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Hello Swamp Foxes, Welcome to the February 2019 Newsletter.

Well January has come and gone and we are well into February, I cannot make Head nor Tails of this weather, I certainly cannot plan from one day to the next for most things, especially my days for being in the Spray booth..... so most time has been utilized building and preparing for paint..... and lots of researching builds. I hope that most if not all of you have managed some time at your benches and I look forward to seeing the fruits of your labor whether finished or in progress

January's meeting saw 18 members attend, The President opened the meeting and went through the agenda and any other business.

Then it was onto the show and tell of Members models and we had a nice diverse selection to enjoy, some really great builds and in progress work as always.....

Next Meeting, Wednesday 20th February 2019, 6pm – 8pm at Lexington Main Library.

From the Front Office...

Tonight's agenda:

1. New member introductions
2. Dues reminder
3. Brief discussion on the June Show
4. Brief discussion of the IPMS/USA National Convention in Chattanooga
5. Models
6. Critique month

1. Dues are due if you haven't paid them. \$12 for the year will have you covered.
2. The planning for the June show continues to move forward.

The website is now live: <https://scmegashow.com/> . I've been updating the vendor and sponsors list as they roll in. If you see anything that needs to be changed, please let me know.

Guys, I want each of you to try and find at least one show sponsor. Sponsorship opportunities are:

Category Awards: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place medals for any one category: \$25

Class Awards (Best Aircraft, etc.): \$30

General Sponsorships are open to any amount the donor wishes and will go to defray the venue costs.

Anyone who sponsors the show will have their name and/or company logo displayed on the website and at the show.

So far, the following awards have been sponsored:

Class 100: Best Aircraft (Doorway Projects, Inc.)

Class 500: The James Palasz Best Automotive Award (Janet Hein, in memory of James)

Category 625: Sci-Fi figures and fighting suits (Gundam, MaK) (Janet Hein, in memory of Fred Hein)

Special Award: “Beach Racin’” (ironmodeler.com/Ralph)

Everything else is still open.

3. The IPMS/USA Nationals are coming up this August 7-10th in Chattanooga.

<http://www.ipmsnationals.com/>

Note that two of the three hotels are already sold out, and the third is filling up. Chattanooga is a weird city—there is a clump of hotels around the Aquarium and the Convention Venue, then there is another clump on the other side of town near the airport. There is nothing in between, so plan accordingly. The hotels around the venue all have access to the city’s electric shuttle, I’ve been led to understand.

The Host Chapter is looking for folks to bring Display Only models. Since they are right up the street, do we as a Chapter want to explore the possibilities of having a Club Table?

4. I have not heard back from the print shops Pete and Mike Gearon had in mind for shirts. I do have the quote from Pine Press Printing, and I will fill you in on the numbers.

5. This month is Critique month. We plan on using the models displayed as the subjects of the critiques. Again, as always, these are meant to be educational, constructive, and polite.

6. Upcoming area shows:

23 February: Richmond, VA—Old Dominion Open https://ipmsrichmond.blogspot.com/p/2017-odo_1.html

9 March: Marietta, GA—AtlantaCon (IPMS Region 3 Regional Convention) <https://www.ipms-atlanta.org/annual-contest>

6 April: Anniston, AL—Phantom Phurball 2019 <http://www.phantomplashers.org/images/pdfs/IPMS-Phantom-Phlashers-2018.pdf>

7. Don’t forget the other modeling organizations in the area:

a. SCMA, First Monday of the month, 7PM, Genova Karate, 169-B Hwy 378 West, Lexington.

b. AMPS Central South Carolina, Second Thursday of the month, 6:30 PM, Richland Library, 763 Fashion Drive, Columbia.

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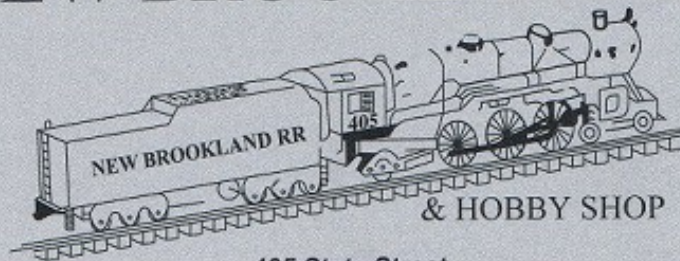


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Andy Townsend shares his Summer Travels Part One

