



**The KETCHUP is NOT Quite KAUGHT UP
HEY! It DOES look like it might get Kaught up!!
YES! This IS the (slightly) late OCTOBER Newsletter!
Where's SEPT you ask... There was NO September..**

The next meeting for Capt. James J. McKinstry Chapter IPMS/USA

Friday, AUGUST 17- Arlington Hts. Memorial Library

Hendrickson ROOM ~ Meeting starts at 7:30 PM

Meeting theme for AUGUST - Air Force / Navy Strategic Air Command

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**BUT WAIT! Why ISN'T this the September Newsletter?? A screw up??
Nope! We didn't have a September meeting that's why!**

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OCTOBER MEETING

John Koziol Sr



1/12th Scale Built from blueprint Supermarine S-6b Supermarine S-6b from plans issued in 1957. Wings and fuselage are balsa wood. Aluminum was then form fitted over the balsa. The pontoons are shaped Aluminum.

John Koziol



1/48 Trumpeter, German Submarine U552 U-Boat A clear half is an option included in the kit. To show off the built up interior. Modifications include large portions of the deck drilled out to represent planking

Lee Lygiros



The cooling tubes down the right side of the fuselage and the exhausts are brass.

Charlie Scardon



1/700 Dutch submarine O13 by HP Model.

O 13 is a resin kit consisting of three parts. The rest is brass wire, photo etch, and little white decals from the parts box. Paints I don't remember--just picked what looked tight.



1/72 Airfix AVRO Anson I Paint: Humbrol Dark Earth, Modelmaster Dark Green. Flat Black and RAF Interior Green. The insignia decals are custom made by Dave Kopielski Graphics

Jim Batchelder



"Papuan Panic", a P-39D-1 assigned to Lt. James Selzer, 35thFS/8thFG, Milne Bay, New Guinea. Model and decal options include P-39D-1 (3ea), P-39D-2, P-39N-5 (2ea) and the P-39Q-6. Jim built the model OOB and used Tamiya and Vallejo paints.



1/48 Scale Eduard P-39 Airacobra Limited Edition kit

Mike Hanlon



Mike Hanlon



1/48th Scale Hasegawa P-40N Australian markings

DK decals P-40's in RAAF Service
Gunze Sangyo Olive Drab over Neutral Gray
80 Squadron November 1944

Mike Hanlon



1/48th Scale Tamiya F4U-1A New Zealand markings
Eaglecalcs Decals Tamiya Paints mixed to faded Dark Sea
Blue and Intermediate blue over white
NZ5248 bUnO 56455 No.21 Squadron RNZAF May 1945

Mike Hanlon



1/48 Scale Hasegawa P-39Q GCII/6 Travail Summer
1944.

Paint: Tamiya Green Drab over Neutral Gray. Eagle
Strike Decals

Mike Hanlon



1/48th Scale Eduard Spitfire Mark VIII RAAF Moratai 1945
Gunze Sangyo Paints FS34092 (Foliage Green) over RLM 76 (underside light blue) Eagle Strike decals

Paul Gasiorowski



1/144th Scale Minicraft USAF C-130J-30 Markings: 143rd AW, Rhode Island ANG 2007 Kit decals

The kit brought for show and tell was new kit by Minicraft. The C-130 has served in the US Air Force for over 50 years; you could probably build 30 to 40 different variations of this plane. The Super Herc is the latest version featuring an extended fuselage and updated engines and the new 6 bladed props. This version from Minicraft C130J-30 features new fuselage tooling of this latest version. The kits also features the new "J" engines, recessed panel lines, interior cargo bay, and a position able rear door and updated engines with the unique scimitar props. It also includes 2 USAF marking:

USAFC130J-30 463rd Airlift Group, Little Rock AFB, Arkansas 2007
USAF C130J-30 143rd Air Wing, Rhode Island ANG, 2007.



The kit was an easy build and took about 20 hours over several days. The issue as always is with fuselage seams, which went away pretty easily. I used Tamiya Grey Primer and Model Master Acryl paints. I used the Rhode markings. It's a good addition to my group of 1/144th builds.

