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Cape Cod Con 13 – Sept. 26, 2004 – West Barnstable, MA Contact Rich Reingold rreingold@comcast.net

ModelFest – October 10, 2004 – Milford, CT Contact Doug Hamilton Modelfest2004@aol.com

Granite Con XII – October 17, 2004 – Nashua, NH Contact Rod Currier ipmsgsmc@hotmail.com

Baycon 2004 – November 7, 2004 – So. Attleboro, MA Contact Bob Magina, 508-695-7754 treadhead@comcast.net

Downeastcon 2005 – March 12, 2005 – Biddeford, ME

The Modeler's Bench – Jeff Maronn



My name is Jeff Maronn....and I'm a modelholic.
[chorus:" Hi Jeff, welcome to Modelholics Anonymous !"]

I started modeling when I was about seven. I remember my first model was a T-Rex by PYRO. That was also the first time I cut my thumb to the bone with my first No.11 Exacto blade, and the first time I threw a model at the

wall because I spilled paint on the lap of my first pair of brand new corduroys. I was lucky to have grown up in the heady days of 57 Chevys, Hurst Mustang Cobra "rent-a-racers", and Wild Willy gassers at Colchester Dragway in Conn. I built them all and raced them through my imagination (all my car models had to roll). My mother moved us to Berkley, Ma. when I became a teen. We lived on a dirt road in No-where Ville during my formative years and modeling became a way to keep from going insane from isolation from the civilized world.

After graduating from Bristol Aggie in Segregansett, I went back to Farmington Conn. to work for a year before joining the Navy to avoid being drafted and being sent to Vietnam. By now my model collection numbered in the hundreds and was growing faster than my In-laws abilities to pick them up and accidentally destroy them. I had to take time off to go through the Navy training programs but after arriving in Vietnam with the 5th Marines, 1st Reinforcement Batt. As a Navy Combat Corpsman I was able to actually send for some European motorcycle models and resume my addiction. I never had the time to finish those models. When I left thirteen months later I left my past, my youth and my imagination there. I didn't model again for almost ten years.

I joined the New Bedford Fire Department in '78 and started to scratch-build fire trucks to pass the time on duty. I heard about Baycon and entered a few contests. But it wasn't until I met Kevin Conlon and got him hooked on modeling that I became serious about building again. Kevin became a Tread-head and joined Baycon. Later that year a bunch of the "Treadies" paid my dues then threatened me with No.11 Exacto blades until I signed up. Even so, I've never met a more dedicated, unselfish and talented bunch of guys any where. Proud to be part of this crew.

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Of Weathering, Opinions, etc.

by Hal Marshman Sr.



I attended my club (Bay Colony Historical Modelers) last Saturday afternoon, and I've got to say that this was one of the most interesting meetings in a long time. Now, why would I say this? Most of the meetings I attend are pretty good and I look forward to each. This time, however most of the folks on hand participated in a real "round table forum". Some guys were most spirited in their commentary, and everyone that had something to say differed just that little bit from the preceding guy. Now, what was the topic of this informal discussion?

In general terms, we were discussing weathering and also what I call model enhancement. As may be expected, we had folks that prefer museum clean models, and the gamut runs all the way to those who weather to the point where I sometimes doubt if such a filthy scrap heap could get off the ground. Then we have a few folks that "enhance" their finishes with panel line accents, and shaded and highlighted finishes. I personally belong to the latter group. I try to keep my effects moderately subtle.

The question of faded paints also arose, along with the scale effects of full gloss finishes as compared to a semi gloss or satin finish. One of the really interesting facets of this discussion was that the participants were not just airplane guys, but armor modelers, car guys, and figure painters. Of course, some of the guys do double in more than one venue of the modeling hobbies.

As I see it, not only did we get the input of the

"artist" type characters, but the "engineer" types also chimed in. Where do I stand in that general category. I consider myself as indeed one of the artists, but have been known to convert models, and to scratch build some of the components in just about every kit I build, putting me somewhat in the "engineering" seat, also.

Now, my friends, let's forget about the divergent opinions that sometimes cause dissention among us. Both disciplines have much to offer the hobby as a whole. The engineers have caused the model manufacturers to provide us with better, more authentic kits, and to pay attention to subtypes. Because of the engineering discipline, we have super detailing sets, with resin and etched metal parts, plus vac formed canopies. Such being the case, what has the artist brought us? Try the various paints, the after market decal sets, and the colored profiles. Yep, it takes both kinds to make a modeler's world. We must all cut the other guy some slack, as his input is just as important as our own. Not only that, but open minds allow us to learn from each other.