Over the holidays this year I went on a bit of a trip. Before I moved back to South Carolina I lived in Florida and I decided to go visit my friends down there while I had the time off. Because I am an airplane addict, whenever I travel I try to visit a few airplane museums if at all possible. I looked into what I wanted to see on the way to Florida, and was primarily focused on the National Museum of Naval Aviation in Pensacola. I had been to this facility several years ago but was in the middle of a cross-country road trip so I was only able to visit for a limited time and really felt the need to go back. When I plotted that route I saw that there were two other museums on the route to Pensacola that I had not visited yet, The Museum of Aviation at Warner-Robins AFB in Georgia, and the United States Army Aviation Museum at Fort Rucker in Alabama.

The first museum I visited was The Museum of Aviation at Warner-Robins AFB in Georgia. It is just under 4 hours from Columbia, so you could potentially visit this location in a day trip. That said, I would can't really recommend going to this museum on its own. If you are in the area it is a perfectly acceptable museum to visit, but there are several reasons why I do not think it is worth a trip on its own merits. The biggest weakness in my opinion is that there are very few unique or even rare aircraft. When you visit as many aircraft museums as I do, I need the rare stuff to really get excited. They have both a Matador and Mace cruise missile that are uncommon, and there is an example of a P-51H, but if you were to visit several other museums, you would see duplicates of 95% of the collection at Warner-Robins. In spite of that there are several positives to the museum. The collection is of a reasonably large size, and has a pretty good representation of post-WWII Air Force aircraft. The collection is mostly inside and well presented. There are a few aircraft deteriorating outdoors but they are on the larger size for the most part (B-1, B-52, EC-121, KC-97) which are nice to see. There is a particularly nice exhibit of aircraft from the Vietnam era. However, the museum is lacking in comparison to many other similar facilities. If you were in the area, definitely stop by, but I would not necessarily recommend it as a destination.

After Warner Robins, I traveled to Fort Rucker Alabama and went to the United States Army Aviation Museum first thing the next morning. If you have an interest in rotorcraft, this is a fantastic museum, though a bit on the small side. The museum is on the grounds of the army base so you have to register with the gate to get a temporary pass, which takes about 15-20 minutes. Most of the collection is inside, with a few aircraft out back of the main building. One of my favorite features is an elevated walkway that allows for a variety of views of the aircraft on display. This museum, in contrast to Warner Robins, has a ton of unique, rare, and prototype aircraft. There are several biplanes, including an authentic Nieuport 28, and more modern fixed-wing types, but the primary focus is on helicopters and prototype VTOL aircraft. The museum has examples of virtually every significant helicopter to see service in the US Army, the AH-64 being a notable omission. The museum has two YAH-56 Cheyenne prototypes in its collection, but unfortunately both of them were in storage when I visited. The administrator I spoke with said that one was undergoing restoration and should be returned to display by early next year. This museum is pretty far from Columbia and is relatively small so it would be hard to recommend as a destination on its own, but if you are ever in the area I would highly recommend a visit.

My final destination was to the National Naval Aviation Museum located at NAS Pensacola. This is one of the best aircraft museums in the country. I would say it is easily in the national top five along with NASM, Udvar Hazy, the Air Force Museum in Dayton, and Pima in Tucson. The collection is huge, with

many rare and one of a kind aircraft from all eras of aviation. The aircraft are immaculately preserved and well arranged and presented, if a little crowded. For the most part you are not kept behind barriers of any kind and can literally touch most of the aircraft (please don't do this) and there is an elevated walkway. The only downside I can think of is that a portion of the collection is still displayed outside. Unfortunately you cannot wander through these aircraft on your own and must ride on a bus that leaves on guided tours periodically throughout the day. Tickets for this bus are limited which can be an issue if you visit on a busy day as I did. Three of the aircraft I most wanted to see, the PB4Y-2 and the only remaining F6U Pirate and A2J Savage, are all in this area. In spite of this, I would give this museum my highest possible recommendation. It is simply fantastic in every way and I would say that everyone with any interest in American naval aviation should visit.

