



## **THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE NEW JERSEY CHAPTER OF THE INTERNATIONAL PLASTIC MODEL SOCIETY**

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### **FROM THE IRON WORKS**

**By Big Bill Schwarz, President**

Hi all. Hope everyone is well. Not much to report this month as you already know MCON was a great show and the party went well too, so we start out the countdown for MCON 31 ! APRIL 1ST 2023 is the date. Let's see if we can come up with an interesting show theme! We shall see! I once again would like to thank all of you who participated in the show. "WELL DONE" I also would like to welcome the new guys. Hope we are what you're looking for! It's nice to see some new guys because the new guys are the future of the club!

Next up is our club group builds. I haven't forgotten, but we did get a little side tracked due to the pandemic and other things. First up as of this moment the 72nd scale armor group build is back on so get the kits we provided finished up by the new night we pick. I have to get together with Jon for a date, so I will try to announce it meeting night but the build is definitely back on!

Also just a quick compliment to the armor guys! I'm building a 35th scale Merkava Mk1. I've only built 1 other tank in all these years and it's still not finished! This is because of the F% ^&#\$g wheels and tires! There's too many of them for me! My compliments to all you armor guys for completing the task of finishing all those wheels! Not a job I will be doing any time soon again but mine are done! I also am using a new item called quick masks! Great idea and perfect for me and they have a set for the Semovente that I started while still working at FT. Monmouth ! If u want to look at a set go to [quickwheelsore.com](http://quickwheelsore.com). they are in Poland. Shipping is fast and the sets are cheap and there are videos on how to use them! Enjoy!

Methinks that's about it for me on this side. The Eboard is already working on the show so we are good there. As far as vendors we did well but were off from other shows. This was also true of the region 1 show. Hopefully this is not a trend but I will be seeking all that we can handle.

With any hope we will get a few of our regulars that missed this year due to cost increase of fuel, lodging and tolls. Hopefully our government will help out as they should. A lot of US citizens are getting strapped at ever rising costs. 6 bucks for a gallon of diesel is F#\$@&^g ridiculous as are other costs. I'm sure you all know this so I will end with BE WELL, BE SAFE , ENJOY LIFE , AND BE HAPPY FOR ALL YOU HAVE BECAUSE LOTS OF FOLKS IN THE WORLD TODAY HAVE " NOTHING "



BEST TO YOU ALL! BB PRES

**This upcoming JUNE meeting is “FIGURES NIGHT”, sponsored by your erstwhile Editor.**

**So bring your best figure(s), and there will be a nice prize for the winner. Ed.**

## THE CONTACT'S VIEW

By Mike Pavlo, VP



Well, MosquitoCon 30 is in the books and it was another great show! Everything seemed to run very smoothly and that is due to everyone's dedication and effort. A big Thank You to all the memvers-you guys did a fantastic job!! The party at the April meeting was a fun time as always. Thanks to Big Bill for arranging for the food, and to Dan Spera who did a lot of the setup and clean up. Thanks guys!

I think we've all come to realize that lots of modelers look forward to our show and enjoy attending and having fun displaying their work, seeing others work, buying goodies from the vendors and meeting up with old friends. That's a real tribute to all that we do-having people looking forward to mosquitoCon is, in my mind, the best compliment we could have! We do it all for them and it's appreciated! That's what it's all about.

See you at the meeting!

Best Wishes Always,  
Mike P.

# THE JUDGES TABLE

By Jon Da Silva



"Put it in the books," as Mets radio announcer Howie Rose would say after a victory. MosquitoCon 30 is past us and we can take some time to relax before planning the next one. The show went off without a hitch and was a resounding success in my opinion. We may have had fewer vendors than previous years, but there were so many walk-ins and entrants that I think it more than made up for it. I know that the tables my team judged were crammed with models. Everyone I'd spoken to during the show seemed to be having a great time. I am very happy that all the members chipped in to help make the day what it was. I'd especially like to thank those that partook in admission, registration, raffles and security. These jobs are very unrewarding and keep you stuck at your post for a while, so I hope everyone got to go enjoy the show. In the morning I helped Big Bill with the vendors and then judged all afternoon. There was one gentleman that cleaned house in Sci-Fi & Misc. categories and his daughter was even voted best Junior. Congratulations to them!

We can now focus on the months ahead. We have an open theme contest night this month. Last month, as expected with the celebratory party, the amount of models on the display table was very light, so everyone's a winner. That being said we have several months ahead with themes, so be sure to keep an eye out on the website.

