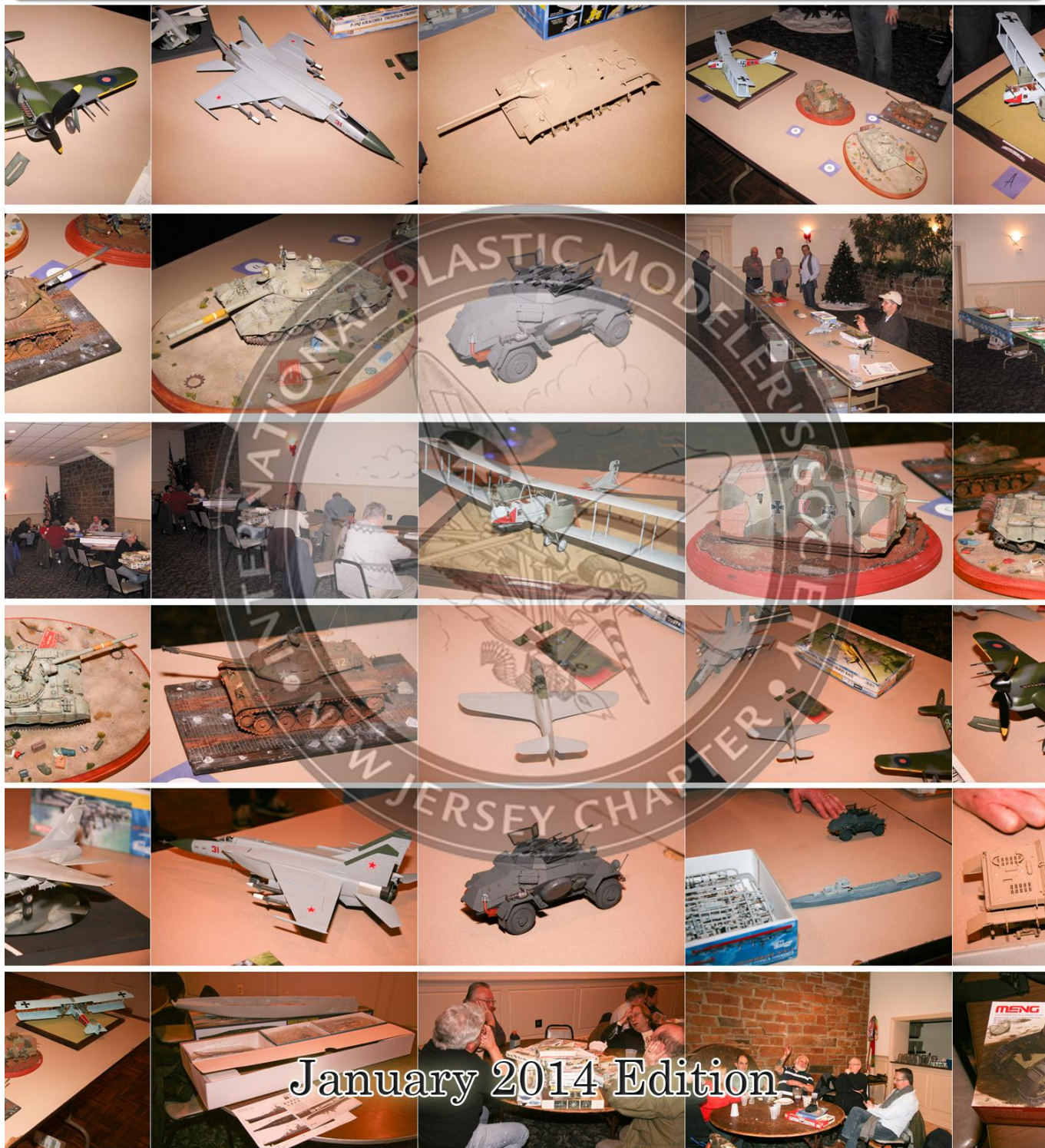


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January 2014 Edition

The Iron Works

By Bill Schwarz, President



Our illustrious leader is in sunny Southern California, and as such will not be participating in the newsletter this month. He passes on his best wishes for a Happy New Year, hopes that we are all enjoying the snow (while mentioning it's 73 and sunny where he is, the @\$@#(!!!).

As Martin mentions later in his piece, Bill is still working the vendor tables for MosquitoCon and has most of them sold. At the January meeting we'll be discussing all

things MosquitoCon, as it'll be here before we know it.

Everyone stay warm and safe, and see you all on Friday the 11th.

~ **Big Bill Schwarz**
(via your editor, Devin Poore)

Joe's VP Piece By Joe Smith

Fellow members of NJIPMS,

Hello and Happy New Year to my fellow Modelers! I hope everyone had a safe and rewarding Holiday season as well. Congrats go out to our Mike O'Connor and John for receiving well deserved end of the year awards!

I was blown away after receiving an award myself, and cannot thank the eboard enough! I was very glad to share the spotlight with



Vince as well. The new year means a renewed focus on MosquitoCon which means stepping up to the plate to insure another successful show!

Thank you Big Bill for a great Christmas party, once again the food was outstanding!

Happy Modeling

~**Joe Smith**

Next Meeting:
Friday,
January
11th

Upcoming Events:

January
Open display night, no contest.

April 5, 2014
MosquitoCon

May 2-3
NorEastCon 43
Levittown, NY

Aug. 6-9, 2014
IPMS Nationals.
Hampton, Va.



