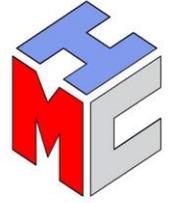




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What do we learn from cow, buffaloes & elephants?



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weight by eating green grass
and salads and walking**

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Peters Prattling

Essex Modellers Show 2018

As seems to be the norm the day was very hot but we had a great turn out from the club members. As usual, my thanks to Robin for volunteering to do the catering and also to Wally's wife Sue who helped him out and also roped in a friend as well.

We put on a good display of models and it felt like almost everyone came away from the show with a model or something else they were pleased with. I personally restrained my purchases to a recent AZ release of the de Havilland DH.88 Comet Racer having seen the one Graham brought up to the club last month and also a jar of fluorescent orange paint (it doesn't quite glow but it's quite bright, sunglasses at the ready!) for the Airfix Vampire T.11 kit.

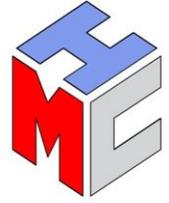
Also thanks to Ian Brown & Robert Smith for helping me judge some of the competition classes.

Report from John Drummond has come in and he says that we made a profit of just over £400, so he's suggested each club receives £50 and the rest is donated to St Francis, which I think is a good proposal.



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Show Attendance in September

We have a very busy schedule of shows to attend in September. Please can you confirm which ones you are aiming to attend so we can ensure that there are people going and if not cancel our booking.

- 1st September (Sunday) – Medway Show @ Royal Engineers Museum Chatham, Kent
- 9th September (Sunday) – Chiltern Show @ Weatherly Centre, Biggleswade.
- 15th September (Saturday) – Battle of Britain Day @ 1838 ATC headquarters Elm Park
- 30th September (Sunday) – Brampton Show @ Burgess Hall, St Ives

So far I've had positive responses for the Brampton show, so we will definitely have enough people for that one.

Battle of Britain Day @ Elm Park -15th September



So here are the final detailed arrangements for our 'Battle of Britain Day' Exhibition on the 15th September 2018, the venue address is 1838 Elm Park Squadron ATC HQ 'The Paddock', Wood Lane, Elm Park, Hornchurch RM12 5NJ (see poster).

You will be able to access the site from 7am on the morning of the event, all non-displaying vehicles will have to be moved by no later than 9.50am to the designated parking spots on site, due to very limited space there will not be any public parking. The event opens at 10am through until 5pm.

The 1838 ATC will be hopefully putting on a barbeque to help with the raising of much needed funds for the squadron, our society will also be running the kitchen serving teas, coffees, cakes and filled rolls, these will be on sale in the main building.

October Meeting – Guest Speaker?

Coming up soon is the meeting in October which we suggested we could have a guest speaker come along. I'm sure I've had a few suggestions from some people, apologies I've forgotten who. Any ideas chaps who or what we want to see? Perhaps the Hornchurch Aerodrome Historical Society will be available?

Table Cloths

An update on the table cloths thoughts. It's looking like the cost to buy enough cloths to cover the maximum 6 tables we normally display would be too expensive, over £300. Yep, really. Kicking the idea around with Robin the other day we came up with the possible idea of purchasing some plain material of the same colour that we currently have (or maybe a light grey) which we would then have cut to the sizes we require and hemmed for neatness. We could then produce our own signage using printable iron on transfers, which would keep the costs down a lot or if that isn't possible we can then go down the over throw route which is being advertised at about £75 from a few companies.



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Forthcoming Shows in 2018/2019

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.

2018	
August 25th (Saturday)	Scale Scotland , BT Murrayfield Stadium, Roseburn St, Edinburgh, EH12 5PJ
September 1st & 2nd (Saturday & Sunday)	Medway Model Club Show 2018 , The Royal Engineers Museum, Prince Arthur Road, Brompton, Gillingham, Kent, ME4 4UG
September 2nd (Sunday)	East Riding Yorkshire Show , The Rix Pavilion, Driffield Showground, Yorkshire YO25 9DN
September 8th (Saturday)	South West Cornwall Show , Cornwall College, Redruth, Cornwall TR15 3RD
September 9th (Sunday)	Chiltern Show , Weatherly Centre, Eagle Farm Road, Biggleswade , SG18 8JH
September 15th (Saturday)	IPMS Farnborough Modelfest , Kings International College, Watchetts Drive, Camberley, GU15 2PQ
	Battle of Britain Day @ the 1838 ATC Headquarters , Wood Lane, Elm Park, Essex, RM12 5JB, organised by the Hornchurch Aerodrome Historical Society
	Aberdeen Modellers Show , DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Aberdeen Treetops, AB15 7AQ
September 23rd (Sunday)	Wings & Things 2018 , University Academy Holbeach, Park Road, Holbeach, PE12 7PU
	IPMS Keighley , University Academy Keighley, Keighley, West Yorks, BD20 6EB
September 30th (Sunday)	IPMS Brampton , Burgess Civic Hall, Burgess Civic Hall, St Ives, Cambridgeshire PE27 6WU
October 13th & 14th (Saturday & Sunday)	South West Model Show , Tank Museum, Bovington, Wool, Dorset, BH20 6JG
October 14th (Sunday)	Lincoln & Newark Show , Southwell Racecourse, Rolleston, Newark, NG25 0TS
October 20th (Saturday)	Glasgow Modelfest , Bellahouston Leisure Centre, Bellahouston Drive, Glasgow, G52 1HH
November 3rd (Saturday)	Letchworth Model Showcase , The Icknield Centre, Icknield Way, Letchworth, SG6 1EF
November 10th & 11th (Saturday & Sunday)	Scale Modelworld 2018 , Telford International Centre Telford, Shropshire TF3 4JH
December 2nd (Sunday)	London Plastic Model Show , Haverstock School, Haverstock Road, Camden, London NW3 2BQ
2019	
March 16th & 17th (Saturday & Sunday)	Southern Expo
April 28th (Sunday)	ModelKraft XXL , MK Arena, Milton Keynes

