

IPMS/USA Alamo Squadron

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Squadron News



Next Club Events

Next meeting: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 7, at HEB Central Market, 4821 Broadway.

Next Club Build Night: Thursday, June 21, at VFW post 8541 on Austin Highway.

Adult Building Class 2012B, Monday nights at VFW Post 8541, 7:00 - 10:00 P.M., beginning October 1.

Upcoming Area Events

IPMS/USA National Convention
Wednesday, Aug. 8 – Saturday, Aug. 11, 2012
Walt Disney World Contemporary Resort and
Convention Center
4600 North World Drive,
Lake Buena Vista, Florida
http://www.ipms2012.org

Austin Scale Model Show Saturday, October 6, 2012 Norris Conference Centers 2525 West Anderson Lane, Austin, Texas. Info at:

www.austinsms.org

Prez Notes By Kent Knebel

The year is going by fast and once again we need to think about the upcoming Model Fiesta. Please be thinking about a theme for the coming contest. Also, I would like to propose a club build(s) in which to showcase our talents. We came up a model short last year but I believe we can enter a club entry this year with enough notice. I will be bringing these issues up at our next meeting for discussion.

As a follow on, the Nationals are fast approaching and we will be sponsoring two awards this year. The categories will be announced at our meeting.

Lee Forbes has checked with the VFW and found that the second Thursdays of the month are available to us if needed to host a demonstration that would require use of paints/glues/etc that are forbidden at our regular meetings at Central Market. If you have a demonstration that you would like to perform, please let Tom know and we can schedule our monthly meeting at the VFW instead of Central Market.

- Kent

Editor's Notes

Monthly Contest Results

The May club contest was another testament to the skill and imagination our folks possess.

Rob Booth totally revamped the old Monogram 1/48 F-20 Tigershark and put it in Texas Air National Guard markings to take First place. I think the Guard guys would approve...

Rob Booth's sleek 1/48 F-20 in Texas ANG livery. The model took First place, if only the real jet had placed as well:



Rick Stanley's Polar Lights 1/25 1960's Batmobile, complete with the Caped Crusader and his plucky sidekick, earned Second in May.

Pow! Bam! Just like that, Rick Stanley's oldschool Batmobile raced into Second place in the May contest:



Keith Klabon entered a complex and detailed armor diorama in the May contest. The result was a well-earned Third place.

Keith Klabon's Third-place diorama featured some realistic groundwork as well as great figure and vehicle modelling:



<u>ModelMania 2012 Report</u>

Matt Neerman was one of several Squadron members who attended the Houston IPMS show, ModelMania 2012, in Stafford. Here's his report:

"Several Alamo Squadron members made the trek to Stafford for IPMS Houston's annual show and contest, ModelMania 2012, including Dick Montgomery, Henry Nunez, Matt Neerman, Tom Sprawls, Rene Faulk and Rob Booth. Renowned figure painter Gilbert Moreno tagged along with us to the show as well.

"There were plenty of models to look at and a good turnout of vendors that were hawking their wares, including hometown Pelican Hobby (formerly Hobby Island) and King's Hobby from Austin.

Eager modelers take advantage of the opportunity to buy even more kits that their grandchildren will have to dispose of someday:



"Several members of Alamo Squadron also helped out with judging and the competition was tight in many categories. Squadron members also walked away with our share of accolades and awards. Henry was one of the more prolific winners, scoring both the Best Diorama and Ed Thacker Storyteller awards with his "Surrender With Dignity" grouping, as well as Best Figure with a 1st SS Panzer Grenadier from the Ardennes, 1944.

ModelMania 2012 saw a great turnout of quality models:



"Our thanks to IPMS Houston in putting on such a good show - it's always a treat and a pleasure to attend."

- Matt

The ModelMania 2012 Best of Show was Guy Beaudette's impressive 1/25 Orange Crate show rod. The attention to detail and flawless paint job on this notoriously difficult to build '60s Revell kit had to be seen to be believed:



Thanks to Matt Neerman for the trip report and his continued great work on the photos you see here every month.

- Gary

Classified Ads

For sale – About 15 model kits, complete and unstarted. Most are 1/72 aircraft along with two 1/700 ships. See David Walker at the meeting.

Club Information

IPMS/USA Alamo Squadron: The Club was founded in 1977 in San Antonio, Texas, for the enjoyment of building scale models and the camaraderie of the members. Dues are normally \$12.00 a year, due when the Treasurer tells you.

The Alamo Squadron has been putting on ModelFiesta since 1981. Locations have included the Wonderland Mall, a Holiday Inn, the Seven Oaks Motel & Convention Center, and the current one, the Live Oak Civic Center.

2011-2012 Club Officers

President: Kent Knebel alamosqdn1@yahoo.com

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Club Meetings

The Club normally meets the first Thursday of each month in the Community Room of the HEB Central Market at 4821 Broadway in San Antonio, located near the University of the Incarnate Word, north of Hildebrand Avenue and south of Austin Highway.

The Squadron News is published monthly by IPMS/USA Alamo Squadron of San Antonio, for the information and enjoyment of the members of the Alamo Squadron and its friends. Articles, reviews, news items, ads to buy, sell or trade, and other contributions are very welcome. Submissions in MS Word are much preferred.

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