Museum of Aviation at Warner-Robins AFB in Georgia



Boeing B-17G under restoration



Boeing KC-97L Stratofreighter



Cessna O-1E Bird Dog



Douglas C-124C Globemaster II



Douglas WB-66D Destroyer



Kaman HH-43F Huskie



Lockheed EC-121 Warning Star



Lockheed T-33A Shooting Star



McDonnell-Douglas F-4D Phantom II



Mikoyan-Gurevich MiG-17 Fresco



North American AGM-28A Hound Dog



North American F-86D



North American F-100D Super Sabre



North American P-51H



Northrop Grumman RQ-4A Global Hawk, Lockheed U-2D Dragon Lady, and a Lockheed SR-71A



PiaseckiVertol H-21 Shawnee



Republic F-84E Thunderjet



Rockwell B-1B Lancer



Sikorsky MH-TM-61A



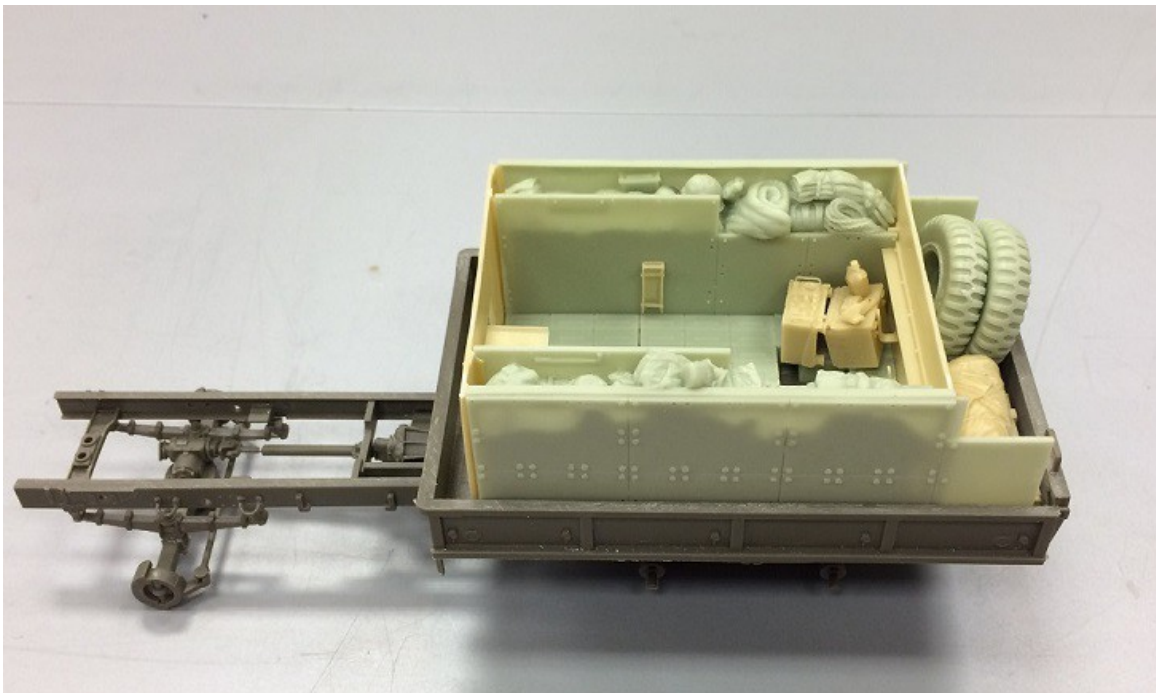
Matador Cruise Missile, in the restoration lot