Irish Diplomacy

By Martin J Quinn

Irish Diplomacy: The ability to tell a man to go to hell so that he looks forward to making the trip.



Well, I started writing this at work on Thursday January 2nd, but never got to finish it before the end of the day. I intended to finish on Friday, but the “Blizzard” and Arctic blast that blew in Thursday night canceled those plans, when my job closed Friday as a result of the weather.

As I was saying before the storm so rudely interrupted me: Happy New Year!! I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday season. It's hard to believe another year is upon us. As of this writing (the evening of 1/3/14), there are only **92 days** until MosquitoCon 23! Soon enough, we'll be standing among the debris in an empty Wayne PAL, and Mike Pavlo will say “Hard to believe another show has come and gone!” And he's right – it will be here and done with before we know it.

Big Bill – currently vacationing in sunny and warm California – is working hard on vendor tables. We should have at least 100 sold soon! Great job Bill – thanks for all you do. I've made copies of the show flyer, and both Joe Smith and I have dropped them off at some hobby shops around the state. At little later in January or in February I will try and head out to some of those same shops and try and get them to sponsor trophy packages for us. Don't be afraid to do the same! I've heard of other shows going to car dealerships

to see if they'll sponsor car categories or to local banks, which often have a community fund they can draw upon for local events. Again – don't be shy to try! The more trophy packages we sell, the more we can enjoy the fruits of our labors with the great events we have.

Now that aforementioned New Year is upon us, it's almost time to kick off the next group build. Weather permitting, I plan to head to Ridgefield Hobby tomorrow and turn in the



list of kit requests to Jimmy P. I have to say, I am very excited about this group build. We have over 10 participants – some who are going to build something they already have in the stash. That's great, just remember: no Japanese destroyers. If all goes well, I'll have the kits at the February meeting to distribute. The target date to finish them is September, when we will have a contest with



awards and prizes! Thanks to those who are branching out and trying something new. I think you'll find it very enjoyable.

Well, since I was off today, I'm trying to squeeze a little time in the workshop. I'm down to the nitty gritty details on my 1/350 USS North Carolina, which I've working on since LAST February! Time to say good

night and work on some photo-etch 350th scale radar!

Stay warm, I hope everyone gets some time at their respective workbenches. See ya'll at the January meeting.

~Martin

THE JUDGES TABLE

By Jon Da Silva

Hey gang. Happy new year! No matter what you celebrate I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday season. Congratulations to all the award recipients at last month's party. I had a blast and I think everyone else did too. 2014 means more contests and of course MosquitoCon being right around the corner. With the weather being the way it is as of late it's the perfect time to build models. I'm working on Tamiya's excellent Type 90 Japanese tank which I'll post a review of in a later issue

Speaking of contests I need more sponsors. This month will be an open night because of the lack of time to properly prepare. I WONT BE ABLE TO ATTEND THIS MONTHS MEETING so there's another reason for no contest. We do have some months planned out. Martin will be doing another heavy metal night in March. I will be doing WWI

in August to celebrate the 100th anniversary. I believe Devin will be doing another movie night and John B another north Africa night somewhere down the road.



I'd also like to squeeze another Sci-fi night in. Perhaps in May?

Anyway I hope to see you all in February

~Jon



The Contact's View

By Mike Pavlo, VP

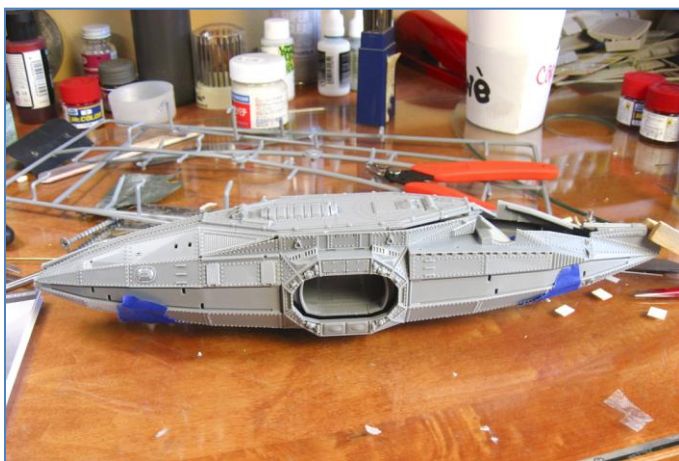
I'd like to wish a Happy New Year to all of our members and their families. 2014 is upon us! Among other things, I'm hoping that it will be a more productive building year for me. I'm already looking forward to the Nats in August, but truthfully, it's hard to think that far into the future-especially with the winter chill here for the foreseeable future.

Also, MCon 2014 is just around the corner. It's time again to rev-up our preparations for yet another whiz bang show!

It was great to see so many old friends at the club Christmas Holiday party. The food was great and a big "Thank You" to Bill and Diane for their preparation. It was a fun evening for sure!

Hope to see you at the meeting!

~Mike P.



From the Editor

By Devin Poore

Everyone's direct and to the point this month with their articles, and I'm going to do the same. No matter how much you plan, the holidays always take more time than anticipated, and before you know it, it's the first of the month and some dolt is sending threatening emails asking for newsletter articles. Oh, wait...

My only point of order this month is the Pegasus Hobbies *Nautilus* kits that Bill, Ed, Stan and I are building. From what I gather, the others have made some headway, Bill quite a bit, and I finally got around to starting mine. I'll be posting progress and updates on my website:

<http://www.devinpoore.com/blog/?cat=18>



This month's meeting will be on:

Friday

January 11th, 2014



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