



## WARREN PIECE

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### THE 31st YEAR

**Next Meeting:** August 21, 2019 at the Michigan Military Technical Museum in Eastpointe, Michigan. The address is 16600 Stephens (or 9 ½ and Gratiot). Meeting times are 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm.

#### Upcoming Events:

August 7-10, 2019: Chattanooga, TN: IPMS USA Nationals

September 21, 2019: Sharon, PA: SVASMCON 35

October 8, 2019: Livonia, MI: Cross Town Contest (Warren vs Livonia)

October 19, 2019: Sharonville, OH: Cincinnati Scale Models Annual Show

November 3, 2019: Kirtland, OH: Cleveland Model Show 23

February 1, 2020: Essexville, MI: 4M Mayhem

March 14, 2020: Clinton Township, MI: SEMMEX 2020

#### IPMS Warren Meeting Notes: July 17, 2019

1. **Meeting called to order:** 7:30 pm by President Ron Harris.
2. **Number of Members:** 19
3. **Reading of Previous Meeting Notes:** Minutes approved.
4. **Announcements (cumulative):**
  - a. IPMS Dayton will host the 2020 Regional Event.

- b. *Club Build Day* hours are now 12 pm -4 pm, and occur on the Saturday following the monthly meeting.
- d. John R would like to post pictures of your kits on the Facebook site: by whatever method you can get a picture to John of your kits.
- e. Dave S – announced the newsletter will go out on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month so members can better plan for upcoming events.
- f. Dave S: Asked for all *IPMS USA members* to let him know what their ID number and renewal dates are to submit to the national chapter in November of each year.

**5. The Theme Contest** within the club membership will resume in January 2019. Event rules include: (1) one vote per person per contest (no longer voting for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> places), and members only voting; (2) the item entered cannot have been entered in another club contest; (3) only club members can enter the contest. (4) Dave S and John A will jointly officiate this event. The subjects for this year are:

January 2019: Water  
 March 2019: Russia  
 May 2019: TV 1980-1989  
 July 2019: Hot or Cold  
 September 2019: Emergency Vehicles  
 November 2019: Vignet (double points), conclusion of contest

**Non-contest months** include the following events:

February 2019: show and tell  
 April 2019: show and Tell  
 June 2019: show and tell  
 August 2019: show and tell  
 October 2019: show and tell  
 December 2019: *Christmas Party, abbreviated business meeting*

**6. Old Business:**

- a. **CORSAIR:** John K: The Vought Corsair at Selfridge is currently being repaired with sheet metal. This is a FG1D version. The Selfridge ANG Base Museum has a projected finish date for the Vought Corsair upgrade of 2021.
- b. **DUES:** John R reminded us that club dues are now \$30/ year starting in 2019 and beyond.
- c. **Theme Contest:** Bob Taylor won the **Modeler of the Year Award** (Trophy and Prize Money) for the 2018 season at the November meeting. Second place went to three-time champion Ron Harris, and third place to Dan Hess. Honorable mention for a very close 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> place goes to Victor Scott and Chris Causley. Thank you to everyone who participated in the contest throughout the year.
- d. **Officer Elections:** The current officers were re-elected for 2019 by a unanimous vote at the December meeting. Returning officers are club President

Ron Harris, Vice-President Jim Ashford, Treasurer John Robbins, and Secretary Dave Snyder. The Contest Committee Chairman position is an appointed position currently held by John Aiello.

e. **Trophy:** President Ron Harris awarded the Third Annual Mad Hacker Award to Mike Deconnick for his Great White rubber Shark/Lindberg 1/240 GATO Class submarine entry. There were several impressive subjects in this year's contest. Well done everyone.

f. **Nationals:** Discussion was held on sponsoring a modeling category at the National Convention this year for \$85. A vote was passed and the motion approved. The logic was Nationals have sponsored our Regional event in the past, so the courtesy was repaid.

g. **Contest:** Jim Ashford modified the announcement for the Cross-Town Contest with IPMS Livonia to now be held on October 8<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday). The contest also features a swap meet as an added bonus to the event, and the theme is "Animal Names". We will also have our regular meeting on October 16<sup>th</sup>.

h. **SEMMEEX 2020:** President Ron Harris announced that SEMMEEX is scheduled for Saturday, March 14, 2020. The church was reserved again for next year's event. The theme for the contest is "Korea".

i. Jim A updated the report on the Selfridge ANG Base model kit display of aircraft and vehicles that have served the 107<sup>th</sup> ANG Unit over time. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the project and its positive outcome in the form of a 1/48 scale display depicting local history.

j. **BBQ:** The club BBQ was held on July 20<sup>th</sup> (the same day as the club build day), and featured a pot luck format along with grilled items.

