

A.M.S. Chronicle



IPMS Denver • Rob Wolf Chapter • October, 2007

First off, I'd like to thank Loren Hansen along with Buffie, Cliff, Mark and the other attendees for September's presentation and report from 2007 Nats. I only hope I can one day become skilled enough to at least have a shot at a 3rd place award in some obscure Nats category.

Kudos to everyone that helped out at WingNutCon 2007! This was a very successful event for our club that met or exceeded our expectations. A large part of this success was due to the organization and planning efforts of Jennifer Jordan, Loren Hansen, and David Reinecke. I also want to recognize Mark, Doug, Dan, Tom, Bob, Bill, Al, Felix, Jim, Brent, Mike, Wayne and everyone else that helped setup, judge, register, photograph, and teardown for this event. This was a great team effort and I'm delighted at the way everyone pitched in to help. I think we did many things right and now have the experience to do an even better job with the next event. I heard positive feedback from our event partners and contestants. I also heard that at least one person drove all the way in from Nebraska for this event. On a personal note, I really enjoyed the vendors that were in attendance. I managed to score a great deal on a Tamiya 1/48 Lancaster for \$30 and also acquired a very nostalgic kit of a Monogram AC-47 gunship issued in 1966 with pre-painted camouflage.

Moving on, our program for October's meeting is an After Action review of WingNutCon 2007. We will discuss things that were good, places where we can improve, and suggestions for new ideas to include in future events. Our monthly contest theme for the October meeting is "Prototypes, Experimentals, and Concept Vehicles: Real vehicles, of which less than five were ever built".

So try to find 15 minutes a day (or more) to work on your models and I'll see you at October's meeting.

Martin

HobbyTown USA will hold its National Model Contest at participating HobbyTown stores on Saturday, October 13. The Littleton and Westminster stores will be participating in this contest.

More info at - <http://www.hobbytown.com/NMC2007/>

Littleton store info
Address: 8500 W. Crestline Suite I • Littleton, CO 80123
Phone: (303) 716-0312 • Email: hobbiesnow@comcast.net

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Address: 9120 Wadsworth Blvd • Westminster, CO 80021
Phone: (303) 431-0482 • Email: htuwestminster@mesanetworks.net

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, October 3
at 7:00 PM

Burt Chevrolet, 5200 S.
Broadway (near Bellevue)

This Month's Program:

WingNutCon debrief

Theme: Prototypes, Experimentals, etc.

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What's New In Town

by Terry Tuytschaevers

ACE MODELS

- 1/72 Kfz.13 Maschinengewehrkraftwagen
- 1/72 Sd.Kfz.253 Armored Observation Post

AFV CLUB

- 1/35 Walker Bulldog M41 (G) NATO
- 1/35 M151 Remote Weapon Station
- 1/48 Tiger I Panzerkampfwagen VI Sd.Kfz.181 Early Version

- 1/100 Grumman F-14A Tomcat

AIRFIX

- 1/72 Focke Wulf Fw-190D
- 1/72 Airfield Control Tower
- 1/72 Panavia Tornado GR4/4A
- 1/72 De Havilland Dragon Rapide
- 1/600 HMS Nelson
- 1/600 HMS Belfast
- 1/600 HMS Manxman and HMS Suffolk
- 1/48 BAe Red Arrows Hawk
- 1/48 Supermarine Spitfire Mk.IIIa
- 1/72 RNLI Severn Class Lifeboat
- 1/72 Lockheed Super Constellation

AML

- Nakajima Ki-43-II KAI

AOSHIMA

- 1/350 Heavy Cruiser Takao 1942
- 1/700 IJN Battle Cruiser Chikuma
- 1/700 IJN Battle Cruiser Tone
- 1/700 IJN Submarine I-1 and I-6 (Twin Pack)
- 1/700 IJN Destroyer Yukikaze 1945
- 1/700 IJN Destroyer Akikumo 1942
- 1/700 IJN Destroyer Hamakaze 1942
- 1/700 IJN Destroyer Isokaze
- 1/700 IJN Destroyer Akizuki
- 1/700 IJN Destroyer Fuyuzuki
- 1/700 IJN Destroyer Hayashio 1941
- 1/700 IJN Submarine I-400
- 1/700 IJN Submarine I-401

