



WARREN PIECE

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THE 30TH YEAR

Next Meeting: September 19, 2018 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:

September 8, 2018: Clinton, OH: Tol-Con 2018

October 6, 2018: Livonia, MI: Can Am Challenge

October 7, 2018: Westlake, OH: Fall Swap & Bull Toy and Model Show

October 20, 2018: Cincinnati, OH: Annual Fall Contest and Swap Meet

November 4, 2018: Kirtland, OH: Cleveland Model Show #22

March 9, 2019: Clinton Township, MI: IPMS Warren SEMMEX

April 5-6, 2019: Dayton, OH: WrightCon 2019 Region IV Convention

IPMS Warren Meeting Notes: August 15, 2018

1. **Meeting called to order:** 7:34 pm by President Ron Harris.
2. **Number of Members:** 16
3. **Reading of Previous Meeting Notes:** Minutes approved.
4. **Announcements (cumulative):**

- a. 2018 marks the 30th anniversary of the club, known as IPMS Warren.
- b. Dave S: Asked for all *IPMS USA members* to let him know what their ID number is and renewal dates are to submit to the national chapter in November of each year.
- c. 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.
- d. Dave L shared the information on a website called Love Models. It is on the Face Book page as well.
- e. 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.
- f. The club "build day" is scheduled once a month on the **second Saturday** of each month at the museum from 11am to 3pm.
- g. Dave S – announced the newsletter will go out on the 1st of each month for members can better plan for upcoming events.
- h. Dave Pilon announced that his collection of kits was involved in a basement flood and now he is ready to part with them once they are dried out and gone through. He asked for email requests for whatever you are interested in and will give pricing at that time.

The Theme Contest within the club membership resumed in January. 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 2018: Animals

March 2018: Two-Tone

May 2018: "4" or more

July 2018: 1950-1959 or the 50s

September 2018: Your oldest kit

November 2018: British, (and the conclusion for 2018)

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

February 2018: show and tell

April 2018: show and Tell

June 2018: show and tell

August 2018: show and tell

October 2018: show and tell

December 2018: *Christmas Party, show and tell*

4. Old Business:

- a. **SEMMEX 2019:** President Ron Harris announced that SEMMEX is scheduled for Saturday, March 9, 2019. The church was reserved again for the next year's

event. Chairman John Aiello noted several modifications to next year's SEMMEX to make it more cost effective and guest friendly based on this year's feedback.

b. **Officer Elections:** Ron H called for final officer nominations for 2018 club officer positions at the December meeting. Those elected for 2018 club officer positions are - President: Ron Harris, Vice-President: Jim Ashford, Secretary: Dave Snyder, and Treasurer John Robbins. John Aiello is the contest committee chairman (an appointed position).

c. **CORSAIR:** John K: The Vought Corsair at Selfridge is currently being repaired with sheet metal. This is a FG1D version.

d. **DUES:** After a lengthy discussion on club finances, John A made a motion to increase club membership dues after several years without any increases. The motion passed to raise club dues from \$20/year to \$30/ year starting in 2018.

e. **Theme Contest:** Ron Harris **Won the Modeler of the Year Award** (Trophy and Prize Money) for the 2017 season in November. Ron is now a 3-time champion. Second place went to Chris Causley, and third place to Bob Taylor. Honorable mention for a very close 4th place goes to Victor Scott.

f. **Christmas Party:** The Christmas party was a great success at the December meeting. Everyone brought a dish to pass and there was way more good food than the group could possibly eat. John A spent \$400 on model kits whose cost was covered by the purchase of raffle tickets prior to the raffle drawing. The event was a win-win for everybody in the club. Thank you for your commitment and participation to the event and to our club. This event will stay listed to remind everyone of what we did and that is was successful.

g. **Bench Contest:** John Robbins confirmed that the bench contest is on again this year. The winner will announce at the September meeting and there will likely be a prize. Please send a photo of your bench to John so he can post it on Facebook and everyone can vote on the best "bench".

h. **Fall DAM Show:** President Ron Harris officially rented a table for the fall 2018 DAM Show.

5. **New Business:**

a. John K, Jim A: The club build day hours were revised to Summer Hours (11 am-3pm), and Winter Hours (12 pm-5pm) to match the museum schedule.

7. **Request for Information (cumulative):**

a. Dave S asked about clear canopy glue that does not leave residue behind or damage painted surfaces. John A suggested using Gator Glue or RC 56. Update: RC 56 is a winner.

b. 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. Testor's putty seemed to shrink.

c. 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.

- d. 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.

c. Hints and Tips (cumulative):

- a. Dave L had a bad experience using super glue excellent on clear canopy windows.
- b. John R uses non-stick shelf paper from the Dollar Store to spray paint through to give the piece a digital camouflage look.
- c. Dan H suggested using Elmer's wood putty as it dries like sand for dioramas.
- d. John A suggested using Tamiya Panel Line Wash for panel lines as well.
- e. 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.
- f. John A: suggested using Excel brand blades as they last longer.
- g. 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.
- h. Tim W: applies car wax to his finished car bodies to make them shine.
- i. Bob T: soaks vinyl tank tracks in oven cleaner to soften them up before assembly, then clean with soap and water, rinse, and use matt black base primer on them.

d. Show and Tell (new):

1. Chris C: M4A3 Dragon ETO on a base with 4 figures representing a scene from 1944
2. Blain-Tamiya 1/48 Churchill MkVII tank
3. Dave L: Anagram/ Fantastic Plastics 1/72 FA37 Raptor, Moebius 1/4105 Battlestar the Galactica
4. Dan H: resin amphibious weasel 1/32 for the US Air Force
5. Mike P: Tamiya 1/35 Challenger II tank, Trumpeter 1/35 "S" tank Strisvagen
6. Dennis: Tamiya 1/35 Panther "D" tank
7. Jim A: Pacific Coast Models 1/32 Supermarine Spitfire Mk 14c
8. Ron H: Monogram 1/48 B58 Hustler, Revell 1/32 P-51D North American Mustang
9. Mark S: Bandai 1/1000 Star Battle Cormelia Class Astro Carrier

