



The Plastic Whittler



Our Next Meeting:

Our next meeting will be on **Monday, August 15th, 6:30 pm**, at HobbyTown USA! As per custom we're going to wrap up at 8 PM and go to Logan's for dinner.

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UPCOMING EVENTS	DATE
Next Meeting	8/15/2016
Build Day (July)	7/23/2016
IPMS Nationals	8/3-6/2016
Build Day	8/20/2016
IPMS Huntsville	9/24/2016
FreeTime Fall Festival	10/8/2016
Chattanooga ModelCon	1/6 & 7/2017

Here we go.....

Nationals Report: Mike Moore reports on the IPMS Nationals from Columbia. See pages 2 thru 4

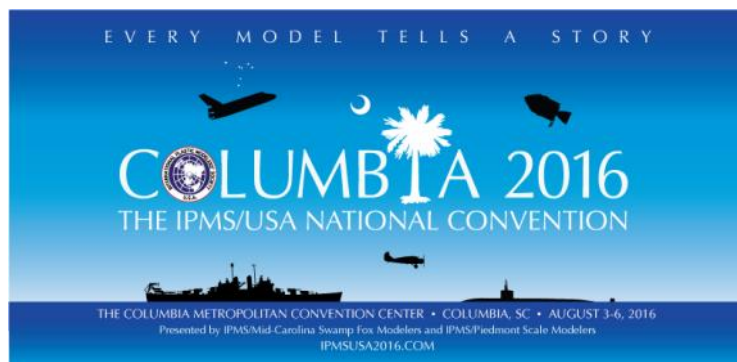
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Columbia is over and by all accounts it was a great one! See Mike's Article

Be sure to support Omaha, Nebraska (2017) and Phoenix, Arizona (2018).

.....and read Mike's Article very closely!



IPMS Nationals—Columbia

Mike Moore

Crap. It's a Monday after vacation, and my first voicemail of the morning gleefully served notice that it was time to pay the piper. Oh well...I can still think back...

Ok, first things first. Its August and it was Columbia SC. News flash...it's not a dry heat. But that was absolutely the only mildly "bad" news. Other than muggy, the Nats in Columbia were great! A top notch facility, a great part of town, and fantastic hosts all made for a great week of full immersion in modeling!

A later than planned departure on Wednesday got me into Columbia with just enough time to buy a bunch of books from Larry Weindorf before the venue shut down for the night. Then it was off to dinner with Tom and honorary CSM member Ed Marcum. The Mexican food was pretty good. The 27oz margarita was even better. At least until I woke up with a splitting head ache Thursday morning. After a slow start, I finally got into the model room after noon to set out my entries. A quick look around at what was there convinced me my chances of placing with any of the three of them were pretty slim. A feeling that was confirmed at the awards on Saturday.

It was then time to really dig into the vendors. As usual, there were opportunities to burn through cash at every turn. Eduard, MPM/Special Hobby, UMM, Freetime, For the Historian, the list goes on...and the cash goes out! The big surprises? First off, the new Eduard Spitfire in 1/72 is incredible. A real jewel, at least in the box. Hopefully it goes together as well (though who knows when I'll actually find out). Secondly, the newly reprinted Hunnicutt Sherman isn't bad. Not nearly as good as the original Presidio Press editions, but at about \$70 in soft cover, definitely worth picking up and not as bad as some of the reviews had made it out to be.

Thursday dinner was with a loose confederation of guys known as Scum Dogs (Social Club for Unrepentant Modelers Division of Old Guys South). Despite the excellent Brew Pub venue, the Margarita the night before kept me honest. As usual with those guys, time flew. Then it was on to meet up with another group, the Vagabonds. More fun all around.