CLASSIC AIRFRAMES

- 1/48 Fairey Gannet ASW 3-Seater Version
- 1/48 Bristol Blenheim MK.IV

CYBER-HOBBY

- 1/35 Pz.Kpfw.II Ausf.F
- 1/35 Kubelwagen Workshop with DAK Troops
- 1/35 T-34/76 Stz. Mod. 1941 2' n 1
- 1/35 Pz.Kpfw. Panzer IV Ausf.F-1 Vorpanzer
- 1/35 Pz.Beob.Wg.V Panther Ausf.D

DML/DRAGON MODELS

- 1/48 Mistel 2/2a (Fw-190F-8 w/ Ju-88G-1)
- 1/35 German Fallschirmjager Monte Cassino 1944 (4 Figures)
- 1/35 WWII Allied Infantry Weapons Set
- 1/35 Sd.Kfz.182 Kingtiger Henschel Turret with Zimmerit
- 1/35 Sd.Kfz.181 Tiger I Late Production Gefreiter "Alfred Kurzmaul"

- 1/35 "Smart Kit" Pz.Kpfw. I Ausf.A with Interior
- 1/72 T-34/76 German Army with Panzer III Cupola
- 1/72 AAV7A1 MICLIC
- 1/72 Soviet Su-85m Tank Destroyer
- 1/72 Sherman M4A2 75mm Tarawa USMC
- 1/700 HMS Illustrious Royal Navy Fleet Flagship

EDUARD

- 1/48 Albatros D.V Dual Combo
- 1/48 I-16 Type 29
- 1/72 Fokker Dr.I Dual Combo

GLENCOE MODELS

- 1/330 US Navy Blimp WWII

HASEGAWA

- 1/32 Focke-Wulf Fw-190D-9 Yellow Tail
- 1/48 Focke-Wulf Fw-190A-5 w/ BMW 327 Vintage Vehicle & Maj. Josef Priller's Figure
- 1/48 Bell P-39N Airacobra Red Star
- 1/48 MDD QF-4S Phantom II "VX-30 Bloodhounds"
- 1/72 Boeing F/A-18C Hornet VFA-192 Golden Dragons 2007

HIGH PLANES MODELS

- 1/72 Grumman F8F Bearcat Unlimited Racer 'Conquest I'

HOBBY BOSS

- 1/72 North American T-6G Texan - USAF
- 1/72 Bell P-39N Airacobra - Soviet Air Force
- 1/72 Morane Saulnier Ms.406 Fighter

- 1/72 Vought A-7A Corsair II - USN
- 1/72 Vought TA-7C Corsair II - USN
- 1/72 Kamov Ka-50 Black Shark
- 1/72 MDD AH-64A Apache Attack
- 1/700 USS Seawolf (SSN-21) Submarine

HOBBYCRAFT

- 1/48 Curtiss P-40F Desert Hawk

ICM

- 1/48 Soviet Air Force Pilots and Ground Personnel 1943-1945
- 1/48 German Luftwaffe Ground Personnel 1939-1945
- 1/48 Messerschmitt Bf109F-4z/Tropical WWII
- 1/72 Mikoyan MiG-29 "9-13" Aerobatic Team "Swifts"

ITALERI

- 1/24 Los Angeles Fire Department Recovery Truck
- 1/35 M.T.M. (Motoscafo Turismo Modificato) "Barchino"
- 1/35 S.L.C. (Siluro Lenta Corsa) 200 "Maiale"
- 1/35 Chevrolet 15cwt WWII Truck
- 1/35 Bofors 40mm Anti-Aircraft Gun With 4 Figures
- 1/72 Caproni CA.311

LINDBERG

- 1/25 Dodge L-700 with Flatbed Trailer and 1940 Ford Coupe
- 1/6 "Transparent Woman" Anatomy
- "Transparent Roswell Alien"

