Our Next Meeting:

Our next meeting will be on **Monday, April 17th, 6:30 pm**, at HobbyTown USA!

Note—As per custom we’re going to wrap up at 8 PM and go to dinner. By popular request we’ll take a vote on where to go for dinner after the meeting.

In addition to our usual club meeting night activities we’ll have a slide show this month consisting of airplane and model slides.

**IPMS/USA Members: PLEASE VOTE**  We very much appreciate our members who are members of IPMS/USA. If you are one please be sure to check your e-mail Inbox for an e-mail from the National Organization. This is a one time link for submitting your vote. I encourage you to do so. The people are pretty much running unopposed but what is more important is to vote for the update to the by-laws. It is important that enough people vote so that we have sufficient numbers to pass the update. A lot of people have worked hard for this update.

**Note from Marcia Eggleston:** Marcia Eggleston. See Page 3

**Message from Jose**

I had a quadruple heart bi pass and aortic valve replacement. I am progressing on schedule but in a lot of pain due to the fact that I can't take the pain killers that the doctors gave me due to them causing me breathing difficulties.

I am coping as well as possible. I should be ready to start having a regular life in about 4-5 months.

Thanks for caring, hope to see you guys soon. I will be at the January show for sure. Jose

**Tom Gaston’s Latest DC Project:** See Page 5

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**And the Book Goes On:** Jeff catches us up with his long read. See age 19

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Photos from Our Last Two Meetings:
Emanuel shares photos and goings on from our last meeting. See Page 12

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Food for Thought - Perhaps a club movie night. Let’s discuss at the meeting. Perhaps set a date just after we return from the Nationals????

A Reminder

If you are going to the IPMS Nationals this year ..... Now is the time to register!!!!!

The Mummy Movie – A Wee Bit of Trivia

I haven’t yet seen the movie in question. (Very Poor Reviews make me think wait and catch it on cable soon!) There was an interesting note on IMDB the other day. It seems the set designers initially wanted a C130K as this was the RAF’s Special Forces aircraft. That makes sense. Somewhere along the way the continuity people got something a little bit off. I’m certain that parts of the movie are a combination of “green screen” technology and some fancy mock ups. Due to the wrong internal designs being used the aircraft featured is a mash-up of 2 different aircraft. The outside of the aircraft shown supposedly is a C130K, while the inside is a mock up of the A400M.
Marcia Eggleston (Widow of the late David Eggleston) who brought her husband’s leftover modeling supplies to distribute amongst our membership at the April meeting has also sent us the following letter. My apologies to all at the tardiness of this, we just didn’t have a May issue and I received the letter after our last meeting. Please also see the next page. I had a few minutes to look around in my collection of model show photos and I found the attached photo of the four of us who travelled together to the Chicago Nationals.

Some of you may remember Dave as the founder of “Tanksalot2u.” He was an entrepreneur in the hobby business, having this internet based establishment early in the days of “The Web” I know I have several of his companies’ sanding sticks still in my tool box and I bet I’m not the only one!! He was a fun loving member of our group. Frequently we ran into him at model shows south of here as he moved that direction when he departed our area.

It was a very ice touch for Mrs. Eggleston to gift his leftover supplies to our membership. It is not every meeting that you get to take something home other than our comradeship. It is a testament to the way Dave lived. He had fun with the hobby. It was very fitting to think that somewhere Dave was smiling as he continued to make those in the hobby happy.
In Memory
David Eggleston

This is my latest work for Dalton College covering the different US services that served in the Vietnam war. This is the Battle for Hue City 68, Tet offensive US Marines. thanks
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Mike Moore and myself made the trip to Warner Robins AFB museum this year. Thanks to an offer by Ken Niles we were able to drive most of the Friday late afternoon and stay with him and do the final hour or so Saturday morning. Friday night we were treated to steaks and time with Tom Evens, a local friend and fellow model (and photographer!) Made for a nice evening before the show. We got to the show in plenty of time to set up our vending tables and settle in for the day.

The Warner Robins club is an old club that has been around for a long time. They have a special and great venue for their show. It is still a hoot to have models under the U-2 and SR-71. On the downside this year there was something wrong with the air conditioning. Someone thought it had not recovered from the big hanger doors being open all day Friday. I really wish the A/C had worked better and I wish there was more light on the models (but that would have made it hotter - so I guess I better not wish for that!!)