Friday was, as always, a long day culminated by the judging. It's never easy at the Nationals. There are so many good



models that it always seems like an impossible task to whittle it down to first a top three, and then figure 1-2-3 from there. As usual, I ended up with one of those categories where we got to the end and then couldn't seem to figure which of the last two was best. Damn near a coin flip. But we got it sorted out and could then move on to one of the perks of judging, free reign in the model room to look at and take pictures of the models with as few folks in the way as possible. But it is a long night, with an early morning the next day.

Why the early start? The business meeting starts at 9am, with the Nationals Bid presentations following immediately after. Given that Ed and I were working on the presentation right up to the final minute (I had to get the hard copies printed in Columbia), I got up at 0 dark thirty, shuffles my butt to Starbucks and spent a couple hours going over it. Then

it was show time. I always get done giving presentations like that feeling like I'd talked with marbles in my mouth. And then I spent the rest of the day telling folks that it was in the hands of the gods and I had no idea what our chances were.

The wrap up of course is the banquet and awards. I'm not really much of a banquet guy, so went to a taco bar with a few of the boys and timed my arrival to the banquet hall to coincide with the scheduled start of the awards. Only to find they had apparently started the speeches and announcements early. And more than a few folks telling me they, meaning the big wigs, were looking for me because they, meaning 2nd VP Mike Van Schoonhoven had announced that following the 2018 Nats to be held in Phoenix (and yes, it's a dry heat), the 2019 National Convention is to be hosted in Chattanooga. So there it is boys, it's for real now!

The balance of the evening was another edition of the Bill and Arris show (you have to experience one to understand). The Chattanooga highlights were Sam Sunder picking up a second for his Star Trek Mirror Universe Spock in the Captain's chair. Dad Ed followed up his great work on the bid presentation with a second for his Predator drone, and a third for his Yak 55M aerobatic plane. And Tom Gaston brought home firsts for his big scale FT17, OOB Humvee, SciFi dio featuring one of his kit bashed armored cars based on an airplane, and his OOB triathlon. All that was accompanied a second for his little FT17, and two thirds for an OOB armored car (Italian?) and another triathlon. Me? Like I said, I called it on Thursday. The only things I came home with were from the vendors and a job for 2019.

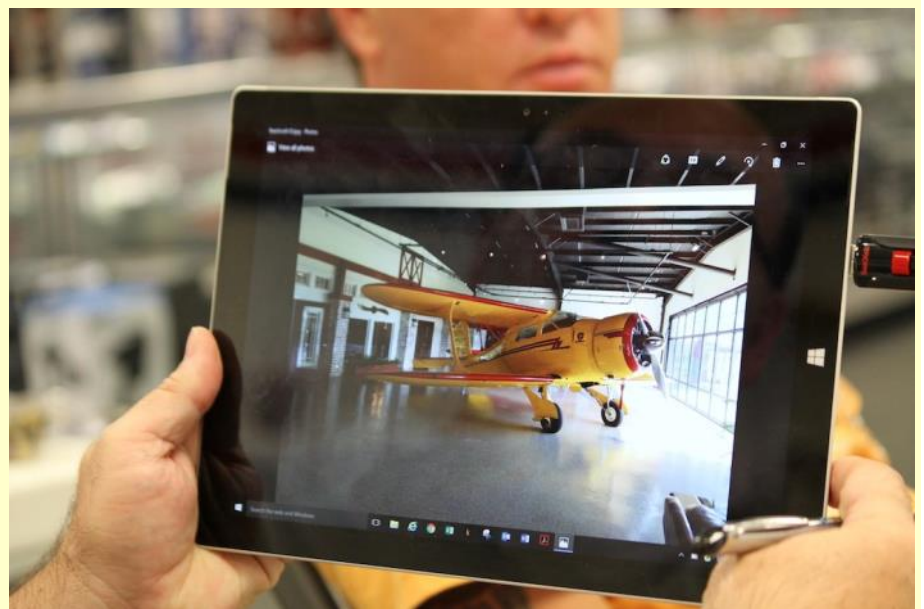
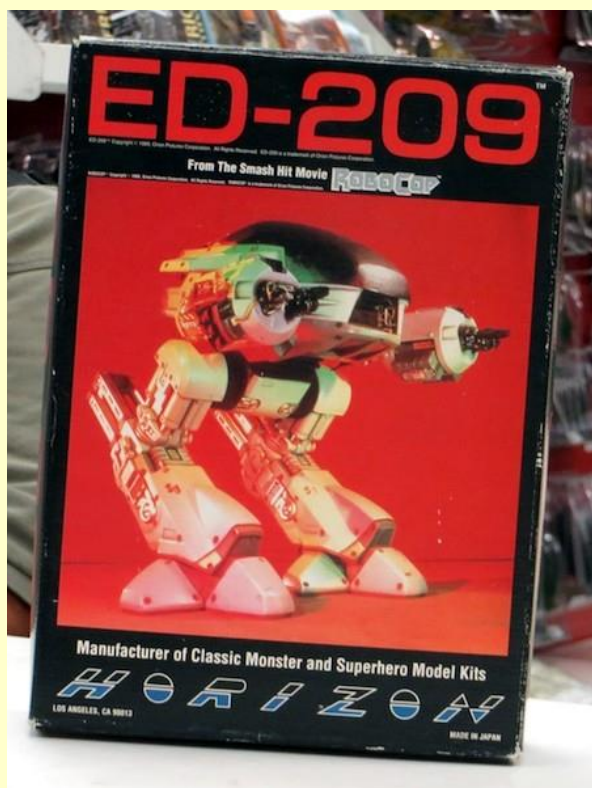
Nope, not a bad week at all.





