Modeler's Drawing
On-site Food Vendor

1st, 2nd & 3rd place awards for each category plus these special awards:
Judger: Best in Show - Best Junior
Best Aircraft - Best Automotive - Best Diorama - Best Figure
Best Gundam - Best Maritime - Best Military Vehicle
Best Road Space & Sci-Fi

Event open at 9:00 a.m.
Model Registration:
8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
Judging starts at 10:30 a.m.

Richmond Brewery Company
The Old Dominion Building
500 E. Lakeside Ave.
Richmond, VA 23222

Model Entry (cash only): \$25 for up to 20 models
General Admission (cash only): ages 13 & under: \$10.00 / ages 12 & under: Free
General Inquiries, please contact Don Miller: donmiller@icommcast.net

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WE NEED YOU!!

This year we are going to be working hard to recruit new members. Start thinking of ways we can reach out and bring new members to the club. We are going to see if we can do more demo's and other events to get our name out there more. We need new members!!





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UPCOMING DATES:

January 10, 2025	Chatanooga Modelcon Chatanooga, TN	Ben Gibby bgibby1964@outlook.com
January 18, 2025	S.C.M.A. "Hope It Don't Snow" Show Spartenburg, SC	Chuck Cox hobby4fun@yahoo.com
February 22, 2025	Old Dominion Open Richmond, VA	Richard Leininger raleininger@verizon.net
March 8, 2025	MDA Model Car Show Roanoke, VA	Dennis Smith eastsmith1@aol.com