Been building models since the first plastic kits, and still learning, and once in a while, I pick up something from the rankest rookie. Okay, what's the biggest fact that came out of this gab fest? Simply this: no one is right and no one is wrong. We are all building models according to what we see in our own minds and whereas everyone sees things just that little bit differently, we cannot expect every modeler to build exactly as we prefer to. Soooo, let's enjoy each other's efforts, and admire the workmanship the builder puts into it.

Have fun, Hal

Even Jugs require the input of both.

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Region 1 Update, Pre-National Edition

by Doug Hamilton

Greetings everyone,
This will be short, to the point, and quick. That way, everyone can get pack to packing, and last minute model building before Phoenix. (Hey, you missed a glue spot!!!)

If you have any IPMS brochures on hand, throw them out!!! An updated version is on it's way, and I'll have them in a few days. Let me know how many you'll be needing. If you need a large quantity, contact MJ at the home office for them. They reflect the new dues increase, and feature new pictures and such. They're a great way to promote IPMS.

The home office will be closed Wednesday, and reopen sometime next week. Everyone will be in Phoenix. If you need to contact the office, please wait until the middle of next week before doing so. I received the new edition of the Journal today. It's the 40th anniversary edition. Wow!! You'll find some very interesting articles showcasing where IPMS came from, and hopefully, where it's going. Kudos to all that helped put this together. Look for your copy in the mail soon.

To all that are going to Phoenix, remember, it's a dry heat!! Have a great time, and I'll be looking for a few reports from our Region 1 attendees when you get back. I can't make it this year, but am planning a full assault on Hot 'Lanta next year. I know the folks in Phoenix have been working hard to make this years event a great one.

With that, I'll close this update. I'll have more to report after the Nationals are concluded. Until then,

keep the shiny side up!!! As always, please share this with the officers and members of your chapter.

Semper Fi
Doug Hamilton
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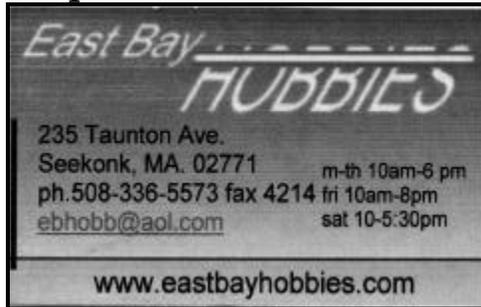
Aircraft Display at the Women at Work Museum in Attleboro, MA

by Bob Magina

On July 14th, club members Joe McDonald Sr. and myself setup a two case display of various Pre and WWII aircraft models of both specific women pilots and typical types ferried in WWII by women pilots in the Attleboro Women at Work Museum. Through another Bay Colony club member Paul Dion, Kathy Honey the museum curator contacted us. She was looking to supplement her current theme display on Women at War. We agreed to help and in the pic below you can see the results. Needless to say, Kathy is very happy with our display. It will run there until October. Go down and check it out if you have a chance. Also of note, both club member Norm Robbie and myself provided uniform displays of both the revolutionary and civil war period.



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The Club Website has been moved to a new Server

By Bob Magina

As many of you know the club recently voted to move the club website from my personal account on my cable provider to a pay service server. For the past six years I have hosted our website on my personal space on my cable provider at no charge to the club. This worked great but as we grew our needs and desires for what we wanted on our club site grew as well. Very quickly the 10 meg space on had on cable provider was no longer enough. I learned from a member of another club I belong to

(Norland AMPS) that they used this pay server which provided them with 800 megs of space for \$60 per year. So, I recommended to the club that it was time to move. The move was approved, the service was purchased and the site was moved last month. Our address is still www.ipmsbaycolony.com.

Well, with all this new space and support, our website has undergone some very fundamental changes. Probably one of the biggest changes was the addition of a forum. Yes that's right, we now have a forum for discussion, research, wants and disposals, chat or whatever else you want. It requires no username or password. Just enter your name and e-mail and off you go. I have been amazed at how much this new feature is being used by our membership. Please, if you haven't already, jump in and join the fun.

Other changes cover the addition of an archive for back issues of the club newsletter Battlewagon. Starting this month, all back issues from 2003-2004 membership year will be available in our new archive. Just go to the Battlewagon page and the new archive button is located on the bottom of the page. We also added something many of you have asked me for, Baycon show photos. A new button has been added which leads you to some 50 photos that were taken of last year's Baycon 2003. This year after Baycon 2004 I will replace these with new photos of the 2004 show. Also of note, we have added the flyer, judging info, and you got it entry forms for Baycon 2004. This will now be a regular feature of our show section.

Upcoming future changes are still coming in to me from the membership. My son and I are working on adding a join Bay Colony page to our website and creating a club e-mail address. We have also been requested to add a place to post photos, reference stuff, not off the internet, private stock for members only. Please feel free to e-mail me any ideas or suggestions you have.

One other note, we just won the Artsyaward's Gold Medal for our website. I will be adding the award to our awards page shortly.

