



April 2021



Arthur Berdick's M-48 Scissors Bridge

Our April meeting got to a pretty good start with twenty members and guests attending.

Bernie McCune from Las Cruces came down with Conrad Ottenhoff. Bernie worked with the Navy at White Sands Proving Grounds with the upper atmosphere program. He brought his camera and took several pictures of the models on display. He stated his major interest might be railroads but he was impressed with the detail presented. Welcomed and we hope that you will return.

Steve Herren will be interred at Ft. Bliss. Current rules at the cemetery are for a maximum of 10 people so this pretty much limits the ceremony to the family. However, there will be a memorial service at 1700 McRae on April 28 at 4:00 P.M. and if you wish to attend you should be able to do so, as there will room for us. Please let me know if you plan to attend.



Carlos Delgado dice que está buscando comprar este modelo en escala 1/48.

Carlos Delgado is looking for this model in 1/48th scale.



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Thanks to Michael Kennedy for his photo work again this month.

John Estes paid our room use fees to the church at the meeting. It was nice to have to pay for four months this time as we are back into our usual schedule.

Phoenix Villa has written to me several times checking on the meeting dates. He has had to work but would really like to come to a meeting. We have had three teenaged members for the past couple of years or so: Phoenix, his brother River, and Justin Segovia.



Wayne Williamson's 1/100th war game pieces : T-72s painted as Iraqi, Syrian, Russian and Indian (UN in Somalia)

M1 Abrams 1980's European scheme, Operation Iraqi Freedom, European scheme and Iraqi Freedom Scheme etc.



Joseph Roper's LCT in 1/72nd scale Scratch build WIP. Photographed on the plan



Jim Davis's Phantom models in 1/72nd scale. Revell/Monogram F-4S of VF 92 "SilverKings" assigned to the USS Constitution, and an F-4E 122TFW, F. Wayne, Indiana. The paint scheme is Don Spring's "Last of the Phantom Gunfighters."

The January/February 2021 issue of the IPMS/USA Journal has an article about someone in his eighties building models. This is not unusual for IPMS/El Paso. Connie Harth, now deceased, was building models well into his eighties. In fact, he was building vacu-forms and rigging the models in 1/72nd scale. In addition, at 87, Jim Davis is still building models at an impressive rate. In fact, he paints using spray cans, even though it has become more difficult to find the colors that he needs. Jim builds in 1/48th scale and in 1/72nd scale. He builds U.S. Navy and U.S. Air Force types, both trainers and combat types. At the present time, he has about 30, F-4 Phantoms in 1/48th scale and at least 50 Phantoms in 1/72nd scale. His "Yellow Wing" collection is not only colorful but makes a nice layout for a display. For many years, Jim has been painting with aerosol paint spray cans.



“Size Does Matter”

Dixi Fischer’s scratch built modeling desk in 1/12th scale.
The Tiger tank is 1/144th scale. Two 1/150th scaled Hot Wheels cars are on top.



M4A3/76w HVSS by Arthur Berdick

Arthur's model built from a RFM kit with full interior.



Conrad Ottenhoff

Bernard McCune



Richard Macias



Roger Gutierrez and a 1/48th scale UP Engine



Kai Garcia

Art Berdick

Wayne Williamson



Bill Coster



Joe Roper

Kai Garcia

Duane Velasquez



Nice looking jet!

T-45C, El Paso Airport, photo by Michael Kennedy, taken on April 14.

CARACAL MODELS CD48023 : T-45 Part 1

T-45C BuNo 167099, VT-21
NAS Kingsville, TX
2011



T-45C BuNo 165080, VX-23
First Biofuel T-45 Flight
NAS Patuxent River, MD
2011



Commander's aircraft, Air Training Wing 2, NAS Kingsville, Texas (2011).

Caracal Decals released decal sheets in 1/72 and 1/48, but sold out, but Michael has seen 1/48th scale sheets on eBay.