Others of our club members were present: Don Hixson, Ed and sons, Ken Niles and Tom Evens joined us at our vend table between walks to the other vendors and wanderings around the model tables or museum exhibits. Buz Pezold. Mike Idacavage, Joe Driver, Vicki Kohout and others also dropped by to entertain us. I got to see a lot of friends and had a good day. Made a few new ones too!! A Vendor table makes a great little rally point at any show!

Mike and I called it quits late in the ay when the heat and lack of any sales told us it was time to leave. I got word later that Buz got Best Aircraft for his Vindicator, Ken got a first with his new Corsair, and Tom Evens got a first for his Skyraider Diorama.

Warner Robins show is one where you can always find something to tickle your fancy, be it models, friends or museum displays.
Ken’s Corsair faithfully replicated the one in the photograph down to the weathering in a part for part position.
Parked in a corner but really interesting is this USAF variant of the MRAP. Hit twice by IEDs in Afghanistan but no injuries to the occupants..
On my driveway washing my truck, almost missed trying to get my camera out of the truck.

Emanuel
Did you think I’ve quit reading that massive, choke a shredder volume I started on … uh … LAST year? I’m certainly not one to be noted for finishing a model (quiet from the Peanut Gallery), but I do finish a book I’ve started, even if not in a “timely” manner.

Yes, I’m still enjoying the book. Yes, sometimes it’s hard to find time to plop on the couch, open the book, and just read – especially now that the girls are out of school for the Summer. But that’s what vacations are for! Well, NOT according to my wife. Now, back from that rabbit trail …

I’ve decided that this will probably be my last “update” on the book ‘til I’ve finished it as I’m trying not to bore a good number of you. So, I’m saying it’s boring? No! I’m thoroughly enjoying the read. Yes, it can be somewhat tedious but there’s nothing going to “fly off” and be devoured by the Carpet Monster!

Again, the book is filled with sidebars and graphs and maps and some pictures as well. The nice, color map I’ve included as a picture is a fold out map taken directly from the OKH map files made during the war. You might not be able to notice but the blue are the Germans and the red are the Soviets. Yes, there’s much more red than blue and the blue looks like they’re due for a refill ink cartridge. Still, it gives a good idea of the scope and also the accuracy (for the most part) of German intelligence concerning the, then current, situation.

As you might be able to tell I’m about half way through the book. I’m at the point of the “fateful day” where the SS encounter the 5th Guards Tank Army at Prokhorovka. The situation is quite interesting as nothing I’ve read in the past really gives a good picture of what went on at that time. KURSK by David Glantz comes the closest to this book in comparison … but I’ve not read ALL the books there are on the subject.

The sidebars again show some nice interest with an account of the accuracy of the Soviets’ air victory claims put in comparison to the Germans’ victory claims being one I’ve just finished. It appears that it was Soviet operational DOCTRINE to increase some 30% their claims of German losses to the amount of losses they (the Soviets) incurred. VERY interesting …

Still, all in all, I’m not reading as fast as I’d like but I am still very interested in this book. What I plan to do is, in the future, when I do a Head Count List for the month, I’ll mention the book and what page I’m on after my name much like I do for those that bring models, etc., that way I’m letting y’all know I’m still at it.

Is this book worth having? You bet! But I’ll wait ‘til I can get one a little cheaper … or until my Rich Uncle gets out of the Poor House (as my Mom always says …).
Have you ever gotten “lost” on YouTube? I mean, if you’re like me (a little OCD, ADD or ADHD mixed with a History addiction), finding stuff on YouTube can almost be a hobby in itself.

My brother Mike sent me this the other day as something he came across whilst at work. https://www.facebook.com/mashtabekb/videos/1461808133841385/

This is a video probably taken in late 1944 or the 1st half of 1945 of British Carrier operations in the Pacific. It has some nice Spitfire shots. Also in the video are a few Fairey Fulmars and some British Avengers. For those fans of Task Force 57 (the British contribution to the war against Japan) this video should be very pleasing. One thing I noticed was the difference in colors (or ... colours) of some of the various Spitfires. Different squadrons maybe? Also of note is some of the exhaust weathering seen on some of the Spitfires. Makes for some nice modeling options in my opinion.

All in all when modeling don’t forget to check out YouTube as you might find something about which you are modeling!

Thanks,

Jeff
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