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Peters Prattling

Annual General Meeting Last Month

Well that went well, many thanks to all those who braved the meeting and helped to contribute to the ideas for monthly meeting fees etc. There were a few more questions I needed to ask but we can do them this month.

Firstly IPMS Branch Return is due, please check the current address list and ensure your name, address and IPMS number (assuming you are a member), I need to complete this very soon.

Secondly, club apparel; does anyone want some club sweatshirts, polo shirts or fleeces? If enough people are interested I could put together another order. I won't know prices until I get an idea of who wants what but probably about £14 per item.

Lastly, I've acquired a set (at least 10) of the new mould Airfix 1/72nd scale Folland Gnat, would the club be interested in a "Group Build"? There are some interesting colour schemes around, at least 5 that I can think of.

Southern Expo

Too late to Sticky Fingers publication deadline to actually tell you much apart from a big thanks to all those who helped out, you know who you are.

Forthcoming Shows in 2016

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.

	2016	
April 3 rd (Sunday)	Shropshire Scale Model Show, RAF Museum Cosford, Shifnal, Shropshire, TF11 8UP	
April 9 th (Saturday)	IPMS Dorset / Poole Vikings Model Show, Parkstone Grammar School, Sopers Lane,	
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April 23 rd & 24 th	Scottish National Scale Model Show, The Live Active Dewars Centre, Glover Street,	
(Saturday& Sunday)	Perth, PH2 0TH	
April 24 th (Sunday)	ModelKraft 2016, Milton Keynes, Stantonbury Leisure Centre.	
May 8 th (Sunday)	IPMS Gloucester, Churchdown Community Centre, Parton Road, Churchdown,	
, , ,	Gloucestershire, GL3 2JH	
May 14 th (Saturday)	Southdowns, The Parish Hall, South Street, Lancing, West Sussex BN15 8AJ	
May 28 th (Saturday)	Torbay Military Modelling Show, Torquay Town Hall	
	MAFVA Nationals 2016, The Burgess Hall, Westwood Rd, Saint Ives, Cambridgeshire,	
June 19 th (Sunday)	PE27 6WU	
	West Norfolk IPMS - Downham Market Town Hall, Norfolk PE38 9DE	
	IPMS Coventry & Warwickshire Model Show, Rowley Road, Coventry, CV3 4FR	
June 26 th (Sunday)	Ipswich IPMS Model Show, Willow Suite, Gresham Sports and Social Club, 312	
	Tuddenham Road, Ipswich , IP4 3QJ	
July 3 rd (Sunday)	North Somerset Modellers Society Model Show, The Helicopter Museum, Weston	
July 3 (Juliuay)	Heliport, Locking Moor Road, Weston-Super-Mare, BS24 8PP	
July 9 th (Saturday)	Hailsham District Scale Model Club, Community Civic Hall, Vicarage lane, Hailsham,	
, ,	East Sussex, BN27 2AX	
July 24 th (Sunday)	Essex Model Show, Hannakins Farm, Billericay.	
July 31 st (Sunday)	Midland Expo, Leasowes Sports Centre, Leasowes High School, Kent Road,	
	Halesowen, B62 8PJ	
August 6 th & 7 th	Essex MAFVA, Damyns Hall Aerdrome, Averly Road, Upminster, Essex. RM14 2TN	
(Saturday & Sunday)	Lister WA, Daniyns Hair Acraronic, Avery Road, Opininster, Essex. Rivit 4 2110	
September 17 th & 18 th	Maquette Club Opale, Complexe Sportif, Rue de la Mairie, Frethun (near Calais)	
(Saturday & Sunday)		
September 18 th (Sunday)	Wings & Things 2016, Fenland & Spalding, Spalding High School, Spalding, Lincs.	
September 25 th (Sunday)	St Ives (Brampton) show, Burgess Civil Hall, St Ives, Cambs.	







November12th & 13th (Saturday & Sunday)

Scale ModelWorld 2016, Telford International Centre, Telford, Shropshire, TF3 4JH

Peter

Robin's "Ruminations"

First of all let me apologise for not being at the hall on Friday evening for the shows set-up, that's the first Expo set-up that I've missed since I joined the club all those years ago. It's very disappointing to miss the start of the show but I had a previous commitment that I had to attend to that evening.