1/48 AirFix P-40B



1:48 CURTISS TOMAHAWK Mk.II

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By Mike Hanlon

Until the release of the Airfix P-40B Warhawk, the best early P-40 kit on the market was the Monogram/Revell P-40 released in 1964. Subsequent kits released by Hobbycraft and Trumpeter left much to be desired. As a note to Airfix, the British named the early P-40s Tomahawks. The name Warhawk was applied to later P-40 models beginning with the P-40E.



The kit includes two sets of markings, a USAAC P-40 stationed at Pearl Harbor in 1941 and an AVG Flying Tigers Tomahawk.

The kit itself is fairly straightforward; the nose guns are molded separately and attach to individual engine panels. Airfix has molded temporary tabs into the fuselage halves, which must be removed before the engine panels can be mounted. These tabs stabilize the fuselage halves and prevent them from warping.

The interior is nicely detailed with a choice of a round backed seat for the Army Air Corps plane or a square backed seat for the AVG Tomahawk. AVG Tomahawks were taken from the British order and so retained the square seat. The instrument panel is supplied as a decal that makes a good representation. Eduard has a comprehensive photo-etched set if you would like more detail.

Construction holds no surprises and proceeds quickly once the interior has been done. Airfix molds the fairings between the wings and the fuselage as separate pieces. Care must be taken in getting these lined up. After this the remainder of the kit falls together. I replaced the kit wheels with resin ones from Ultracast. The hubs in the kit are molded separately and mine had shallow sink marks in them.



I have always liked the early P-40s, particularly the ones operated by the Soviets early in the war. The markings for my model came from the Xtradecal sheet X48162 for an aircraft from the 20th Guards Fighter Regiment stationed in Murmansk in 1942. This aircraft is interesting in that it was not supplied to the Soviets through Lend Lease but was sold by the US to the Russia prior to the establishment of the Lend Lease Act. The payment was in gold.



As delivered the aircraft came from USAAC stocks and was painted in Olive Drab over Neutral Gray. The US markings were painted over with green on the top

surfaces and underside blue for the lower surfaces. At some point my aircraft's engine panels were replaced with RAF Dark Green and Brown panels from a Lend Lease aircraft.

Vallejo has released a set of paints for USAAC aircraft in the CBI and Pacific Theaters. This set contains Olive Drab 41 and Neutral Gray 43 as well as the DuPont equivalent colors for RAF Tomahawks. These colors worked very on my model. I used Tamiya XF-5 Flat Green to represent the over painted US markings and Tamiya X-14 Sky Blue for the underside markings. I used an Olfa P cutter to make circle masks for the over painted US insignia.

My aircraft may have had stars on the upper wings and Xtradecal includes them on their sheet. AML decals from the Czech Republic also offer this aircraft and they do not include upper wing stars on their sheet. Since the Russians rarely used upper wing markings I opted to leave them off.

The kit offered no real problems in building it. Care must be taken fitting the engine panels and wing fairings. There is a wide choice of markings available for these kits and it is a must for any P-40 fan.



Josephine My Flying Machine

Revell Germany 1/72nd scale P-47M Bubbletop



Model by Charlie Scardon Additional notes/ images by Thundercals

Until the Tamiya 1/72nd release, this was the best available. A Simple build. No changes or alterations to the kit. The plastic is soft and care has to be taken cutting out the propeller. No flash no sink marks and appears to be correct for the M. The cowl flaps are uneven. That is the worst part of the kit. The belly may be a little deep for some modelers taste.

Paints used for this model were Model Master RAF Green, Medium Sea Grey. The cockpit colors are Interior green, black instrument panel. SNJ Aluminum was used for all of the leading edge surfaces, the remaining colors are Testors enamels: Red 1103 Yellow 1104.

The subject for the model is a P-47M-1-RE LM X serial 44-21199. Assigned to F/O Leo Batista. Leo's Crew Chief was S/Sgt Grimes. Decals are from SuperScale decal set 72-762 P-47D & M Thunderbolts.

Named for Leo's mother, Josephine. He recalled that she wasn't at all happy to have a nude on the left side cowling of HER P-47.





F.O. Leo Batista. Leo was credited for downing an FW-190 on 31 DEC. 44. He claimed another FW-190 and an ME-109, but was not credited for either. All images this page credited to Leo Batiste

Two images above: S/Sgt Grimes posing by artwork



Leo Batiste Image