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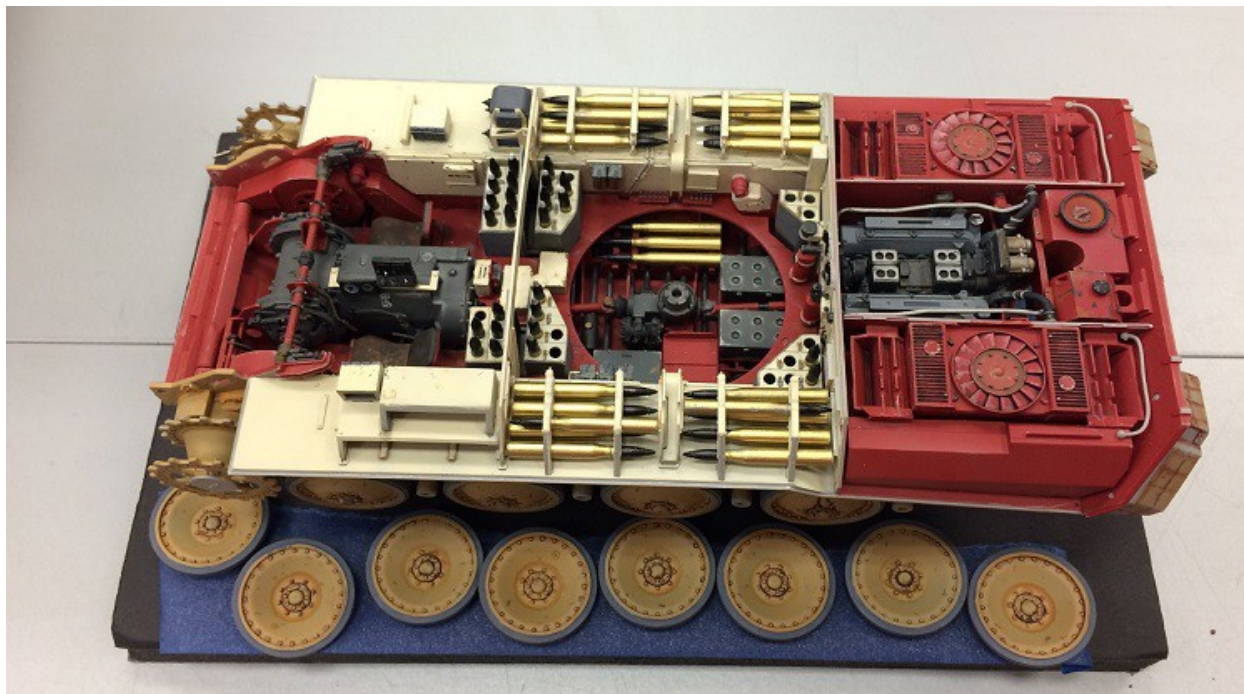
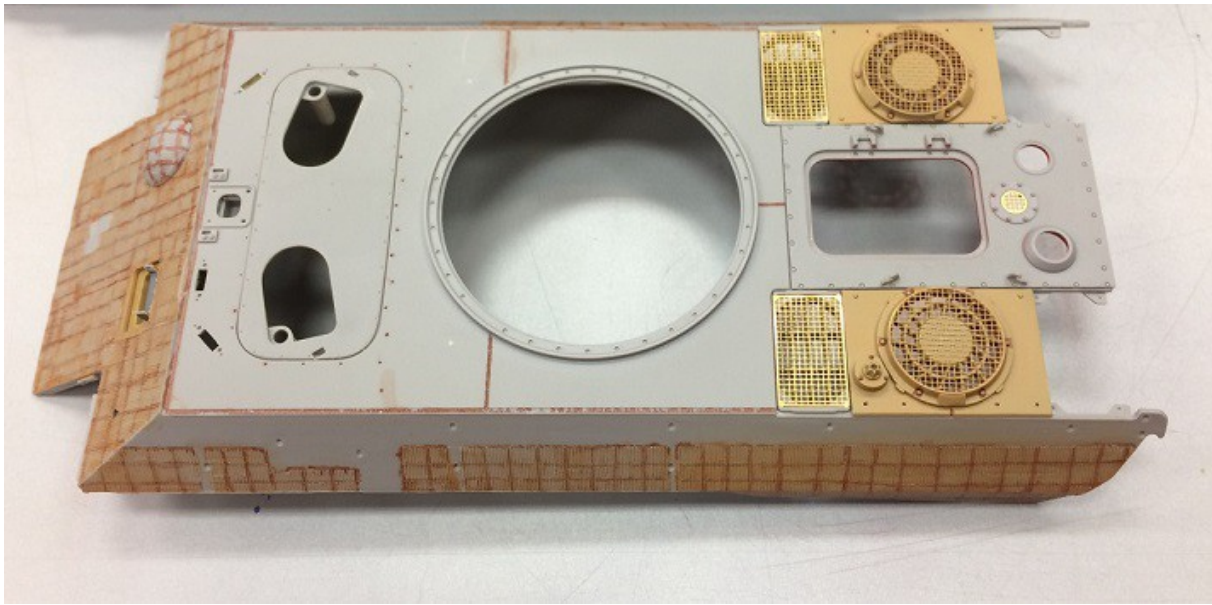
Pics from last months meeting



John Helms – Revell – 1/48 scale P-61B.



