



McKinstry newsletter for March 6, 2024

The KETCHUP is NOT Quite KAUGHT UP

BUT WHAT the hell, it might be someday!!

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[Meetings | IPMS – Capt. James J. McKinstry Chapter \(ipms-mckinstry.org\)](http://ipms-mckinstry.org)

The meeting themes for March were:

- **This Month in History** – Commemorating the date UN forces retook Seoul, South Korea for the final time March 14-15, 1951 (anything relating to the Korean War)
- **Random Subjects** - “Tween the Wars; (anything from 1919 to 1939)

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Notes March 6, 2024

The meeting started on time. Members in attendance were Frank Ress, Stu Hellman, Jim Batchelder, Jerry McManus, Pat Westerberg, Duncan Sharp, Greg Wernisch, Eugene Suida, Brian Gardner and Mike Hanlon. Three folks joined us to see what the club was about. Mike S., Bill S. and Russ Jurco. Russ agreed to become a member by the meeting end.

In the run up to the IPMS Nationals there was a continuation of a discussion about getting an AIRBnB by some of the members. A reservation for a property has been made, and 3 members have committed to staying at the house. There's currently a spot for at least one more person. If anyone is interested, they can get in touch with Frank or Jim.

New Business

Program

The program was an open roundtable on the different types of primers that members used. Several members offered their opinions and experiences with various products and techniques.

Member Gallery

Jim Batchelder

Boultron Paul Defiant, 1/48 Airfix

Jim included some Eduard Photo-Etch details, used only in the cockpit. Mr. Surfacer black primer was used. The paints used were AMMO RAF WW2 Early Colors by Mig; for colors other than camouflage Tamiya paints were used. The assembly was a good fit with no major problems encountered. It was an enjoyable subject to build and that looked interesting.



Stu Hellman

Packard Phaeton by Hubley, 1/22

This kit of the Packard Phaeton was produced by Hubley and was generally produced between 1960 & 1975. He used a primer purchased at a local auto parts store and painted it with Tamiya Racing Green. Super glue was used to cement the dissimilar plastic and metal parts together. This was a work in progress.



Greg Wernisch

Atlantis Kit of White 3000 Gas Tanker.

I drove the box truck version of this truck while I was in college.



Duncan Sharp

Bristol Blenheim Airfix Kit 1/72

It was originally proposed as a small passenger carrying aircraft and the RAF realized that it might be used as a light bomber. It struggled in its role at the beginning of the war as it was slow and vulnerable. It was constantly upgraded, and the Blenheim 4 was a better aircraft. The platform was used as a basis for the Beaufort and from that came the Beaufighter. All colors used were Vallejo model air. I used an oil and spirits wash for the panel lines and then sealed with Vallejo Ultra Matt. I then used Tamiya weathering products and finished with some chalk dust. I then picked out some spots using a silver pencil and highlighted some other panels using a 2b pencil.



Pat Westerberg

Hasegawa H8k "Emily" 1/48

The kit itself was a fairly easy build. There were however some areas where I had a little trouble getting parts to fit such as the pilot canopy glass fitting over the cockpit itself. In cases like this I simply used some "Mr. Surfacer" to fill in the small gaps, I waited for the filler to dry. From there I sanded off the excess material and the problem was solved. I painted the aircraft with Tamiya silver and let it dry. I then used Tamiya IJN Green to spray over the silver. To get the effect that I wanted, I simply took some popsicle sticks to rub on the aircraft. This was a raised panel line aircraft so the paint on the raised rivets came off, leaving the silver paint underneath to be exposed. The overall effect was what I wanted, so I stuck with it. The decals that came with the kit went on fairly easily after I gloss coated the aircraft using Future Floor wax in my airbrush. The decals that went on the fuselage did not go on easily and I ended up tearing up both decals trying to position them. Fortunately, I had a fellow club member (David Kopielski), make me some new ones. The new decals worked great.





Paul Gasiorowski

Cobi 1/48 Japanese Zero Brick Kit



Mike Hanlon

Tamiya 1/48 MiG 15bis

I used Tamiya LP-11 Silver Lacquer. Aeromaster Decals sheet 48-230 Korean War MiG Aces Part 2. The plane was flown by Russian Captain Pavel Milauszkin, with 10 victories in 1952.



Mike Hanlon (cont.)

Tamiya 1/48 F4U-1D Corsair

Paint used was Gloss Sea Blue mixed with Tamiya paint. The decals were from Fundekals 48016 whistling Death. Flown by Marine Captain H.J. Valentine, squadron VMF-312 Kadena Airfield, Okinawa 1952.



Mike Hanlon (cont.)

Tamiya 1/48 F3F-2

Paints used were Gunze Sangyo Yellow for the wings, Orange for the wings and Alclad Aluminum for the fuselage. Yellow-wings decals were used.



Misc. Upcoming Events

Airshows

May 18,19, 2024, Duluth, Minnesota, Duluth Air & Aviation Expo. Attending Aircraft TBA.

www.duluthairshow.com.

June 1, 2, 2024. Terra Haute, Ind. Terra Haute Air Show. Attending Aircraft, Blue Angels Demo Team, A-10 Warthog. <https://www.terrehauteairshow.com/>

June 8,9, 2024. St. Louis, Missouri. Spirit of St. Louis Air Show. Attending Aircraft Blue Angels Demo Team, F-22 Raptor, F-35 Lightning II. <https://spirit-airshow.com/>

June 8-9, 2024. Selfridge ANGB, Selfridge Michigan. Air Force Thunderbirds Demo Team. <https://teamselfridge.com/>.

June 8-9, 2024. Grand Haven, Michigan. <https://www.airshowcenter.com/2024-airshows/us-mi/617/michigan-lakeshores-elemental-experience-2024>

June 14-16, 2024. Columbus, Ohio. Columbus Air show 2024. Aircraft attending, Air Force Thunderbirds, KC-135R, FA-18 Demo team, Lockheed P-38L "Tangerine", B-17 Flying Fortress "Yankee Lady", B-25 Mitchell "Rosie's Reply", P-51 Demo Team, etc. <https://columbusairshow.com/>

June 21-22, 2024. Wausau, Wisc. Wings Over Wausau Air Show. <https://www.wausauevents.org/planes.html>

June 22-23, 2024. Dayton, Ohio. Dayton Air Show. Navy Blue Angels Demo team, F-16, US army Golden Knights. <https://daytonairshow.com/>

June 22-23. Davenport, Iowa. Quad City Air Show. F-22 Raptor, Military and Warbird static displays. <https://www.quadcityairshow.com/>

IPMS Shows

April 13, 2024. Monticello, Iowa. Alexander Lippisch Chapter presents Fleacon 20. <https://www.lippischmodelclub.org/>

April 20, 2024. Perrysburg, Ohio. Freemont Kitbashers presents Modelcon2024. Visit the club website at facebook.com/profile.php?id.

April 27,2024. St. Clair Shores, Mich. IPMS/Warren presents SEMMEX 2024. Contact <https://www.ipmswarren.com/semmex>

May 18, 2024. Eagle River, Wisc. Northwest Scale Model Phanatics presents "Spring in the Pines" Annual Contest and Swap meet. <http://nsmpmodelclub.org/>

May 18, 2024. Springfield, Mo. IPMS/MOSS presents MOSS CON2024. <http://nsmpmodelclub.org/>