MINIART MODELS

- 1/35 Soviet Gun Crew at Rest
- 1/35 Soviet 57mm Anti-Tank Gun ZIS-2 w/Crew
- 1/35 Soviet Self Propelled Gun Crew
- 1/35 Soviet T-80 Light Tank w/Crew
- 1/35 German Artillery Crew Riders
- 1/35 German Soldiers with Fuel Drums
- 1/35 French Village House with 2nd SAS Regiment (France 1944) bonus figure set by Drago Models \$41.95

OCIDENTAL REPLICAS

- 1/48 Fiat G-91 R3/R4

PLATZ

- 1/1000 Star Trek USS Enterprise NCC-1701-B
- 1/1400 Star Trek USS Enterprise NCC-1701-C
- 1/1400 Star Trek USS Enterprise NCC-1701-D
- 1/1400 Star Trek USS Enterprise NCC-1701-E
- 1/144 Vought F-8/F8U-2 Crusader (Twin Pack)

REVELL GERMANY

- 1/100 Se.210 Caravelle Swiss Air
- 1/100 Panavia Tornado
- 1/100 Boeing F-18 Hornet
- 1/72 Saab J-35J Draken Special Red and White Scheme
- 1/48 Republic F-105G Wild Weasel Thunderchief
- 1/72 German Army M48 A2GA2/A2C/A5
- 1/50 Viking Ship
- 1/24 Audi R10 Racer Car Number 8.

REVELL/MONOGRAM

- 1/32 1970 Mustang Mach 1
- 1/32 1968 Pontiac GTO
- 1/32 1978 Chevrolet Corvette
- 1/32 1969 Chevrolet Camaro Z/28
- 1/48 MDD F-15E Strike Eagle
- 1/48 MDD Blue Angels F-18 Hornet
- 1/24 1953 Corvette Roadster
- 1/24 1953 Chevy Bel-Air 3'n1
- 1/24 1959 Chevy Impala Hardtop
- 1/24 1960 Chevy Impala Hardtop
- 1/24 1969 Ford Torino Talladega
- 1/24 1971 Plymouth Hemi Cuda Street Machine
- 1/24 1987 Buick Grand National
- 1/24 1987 Ford Thunderbird Turbo Coupe
- 1/24 1991 Pontiac Firebird
- 1/24 1992 Mustang GT Convertible
- 1/24 Chrysler 300C Hemi SRT8
- 1/24 Cadillac STS-V
- 1/24 Goodguys 1937 Ford Coupe Rod
- 1/24 Car #20 Home Depot Chevy Monte Carlo
- 1/24 Ferrari 360 Modena Spider
- 1/25 1941 Chevy Pickup
- 1/25 1948 Ford Convertible
- 1/25 1963 Chevy Impala SS
- 1/25 1964 Chevy Impala SS Lowrider
- 1/25 1977 Jeep CJ-7 Renegade
- 1/25 1999 Chevy Silverado Pickup
- 1/25 Hot Wheels '57 Chevy Bell Air

- 1/25 Hot Wheels '04 Corvette Coupe
- 1/25 Chevrolet Aerovette
- 1/25 Chevy SSR
- 1/25 1966 Chevy El Camino (2' N 1)
- 1/25 Tuner Acura Integra
- 1/12 1957 Chevy 50th Anniversary
- 1/12 'Torch' Custom Chopper
- 1/12 'Bone Daddy' Custom Chopper
- 1/12 'Gambler' Custom Chopper
- 1/12 'Fireball' Custom Chopper
- 1/196 USS Constitution
- 1/535 USS Missouri
- 1/426 USS Arizona

RODEN

- 1/72 Sopwith F.1/3 Camel "Comic" WWI

SPECIAL HOBBY MODELS

- 1/32 Bell P-39D Airacobra
- 1/72 DAP Beaufort Mk.VIII in RAF Service
- 1/72 Nardi F.N. 305 Luftwaffe a Royal Hungarian AF

TAMIYA

- 1/48 Fiat CR42 Night Attacker "Luftwaffe"
- 1/48 Russian T34/76 Model 1941 Cast Turret Prefinished
- 1/48 Panther G Early 1st Pz Turret No.211 Prefinished
- 1/48 Jagdpanther Late Version Prefinished
- 1/72 Junkers Ju-88 C-6
- 1/35 German TD Hetzer Mid-Production
- 1/24 Ferrari 360 Modena (Yellow Version)

