

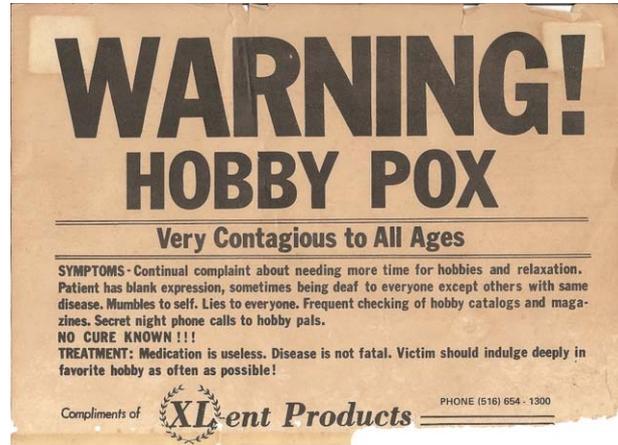


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Peters Prattling

Next month – 1st round of this year's competition

Firstly many thanks for keeping me on as Club Secretary. I know it's mostly that I'm the one putting my head above the parapet but the support is appreciated none the less. As I write this there are less than 2 days to go before the start of Southern Expo and as usual it's been the last minute dash to get things ready, I'm sure after the nearly 20 years experience Wally had it running more smoothly than we have yet but hopefully it will all proceed smoothly on the day.

Forthcoming Shows in 2009

Shows with **highlight** have been booked for us to attend. If you wish to attend any of the shows with the club stand please let me know so I can attempt to book space for the club.

| 2009 | |
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| 4 th April (Saturday) | IPMS Abindon |
| 5 th April (Sunday) | Shropshire Model Show – RAF Museum Cosford |
| 11 th April (Sunday) | Newbury Scale Model Club, Greenham Common Airbase |
| 19 th April (Sunday) | Hinkley Model Show |
| 18 th & 19 th April (Saturday & Sunday) | Shepton Mallet |
| 25 th & 26 th April (Saturday & Sunday) | Scottish Nationals, Perth |
| 10 th May (Sunday) | IPMS Gloucester |
| 16th May (Saturday) | Southdowns Model Show, Lancing, West Sussex |
| 30 th May (Saturday) | IPMS Salisbury. Wyvern College Sports Hall, Church Road, Leverstock, Salisbury SP1 1RE |
| 31st May (Sunday) | IPMS Barnet Show at the RAF Museum Hendon I've requested space for this one but at the moment we may be on the reserve list only. I'll be checking with Barnet at Southern Expo what the situation is. |
| 28 th June (Sunday) | IPMS Coventry and Warwickshire |
| 2 nd or 9 th August | Automodellismo 2009, Donnington Museum |
| 23 rd August (Sunday) | IPMS Avon |
| 5 th September (Saturday) | IPMS West Cornwall |
| 20 th September (Sunday) | IPMS Fenland. Spalding Grammar School, Priory Road, Spalding PE11 2XH Sutton Coldfield show |
| 27 th September (Sunday) | IPMS Brampton – to be confirmed |
| 4th October (Sunday) | East Anglian Model Show, Ipswich Town FC. We have 2 tables allocated |
| 7th & 8th November (Saturday & Sunday) | Scale Modelworld ("The Nationals"), International Centre, Telford, Shropshire TF3 4JH |

Peter



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Robins Ruminations

For the first time I think I'm writing an article for Sticky Fingers in "real time", that is at 1pm today, the day after Southern Expo. I'm sitting in my modelling room surrounded by all the paraphernalia of Expo, unclaimed raffle prizes, table cloths, signs and stickers, competition stuff, even the latest addition, the "official Southern Expo teaspoons" I This has all got to be sorted, checked and put to bed in my loft for another year. I'm using a day of my holiday leave to recover from this weekend's efforts and of course, start sorting out the accounting side of Southern Expo, no small job considering all the number of receipts, tickets and paperwork needed to keep Expo alive and afloat. However that's the job I willingly took over from Wally and I'm pleased I did.