Well gentleman, I guess that by the time you're reading this, Southern Expo will be over and the club night will be underway. I trust that you have brought along your modelling kit and a model to whittle away at. Also I hope that you have brought along some, if not all of your goodies that you have purchased or won on one of the raffles over the weekend, if nothing else I'm nosey and was probably too busy over the weekend to have a look for some reason, can't think doing what though.

Although I'm obviously writing this article before the show has taken place, I do hope that you enjoyed it and picked up the bits you wanted and most probably a few bits you never even knew you wanted! I'd like to thank those members that helped put up and break down the show. As ever, although Peter and I are the "faces" of Expo, it is you, the invisible helpers that make the show such a success and I'd like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you for your willing assistance. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank my Wife for her patience, understanding and support over the months that Southern Expo "awoke" from its summer slumber last October. I don't know many Wives that would put up with the disruption and inconvenience that comes from the work that I do at home and even helps me with the folding-up of the forms, flyers and invitations. As I'm tapping this out on the lap-top in the living room I have a pile of black bin bags with the raffle prizes in them on one side of me and three boxes of trophies on my other side. This as well as the bags of paperwork, files and folders are piled up on the other side of the sofa and of course helping with the rolls and buns on the Friday afternoon and making tea and coffee on Friday night. So as I know that my Wife reads Sticky Fingers, I'll just like to say thank you Adele, I couldn't do it without you.

My "official hat" is now on.....

Next Month is competition night gentleman so get cracking on your models; I want to be busy please Well we all seemed to survive last month's A.G.M. intact, not too much bloodshed thankfully as we have to pay the church extra for a mop and bucket clean-up! Seriously though, thank you for voting the sitting committee in for another year, I'll take it that you must like the way we are steering.

Robin

Ian's Intel

British Royal Navy is proud to announce its new fleet of Type 45 destroyers:

Having initially named the first two ships HMS Daring and HMS Dauntless, the Naming Committee has, after intensive pressure from the European Union in Brussels, renamed them HMS Cautious and HMS Prudence.

The next five ships are to be HMS Empathy, HMS Circumspect, HMS Nervous, HMS Timorous and HMS Apologist. Costing £850 million each, they comply with the very latest employment, equality, health & safety and human rights laws. The Royal Navy fully expects any future enemy to be jolly decent and to comply with the same high standards of behaviour.

The new user-friendly crow's nest has excellent wheelchair access. Live ammunition has been replaced with paintballs to reduce the risk of injuries and to cut down on the number of compensation claims.

Stress counsellors and lawyers will be on board, as will a full, sympathetic, industrial tribunal.

The crew will be 50/50 "men" and "women", and will contain the correct balance of race, gender, sexuality and disability. Sailors will only work a maximum of 37 hours per week as per Brussels Rules on Working Hours, even in wartime. All the vessels are equipped with a maternity ward, a crèche and a gay disco.







Tobacco will be banned throughout the ship, but recreational cannabis will be allowed in wardrooms and messes. The RN eager to shed its traditional reputation for "Rum, sodomy & the lash" so the rum ration has gone, replaced by sparkling water.

Sodomy remains, now extended to include all ratings under 18. The lash will still be available on request.

Saluting of officers is now considered elitist and has been replaced by "Hello Sailor".

All information on notice boards will be in 37 different languages and Braille.

Crew members will now no longer have to ask permission to grow beards and/or moustaches.

This applies equally to female crew.

The MoD is inviting suggestions for a "non-specific" flag because the White Ensign may offend minorities.

The Union Jack must never be seen.

The newly re-named HMS Cautious will be commissioned shortly by Captain Hook from the Finsbury Park Mosque who will break a petrol bomb over the hull.

She will gently slide into the sea as the Royal Marines Band plays the Village People's "In the Navy".

Her first deployment will be to escort boatloads of illegal immigrants to ports on England's south coast.

The New Prime Minister Jeremy Corbyn said,

"Our ships reflect the very latest in modern thinking and they will always be able to comply with any new legislation from Brussels".

His final words were, "Britannia waives the rules."

Ian

Paul's "Postulations"

So how was your Southern Expo? Did you get exactly what you were looking for? That one kit that'll occupy your workbench for months to come. Or perhaps the more pragmatic choice of tools, paints and decals.