Best,

Jon








Martin Quinn has really been getting around....up in Albany, NY this past weekend. He sent us some upcoming show flyers.

**SAVE THE DATE**  
MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW

**THE 2022 VIRGINIA SHOOTOUT**



**237 Awards**  
**8 Best Of's**  
**1 Club Award**  
**4 Special Awards**

New Categories: **HELPING TO KEEP HISTORY ALIVE,**  
**"ONE MODEL AT A TIME"**

**Scale Model Show, Contest and Swap meet!**

**AT THE SALEM CIVIC CENTER, SALEM VA.**

**AUG. 13, 2022**

General Admission: \$5  
Vendor Tables: \$35 per Table

Model Registration: \$10 For First 5 Models  
\$1 per Additional Model

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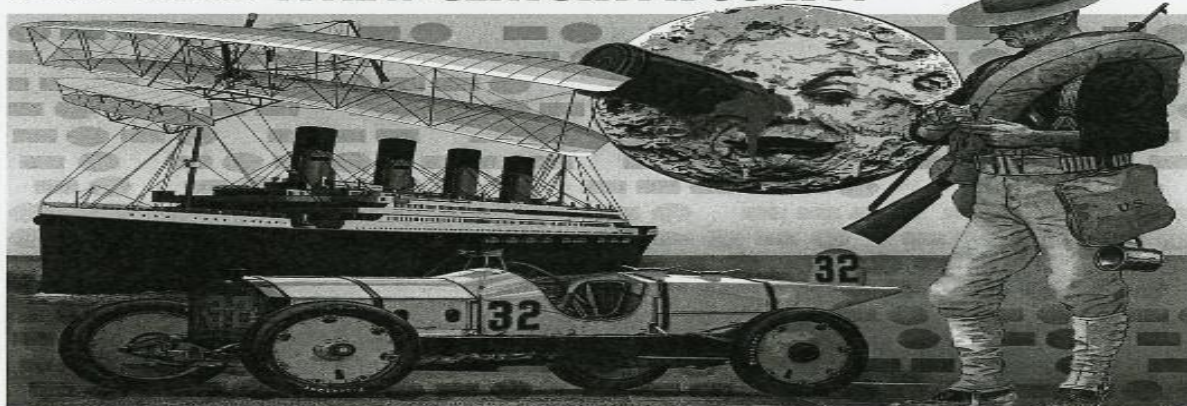
CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA IPMS PRESENTS

# PENNNCON 2022

## MODEL SHOW AND CONTEST

SEPTEMBER 10, 2022 9:00AM TO 5:00PM  
US ARMY HERITAGE & EDUCATION CENTER  
950 SOLDIERS DRIVE, CARLISLE, PA 17013-5021

SHOW THEME: **A NEW CENTURY: 1900-1914**



**Contest fee (up to 3 entries):**

Adult \$15.00 (additional entries \$1.00 each)

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Uniformed individuals admitted free!  
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**Walk-in and Display only:**

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National Capital  
Model Soldier Society

# 61<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL SHOW



**NEW DATE!**  
**SAME LOCATION**

**SPRINGFIELD HILTON**  
6550 Loisdale Rd, Springfield, VA

**OCTOBER 1, 2022**

Saturday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

### HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE

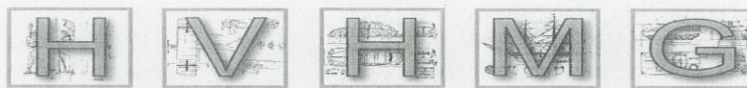
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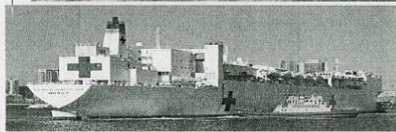




Hudson Valley Historical Miniatures Guild



### Show Theme



## First Responders OCTOBER 22, 2022 SATURDAY

Features scale model military vehicles, aircraft, ships, cars, trucks, and figures. Vendors offering new and vintage kits, aftermarket items, paints, and tools. Kitchen will be open for breakfast and lunch items.



