

PREZ SEZ MK II

BOB COLLIGNON

I want to open by mentioning that being a "Modeling Winner" sure is a lot tastier than being a "Modeling Loser", especially a 3 time loser. That "Winner's" coffee was TERRIFIC!!! I have to think that all the other '09 "Winners" would agree. Though we need to remember that the "IANAML" annual modeling event is not a competition but merely an exposition of modeling skill and the ability to read a calendar, way sweeeeeet coffee though☺

Now onto the "me not rubbing it in anymore real stuff". Our next club meeting will be October 19, 7:00 pm, at the Harlem Rd. Community Center, basement classroom, just like always.

At the next meeting we're gonna try something new when we discuss the club's monthly display models. We're gonna try and make it a bit more "close and personal", we'll explain at the meeting. Tom Faith will moderate. We'll see how we ultimately like this change.

Frank Blonski will be doing our "demo". It will be "Prepping Your Model for Final Paint". This will be a great presentation, especially for guys having trouble with their paint going on and staying on their model the way they would like. Thanks to Joe Szczygiel for his really well done and informative scratch building demo at our September meeting. It was so good I think we need a part 2 soon; we'll give Joe more time though.

Please make sure that you read Dick Schulenberg's explanation concerning one half club sponsorship for a year of each and every IPMS Niagara Frontier member's IPMS/USA membership. This is a terrific deal for our membership and for the IPMS/USA so please take advantage of this offer. There is a time limit. In addition, please read Dick's explanation of how we will be announcing our monthly meetings. The change will not affect those who receive the "DIZ" via the internet but there will be a change for non-computer guyz.

Bob Conshafter is gearing up for our annual (15th?) "Kid's Modeling Class(es)" so please read his article. I want to thank Bob for the great effort he puts into this very important CLUB function. I hope I see some different IPMS Niagara Frontier faces this year. Essentially the same 13 club members have acted as mentors for this very important club function (in kind donation) for most of the last 10 years, at least. The time that is donated by our club members reduces our meeting room rent by half. By reducing our rent the E-board is able to keep our club dues to the same \$10 it has been for years now. Just like every year we do need models for the kids so if you have a complete boxed model - I stress

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“complete”: decals, parts, instructions, etc. - and would like to donate it, the model will be put to a great purpose. The kids are 5-13 years old so almost any model will do. Even “Snaps” for the littlest ones, all modeling subjects are fine. The “Kid’s Classes” helped one of our kids win the Junior Best of Show at NOREASTCON and BuffCon this year so we must be doing something right!

SyrCon is the day before our meeting - see the show flyer in this issue. I hope to see many IPMS/NF faces there. Like I often say, we have to support our Region I Conventions as much as we can. I have heard rumors (actually I started the rumor) of a post show dinner too!

VP Justen “Sammy” Hanna will be talking about BuffCon 27, our next in 2010. He says he wants to do an IPMS National; he’ll run this month’s meeting too. If he runs the meeting well maybe we’ll let him have a National☺☺☺ See youz modeling winners on the 19th!

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MEETING NOTES

BOB RATHEL

Notes from the September meeting:

A very productive John Zachritz brought a Snap-Tite Tyrannosaurus Rex model to which he added a Star Wars rider; a wooden Diplodocus in a rearing pose that he built over a weekend; 2 1/48 scale MiG jet fighters; a pre-painted B-17; and a pre-painted B-24.



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Frank Blonski showed his 1/25 scale AMT 1950 Chevy pick-up truck. He has added some parts from a 1957 truck kit and reports issues with the hood, interior and rear quarter panels. This has been a 2 ½ year project!



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Tony Gliszczynski has renovated a 1/25 scale 1940 Ford "Rat Rod." He received this kit already built, so he removed the paint and refinished it. The kit is one of a half dozen he got from 3 Guyz that he plans to re-finish.



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Chuck Nichter's red AMT "Challenger" is the first 'out of box' kit he has ever built! There are no valve stems, seat belts, or engine in this project. It has a full interior, and was painted with Tamiya and Testors paints. Chuck also showed his Revell AP Ford "Mustang" that he finished with 2 coats of Tamiya flat black topped off with polyurethane clear.