There's always plenty to choose from, whether you've placed an order with Hannants beforehand or rummaged through the boxes under the club displays. Then there are the second hand dealers, where you can buy kits purely on a nostalgic level - such as the classic Revell kits featuring Brian Knight's artwork. Or it could be a long lost and hard-to-build kit, that your purchase will guarantee that it's replacement will be released by Airfix within three months.

Me, I tend to go for either the old kits or the massive bargains. Preferably both. Last year, I bought a very good kit on the STOL version of the MiG 23, all because I remember a very fuzzy photo of it in the Observers Book of Aircraft in 1967. And it was cheap. Come to think of it, all photos of Russian aircraft were both very grainy and black and white in those days.

I hope that you, like me, enjoyed the club stands, as you can pick up plenty of ideas and see made up models of kits that you were considering. And everyone is keen to chat and pass on some of their tricks of the trade. You may even find a new area of the hobby that you haven't tried yet - such as Japanese cargo ships of the 1930s or Sci Fi models. There are so many ways to part with your money - and have a good time.

I fully expect to have bought my usual motley crew of kits, that normally leads to a certain amount of head shaking and eye rolling amongst my colleagues. If you've come along to the club this evening, feel free to ask me about them.

Word of the day: RC-phobia. So, you're on holiday in an unknown town and a quick search of Google suggests that there is a model shop about a mile away. With your nearest and dearest, coming along for moral support, you finally get to the shop and expectantly step inside. Only to find it chock full of radio control paraphernalia. Apart from a small, desultory pile of kits sheltering in the corner, a Spitfire, a Red Arrow and maybe a Mustang.

Then you have to have to slowly back out off the shop, whilst politely keeping up your end of a conversation about how Tamiya aren't what they were and Italeri are the best kits in the world. It took me about half an hour. The disappointment was palpable...

Paul







Wrighty's "References"



Warning From WrySpy

Is there no end to the jinx on aircraft, after a crash per month from April 2015 to the new year. You would have thought either god or the aliens who ever has control of these so called accidents would give it a rest, but no some looney or preinstalled terrorist has attached Virgin Atlantic Airlines with a laser beam from a block of flats in SE London.

News Flash: on the freezing cold morning of Feb 15th 2016 a laser beam entered the cockpit of the airliner making its way to cross the English Channel. A scream from the co-pilot rang out as he was

blinded by the green light. Acting quickly the cockpit crew pulled him to safety before the laser faded away but the 2nd officer was badly injured and a radio signal was sent to control for permission to return to Heathrow, which was given and the aircraft returned safely in the hands of the senior pilot.

A lucky escape? Yes, but severe action is needed, Wryspy makes the following suggestions:-

- if more than 1 crew man has been blinded it could have caused a crash with its full fuel load on a most densely populated area of suburban London. 2,000 deaths instead of 200 allowing for ground casualties.
- Imagine trying to find the cause of the crash, no one is going to think of a blinding light would bring down a plane. Examination of the wreckage will not offer any clues, only the contact with the ground and possible fuel oil fire damage.
- 3 The black boxes (2) CVR all normal until a "yell" from the pilot officer and the scramble to get him safe. Then the readings box with all machinery returning the correct readings. If it is not destroyed in the crash, then all the correct readings will only give a time list of what would be normal.
- No evidence of a bomb or explosive device, proved by item 2 that an intact aircraft hit the ground or buildings. 4
- What can we do? Police say this has been going on for some time, laser beams directed at aircraft, also at helicopters from high vantage points, why oh why didn't they bring to the attention of the public? Then if you see your next door neighbour on the roof with his laser you can report him to the Police. Then they send round the Police operated helicopter to go and look for the perpetrators? Maybe.

Jump forwards to March 2nd, evening news, the new craze is model and real drones carrying lasers are operating in the skies of south London. Numerous reports have been registered but 15 days later from the original event nothing has been done. Hide it away till we sort out the EU in or out and it won't be noticed! Govt, how long before a serious crash occurs?

Feb Starts the New Year Crash List



Feb 2016, puts a name on the "aircraft crash list" (see SF 139 Dec 2015), maybe it was just a crosswind tipped the plane over or perhaps carelessness in view of what we encountered in the 1915 crash list, photo herewith, you make up your own mind.