Dave Blackwell	Camera
Bruce Block	1 st Time / Newbie
Ben BonVillain	Ben BonVillain
Phil Chandler	1/9 Horizon ED 209 from Robo Cop (in box)
Bob Colbert	Bob Colbert
George Fugett	1/35 Trumpeter British Challenger 2 w/
Tom Gaston	
Gary Haars	Lap Top / Photo Montage of Beach Craft
Steve Lewis	
Jeff Mattheiss	
Mike Moore	
Jonah Roach	1/35 Zvezda PzKpfw IV Ausf. F-1 W.I.P.
Emanuel Roland	Photos
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Jason Seneker	
Roger Trochleman	

Photos from our last meeting



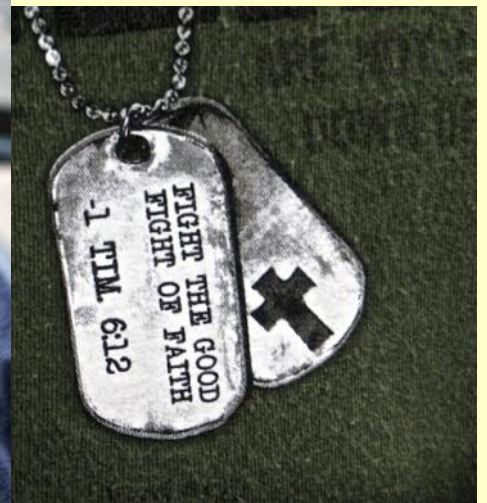
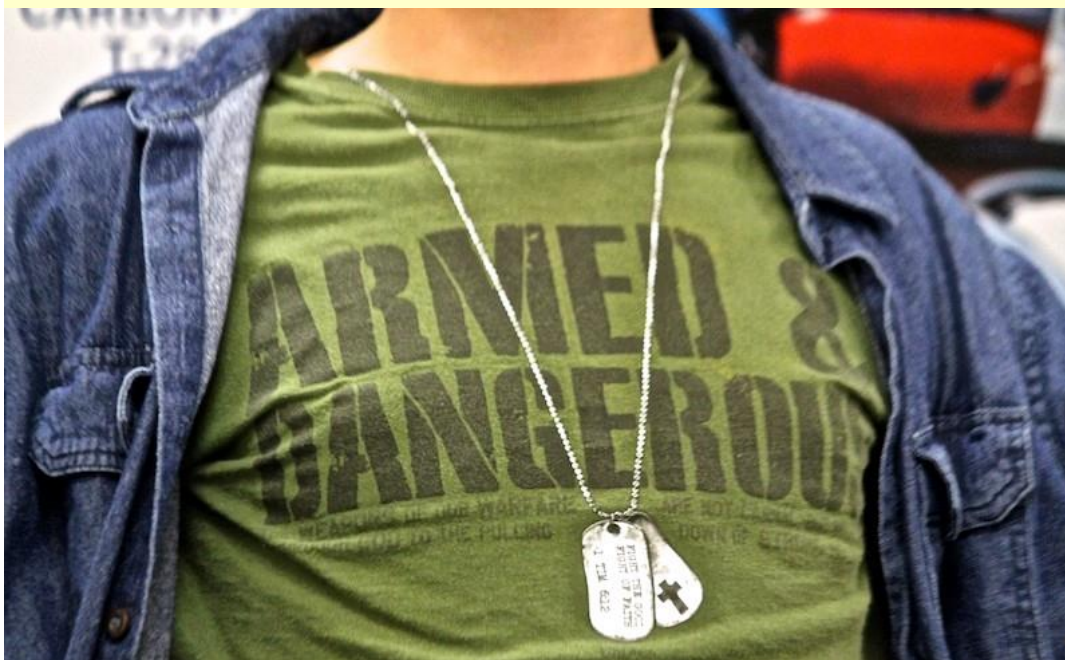
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FROM EMANUEL'S ROVINGLENS

Emanuel sent these snapshots that he took from a C-37B during training at Lovell Field Recently. The Narration below is from the US Navy Fact Files on the C-37

C-37A (GULFSTREAM V) AND C-37B (GULFSTREAM 550)

Description

Provide world-wide airlift for senior leadership and dignitaries.

Features

Gulfstream V is an all-weather, long-range, high speed aircraft powered by two Rolls-Royce BR 710-A2 turbofan engines with thrust reversers. The aircraft has an executive compartment with accommodations for six passengers and a staff compartment with accommodations for eight passengers. A walk-in baggage area of 226 cubic feet is fully pressurized and accessible from the cabin. The C-37A aircraft is operated by Fleet Logistics Support Wing Detachment at Hickam Air Force Base, Honolulu, Hawaii.

