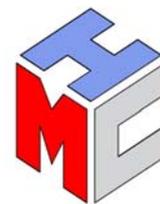




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## Peters Prattling

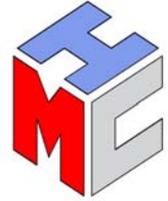
### February 2014 Meeting

I was caught by the Church Warden (but don't worry it didn't hurt, much!) last month and she asked me whether we could move our February meeting again next year as they were holding another event on our normal evening. I indicated that should be OK and I suggested we'd probably go for the week after (Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February), unless any one has any objections?



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It's the AGM and also the theme build competition evening so having it a week later would be beneficial from a time to completion point of view. We normally also have a run through of the Southern Expo display and as we have all of our theme builds there would be an ideal time for that too.

## "Lending Library"

It looks like the idea of people bringing in unwanted books and magazines for other members of the club to take away is working well, however you **must** take away any unwanted items that you bring in, I don't want to take them home with me and I hate just throwing things away.

## Club Clothing

I was asked whether we could have other forms of clothing apart from the Polo and Sweatshirts with our logo on, in this case a fleece jacket. I can report that something like that can be obtained at a cost of around £25. We would need to put together an order for 10 or more items to make the costs worthwhile. Does anyone else want any of the Polo, Sweatshirts or Fleecees?

Club Member	Polo Shirt		Sweatshirt		Fleece	
	Size	Quantity	Size	Quantity	Size	Quantity
Ralph Hebron					XXL	1
Bob Lawrence	S	1				
Wally Arrowsmith					XXL	1
Robin Bellamy					XL	3
Allen Roffey	XXL	1				

## ATC Competition

I had a reply from the ATC troop who visited us a couple of months ago.

*"As part of the London Wing Field day at Woolwich Barracks yesterday we our model aircraft competition. We did not win as it was our first attempt but we came 5th out of 27 which isn't bad. Activities included drill, band, photographic and other disciplines and the weather stayed dry. There were some very good models and dioramas but also some nightmares but the cadets are quite young so you have to make allowances.*

*I'm sure when next years competition comes around we will endeavour to come and see you again. Thanks for all your help."*

## Forthcoming Shows in 2012/2013

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.

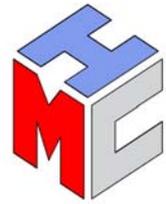
2013	
<b>October 26<sup>th</sup> (Saturday)</b>	<b>Fleet Air Arm Museum Autumn Model Show</b> , Fleet Air Arm Museum, RNAS Yeovilton, Somerset, BA22 8HT
<b>9<sup>th</sup> &amp; 10<sup>th</sup> November (Saturday &amp; Sunday)</b>	<b>Scale ModelWorld 2013 - 50th Anniversary Show</b> , Telford International Centre, Telford, Shropshire, TF3 4JH
<b>8th December (Sunday)</b>	London Model Show, Islington Business Design Centre, London
2014	
<b>17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> January (Friday, Saturday &amp; Sunday)</b>	<b>Model Engineering Show</b> , Alexandria Palace.
<b>15<sup>th</sup> &amp; 16<sup>th</sup> March (Saturday &amp; Sunday)</b>	<b>Southern Expo</b>

Peter



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## Robin's "Ruminations"

By the time you are reading this I will be back from my weeks holiday in sunny, (and at times a very rainy), East Sussex. I had brought my model away with me to do a bit of modelling on the dark and cool evenings but interesting books, pub food, good beer and conversations from visiting friends soon scotched those plans. As I am tapping this article out on my laptop, I still have three days of my holiday left, but already have been offered "suggestions" as to what to do with the remaining time by my Wife. These include offering moral / vocal support to the farmer we stay with at a darts match against another rival team. As this is being held at the local pub it seems like a reasonable request and I can't see any reason to not go. A visit to Tunbridge Wells to do a bit of shopping and to start a search for an outfit for Adele for a forthcoming family wedding. Strangely enough, the most handy car park just happens to be 50 yards from the Aviation Bookshop, I really can't see any reason why not to go to Tunbridge Wells. I'll be generous and even take my Wife to the cafe she likes in the Pantiles for lunch that just happens to be opposite a very nice second-hand bookshop by some odd chance. What a kind Husband I am, don't you think? All I have to do is work out a believable reason to visit Uckfield to have a look in The Hobby Box model shop and my last three days will be complete!