WESPE MODELS

- 1/35 Renault 4x4
- 1/35 Vamtrac
- 1/35 Mack Monty's Caravan
- 1/35 Diamond Wrecker
- 1/35 10ton Crane Sd.Kfz.9/2
- 1/48 Opel Olympia
- 1/48 Reichsbahnwagen
- 1/48 Generator and Trailer
- 1/72 Morris Breakdown
- 1/72 Mack Monty's Caravan
- 1/72 Morris 6x4

WILLIAMS BROTHERS

- 1/32 '31 Gee Bee (Z) Air Racer
 - 1/32 '33 French Caudron C.460 Racer
 - 1/32 '32 Gee Bee R-1/R-2 Air Racer
 - 1/72 Northrop Gamma Sky Chief
 - 1/72 Douglas DWC 1924 World Cruiser
- ## XOTIC 72
- 1/72 Fiat RS 14 Italian Floatplane

PUBLICATIONS

AFTER THE BATTLE

Ruckmarsch: Then and Now

BLUE STEEL MAGAZINE

M-50: Sherman Tanks and APCs in South Lebanon

CAPRICORN PUBLICATIONS

Army Wheels in Detail: Humber Mk.I, II Scout Car

GINTER PUBLICATIONS

Brewster SB2A Bermuda/Buccaneer

HALL PARK BOOKS

Handley Page Hastings

HOBBIST

Douglas Lee's Military Dioramas

ISRADECAL PUBLICATIONS

101 First Fighter Squadron

IAI Kfir in IAF Service

JJ FEDOROWICZ PUBLISHING

SS Armor on the Eastern Front 1943-45

MASTER CLASS MODELS

Building the Bf-109G-6

MODEL ART MAGAZINE

Profile Series 1: Kawasaki KI-61 Hien

MODEL ART PUBLICATIONS

Modeler's Handbook of Japanese Airplanes 3: The Japanese Fighters

MUSHROOM MODEL PUBLICATIONS

Magyar Steel

German Air Projects 1935-1945 Vol. 1

German Air Projects 1935-1945 Vol II

Rotorcraft of the Third Reich

MiG-1/MiG-3

Fiat CR.42 FALCO
Hawker: Fury & Nimrod
P.23 Karas
An Ordinary Day in 1945
Mikoyan Gurevitch MiG-15
D.520
Boulton Paul Defiant
Republic P-47 Thunderbolt 'Bubbletop'
Yakovlev Yak-9U & P
Hawker Hurricane
Adolf Galland
304 Squadron
Macchi C.202 Folgore
Supermarine Walrus & Stranraer
315th Squadron
OSPREY
Sherman Firefly vs. Tiger - Normandy 1944
P-51 Mustang vs. Fw-190 - Europe 1943-1945
Bristol F2 Fighter Aces of World War I
Modelling the Late Panzerkampfwagen IV
US Nuclear Submarines - The Fast Attack
SAM PUBLICATIONS
British Aerospace Sea Harrier
SCHIFFER PUBLICATIONS
Tigers I/II and Their Variants
SNYDER & SHORT
WWII Royal Navy Paint Chips Set#1
WWII Royal Navy Paint Chips Set#2
WWII Royal Navy Paint Chips Set# 3
U.S.WWII Naval Paint Chips Set #1
WWII U.S. Naval Paint Chips Set #2
WWII Regia Marina Italian Paint Chips
German Navy (DKM) Pt.2
Imperial Japanese Navy WWII Ship Colors
SPECIALTY PRESS
Russian Airliners Outside Russia
US Air Force Aviation - A Military Photo Logbook,
Volume 1
US Naval Vessels - A Military Photo Logbook, Volume 1