The Gulfstream 550 is an all-weather, long-range, high speed aircraft powered by two Rolls-Royce BR710-C4 turbofan engines equipped with thrust reversers. One C-37B has an executive compartment with accommodations for six passengers and a staff compartment with accommodations for eight passengers. Other C-37B's have an executive compartment with accommodations for four passengers and a staff compartment with accommodations for eight passengers. All C-37B's have a walk-in baggage area of 226 cubic feet is fully pressurized and accessible from the cabin.

C-37B aircraft are operated by Fleet Logistics Support Squadron One (VR-1) at Naval Air Facility, Andrews Air Force Base, Washington, DC.

Throughout its life, both the C-37A and C-37B aircraft have been operated and commercially supported by the Navy using Navy and FAA processes, procedures and certifications. It continues to be maintained commercially at all levels of maintenance

and relies on commercially available components and equipment to support airworthiness.



FROM EMANUEL'S ROVING- LENS





Conversations With Your Brother

All of us keep in touch with our various family members on a regular basis, with “regular” being subject to a myriad of interpretations. Most of you may know my brother, Mike Mattheiss (not being confused with the other plethora of “Mikes” we have around our club), is a graphic artist and the creator of our club’s logo, Kamikaze Mike. In general conversation this week I asked him about a current project he was doing.

Some of you may have seen his work on the Coker T-shirts that he has done for the Coker Cruise In shows. I don’t have all of the ones he’s done but I do have a couple. It appears that Coker may have Mike create T-shirts now for the shows that Coker will go to be vendor. This is new to them but of course modelers have seen other vendors do that at model shows and such before.