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Brian McFee brought a 1/48 scale P-40E which he camouflaged using silly putty for masking.



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Steve Weller showed his unbuilt 1/48 scale Hobby Boss Avenger TBM-3. It is a highly detailed kit that will no doubt be a real show-piece if he actually builds it.



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Also in the unbuilt category is Larry Osolkowski's Trumpeter 1/12 scale Ford GT40 MK II which he procured from Great Models online. It is a highly detailed kit with photo-etched parts and braided lines.



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Joe Szczygiel gave a demo on scratchbuilding techniques.



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We had four guests at the meeting:

John Zaranek learned of the club from shopping at 3 Guyz. He builds U.S. Navy subjects, armor and fire engines.

Mike Swisher builds classic cars and unusual subjects.

Jack (left before I got his last name) doesn't build (yet) but is interested in World War II history.

Brad... uh, I got nothing on Brad....

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Special Offer for All Current IPMS Niagara Frontier Members

For some time, the E-Board of IPMS Niagara Frontier Chapter has been mulling over an idea to give something special back to our members in recognition of the continued good work of the club. Here's what we decided to do for all current paid members of IPMS Niagara Frontier.

We will rebate ½ of the cost for a one-year membership to IPMS USA, our national "umbrella" organization. The tangible benefit to this membership is 6 bimonthly copies of the excellent modeling publication IPMS Journal.

Adult memberships are \$25.00 per year and Juniors (17 years old and under) are \$12.00, so your rebates are \$12.50 and \$6.00 respectively.

Dave Schwab will be talking about this at the October and November club meetings to give you a better sense of the plan. He'll also have copies of recent IPMS Journals for your review along with national membership applications.

You will be responsible to complete and submit the application along with payment to IPMS USA. You can also do this on line at the National website:<http://www.ipmsusa.org/> You will receive a membership card in the mail a few weeks later.

The rebate is available to new and current members of IPMS USA for new memberships and renewals occurring from June 2009 through June 2010. You can renew your membership any time and the year is added to your current renewal date.

To get your rebate, you just have to show your current IPMS USA member card to Dave Schwab and he will give you money. How simple is that?

The E-Board encourages everyone to take advantage of this offer. It's a good way to get your feet wet and see what IPMS USA is all about and a way for the E-Board to say "Thank You!"

Changes Coming to Dizpatch in the New Year

The E-Board has voted to make a significant change to the club newsletter. Beginning in January, Dizpatch will exist in two different formats.

E-Dizpatch, which most of us receive in electronic form via e-mail, will be our primary method of communicating with our membership. It will be as you see it now; a floating sized .pdf document containing "Prez Sez", the report of the previous meeting with lots of large sized photos, any reports, articles or photos submitted by club members for publication, information about the next meeting and a list of club officers so you can contact them. E-Dizpatch will be emailed in the week before the regular meetings and posted on our website, (www.ipmsniagarafrontier.com) at the same time. Larry Osolkowski will be putting this together as he is presently doing.

The change is in the mailed out copies. Dizpatch will become a single sheet newsletter containing as a minimum "Prez Sez" and information about the next meeting. Basically, there will be 1-2/3 pages of information. Dick Schulenberg will be putting this together and mailing it out in the week before the regular meetings.

There are several reasons for this change. The mailed copies are limited to 5 double sided sheets to keep us within the weight limit for one stamp. Pretty much any of the information beyond "Prez Sez", the meeting report and next meeting information is chopped out and photos are reduced pretty small. Currently, Larry (and previously Bill Sauer) makes up the full blown E-Dizpatch as you see it and then re-edits, reorganizes and condenses it all in to no more than 9 pages for the mailer. That task takes at least an evening to do. The electronic file for the truncated version goes to Dick to copy, collate and mail. Currently, we mail out 46 copies. That's a lot of copy expense and paper to handle and another evening spent. All of this delays getting the primary meeting information to you in a timely manner. Sometimes, there just isn't enough time before the meetings to get this all done.