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SQUADRON PUBLICATIONS
F-14 Tomcat in Action
F-100D/F Super Sabre Walk Around
SUTTON PUBLISHING
Hitler's U-Boat Bases
WHITE CROW PUBLICATIONS
Spitfire Mk.IX in the Israeli Air Force Service 1948-1956
WR PRESS
Warship Perspective: Camouflage Vol. 1, Royal Navy
39-41
Warship Perspective: Camouflage Vol. 2, Royal Navy
1942
Warship Perspective: Camouflage Vol. 3, Royal Navy
1943-44
Warship Perspective: Camouflage Vol. 4, Royal Navy
Supplemental
Atlanta Class Cruisers in WW II
Flower Class Corvettes in WW II
Flush Deck Destroyers of WW II
Essex Class Carriers in WWII
W. TROJKA
Pz.Kpfw.VI Tiger Ausf.B Konigstiger Technical and
Operational History
Stug.III-IV at War
ZENITH PRESS
Iwo Jima Recon USN at War

DECALS

EAGLE STRIKE DECALS
48260 1/48 F-16 Dutch "Diana"
48261 1/48 F-16 50th Anniversary Of Dutch 315th
"Lion" Squadron At Twenthe AB
48263 1/48 F-16s Of The Fuerza Aerea De Chile
48264 1/48 F-16 "Barak" Of The 101st "First Fighter"
Squadron
48265 1/48 F-16 31 Squadron 20th Anniversary

48266 1/48 F-16 "Cold Steel" Of the 175th Fighter
Squadron
48267 1/48 F-4E Phantom II - "Spunky VI" And "Easy
Rockin' Mama II"
48268 1/48 F-4E Phantom II - West German
Bundesluftwaffe F-4F
72077 1/72 F-16 Dutch "Diana"
72078 1/72 F-16 50th Anniversary Of Dutch 315th
"Lion" Squadron At Twenthe AB
72080 1/72 F-16s Of The Fuerza Aerea De Chile
72081 1/72 F-16 "Barak" Of The 101st "First Fighter"
Squadron
72082 1/72 F-16 31 Squadron 20th Anniversary
72083 1/72 F-16 "Cold Steel" Of the 175th Fighter
Squadron
72084 1/72 F-4E Phantom II - "Spunky VI" And "Easy
Rockin' Mama II"
72085 1/72 F-4E Phantom II - West German
Bundesluftwaffe F-4F
ISRADECALS
0049 1/48 F-151 RA'AM Israeli A/F
0054 1/48 F-161 Sufa
0055 1/72 F-161 Sufa and Singapore AF F-16D Block
52+
0058 1/48 Israeli Ari Force F-4E/RF-4E Kurnass Part 1
0059 1/48 Israeli Ari Force F-4E/RF-4E Kurnass Part 2
SUPERSCALE DECALS
481204 1/48 F/A-18A and F/A-18D Hornets VFC-12 and
VMFA(AW)-533
481205 1/48 AV-8B+ Harrier IIs VMA-513, VMA-311
481206 1/48 F/A-18E/F Super Hornets VX-23
481207 1/48 AV-8B Harrier IIs VMAT-203, VMFA-311
481208 1/48 F-16C-25/32 Falcons 144th FW Cdr.
481209 1/48 Henschel Hs-129B 8.Sch.G.1 and 4.(Pz.)Sg 1(2)
481210 1/48 Dornier Do-17Z-2 Stab.III/Kg 3, 1./Kg 2
481211 1/48 Dornier Do-17Z-2 8. Kg 77, Stab. Kg 3
TALLY HO DECALS
148042 1/48 Spitfires Mk.IX
172051 1/72 Spitfires Mk.IX

Meeting Minutes

September 5, 2007

Martin started the meeting started at 1905. Looked like about 24 people for the meeting.

Finances- \$652.98 spent on the contest. This was for trophies which we will get back from the individual contest sponsors. \$1029.24 in the bank.

Cliff has the regional news letter. Also noted our region RC (regional coordinator), Don Kehrer was named RC of the year at the recent national convention.

It was suggested by Matthew Burchette that the club maybe holding monthly meetings at Wings Over the Rockies. That isn't going to happen but a suggestion to do a detailed walkaround of a specific aircraft, perhaps quarterly the third Wednesday of the month.