John Currie – AFV - 1/35 scale M54 with Hobby Fan Gun Truck conversion.
In progress.



Tom Wingate – Takom – 1/35 scale Panther A with Zimmerit – In progress.



Bob Spagnola – Tamiya – 1/35 scale Walker Bulldog.



Bob Spagnola – Tamiya – 1/35 scale Tiger E.



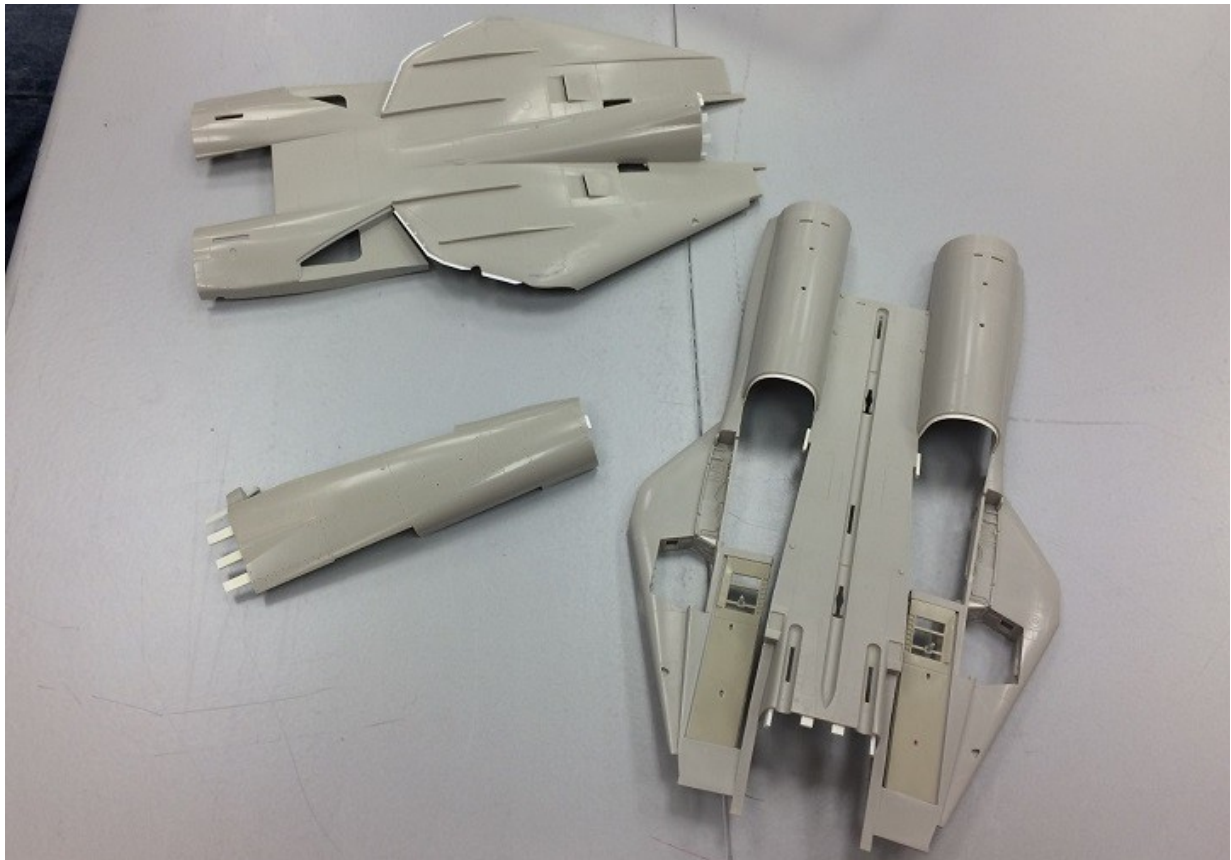
Bob Spagnola – Tamiya – 1/35 scale British Challenger.



Bob Spagnola – Dragon – 1/35 scale Vormpanzer IV – In progress.



David Koopman – Aoshima – 1/700 scale Kashima – In progress.



Lucio Martino – Hasegawa – 1/48 scale F-14 Tomcat – In progress.



