



WARREN PIECE

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THE 32nd YEAR

Next Meeting: March 18, 2020 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:

March 7, 2020: Indianapolis, IN: Roscoe Turner Model Contest & Swap Meet
March 14, 2020: Clinton Township, MI: **IPMS WARREN SEMMEX 2020**
April 3, 2020: Dayton, OH: WrightCon 2020 Region IV Convention
April 19, 2020: Rocky River, OH: Spring Swap-N-Bull Model Show
June 20, 2020: Sharon, PA: Free Summer Swap Meet
July 29-August 1, 2020: San Marcos, TX: IPMS/USA National convention
September 19, 2020: Sharon, PA: SVASMCON 36
October 3, 2020: Livonia, MI: Can Am Challenge III
October 17, 2020: Sharonville, OH: Cincinnati Annual Fall Contest/Swap Meet
November 1, 2020: Kirtland, OH: Cleveland Model Show 24

IPMS Warren Meeting Notes: January 19, 2020

1. **Meeting called to order:** 7:30 pm by President Ron Harris.
2. **Number of Members:** 18
3. **Reading of Previous Meeting Notes:** Minutes approved.
4. **Announcements (cumulative):**
 - a. *The Mad Hacker Contest* took place at the February meeting. A trophy was awarded to Chris Anderson as the winner of the contest by President Ron Harris.
 - b. Congratulations to Chris Causley for 25 years of participation within IPMS.
 - c. Library displays coming up for the club are Sterling Heights (after January 1st), Warren Civic Library (March 2nd), and Bloomfield Hills in July.
 - d. Jim A / Chris C announced that the kid's club resumed in September from 10 am to 12 noon.
 - d. The IPMS USA chair for recruitment announced that IPMS USA now has 4,075 members and @ 200 chapters.
 - e. *Club Build Day* hours are now 12 pm -4 pm, and occur on the Saturday following the monthly meeting.
 - f. 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.
 - g. Dave S – announced the newsletter will go out on the 1st of each month so members can better plan for upcoming events.
 - h. 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 resumes in January 2020. Event rules include: (1) one vote per person per contest (no longer voting for 1st, 2nd, 3rd 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 2020: Gray

March 2020: 1930-1939

May 2020: Racing

July 2020: War Movies

September 2020: Night

November 2020: Diorama 5 or more (double points), double points

Non-contest months include the following events:

February 2020: show and tell

April 2020: show and Tell

June 2020: show and tell

August 2020: show and tell

October 2020: show and tell, Cross Town Event

December 2020: *Christmas Party, Kit Raffle, 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 per year each January.

c. **SEMMEX 2020:** SEMMEX is scheduled for Saturday, March 14, 2020. The church is reserved again for this year's event. The theme for the contest is "Korea" 1950-1953. We need everyone there as soon as 6 am to set up for the event. Vendors will be there at 7 am. Kits, modeling supplies, books are need for the raffle table by donation please.

d. **Theme Contest:** Victor Scott won the **Modeler of the Year Award** (Trophy and Prize Money) for the 2019 season at the November meeting. Second place went to John Aiello, and third place to Chris Causley. Honorable mention for 4th and 5th place goes to Ron Harris and Dan Hess. Thank you to everyone who participated in the contest throughout the year.

e. **Christmas Party:** The party featured a very large pot luck dinner and model kit raffle following an abbreviated business meeting.

f. **VW Contest:** The club contest featuring the VW Beetle automobile in any scale was also held at the December meeting. Eight Beetles were present with 5 of them in the contest. First place went to John Aiello who also won a trophy.(See VW Contest in the show and tell section).

g. **Officer Elections:** The current officers were re-elected for 2020 by a unanimous vote at the December meeting. The 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.

h. **Sponsorship packages** were made available in December to support SEMMEX 2020.

i. **Rent:** John Aiello made a motion to pay the museum \$300 rent for the year. The motion was passed unanimously.

7. New Business:

a. None

8. Request for Information (cumulative):

a. Chris C asked for a source of model ship accessories (Bumpers) in 1/35 scale. Model Expo and Blue Jacket were suggested.

b. 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.

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 sanded.

9. Hints and Tips (cumulative):

- a. Donald suggested using pipettes for detail work on kits.
- b. John A uses WD-40 to remove tape residue from kit surfaces (especially canopies).
- c. Chris C suggested using Malitzo chrome pens (in 3 sizes).
- d. Bob T suggested using Hobby Terra pre-made tank tracks for your armor kits.
- e. 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.
- 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:

1. Ron H: 1/25 Chevy El Camino rust-bucket 4x4 wrecker, 1/\24 VW Beetle trike, Premier Brand 1/20 1957 Open wheel race car
2. Erik H: DML 1/35 JL-R 1942 version Russian tank on a wood base
3. John A: Star Wars Slave I 16 wheel tank made from 3 model kits (AMT)
4. Bob T: Dragon 1/350 USS Ohio submarine, ICM 1/35 Liberty WWI truck with flatbed and Renault FT-17 light tank on flatbed diorama on a wood base
5. Keith: Revell 1/25 North American B-25 bomber
6. Jim A: Airfix North American P51D Mustang, Accurate Miniatures 1/48 North American P-51C Mustang, Italeri 1/48 North American F-86 Sabre
7. CJ: MPC 1/25 police patrol car modified to mad max car with turret on top and many accessories, Monogram 1/48 Convair F106 Delta Dart
8. Blain: Tamiya 1/48 Marter M tank
9. Chris C: Monogram LCPR frogman boat with 3D printer figures