We voted on themes for our April 2008 contest. The winner was The Groovy 60's, anything used in the 1960s or Winter Wonderland, anything over 50% white. I assume it doesn't have to be a winter theme.

We had a discussion about co-hosting a regional show in the Budweiser Arena in the Ft. Collins Loveland area. Larry Hirsch is the president of the Ft. Collins club. Folks who have been to this venue say it is really nice.

WingNutCon. Spent \$652.98 on trophies and other show stuff. All categories are sponsored. Tom Grossman is doing Make and Take and has all the models. First Place in each category will get a family membership to the museum. Other folks such as Colpar have donated for door prizes. Volunteers still welcome. The museum has tables but extension cords and 100 mile an hour tape or duck tape wouldn't hurt to tape down cords. Setup will be Friday September, 21, after 1700. Club members working the contest will have name tags and lanyards.

Jennifer has contact with Paul McMullen who wants some folks to build some Tuskegee aircraft.

Al said the National Guard was thinking about a 4'x4' diorama of the 1st Colorado Volunteers at Glorietta Pass in 1862. They have \$1000 budget and no set time limit. Suggestions are welcome but we have not committed to this.

The ship building club will have its Saturday October 6th meeting at an architectural modeling firm in Bolder. They have a "printer" that creates 3D objects from 3D CAD drawings. Martin has details.
Rocky Mountain Shipwrights monthly meeting is Saturday September 15, at Rocklers on South Colorado.
Mark Persichetti said that his ship club's annual model exhibition runs from Saturday 20 Oct through Saturday 03 Nov at Rocklers.
Bob's Hobbies will close in October.
Mizell Hobbies celebrates its 30th anniversary on Saturday September 15.

The Rob Wolf table at Colpar's annual sale.



Shawn Schwaller

First paragraph written by Cliff Davis

[Shawn] did come over a couple of times to help me with the scanner and Tricia came along and spent time with Paula discussing genealogy. I think I best remember him for that lock of hair that fell across his forehead and his easy smile. He always seemed like a "happy camper" to me always upbeat and friendly. He served as newsletter editor/publisher for probably 3 years.

Obituary:

Shawn R. Schwaller
Born in Wiesbaden, Germany on Feb. 13, 1972
Died on Sep. 9, 2007 and resided in Centennial, CO.

Visitation: Wednesday, Sep. 12, 2007
Service: Thursday, Sep. 13, 2007
Cemetery: Saint George Catholic Cemetery
Please click on the links above for locations, times, maps, and directions.



Shawn Robert Schwaller
(February 13, 1972 – September 9, 2007)

Shawn Robert Schwaller, 35, passed away September 9, 2007, after a short battle with leukemia. He was born February 13, 1972 in Wiesbaden, Germany, to John and Rosemary (Gooby) Schwaller.

Shawn's early years were spent traveling with his family. His father was a field service technician, which took them throughout the United States and the countries of Germany and Jordan. In 1982, his family returned to the United States and settled in Sioux Falls, SD where he completed his education. Shawn graduated from Brandon Valley High School in 1990. He received a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering from South Dakota School of Mines and Technology in 1995. Following graduation, Shawn worked for Rockwell in Cedar Rapids, IA, as a firm-ware engineer. He then moved to Denver, CO in 1998. Shawn was employed at Raytheon Company as a software engineer where he excelled at problem solving with his team members.

Shawn was united in marriage to Tricia Mohrhauser, October 10, 1998 at Hartford, SD.

Grateful for having shared his life are his wife, Tricia, of Centennial, CO; his mother, Rosemary Schwaller of Sioux Falls, SD; his sister, Amy and her husband, Macy Richardson of Sioux Falls, SD; his grandmother, Marie

Show and Tell



Martin Sagara's theme entry was a 1/72 Matchbox Brewster Buffalo in British markings.



Al Gonzalez had a couple of theme models. His 1/35 DML T-34/85M won the award and has a prominent weld seam added by rolled epoxy putty. Al also had a 1/35 AFV Club YPR-765. He added MV Lenses and figures from his spares box.