Although Peter and I are the people that get all the thanks, handshakes and credit from clubs and traders for putting on such a good show, we do know that we are only as good as our support. Now for the Oscars bit. I'd like to thank those members of the club that helped Peter and myself set-up all the tables and chairs on the Friday night, help out in various boring and unglamorous stewarding jobs over the weekend and break it all down again on the Sunday night. You are the unsung heroes of Southern Expo; simply put without your help the show would be almost impossible to put on, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. Also The "ladies of the kettle" that dispensed tea, coffee and nibbles on the Friday night and Saturday morning, lifesavers! Not forgetting Laura, who gives her time sitting on the door all weekend with Rick and Bob.

The biggest thank you must go to our long suffering Wives, Adele and Karen, who have had to endure our inconvenient late night phone calls and visits. Peter and myself disappearing for night- time visits to the sports centre, exchanging kits in the back streets of Canning Town and a meeting in a petrol station forecourt on the A127 at 8pm. We have also, regrettably, ignored our Wives for hours on end while tapping away on our computers, visits to the bank and Post Office, cutting up notices and entry cards and preparing the paperwork that makes a successful show like Expo run so smoothly. Thank you ladies for your patience and support, although not always said, we do appreciate it.

The big questions, how did it run and was it a success? Well it ran very well, with one small exception that will be resolved before the next show. All the traders, bar one, were happy and seemed to indicate that it had been a good show for them and wished to be included "on the list" for next year. As yet we have had only positive comments on the show, but of course we shall have to await the post for the less kind comments I guess. Was it a success? Well, yes simply put. St. Francis hospice will soon receive a cheque for £3,500 pounds, the Saturday door numbers were up by 50 people and the raffle did almost the same as last year. The actual bottom line figures will not be known for a few weeks until all the expenses are paid out and final accounting is done, but at this early stage I think that it has been a success.

Robin



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IPMS Hornchurch 2009 AGM Report

Committee Reports

Peter Bagshaw (Club Secretary)

As per last year I think this has been a really successful year for the club; we have retained a core group of members by hopefully offering an interesting and varied selection of meeting subjects throughout the year and attracted some new and lapsed members back into the fold.

Yet again the turn out to the Modeller of the Year Competition January meeting was very good and really gave the judges from Southend great difficulty choosing the winners.

Bob Plumridge (Treasurer)

Presented a breakdown of the clubs accounts for the year.

Hopefully we will have the breakdown of costs to put in the next issue of Sticky Fingers but the basic message was that the club is solvent despite spending slightly more over the year than it received in subscriptions. At the moment it was not felt that there was a need to increase subscriptions.

Robin Bellamy (Assistant & Competition Secretary)

I think that this has been another good year as far as the club competitions have been. Although I would always like to see more models on the competition tables, mine included, the variety and quality has again improved in my opinion. It only really leaves me to congratulate the winners of the past years competitions and to thank all those members that took the time and effort to bring their models in on competition evenings

Election of Officers

The committee posts were then voted in. Myself, Bob and Robin were happy to continue in our roles and were re-elected as there were no other nominees for the positions.

No other posts were created.

Club Competitions

Announcement and presentation of trophies to the winners of the 2008/2009 competitions

- i. Wally Arrowsmith Trophy (Aircraft) – Robin Bellamy
- ii. IPMS Hornchurch Trophy (Miscellaneous) – Danny Alvisse
- iii. Modeller of the Year – Steve Crust – winning with a 1/48th scale Harrier GR.7

The competition was then discussed. The membership was generally happy with the format and style of the competitions.

The club competition rules are repeated below and have been amended slightly for wording only.

Formulation of outstanding monthly dates for 2009/2010

See schedule later. There are a few outstanding months which we need to think about.

Any Other Business

Theme Build for 2010

Anything from the '70s, as we'd had a pretty good turn out for the '60's theme from last year.