## 7. New Business:

a. John Robbins announced an inter-club contest featuring the subject matter of the VW Beetle automobile in any scale. The contest will occur in December at the Christmas Party with a prize going to the winner.

## 8. Request for Information (cumulative):

- a. Robert T asked how to remove chrome from plastic parts. Suggestions ranged from soaking parts in pure bleach (2-3 hours) to using the same methodology with Purple Power Cleaner.
- b. Victor S asked how to repair a clogged air brush needle. Mike D suggested using a stone for sharpening knives to restructure the point of the needle. Others suggested buying a new one.
- c. Lloyd/Dave S-asked about which putty was better on kits. John A suggested Tamiya Gray Putty and AVES putty (2 part putty) or Velio. John F uses automotive putty. Testors putty seemed to shrink.
- d. Lloyd needs ideas on how to store and keep CA for a longer amount of time. John A recommended buying other types of CA as they tend to keep longer. Dave S said to keep it in the fridge and out of the light.
- e. Mark S wanted to know how to use any type or combination of filler on clear parts. Suggestions were white glue, or use canopy glue, or to use a clear

sprue cut up and mixed with Testors glue into a liquid state-then fill and sand.

## **9. Hints and Tips (cumulative):**

- a. Bob T suggested using Hobby Terra pre-made tank tracks for your armor kits.
- b. John A uses Glad Press & Seal, for wrapping around parts to mask them.
- c. John R suggested using the salt/sand method for armored vehicle surfaces. Paint over either media, let it dry, then chip away the sand or salt. It gives the surface a weathered look.
- d. John A uses Tulip Stick fabric paint for small gaps which does not shrink and holds the color.
- e. Dave L uses a liquid micro-mask for a weathered look to his vehicle finishes. Apply the mask to surface, let it dry, peel off the mask after the second color or coat of paint has been applied and is dry.
- f. John A: Told us that Tamiya tape is cheaper at Michaels but is called Washi masking tape in different colors. Use the Michael's coupon to get half-off.
- g. Dan H suggested using Elmer's wood putty as it dries like sand for dioramas. He also added that it now comes in 4 different colors.
- h. John K: Uses powdered graphite on gun barrels to weather them. This can be found in the hardware section of the hardware store or pinewood derby section of the hobby shop.
- i. Ron H: Uses 2 different color primers, then applies one color of paint over them to get two different shades on the subject. He uses textured paints for interiors to simulate leather surfaces.

## **10. Show and Tell (new):**

1. John R: Jimmy Flintstone the Joker bust, Young Miniatures 1/10 Pirate, AMT 1/24 Ice Cycle
2. John A: Eduard 1/48 Mig 21
2. John K: Trumpeter 1/48 North American F-100 Super Sabre
3. Victor: Revell of Germany 1/35 Leopard 1A1 tank on a homemade base winter schene
4. Blane: Tamiya 1/48 M1A2 Abrams tank
5. Dan H: AMT 1/25 1961 Buick Skylark station wagon with a modified motorcycle trailer and a polar bear in a clear plastic case scene
6. Keith: Hasagawa 1/32 North American P51D
7. Jim A: Hasagawa 1/48 Hawker Hurricane MkII
8. Chris C: Revell 1/35 Humvee summer diorama with 3 figures on a wood base, winter diorama scene in 1/35 with a jeep and 5 figures and resin building fragments
9. Ron H: Revell 1/144 Air France Concorde pre-crash diorama scene with flames and gray smoke coming off the runway
10. Dennis: Tamiya 1/35 Russian BT7 armored vehicle
11. Bob T: Eastern Express 1/35 Russian BA3 armored car on a base

## **11. Theme Contest: Hot or Cold**

- a. John A: Mig 21 aircraft
- b. Chris C: Humvee scene
- c. Ron H: Concorde disaster
- d. Victor: Leopard tank
- e. John R: Ice Cycle
- f. Dan H: 61' Buick Skylark
- g. Jim A: Hurricane MkII
- h. Blane: Abrams tank

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Victor- Leopard tank

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Chris C-Humvee scene, Ron H-Concorde scene

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: John A-Mig 21, Dan H-61" Buick scene, Blane-Abrams tank

Thank you to EVERYONE who participated in the contest.