Brent Tripet's theme entry was his 1/48 Tamiya A-1J Skyraider that he received at last year's gift exchange. He also had an in progress 1/48 Hasegawa Ju-87D he is making into a night bomber.



Jennifer Jordan showed us a 1/24 Aoshima "Road Warrior" Interceptor. This is the first model she has completed in over a year.



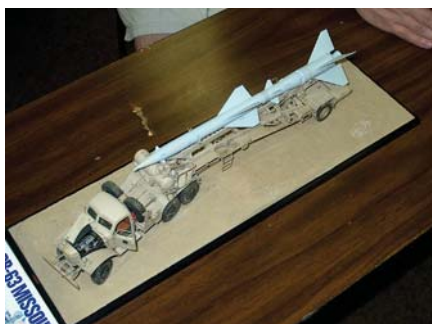
Derek Brown also placed at Nats with his 1/350 Trumpeter PBJ-1H. He got a 2nd for his tiny Mitchell in the category of Conversion 1/72 & 1/144.



David Reinecke brought in a 1/48 Monogram F-104 that he is converting to an NF-104A by using the Cutting Edge conversions that are supposed to be used with the Hasegawa F-104s! Dave got the Monogram kit in an auction a couple of years ago.



Terry Tuytschaevers brought in two 1/48 Hasegawa F-4E Phantom IIs. He said they are both the same kit, just different paint schemes from the same unit.



Michael "King Zil" McDanal won big at Nats with his 1/35 Trumpeter Egyptian Zil with missile. He got Best Military Vehicle and he had his trophy to show.





Matt Levesque showed us a 1/72 ESCI Merkava.



Cliff Davis continued the Nats trend by showing us his third place 1/43 M.E.A. Lotus Eleven Club/Sport. Cliff also had a 1/35 Hobby Fan Delta Force DPV. He spent \$100 on what he termed a “crappy kit.”



John Trueblood was not present, however, two of his models were thanks to Mark Persichetti. Both were Russian and 1/48 scale. The first was the Eduard I-16 and the other a Tamiya GAZ Russian Jeep.



Loren Hansen attended his first Nats and came home with a couple of awards. His 1/48 Revell ‘Spirit of St. Louis’ was the Out-of-the-Box winner and his 1/8 Williams Brothers Wright J-3C Whirlwind was the Premier winner.



Kent Tomlinson finished work on another 1/35 helicopter for the Colorado Guard. This time, he built a Trumpeter CH-47D Chinook and added Eduard PE seats and home made Colorado Guard markings.



Wayne Cassell had a few items with him. He is still working on the 1/35 Italeri LCM 50' landing craft, but his 1/35 Trumpeter KV-1 (1941) and 1/35 Tamiya 3.7 cm Anti-Tank gun were completed.



Not Pictured:
Dale Summers had a couple of Animé hovercraft.
Bill Berden used a forklift to bring in his unbuilt kit, the 1/245 Hawk Graf Zeppelin.

Kit Review: Revell Audi R10

By Al Gonzalez

I'm a big fan of European racing (Formula 1, Grand Prix, 24-hour endurance, etc), so I eagerly awaited the release of the Revell Audi R10.

Well, with mixed results, Revell has finally delivered.

The Audi R10 is an awesome racecar, by any standard. It's the first diesel-fueled car to truly succeed in the highly competitive world of long-distance endurance racing. This V-12 engined phenomenon won the 2006 Sebring 12-hour race by an incredible four laps! In the 24-hour Lemans, R10s finished in first and third place. This historic car is the first diesel-fueled racer to win at BOTH Sebring and LeMans. Some would say it HAS to be successful - the R10 program costs Audi \$15M a year!

The Revell kit is a mixed blessing. Revell has come a long way in its Formula 1 kits, but this kit reminds me of their early Formula 1 efforts. It does a great job capturing the look of the car, but the details are simplified and overly thick.

The kit contains a very basic engine, but will need tons of detail work to bring up to speed. Luckily, I've found

Shawn Schwaller, continued

Palmer of Sioux Falls, SD; his grandfather Joseph Schwaller of Brandon, SD; and a host of many family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his father, John Schwaller; his grandmother Cecelia Schwaller; and his grandfathers Robert Gooby and William Palmer.