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Club Competition Rules

- The competitions are split into 2, the Wally Arrowsmith Trophy for Aircraft subjects and the IPMS Hornchurch Trophy for Miscellaneous subjects.
- Each competition will be run over rounds determined at the AGM (normally 4).
- The schedule and any "Themes" for the competitions are decided at the AGM.
- All models must have been completed for that competition year.
- Each competition has been split into 2 categories.

| | Category 1 | Category 2 |
|---------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Aircraft | 1/72 nd scale or less | Greater than 1/72 nd scale |
| Miscellaneous | Military vehicles any scale | Anything else, i.e. not an aircraft or military vehicle subject. |

- Registration of models must be made before 20:15 to allow voting to start at this time.
- Members vote for the winning models in order of preference from 1st to 5th places in each category and competition.
- For each competition round a competitor may enter a maximum of 2 models per category, i.e. For the Wally Arrowsmith competition (Aircraft) 2 models in Category 1 and 2 models in Category 2 are the maximum allowed per round.
- Modellers may enter models in either or both competitions and categories, Aircraft and Miscellaneous.
- A model may only be entered into any competition once.
- Dioramas count as 1 model.
- Two models on one base, but not a diorama, count as 2 models.
- Modellers are **not** expected to vote for their own entries.
- The person with the highest overall number of points in each competition (Aircraft or Miscellaneous) after the last round will be the club champion.
- In the event of a tie on points the number of 1st and 2nd places etc. will be the deciding factor.
- All models entered into any of the rounds are eligible for entry into the "Modeller of the Year" competition.
- **In the event of a dispute the Competition Secretary's' decision is final.**

Scoring

Every model entered in each competition scores 5 points.

The following points will be awarded for the 1st five places in each competition category.

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| 1 st place | 20 points |
| 2 nd place | 18 points |
| 3 rd place | 16 points |
| 4 th place | 14 points |
| 5 th place | 12 points |

i.e. a person entering 1 model who comes 3rd will score 5 points for entry plus 16 points for 3rd place, giving a total of 21 points.

Modeller of the Year Competition

Rules

- Judging for the competition will be performed by external judges with no association with any of the entered models.
- Any models which they have entered into the IPMS Hornchurch competition over the year are eligible for entry.
- First, second and third places are to be awarded with the following prizes being awarded.

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| Winner (1 st place) | £20 |
| Runner up (2 nd place) | £10 |
| 3 rd place | £5 |
- **In the event of a dispute the judge's decision is final.**



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Do not spill any food or drinks on the tablecloths; if possible avoid eating or drinking behind the stand.

Keep the language clean. Swear words may well put off families from approaching the club.

Always keep the stand manned - with 1 person in front if possible. If you are the only person there and need to leave the stand find someone else from the club and request they take over.

Be polite to the punters.

If you see someone has been manning the stand for a long period of time - offer them a break.

Be careful with the models - report any damage and arrange for repair if possible. Unless absolutely necessary let the owner of the model move it.

When setting up - make sure that the club name placard is on show, that flyers are available and that any themed displays are clearly identified.

Try not to bring along the same models time after time. Refresh your display models as often as possible.

A Display Organizer will be appointed by the Club Committee/Secretary for each show the club attends. They will be responsible for the following: -

- The club display cloths and club name plate are available and used.
- The appropriate club display bases and stands are used, note for some shows where a small number of models or modellers are in attendance you may not need all or any of the stands.
- Will have the authority to request the moving of models to provide the best possible display.
- Will have the authority to request the removal of models to make room for other club members e.g. if late attendees arrive and it is safe to do so. The aim would be to allow an equal amount of display space for all members attending and wishing to display



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IPMS Hornchurch

2009/2010 Meeting Schedule

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| March 16 th | Airfix Theme Display |
| April 20 th | Competition Night |
| May 18 th | Kathy Dowler from Sci-Fi SIG – Figure Painting Talk |
| June 15 th | Competition Night |
| July 20 th | |
| August 17 th | There was talk of inviting either Roy Cross or Tony Holmes to give a talk. I will try and speak to both at Southern Expo to book |
| September 21 st | Competition Night |
| October 19 th | Video night + Southern Expo video from John Bennett |
| November 16 th | Competition Night |
| December 21 st | Quiz and nibbles |
| January 18 th | Competition: Modeller of the Year |
| February 15 th | AGM |