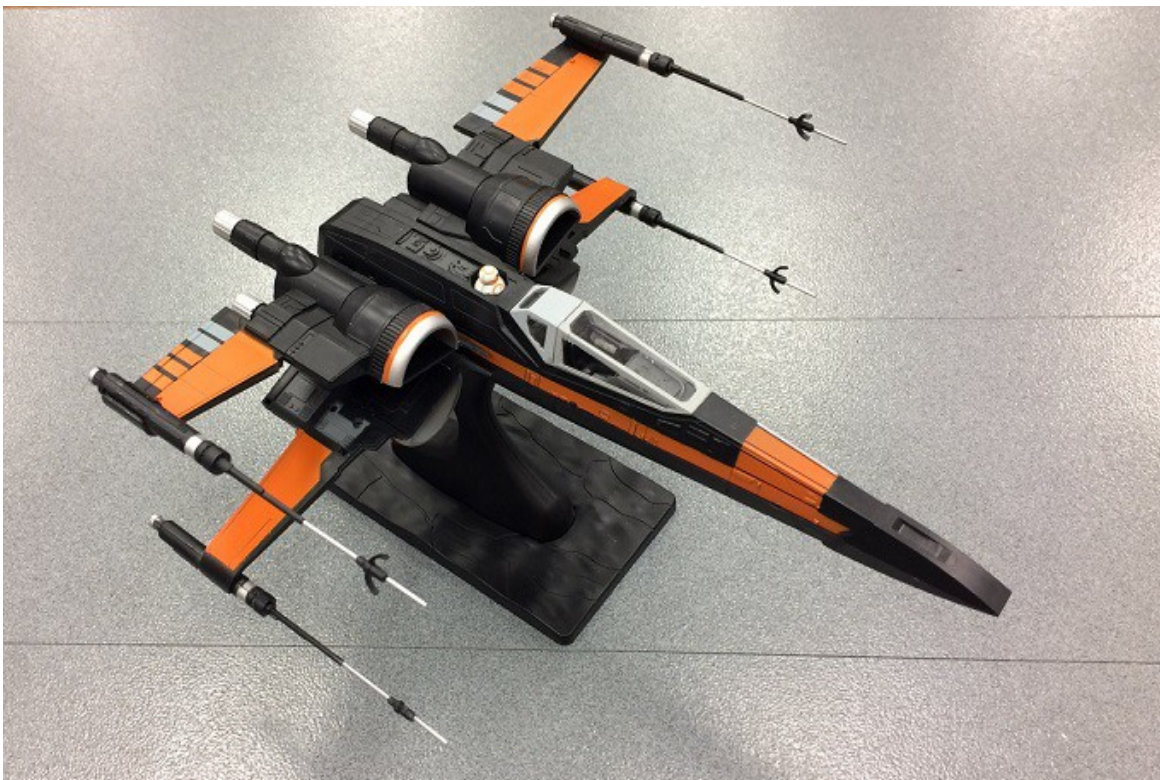
Rick Broome – Batmobile Display Base - In progress.



Rick Broome – Chrysler Concept Clay Model Design – In progress



Eric Schrowang – Academy – 1/35 scale M151A1.



DC Locke, His Daughter's Tehya Lani Locke's - Revell – Poe's X-wing, Snap Tite.



Mike Martucci – Testors - 1/24 scale Porsche 911 Carrera Cabriolet.





Mike Martucci – Fujimi – 1/24 scale Porsche 930 Turbo (1976).







Model Information sheet.

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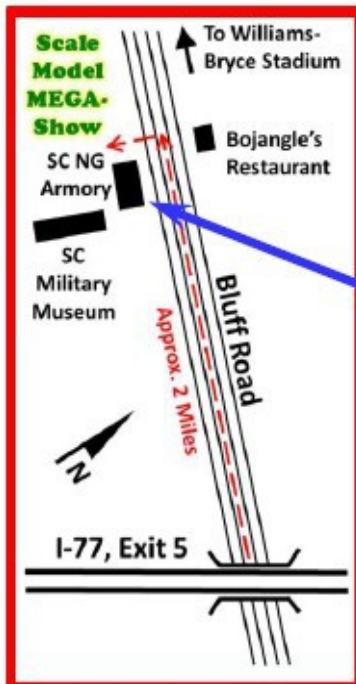
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DIRECTIONS:

- **From Charlotte:** I-77 South to Exit 5. Continue right on Bluff Road approximately 2.5 miles to the armory, The destination is on the left.
- **From Charleston:** I-26 West to I-77 North. At Exit 5, continue left on Bluff Road approximately 2.5 miles to Armory. The destination is on the left.
- **From Greenville/Spartanburg:** I-26 East to I-77 North. At Exit 5, continue left on Bluff Road approximately 2.5 miles to Armory. Destination is on the left.