Elks Club Hall  
29 Overrocker Rd  
Poughkeepsie, NY

7-10 am Vendor Setup  
9-12 am Contestant  
Registration  
10-4pm Public

Admission  
Contestants  
First 5 models \$10  
6+ \$1 per model  
General Public \$3  
Family \$7 (kids under 12 free)



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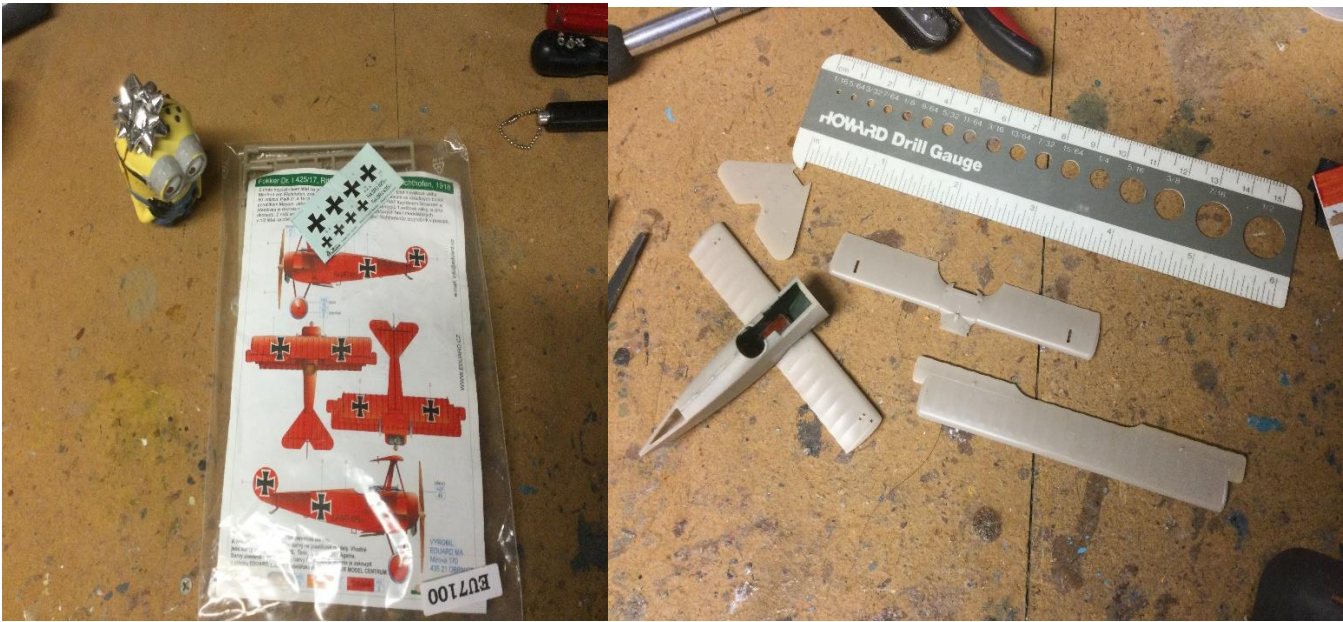
Thanks Martin! I know that I've been to numerous shows of the Hudson Valley Group. I remember Eric Schroeter winning best Junior there for a Tiger tank! Ed.

Welcome back to Mike Terre with a new "TERRE"-A-Gram!

Eduard 1/72nd scale Fokker Dr1 in Richthofen's markings

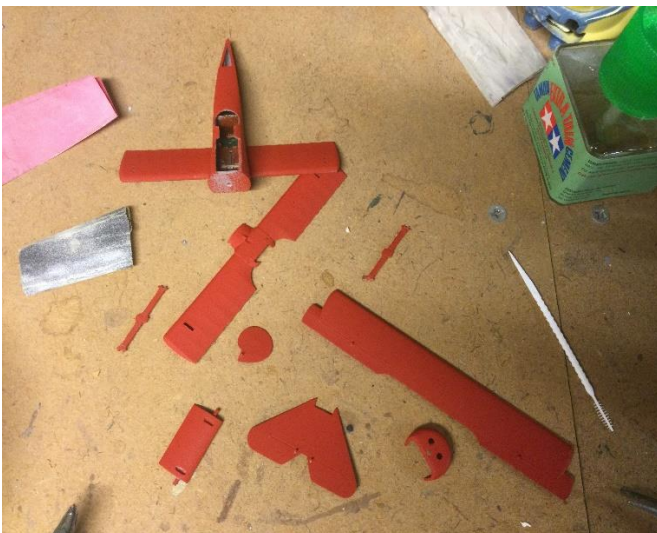
After the past few builds I decided I wanted something simple, something that would go together in a week or so. Looking through the stash I found a bagged Eduard 1/72nd Fokker Dr1 that I had bought years ago from Squadron during one of their legendary sales for \$2.00. Imagine an Eduard kit for two bucks!