This coming August 12th & 13th there is a show in Bowling Green, KY, that is called Tri 5 Nationals. What’s that? Well, it’s a large car show that has nothing but 55, 56, and 57 Chevys of all kinds. See

here: <https://www.thetrifivenationals.com/> for more details. Coker will be a vendor there and they had Mike design a T-shirt just for the show. I think it looks cool. He said they may have him do one for other shows so, if you like going to car shows (and if any are close enough for us!), here’s their web site: <https://www.cokertire.com/showpages> and you can keep abreast of car shows they’re involved in.

So, if cars of various designs are your thing (and check out the Auburn, Cord, Duesenberg Festival in early September), having the Coker vendor schedule seems to be a cool thing to have.

Thanks!

Jeff

Tri-Five - Coker Apparel



What's Happening in PSC

Welcome to the Photographic Society of Chattanooga

PSC Guest Speaker

August 18, 2016

John Willhoff



I've been a photographer since I was a kid, and airplanes were always a central interest for me. I grew up watching them and my first purchase after college was a good camera and lens to shoot the airplanes at the local airport. 28 years later they still hold a fascination for me, even though as an Aeronautical Engineer I work with, and am surrounded by, airplanes everyday.



Airshows are a wonderful opportunity for photographers to experience the challenge and rewards of aviation photography. I am honored and delighted to be able to speak with the Chattanooga Photographic Society about the many aspects of airshow photography.

For more information click [HERE](#)

Location: [MAP](#)

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Program starts at 7:00 PM



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HUNTSVILLE PLASTIC MODELERS SOCIETY

40th Annual Model Show

24 SEPTEMBER 2016 + HUNTSVILLE, AL



It Ain't Old, It's Vintage

Behind our 40th Contest special category

Have you made plans yet for the 40th Annual HPMS Show this fall? It's not too early, especially if you're interested in entering our special category. To commemorate our 40th anniversary show, we are sponsoring a special category for kits produced in 1976 or earlier - *Vintage Kits*.

Models have changed. Modeling has changed. Certainly, modelers have changed. But we want to make our special category a time capsule from the HPMS of 1976.

Remember those days? Kits were just a few bucks. High-tech meant injection-molded plastic and moving parts instead of the wooden kits of yesteryear. Multimedia meant you built on a card table in front of a console TV that got only 13 channels, while the 8-track was on in the kitchen. We wanted to recreate that time for our show. For you younger modelers, consider it a retro history lesson.

The rules of the contest are fairly simply - it has to be a kit that was available in 1976, and it has to be box stock. [Current IPMS box stock](#) rules apply.

But nothing's ever that simple. We know there will be questions... because we started asking them ourselves. We want to give you some additional guidelines and examples intended to prevent misunderstandings and "oops" moments...

Age of the Kit

- The individual kit itself doesn't *have* to be from 1976. Some old kits continued to be produced after 1976 - lots are still in production today, often from different manufacturers. You can build the model from any production run as long as it contains the same parts as the 1976-or-before kit. You can't use the new parts added to make a different variant or the photo-etch or resin parts added later. You can use remastered parts intended to improve the fit of the old kit but do not change the look. (For instance, you can build the Moebius repop of the old Aurora Moonbus, but you can't use the corrected cockpit windows that Moebius added.)
- There are several ways to determine the date of your subject model kit. Often, the kit copyright date is molded on the parts or printed on the instructions or box somewhere - look for a copyright symbol and date. [scalemates.com](#) is a handy reference source. So is [fantastic-plastic.com](#) and [oldmodelkits.com](#). If you can, provide a printout of the relevant page or entry or provide us with the direct web link. It can only work in your favor and prevent arguments.
- Don't assume that, just because a real subject existed on or before 1976 that some manufacturer made a kit of it.