MEGA-SHOW SCHEDULE (*Tentative*, see <https://scmegashow.com>):

Registration Opens:	9:00 AM	Raffle Ticket Sales open:	9:00 AM
Registration Closes:	12:00 PM	Raffle Ticket Sales close:	12:00 PM
IPMS Judging begins:	12:30 PM	First Raffle Draw:	9:30 AM
AMPS Awards Ceremony:	3:00 PM	Last Raffle Draw:	1:00 PM
IPMS Awards Ceremony:	4:30 PM	Raffle Lightning Round:	2:00 PM

MEGA-SHOW FEES:

- **FREE** General Admission!
- See the MEGA-Show website (<https://scmegashow.com>) for Contest Registration & Registration Fees, Vendor Table costs, Event & Award Sponsorships, etc.

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DISPLAY ONLY MODELS AT THE CHATTANOOGA NATIONALS

Mike Moore

It's a Model Convention folks! Let's look at models!

That's right. More models = a bigger, better, National Convention. We are on the verge of breaking the record number of vendor tables set by Atlanta in 2005 (they had 424; we are currently at 408 and rising). We want to set our sights on having a record number of models on display as well, but we can't get there without your help. We know we won't get there with contest entries only. And since when did only contest entries count?

We need you to bring models for display only. We have TONS of space; help us fill it with built models for everyone to see. Some ideas to make it more fun:

1. Special Interest Group (SIG) displays. Come on guys, bring your models and advertise your presence to the rest of IPMS. There's a page worth of SIG listings in every copy of the Journal...let's see a table from each of them!
2. Mediocre Models. NO SUCH THING. All models tell a story (thanks to Columbia for that one) that needs to be heard, but they need to be seen to tell their story. Yours will NOT be the worst model on display (we have that covered already so don't fret). And yes, this is a shameless shout out to the Mediocre Modelers Club...WE LOVE YA!
3. Club Displays. How about everyone who comes to the show brings a model plus a couple from club members who can't make the trip and set up a club display table.
4. Individual Displays. Bring a selection of your work to put on a table for everyone to see. Are you one of those "well rounded" modelers who builds across classes? Let folks see what you do all in one place. Do you have a favorite modeler whose work you always love to see? Reach out to him (or her) and encourage them to bring a table's worth. Are you one of those guys? No need for modesty. Let us know you need a table or two and bring some models for display.
5. Theme Displays. Atlanta had a table of 109 Me-109s (or is it Bf-109?). Anyone willing to take on the challenge of coordinating 190 FW 190s? We'll provide the table(s)!
6. Some other possibilities:
 1. 51 P-51s, 47 P-47s, 40 P-40s, 38 P-38s and 39 P-39s (yup it would take 5 US fighter types to top one German type!)
 2. Star Wars
 3. Industrial, architectural, prototype models
 4. Star Trek
 5. 24 Hours of Daytona
 6. Indy 500
 7. Sherman's Vs. Tigers
 8. Abrams Vs. T-55
 9. American Muscle Cars
 10. Figure Guys, this can be your time to shine. Do like they do at the big figure shows and bring your collection so everyone can see the breadth of your work in one place?

11. Blast From the Past. This one is actually a special award. How many times have we all wished we could see an award winning model from shows gone by? Well, here's our chance. Bring out those past winners. If it was a first place, best in class or best in show at an IPMS National Contest, it's eligible for this award. We'll display them all together and they will be judged by a super secret panel of celebrity judges (no, sorry, Heidi Klum will NOT be involved). The winner will go home with a super swanky award with absolutely no monetary value, but all the bragging rights known to man.

Folks, the options for display only are endless. We are a bunch of model building geeks. Yes, you read that right. If you attend a 4 day long National Convention dedicated to the hobby of scale modeling, you are by definition a model GEEK! We all love to look at models. So let's look at a LOT of them. The only people holding us back are ourselves. Display only will not be an afterthought at the 2019 Convention. The display tables will be front and center, highlighted and recognized. They will be in the same room as the contest models. And we hope there will be a LOT of them!

If you have any questions, or want to make sure we have room for your display, please reach out to one of us:

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Well thats all folks

See you at the next meeting

John