There was really nothing difficult about this build, it was an Eduard kit after all. The parts had great detail and absolutely no flash. The cockpit had good detail and only seat belts and a throttle quadrant had to be added and these came from the spares box. A neat cockpit detail was the compass mounted on the lower right portion of the sidewall. The decal sheet even had a compass face! Sidewall structure was also nicely molded. The cockpit interior was painted Tamiya XF-59 Desert Yellow (actually a mid-tan) and the metal structure picked out with Tamiya XF-66 Light Gray as was the control stick and rudder pedals. The wooden seat was first painted Tamiya XF-15 Flesh, then streaked with Tamiya XF-9 Hull Red followed by a coat of Tamiya X-26 Clear Orange. This technique gives a very good representation of varnished wood and was used on the propeller as well. The fuselage was then joined with virtually no filling or sanding needed.

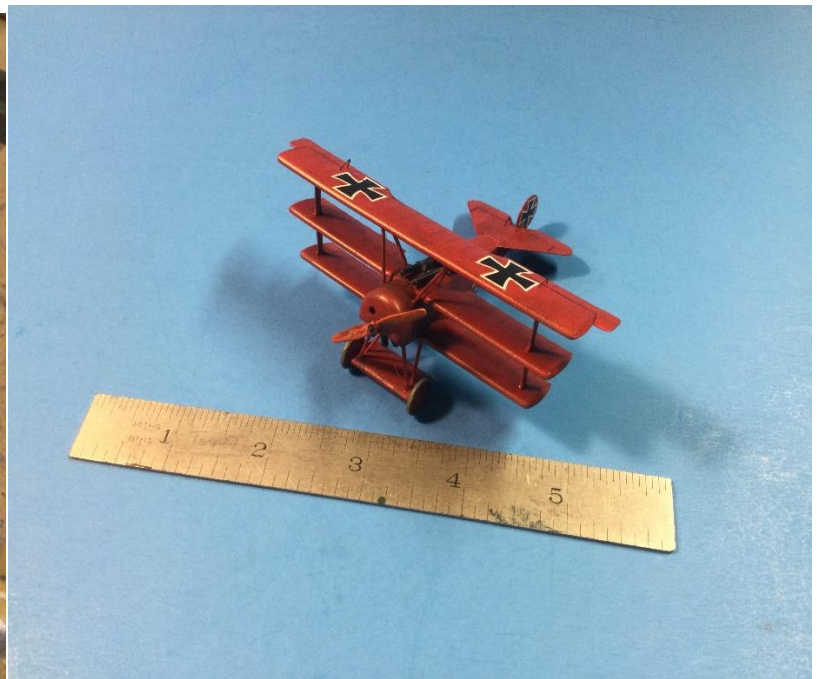
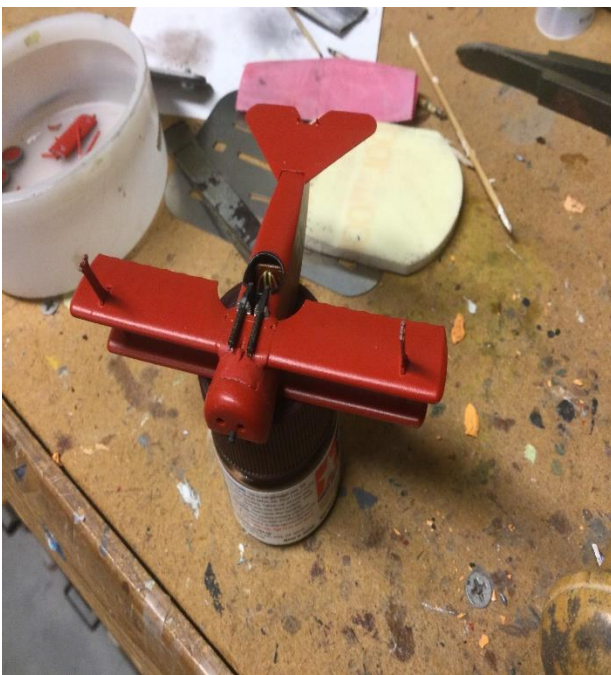
Before final assembly I decided to paint all the major parts and this was done using Tamiya XF-7 Red followed by a Krylon gloss coat. Once dry the superb decals were added without any problems at all, didn't even need a setting solution. An addition coat of Krylon Satin followed and final assembly began.