My thoughts are beginning to turn towards the forthcoming Nationals at Telford and I am thinking about any missing books in a couple of series I have been buying. After all, at the price of books nowadays you can't afford to inadvertently buy any doubles. My Mother in Law and Wife have both said that if I see anything I like at the show I can have it as a Christmas present, now do I fancy the 1/32nd B-17 or the B-25, decisions, decisions! Only joking, I don't think I even have room to store the boxes let alone the finished models! However, if anybody is thinking of popping up to see the show, please don't forget to visit the stand to say hello, eat lunch, rest your feet or just to leave your bags while you wander around a bit more. Unlike the IPMS committee, we won't try to press gang you into staying on the stand for a couple of hours if you don't want to.

Stop the presses! I've just been told that Adele has offered to take a friend shopping to Uckfield. I've very kindly agreed to drive them. Result!

### **Brampton Model Show report.**

The show was held in its normal venue in a sports centre just outside of the town and as ever the weather was kind being sunny and bright. Peter, Allan, Bob, Ralph, Steve and my Son all turned up to show the flag for the club at this ever popular show. We all took turns wandering around the various club stands and traders attempting to extort money from us poor modellers and unfortunately succeeding in my case with the purchase of a 1/48th kit of a Kfir by Kinetic, a very nice kit at a reduced price on the day. The show gets bigger and better every year with more stands both trade and display being squeezed in but while still retaining its small show atmosphere. The Brampton club is to be congratulated in their ability to combine these two virtues. All the club members that attended the show said that they would be happy to attend next year's Brampton show given the opportunity.

### **My official hat is now on.**

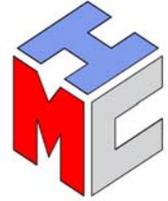
Well I wasn't quite as busy as I would have liked on the booking in front but the quality of the sixteen models on the tables was as impressive as ever. So those members taking part should be justifiably proud of their efforts regardless of judging result. However mention must rightly be made of the results with Bob Lawrence winning both the 1/72nd and 1/48th and larger aircraft categories with Peter Bagshaw and Robert Smith coming second in their respective scales. Mick Pitts won the armour section with Robert Smith again coming in as the runner up. Peter Bagshaw won the miscellaneous class with his Ferrari F1 car.

The only other matter to raise in this part of my article is / could be a bit of a sticky one but one worthy of thought by the membership. I would really like to have some sort of suggestion of feedback from the members as I personally think that the idea / suggestion has merit for the membership as a whole. Peter and I were approached by a member who asked us if it would be possible to have some sort of feedback or constructive criticism regarding models entered in the competition. That way those modellers that perhaps didn't win could perhaps get an indication about where they needed to improve in their skills or techniques not just for the competitions but modelling in general. Now I think that this was a brave move on the member's part to stick his head on the block as it were but I think that it's a good idea and we should embrace it.



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The only reservations I have is that having done judging at various model shows and been on the receiving end of a "unhappy" modeller at this year's Expo I realise that one man's "constructive criticism" is another man's "insult" even if the comments are well meant. Even in our club which is certainly not competition orientated feelings can run high on this subject. So gentleman it's over to you to have a word with me as to how we can make this idea work, or at least give it a go without either upset or pistols at dawn! I should have a couple of ideas / mock ups of a form / sheet to use for this idea at tonight's meeting and would like to hear your comments on them.

**Robin**

## Wrighty's References

One of the most infuriating things about references is when you know you've got them somewhere, but can't remember which pile or drawer it is in. You eventually spend hours looking for the offending item. I've done it dozens of times, but then I've got so much reference it's like trying to get out of a maze. Unless of course you have a filing system like my good friend Charles Thompson, who has a fantastic system, no doubt he will advise you if you are interested in organising your collection.

But it brings me to my next article, Scale Aircraft Modelling (SAM, the oldest of all magazines) have issued several indexes for articles and aircraft types over the 35 volumes that exist to date. 35 x 12 that's a lot of aircraft articles for even the worlds finest brain to put his hand on an article instantaneously.

However the 2<sup>nd</sup> oldest (SAMi) magazine has no such index as far as I know, but I do have most of the magazines so recently after a lengthy search for the He-219, it struck me that a list could be made up, by year, volume and issue of SAMI and each months top articles. So here goes, 18 volumes since 1995 to date. These will be ready for next months Sticky Fingers

### New Series "Did You Know?"

You all know the P47 Thunderbolt "The Jug", US W.W.II fighter and ground attack aircraft, did you know what its predecessor was?

#### Republic P-43 Lancer

The Lancer was a step in the development towards the P-47, looking like a mini Thunderbolt it shows many of the lines of the P-47 and it acted as a test bed trial of many of the P-47 features.

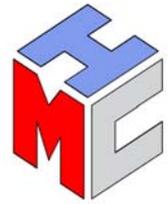


In 1938 the final production P-35 was taken from the production line and fitted with a Pratt & Whitney 1200 HP radial engine, complete with 2 stage supercharger, designated the XP41, the engine was closely cowled and fitted with a large propeller and spinner to reduce drag, but cooling problems led to the engine being open-fronted.