President's Column Cont'd

cutaway aircraft models. This is worth seeing, fascinating! Also in this issue, Bob Magina scores with another photo in the Reader Gallery.

And last on my list, I know there aren't many small scale figure painters in our group. Those would be 25 to 28 mm. But just in case, and for those of you that are fascinated by the 'Lord of the Rings' film trilogy, Games Workshop produces an exquisite line of LOTR figures. They are intended for war games and include all the characters and monsters, some many times over. These are beautiful models, excellent for small scale dioramas or single figures. They do include the heroes, and villains, trolls, ring wraiths, etc. They are available online from www.gamesworkshop.com or from a number of local hobby shops. Contact me if you need to find one that carries them. Meanwhile.....

As always, you can reach me on the web at jjnick@lycos.com.

God bless America! Happy modeling and give kits to kids!

John J. Nickerson

Saying Goodbye to long time member Ed Arnold

By Bob Magina

Please join me in wishing member Ed Arnold the best of luck in his move to Indiana this month. Ed has accepted a new job there and is in the process of moving his family there now. Ed has been an active member of Bay Colony for some time and a regular

at our meetings and a number of the shows. We will all miss him and the spectacular work he does.

Again, best of luck Ed in your new venture. I hope we will cross again some day at one of the shows.

Good Luck and Good By from your fellow bay Colony Members.

More Pic's from the Attleboro Museum Display



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In Range:

June 12th Meeting – Ted Conway

1/35th Scale LSSC Vietnam (WIP) – Kevin Conlon
1/35th Scale Beach w/ Palm Trees(WIP) – Kevin Conlon
1/72nd Scale A-10 Warthog – Frank Knight
1/35th Scale Changing of the Guard – Bob Magina
1/48th Scale P-47D-25 – Bill Collins
1/48th Scale JU-88-C6 – Bill Collins
1/16th Scale Bruce Willis (DieHard) – Joe McDonald Sr.
1/32nd Scale Cole Younger – Joe McDonald Jr.
1/48th Scale U2 – Joe Ravino
1/48th Scale 109F Trop – Joe Ravino

Raffle: Dremel Tool – None Held

In Attendance:

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| Joe Ravino | Bob Magina |
| Norm Robbie | John Gisetto Sr. |
| Ray Rosario | John Nickerson |
| Ted Conway | Frank Knight |
| Joe McDonald Sr. | Gian Montecalvo |
| Brian Millette | Kevin Conlon |
| Kevin Colburn | Ed Arnold |
| Ray Laskorski | Bill Collins |
| John Gazzola | Jeff Maronn |



July 10th Meeting – Ed Arnold/John Gazzola

1/72nd Scale Waco UPF-7 – Ray Laskorski
1/48th Scale P-47D-25 Brazilian – Hal Marshman Sr.
1/35th Scale Sturmtiger (WIP) – Gian Montecalvo
1/72nd Scale KA-27 – Bob Don
1/48th Scale Bf109E4/7 – Brian Millette
1/72nd Scale Mosquito Mk VI FB – Chris Libucha

Raffle: Dremel Tool Accessory Set – Norm Robbie

In Attendance:

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| Bob Magina | Bob Don. |
| Art Drummond | Brian Millette |
| Hal Marshman Sr. | John Nickerson |
| Frank Knight | John Gazzola |
| Kevin Conlon | John Gisetto Sr. |
| Ed Arnold | Ray Laskorski |
| Gian Montecalvo | Kevin Colburn |
| Norm Robbie | Chris Libucha |
| Ray Rosario | |



Up Scope:

Sept 11th 2004 Meeting

- Host – Battleship Cove -
BB59
Battleship Cove
Fall River MA

The meeting will be aboard the BB-59 in the same room off the Memorial room as before. Go through the Gift Shop and let them know you are part of the Bay Colony Modelers Meeting aboard the BB-59.

NOTE: SINCE THIS ROOM IS THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ROOM – **NO FOOD OR DRINK ALLOWED.**

Nov 13th 2004 Meeting

- Host – Steve Kwasny -
28 George St. #4, Attleboro, MA
508-222-1056

Take Rte 95 to Exit 3 (Rte 123E). Go left to lights go right to center of Attleboro. Go under railroad bridge and through lights onto Park Street. (Attleboro City Hall on right – Attleboro Museum on left). Stay on Park St. pass Strudy Hospital on right. Take second right after hospital (George St.) Condo complex on left (Cherry Blossom Complex) **PARK ON STREET ONLY.**

Oct 9th 2004 Meeting

- Host – Kevin Colburn -
15 Gilberts Way
Norton, Ma 02766
508-285-4864

From RI on 95N

Take exit 3 123E and follow it through Attleboro and into Norton (around 6 miles)
About ¾ of a mile past the Norton\Attleboro town line turn right on South Worchester St.
After about 1/3 mile S. Worchester St will turn left...stay straight, which turns into John Scott BLVD. Follow John Scott through 2 4-way stops. At the second with the flashing red, turn right onto Dean St. Follow Dean St. for about ¼ mile to intersection of Dean and East/West Hodges ST.
Turn left on East Hodges and follow for ¼ mile till left on Myras Way.
Follow Myras Way till you come to Gilberts Way.
Turn either left or right on Gilberts Way, as it's just a big circle.
Our house is at the opposite end of the circle, with the number on the mailbox.