Peter

Robins Ruminations

Well it's been a very busy month for me both personally and in a work sense, most importantly of course was the Essex Model Show. This year unfortunately my Wife couldn't make the show due to family matters, something that greatly disappointed her. To make matters worse Jenny, John Huston's Wife, couldn't make it either due to a visit by relatives. It was looking as if Sue Arrowsmith and I were going to be very busy in the kitchen.

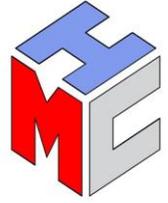
Adele and I were busy shopping for the show on the Friday and Saturday and then I had to find the Expo odds and ends we use and then of course grab our frying pans, glass boards, knives, signs etc. etc. All those little things you need to run the canteen. It seems odd but other than my driver's seat the car was totally full. After unloading, the work surfaces were given a thorough wipe down with cleansing wipes, well you can't be too careful, we set up the kitchen ready to do battle.

Sue, Karen and Susie had kindly donated the cakes to be sold in the canteen in aid of St. Francis Hospice and so at about 09:20 we opened up to the ravenous hordes. It was a short while afterwards that a friend of Sue's popped in to say hallo as she was in the area and to talk about card making. Gradually the card making took a back seat and Debbie was soon making teas and coffees and helping serve the food to the customers. Debbie couldn't believe just how many bacon rolls, teas and coffees we were selling to the club members, stall holders and members of the public and that was before the lunchtime rush. Poor Debbie finally made her exit or was it escape? At about 14:30, not bad for a quick hallo! After a thorough scrub off and wipe down of the cooker and kitchen surfaces we sneaked out the back door at around 16:15ish.



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On arriving home I unloaded the car, did the washing up and finally headed upstairs, leaving a trail of very greasy, smelly clothes leading to the bathroom, for a very long and hot, soapy shower, bliss!!! On the way down the stairs I retrieved my clothes and simply chucked the smelly heap straight into the washing machine and set it going. I'd resort and rewash it all again later after it had been washed on a good, long cycle. Now for the Oscars bit, first of all I'd like to thank Sue for her unstinting hard work and good humour, putting up with me and the public. Debbie, who only popped in for a short while for a chat and ended-up stayed to help for hours in the hot and smelly kitchen, thank you very much.

Just a few facts from the show, the canteen got through:-

12 kilos of bacon,

200 rolls of all types,

240 cups used for all types of drinks,

12 pints of milk.

All this meant that the canteen, after all expenses made a "profit" of £321.76 which as usual has been donated to St. Francis Hospice.

I did get out of the kitchen a couple of times and had a look around, I picked up a set of 1/32nd resin wheels and a set of decals for a kit for a Me.262, the resin wheels being a massive improvement over the horrible vinyl tyres in the kit. I also won on the raffle, picking a Revell 72nd Junkers 290 A-5 "Sea Eagle" with a bomber nose conversion with a set with decals inside. Different, not quite my taste but who knows?

Southern Expo is now approaching on my radar and so paperwork preparation is now moving into high gear with the printing and preparation of flyers, next up will be the trader booking forms and labels. Next time I'm in the shops I'll be picking up envelopes and odds and ends for sending out the invites. It never stops amazing me that I pack away all the Expo boxes and I put them in the loft and it only seems like a few weeks later I'm back in the loft rummaging around checking what I will need for the next Expo. So when I put in next Aprils Sticky Fingers "I've put Expo to bed", like a small child it only seems five minutes that the little bugger is waking up and needs attention!

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

Nothing much to report, just that it's going to be a very busy September for some members with a fair few shows to attend, which I'm sure Peter will have already pointed out to you all.

Also don't forget next month is a competition night, so get those models finished off gentleman, just like the Expo bit above, it will soon come around.

Robin