WrySpy Tribute

"Winkle" Brown

Strange that WrySpy did a tribute to Capt Eric "Winkle" Brown, the FAA & RAFs greatest pilot (in the April 2015 SF), where you can see the list of achievements for both services. No it was not for shooting down enemies, but for flying 487 different types of aircraft as a test pilot in W.W.2 and its aftermath. Also he holds the world record for 2407 carrier landings aboard various aircraft carriers. Many of his Fleet Air Arm aircraft are described by him in his book:-

"Wings of the Navy"
Published 1980, Janes Publishing, ISBN 07106 0002X

Maybe available second hand or from the local library. As you know by now Capt Brown passed away early in February 2016 at the age of 97.

Alan

Competition Results for the Theme Build 2015/16 - "What If?"

Wally Arrowsmith Trophy (Aircraft)

1/72nd Scale or Less

Position	Entrant	Model	Votes
1 st	Peter Bagshaw	Dornier Do.335 B-6	35
2 nd	Paul Bennett	Fairey Delta	31
3 rd	Peter Bagshaw	Messerschmitt Me P.1099	30
4 th	Bob Lawrence	TSR2 Racer	26
5 th	Paul Bennett	Regianne Re.200	21

1/72nd Scale or less

Peter Bagshaw Dornier Do.335 B-6





Peter Bagshaw Messerschmitt Me P.1099





Paul Bennett Regianne Re.200



Final Positions

Position	Entrant	Points
1 st	Bob Lawrence	146
2 nd	Paul Bennett	141
3 rd	Peter Bagshaw	126
4 th	Brian Thomas	78
5 th	Ian Brown	69
	Brian Breeze	65
	Allen Roffey	44
	Charles Thompson	42
	John Bennett	38
	Bob Smith Kevin Curley	25
	Paul Bird	19
	Alan Wright	5

IPMS Hornchurch Trophy (Miscellaneous)

Final Positions

Position	Entrant	Points
1st	Peter Bagshaw	126
2nd	Bob Smith	119
3rd	Bob Lawrence	92
4th	Ian Brown	48
5th	Mick Pitts	44
	Graham Hill	25
	Paul Bird	23
	Kevin Curley	21

IPMS Hornchurch AGM 2016 Report

1. Committee Reports

Branch Secretary Report 2016

The good bits, monthly attendance numbers are steady but maybe slightly less than 2015. We need to try and recruit new members where possible. Southern Expo should be the most obvious place. A discussion on possible ways to do this concluded that handing out club flyers at Southern Expo as people come in and also having more available on the club stand could be good places to start. A suggestion of having a list for people to add their email address so we can email them the next issue of Sticky Fingers might generate interest and also a suggestion of QR sign with a link to the club website. (I've printed off a large A3 version – should be big enough).

Club attendance at shows has been very good; the IPMS(UK) ScaleModelWorld and recent Model Engineering Show were both really good examples of enough people volunteering and ensuring there were enough attending on each day to put on a really great display. Indeed as noted in the February Sticky Fingers we were given a £65 donation as a thank you from the Engineering Show Organisers, but not something I think they would do every year.

Almost a cut and paste from last year, participation in submission of articles for the club newsletter (Sticky Fingers) is still low to non-existent except for the 3 main contributors (myself, Allen Wright and Robin, but I have to nag him and I know he's tied up with other domestic issues so can be time constrained), this continues to be disappointing as the few people who contribute put a lot of effort into it. We try hard to keep you all in touch with what is going on or coming up with the club through the newsletter, but also I would hope include articles about subjects which may be of interest to others, which aren't necessarily directly related to plastic. 1 idea to try and recruit was to ask people for their email address to send them a "special Southern Expo" edition of Sticky Fingers, unless we get some articles from the membership, I'm not sure it will be worth it as the current newsletter is mostly just club business.

Treasurer Report 2016

Bob presented a rundown of the accounts. The club is still healthily solvent, but the hire of the hall has increased from September from £22 to £40 a month. An analysis of the accounts based on an expected 14 average attendance per month indicated that without raising monthly subscriptions we would gradually become bankrupt. Further discussion was held after the reports and election of the club officers.