From 495N or S

Take exit 10 and follow 123w through Norton for about 4.5 miles. Turn left on S. Worchester St.
After about 1/3 mile S. Worchester St will turn left...stay straight, which turns into John Scott BLVD. Follow John Scott through 2 4-way stops. At the second with the flashing red, turn right onto Dean St. Follow Dean St. for about ¼ mile to intersection of Dean and East/West Hodges ST.
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From the North

Take 95 S to 495S and follow directions for 495 above.

The President's Column FROM THE BRIDGE



Here we are at the start of a new membership year, 2004 - 2005. June is our annual renewal month. Dues are still only \$10 per year. If you would like to pay a couple years in advance that's ok. Mail your payments to me or see me at a meeting, checks to be made payable to Bay Colony Historic Modelers.

Some of you know about this and have taken advantage of the forum already. We have a new web site, sort of. It looks pretty much like the old one. The address is the same, www.ipmsbaycolony.com, but it has some new features. You might want to delete your old link, because it may take you to the old location, and type in the address again. It will take you to the new site. Bob and his highly trained crew have got this site up and running with a bunch of new features and we are talking about adding some more.

I've mentioned the club library before. Any member may sign out any of the books we have. When we originally discussed this project, members said they would like to have 'how to' books in the library. That is what I have concentrated on obtaining. We have books on building aircraft models, ship models, armor, sci-fi, and figures. We have just added four volumes on cars. They are "Basics of Scale Automotive Modeling", "Custom Car Modeling", "Scale Model Muscle Cars", and "Scale Model Stock Cars". They are all by different authors so they each have a slightly different approach. All four of these books have a large number of large, quality photos, many in color. They recommend specific products for use. I recommend these books to modelers of all subjects for the information they contain. There is a lot of info for crossover here. I carry the library with me to the meetings. Just ask to see it. The library has overgrown the container I carry. If there is a specific volume you want to borrow send me an email before the meeting to make sure I bring it. We also had some volumes donated by Ray Laskorski. "Boyd", by Robert Coram, "Flyboys" by James Bradley, and "To Fill the Skies with Pilots, The Civilian Pilot Training Program, 1939 -46", by Dominick A. Pisano. Where these are full size reading books, there is no room for them in my carry case, so

call or email me in advance to remind me to bring them.

It's not listed on the BAYCON flyer so this will be the only place that you will see it in writing. There will be a special award at BAYCON, in honor of the 60th anniversary of D-Day. This will be open to any D-Day related model.

Which brings me to my next subject, trophy packs. Trophy packs are still \$25 per category. We have some new categories this year so we need a couple new sponsors. I greatly appreciate all those members who sponsor categories. Many have done it year after year. I try to get members to team up to sponsor a trophy pack and defray the cost. The Nascar builders could team up to sponsor an award as the NASCAR GUYS or any such name. Or possibly the armor builders? I hope you get the idea. Another thought is if any members have their own business they may want their business to sponsor a category. Think of it as advertising. The sponsors name goes on the trophy and is announced as the sponsor at the awards ceremony. The same goes for anyone that may have a little influence where they work. Possibly your employer would like to sponsor a category? So as a word of warning, those regulars I mentioned above, I'll be contacting you soon.

Speaking of Baycon. We have heard from all of our vendors and they are all coming back except for Dan Jacobson. Someone new will be filling his table.

Two new publications have just reached my door. First was the IPMS Journal, we are celebrating IPMS's 40th Anniversary. The issue is rather unique, most of the articles take a look back over the last 40 years. Walt Fink writes of taking 35 years to build a 1/72 scale Fokker D.XXI. There are also a number of reprinted articles from across the time line including a couple for small scale armor conversions penned by ex- Bay Colony member Dave Savadyga. The item I want to focus on though is a letter from the 'GSB Group'. That's Gold, Silver, Bronze. Although in no way official, the letter mentions that they studied the "open" competition system and have formulated a means for IPMS and the individual chapters to use a GSB system. They will be making a presentation at the National convention, August 4th thru 7th. For those of you that heard me mention this study a couple meetings back, it's here.

The other publication to hit my mailbox was the latest issue of 'Fine Scale Modeler'. I would like to bring to your attention the article on Dan Jayne's

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