Shawn enjoyed his travels, scenic sites and car shows. His involvement in Tau Beta Pi (engineering honor society) took him and his wife throughout the country several times a year. Shawn also assisted with functions at the Denver Concert Band and traveled with them to Washington, DC, France and Germany. His greatest passion was his love for cars, car shows with his dad and best friend, Monte Bossman, and getting together with his friends from his car model club (GFD Denver). His smile and sense of humor touched the hearts of everyone he met and will be missed by all.

Memorials may be made to The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society The Rocky Mountain Chapter
5353 W. Dartmouth Ave, Suite 400, Denver, CO 80227

Kit Review: Revell Audi R10, continued

several good reference pictures online that will help with the detailing. The chassis pan has several knockout marks in the engine bay area. If you leave the removable rear body on, it hides both the simple engine and the knockout marks.

However, if you want to display the rear engine area, know that you're in for a lot of work.

Many of the parts are overly thick. For example, the screens for the radiator intake vents are represented by clear plastic pieces with a screen pattern molded in! The rear spoiler end plates are about a scale six inches thick. The pitot tube, comms and telemetry antennas are about as thick as scale broomstick handles. This kit is ripe for after-market photoetch!

The molding on many of the parts is rather blobby. For example, the beautifully shaped steering wheel has about a dozen shapeless blobs on its face. These are supposed to represent buttons and engine indicator lights. I'll probably wind up shaving all of them off and replacing them with salami-sliced ones. Bolt head details around the engine and transmission are similarly shapeless, and will need replacement. The faces of the disk brakes have no detail on them at all, and look rather toy-like. But that's intentional - the brakes feature plates on both sides to increase cooling and aerodynamic efficiency. One of my pet peeves, the seat has a blobby seatbelt molded on which will need to be carefully removed if you want to add a more-to-scale seat belt. Again, photoetch detail sets are bound to be produced to address many of these inadequacies.

The clear parts are good, although not great. I'll probably replace the headlights with MV lenses for clarity.

All is not gloom and doom! The complex shape of the body seems to be beautifully reproduced, although the panel lines look a little deep. Many of the louvered vents are molded open, a nice touch. Cockpit detail is excellent, with the exception of the molded-on seatbelts. The tires are nicely molded, with the mold seams placed on the shoulder of the tires, where they're less visible, and easier to remove.

The decal sheet has always been a hallmark of Revell racecars, and this sheet is no exception. Not only does it contain all of the necessary markings, but also adds much of the visible carbon fiber in the cockpit and suspension areas. Painting and masking will be a little tricky, as you'll have to carefully mask the faired in rollover hoops and side panels to paint the red. By the way, once you look at the twin rollover fairings, you'll realize why they're crudely characterized after a certain portion of the female anatomy!

A close examination of the box art or online photos will point out a couple of things Revell missed. For example, notice the intake grills in the nose of the car in the box art. Also notice the difference in how the box art portrays the petite antennas and the softball bats you get with the kit. Also missing are the front and rear tow eyelets.

I know this sounds like a rather harsh review, but actually, the kit is ultimately buildable. Many of the things I pointed out can be corrected with basic modeling skills. Most importantly, the model will "look right" once it's built. For us European racing fans, lets hope this is the first of many for Revell. Bring on the Porsche RS Spyder, the Peugeot 908, or the Bentley Speed 8!

Presentation Calendar:

October: WingNutCon Debrief

Theme: Experimental, Prototypes, and Concept

Vehicles: Real vehicles, of which less than five were ever built

Coming in future AMS editions:

Photos and impressions from WingNutCon.

Cliff Davis' book review "World's Worst Weapons"

Article on using printing aluminum to make custom scribing templates.

Calendar

If you have any news of upcoming events, please pass them along and I will get them into the newsletter.

October

- 3 Club Meeting at Burt Chevrolet, Englewood.
- 24 Deadline for November newsletter submissions.

November

- 7 Club Meeting at Burt Chevrolet, Englewood.
- 21 Deadline for December newsletter submissions.

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