Competition Secretary Report 2016

Robin was unable to attend the meeting due to family commitments, so no report, but I suspect he would say that the standard of entry continues to be high and can we all make even more models to enter into this years competition.

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2. Election of Officers

The current officers were re-elected unopposed.

- i) Secretary Peter Bagshaw
- ii) Assistant & Competition Secretary Robin Bellamy
- iii) Treasurer Bob Plumridge

3. Club Finances

Unfortunately as I outlined in a couple of meetings recently the cost for our meeting hall has effectively doubled (but is still less than what it would be for a new booking or using the smaller hall we used to have). With that in mind we need to discuss and agree on monthly attendance fees and what we spend, i.e. competition trophies, prizes & guest speakers etc.

The club balance sheet for 2016 is presented below.

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BALANCE
                                                                                                                 € 480.44
                                                      FEB 2015
                                                       INCOME
                                                                                        EXPENS HALL EXPENS REF. EXPENS MISC
   FEB 2015 £ 36.00 £ 22.00 £ 00.00
  MAR 2015 £ 30.00 £ 22.00 £ 00.00 £ .

APR 2015 £ 28.00 £ 22.00 £ 00.00 £ 45.75
   MAY 2015 £ 34.00 £ 22.00 £ 00.00
 MAY 2015 £ 34.00 £ 22.00 £ 00.00 £

JUNE 2015 £ 32.00 £ 22.00 £ 00.00 £
  JULY 2015 £ 32,00 £ 22,00 £ 00.00 £
Aug 2015 & 23 . 00 & 22 .00 & 20.00 & \frac{1}{8} .

SEPT 2015 & 34 . 00 & 40 .00 & 00.00 & \frac{1}{8} .

OCT 2015 & 28 .00 & 40 .00 & 00.00 & \frac{1}{8} .

NOV 2015 & 32 . 00 & 40 .00 & 00.00 & \frac{1}{8} .

DEC 2015 & 00 . 00 & 40 .00 & 00.00 & \frac{1}{8} .

JAN 2016 & 30 . 00 & 40 .00 & \frac{1}{8} .00 .00 & \frac{1}{8} .00 \quad \frac{1}{8} \quad \frac{1}{90} \quad \frac{1}{90} \quad \frac{1}{75} \quad \frac{1}{8} \quad \frac{1}{464} \quad \frac{75}{10} \quad \frac{1}{10} \quad 
                 2015 & 23.00 £ 22.00 £ 20.00 £
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                                                   $ 894 . 44
                          LESS $ 464 . 75
                         BALANCE £429 . 69
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4. Club Competitions

- a) Announcement of winners for 2015/2016 competitions
 - Wally Arrowsmith Trophy (Aircraft) Bob Lawrence
 - ii) IPMS Hornchurch Trophy (Miscellaneous) Peter Bagshaw

iii) Modeller of the Year 2015 as judged by IPMS South East Essex (Southend)

1st Bob Smith Mk.IV Tank

2nd Mick Pitts T-26 Tank

3rd Ian Brown Suzuki GT500

The format of the competitions was then discussed; it was felt that the general club competitions were OK as they were so no changes were made. We then moved on to some proposed theme build topics for the club display next year at Southern Expo 2016. In the end we decided on a theme based around "Animals"

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.

1 st place	20 points
2 nd place 3 rd place	18 points
3 rd place	16 points
4 th place 5 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 have been 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.

Winner (1st place) £20 Runner up (2nd place) £10 3rd place £5

In the event of a dispute the judge's decision is final.

2016 / 2017 Meeting Schedule

March 21 st	Show & Tell – Expo Purchases
	Modelling Night
April 18 th	Competition Night
	Bring your older models
May 16 th	Bring your passion
	Talk about them & why
June 20 th	Competition Night
July 18 th	Video Night
	Southern Expo etc
August 15 th	Modelling
September 19 th	Competition Night
October 17 th	Polish Armour Brigade
	Talk by Jan Jarzembowski
November 21 st	Competition Night
December 19 th	Might be brought forward a week to Dec 12 th
	Quiz and nibbles
January 16 th	Competition: Modeller of the Year
February 20 th or 27 th (TBC)	AGM + Theme Build Competition