- There were a lot of great kits that came out in 1977 and beyond. Can we bend the rules to allow any 1970s kit? No. Believe me, it hurts some of us more than it hurts you. We expect you to make a *good faith* effort to determine the age of the kit before you enter it.

Construction & Finishing

- You don't have to use the original kit decals. Remember – box stock rules allow the use of replacement or new decals.
- Nor do you have to use 40-year-old paint or X-acto blades. So that means you can use modern decals, paints, adhesives and other building and finishing techniques that have evolved in the last 40 years. For one thing, it would be too hard to enforce anything else. But consider the spirit and intent of the category.
- Yes, you can use modern metalizer products. We're not gonna die on that hill.
- You can also pre-shade and post-shade, even though nobody'd heard of that back in the day.

The Contest

- This is a single category for all entries. Cars, ships, planes, tanks, rockets, figures, and science fiction, etc. will have to play nice and compete against each other.
- Your model must represent a vehicle that existed in 1976 or before. That means no post-1976 NASCAR or Indy car markings. No airliners in post-1976 livery. No soldiers in US chocolate-chip camouflage. No post-1976 Jolly Roger naval air markings.
- Please resist the urge to figure out some obscure exception or scenario we haven't thought of. Remember, the spirit and intent of the category - and the fun and challenge of building for it - is supposed to result in a model table full of models then available as they would have looked in or before 1976. Worse, don't try to bully or sneak your way in with an unqualified kit. That makes it hard for us, hard for you, hard for the judges, unpleasant for everyone. It's not worth it.
- Accept that this category is for fun. It's not a science. If we make a mistake, don't make a federal case of it.
- One idea - build a kit just the way you would have built it in 1976 - tube glue, fingerprint finish, silvered decals and all. This is intended to help those who build that way now anyway.

We know there are other unusual cases out there. This is social media, so feel free to ask questions, and we'll try to answer. We hope you will find something to build and enter. Either way, we hope you'll come to Huntsville and have fun this year.

- Martin Burkey and Tom Clark



HUNTSVILLE PLASTIC MODELERS SOCIETY

40th Annual Model Show

24 SEPTEMBER 2016 • HUNTSVILLE, AL

8:00 AM to 5:00 PM • Huntsville Jaycee's Building • 2180 Airport Road SW



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In Huntsville, AL this Fall as the Huntsville Plastic Modelers Society hosts its 40th Annual Model Show at the Huntsville Jaycees Building.

SPECIAL PRICING

To celebrate, we're featuring special pricing for entries (\$5 for the first 10 entries) and vendor tables (first 3 tables free with pre-registration). See details online. As always, general admission is **free**.

SPECIAL CATEGORY

In honor of our 40th show, we're featuring a special category:

It Ain't Old, It's Vintage

Featuring Out-of-the-Box Models from 1976 or earlier!*

FOR MORE DETAILS

Online

- <http://hsvpms.blogspot.com>
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*For rules on the special category, please see our website or Facebook page.



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- Vendors
- Raffle prizes
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- \$20 Steak/Chicken Cookout, Saturday
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- Friday-Saturday museum access
- Airshow admission on Saturday
- Model Show admission
- Model Registration—unlimited entries

Model Show: Friday—12:00 pm-8:00 pm

Saturday—9:00 am-9:00 pm

Awards Ceremony: Saturday, 6:15 pm

Contest Theme: The First 50 Years of Aviation, 1903-1953

Winner of the Theme Award receives a Stearman flight!

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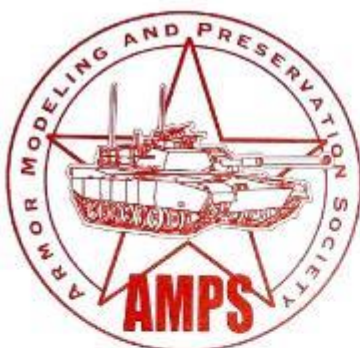
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