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A new engine P.W. R.1830/35 was fitted, the turbocharger shifted from the port wing root to below the engine, the cockpit, deeper shaped oval canopy and reduced fuselage side panels all in the quest for lower drag.

The 2 wing and 2 nose guns of .30 were upgraded to .50 machine guns and in 1941 the Army had taken delivery of 13 new YP-43s as the Lancer was now known. Orders were placed for large numbers but combat reports from the war in Europe showed the P-43 would be inferior to German and British aircraft, therefore opening the way for a future redesign which became the W.W.II legendary fighter the P-47 Thunderbolt.

## Stowe Maries

Many of you might know where Stowe Maries is (New Maldon) but did you know it was a W.W.I airfield? It was later made an MoD site and more recently had numerous electrical and radar machinery in operation in the latter part of the 20th century,

However on the 15th October 2013 it was announced that a local business man had purchased the site for £½ million with the intention of building it into a museum, restoring the airstrip to allow flying again and taking on museum quality aircraft, restoration of aircraft and tributes by exhibition to the W.W.I flyers who were based there within the next 3 years. Sounds similar to another, Damyns Hall, doesn't it? Let's hope it all works out for them.

## Norwegian Tiger Meet

Did you know the Norwegians held a Tiger Meet of various European countries aircraft? A total of 12 different countries all marked in spectacular Tiger designs. This took place at Ørland MAS in Norway. Spectacular pictures appeared in September 2013 "Combat Aircraft" magazine, maybe some made the internet. Although I will say the complex designs may well present too many problems for the decal suppliers who love to bring out special editions for Tiger aircraft.



Alan

# Competition Results for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Round 2013

## Wally Arrowsmith Trophy (Aircraft)

### 1/72<sup>nd</sup> Scale or Less

Position	Entrant	Model	Votes
1 <sup>st</sup>	Bob Lawrence	Sea Fury Racer	65
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Peter Bagshaw	Grumman F6F Hellcat	55
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Peter Bagshaw	General Dynamics F-16 Falcon	43
4 <sup>th</sup>	Paul Bennett	Heinkel He-100D	41
5 <sup>th</sup>	Paul Bennett	Avia S-199	38
	Paul Bird	Albatross DV	34

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### Greater than 1/72<sup>nd</sup> Scale

Position	Entrant	Model	Votes
1 <sup>st</sup>	Bob Lawrence	Hawker Tempest	70
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Robert Smith	Republic P-47 Thunderbolt	68
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Robert Smith	Dornier Do-335	55
4 <sup>th</sup>	Paul Bird	James Bond Autogiro	50
5 <sup>th</sup>	Bob Lawrence	T-6 Racer	36

Greater than 1/72<sup>nd</sup> Scale

Bob Lawrence- Hawker Tempest



Robert Smith- Republic P-47 Thunderbolt



Robert Smith - Dornier Do-335



Paul Bird - James Bond Autogiro



Bob Lawrence - T-6 Racer



Positions after 3<sup>rd</sup> Round

Position	Entrant	Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	Peter Bagshaw	151
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bob Lawrence	138
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Robert Smith	109
4 <sup>th</sup>	Paul Bennett	62
5 <sup>th</sup>	Brian Breeze	40
	Paul Bird	27
	Colin McAuliffe	25
	Robin Bellamy	23
	Ian Brown	19
	Glenn Stimson	17
	Charles Thompson	10
	Alan Wright	5

## IPMS Hornchurch Trophy (Miscellaneous)

### Military Vehicles

Position	Entrant	Model	Votes
1 <sup>st</sup>	Mick Pitts	Valentine II	77
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Robert Smith	Cruiser A13	61
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Kevin Curley	Char Bis	53
4 <sup>th</sup>	Peter Bagshaw	KV-II "Big Turret"	43

### Miscellaneous - Armour

Mick Pitts - Valentine II



Robert Smith - Cruiser A13



Kevin Curley - Char Bis



Peter Bagshaw - KV-II "Big Turret"



### Miscellaneous

Position	Entrant	Model	Votes
1 <sup>st</sup>	Peter Bagshaw	Ferrari F310B	85

### Miscellaneous

Peter Bagshaw - Ferrari F310B



### Positions after 3<sup>rd</sup> Round

Position	Entrant	Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	Mick Pitts	73
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Robert Smith	71
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Kevin Curley	59
4 <sup>th</sup>	Peter Bagshaw	49
5 <sup>th</sup>	Paul Bird	46
	Bob Lawrence	42
	Graham Hill	25
	Ian Brown	25
	Colin McAuliffe	21
	John Huston	17