We know that this is a loss for those of you without easy access to the Internet. However, the change should make getting the meeting information out to those without e-mail much more reliable. You will get what you need to know, and you can check out the full blown E-Dizpatch at www.ipmsniagarafrontier.com on one of the computers at your local library at your leisure.

If you are now getting the mailed copy and have easy access to the Internet, please consider dropping off the mail list. It's a help to the club financially and easier on our mailing "staff".

Appeal for Volunteers for the 2010 Kids' Model Building Class

January 23rd - February 27th

The 2010 Kids' Class will soon be here and club members will once again perform the valuable and much appreciated role of Mentor. The 2009 class was very enjoyable for both kids and mentors alike. Twenty-eight children attended and a high level of parental involvement and club member turnout meant that most kids came away with a positive experience with modeling.

I'm happy to announce that this year, the fine folks at the Kalmbach Publishing Company will be providing a complimentary copy of Finescale Modeler or Scale Auto for the children. In addition, Kalmbach is also providing the following brochures: "You Can Make Great Scale Models", "Best Of Questions And Answers", "Painting Tips", and "Better Bodies For Car Modelers". In addition, IPMS Headquarters will be providing a complimentary copy of the IPMS Journal. I can't think of a better way to interest young people in modeling than to have a hands-on experience and some great magazines to spur on the interest.

The club is very fortunate to have members who, every year, share their interest in modeling by volunteering two hours of their time from ten to noon for six Saturdays in January and February. I've spoken with many past Mentors and they get a kick out of helping young people learn and enjoy the hobby of modeling. I believe Mentors have almost as much fun as the kids and find it personally rewarding. I think one ten-year old said it best when he said, "I couldn't have done it without you!"

Please consider being a Mentor. It's okay if you can't make every session. Whatever time you can provide will be greatly appreciated by your fellow members and especially the kids. Every year we strive to make improvements to the Kids' Class and your involvement and suggestions are greatly appreciated. Our main goal is to have every child come away from the class with a finished model and a positive experience with modeling. Remember, it would be great if you could volunteer for the whole class but it's okay if you can only attend some sessions. A sign up sheet will be passed out at the next club meeting. The class starts on January 23rd and runs for the following five consecutive Saturdays (10am to 12pm) until Awards Day, February 27th.

2010 Kids' Model Building Class Kit Appeal

The E-Board would like to request model kit donations from the club. Specifically, we are looking for new or pre-owned, un-built plastic model kits and will gladly accept anything you can provide. More specifically, we're currently

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short on the following:

1/35th scale armor

Small scale modern civil/warships

1/25 scale cars

Snap-together kits for young builders

Any small kit that we will pass out on awards day as a parting gift to keep the interest going beyond our class

If the kit you are considering donating is not new or sealed in plastic, please take the time to make absolutely sure all parts, clear pieces, decals, and instructions are present.

Donations will be gladly accepted by our President, Bob Collignon, Dave Schwab, Tony Gliszczynski, or me, Bob Conshafter. Club members were very generous last year and I would like to thank all of you who donated and thank in advance those who will donate this year.

Buck'n Up for The Kids' Class

In November and December, we'll pass the hat and ask for just a buck to help offset the costs of supplies that are routinely consumed by the class. We've had to replace some nippers, glue dispensers, and paint. As we in this hobby know all too well, the cost of these items adds up quick. Thanks in advance.

Best wishes always,

Bob Conshafter

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The Next Club Meeting:

The next meeting of the Niagara Frontier Chapter IPMS will be on Monday, October 19, 2009 at the Harlem Road Community Center, 4255 Harlem Road (near Main Street), Amherst, New York. We meet in the basement youth room from 7:00PM to about 9:00PM.

Please do not arrive before 6:45PM.

Important: All submissions to e-Dizpatch must be received by the Monday one week after our scheduled meeting night.

Printed articles and pictures can be mailed to:

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