Eduard really engineered this kit as it was almost impossible to screw up the wing alignment. All the wings were one piece, with the bottom and middle wing joining notches in the fuselage. The interplane struts were also one piece and ran through slots in the middle wing. With the struts in you merely had to drop the top wing into place and once secured the cabane struts were added. The fits were perfect as was the alignment. It took about fifteen minutes to get the wings all aligned. GREAT ENGINEERING EDUARD!

Next was the engine and landing gear. The engine was a little gem and a quick coat of Tamiya XF-69 Scale Black followed by a dry brushing using Tamiya XF-84 Dark Iron which brought out the detail and with that the engine was done and installed along with the cowling. The landing gear and associated struts fit perfectly. The tires were picked out using Tamiya XF-53 Neutral Gray.







Believe it or not the DR1 had little rigging, just some around the landing gear and forward cabane struts. There were also small runs of flight control cables that were easily done. Rigging only took about an hour, with stretched sprue being used as the rigging material.

A little weathering using black and gray pastels and the model was complete!

It was nice to do a simple build and I'm happy with the results. The Eduard kit just fell together. I find it's hard to make monochrome (one color) stand out but there's nothing like a black Iron Cross on a red wing to make a model "pop".

Thanks for reading, doubt I'll be up for the summer meetings as I really don't want to deal with the GSP and the "down the shore" traffic on a Friday afternoon. However, I'll continue to write about my builds. Currently building the 1/72nd Classic Plane vacuform kit of the Blackburn Triplane. If you want to see an interesting aircraft just "Goggle" Blackburn Triplane, a rigging project if there ever was one. Take care guys, see you in the fall!

Mike Terre

**Thanks Mike, for a great build article and photos! See you in the Fall!**



Now here are pictures from the April meeting. I only got two tags, so others are skilled members who did well at MosquitoCon.



**Patrick O'Connor brought in a P-38G**





I'm pretty sure this is by Antonio Merolli



*prepare for the:*  
**ITALIAN-NIGHT**  
*July 8<sup>th</sup> 2022*

*Everything produced in Italy and  
 serving in Italy or in other countries*

*Everything produced outside Italy  
 and serving in Italian colors (\*)*

*(\* like this Dewoitine D-520)*

Who is sponsoring our 1<sup>st</sup> Italian Night in July. Here is his advert for it!



Excellent P-39, but I don't know whose.



Unfortunately no ID





Martin Quinn's Hasegawa 1/48 Ki-27. Built OOB.

## NEXT....

**Professor John Bucholz gives us an overview of an oft over-looked need for modelers-quality tools!**

Tool Time Product Review-

Zona Hobby tool kit #38-700

If you are new to scale modeling or just starting to do a bit of scratch building, the Zona kit #38-700 might be a good fit for your modeling needs. Bundled together in one neat package are five necessary items for modelers.

First is the mini miter box set-a nice bright orange miter box and a hefty wood handled razor saw. The box has the usual 60/45/and 90-degree slots precut which will cover most cuts. If you need a custom cut other than the ones provided, the box is plastic so you can cut any angle needed into the surface of the box. The saw is hefty but the blade is very thin to provide very exact cuts in your materiel.

Next is the pin vice-all metal and very substantial in the hand with two reversable collets. This allows you to use drill bits from 0 to 1/8 inch in diameter. You can also hold any object with a round shank (think scribing needles).

Next, we have the curved point tweezers-at 4 and 1/2 inches they are perfect for picking up those small parts on your bench. The jaws are serrated for a better grip

on any object. The jaws are very nicely machined and can even pick up a stray drill bit with ease.



Now we come to the retractable hobby knife with extra blades-the main point being the blade is fully retractable. It is also flat sided so it can't just roll off the bench. You get five extra blades with this knife and when the blade is fully out the exposed portion is only about 1/2 the length for more controlled cuts.

Last but not least is the three by four-inch stainless steel L-square- marked in 1/32nd increments on both the inside and outside edges. On the flip side you have metric markings (76mm by 101 mm). This tool is great for ensuring perfectly square corner cuts.

The suggested list price for this kit is \$32.24 (quoted from the 2020 price list). You can check out the full line of hundreds of tools at [www.Zonatool.net](http://www.Zonatool.net). Zona tools are also available at many Hobby Shops that cater to model railroaders.

Happy Modeling. John Bucholz

**Well that's all Folks! See everyone at the meeting.**