



# THE AFTER MARKET SHEET



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*"What Was To Be A PreView Is Now A REVIEW"*



*We're Having A Great Summer Including This Schedule of Having Two Very Different SVSM Meets, Which Sometimes Blend Across...*

Photos: Mick Burton Text: Mick Burton

Minutes: Chris Bucholtz



**“ ANOTHER TAKE AS EDITOR MADE THE BEST OF HAVING TO PUBLISH THIS NEWS LATE ”**

JUST GOT THIS UPDATED ANNOUNCE for OCTOBER 2022. This non editorial = STAY TUNED. ENJOY-mb



  
**Far West Region  
IPMS/USA Region 9  
2022 Contest**  
 Brought to you by IPMS Fresno Scale Modelers



**The Cold War**

**UNITED STATES**  
**SOVIET UNION**  
**CHINA**

**Times**  
9:00 am - Doors Open  
12:00 pm – Registration Closes  
12:30 pm Judges Meeting  
1:00 pm Judging Begins  
3:00-4:00 Awards

**Where and When**  
Saturday, Oct. 22, 2022  
Clovis Veterans Memorial District  
808 4th Street  
Clovis, CA 93612

Raffle Times to be announced at the contest.

Check the website at Facebook: IPMS/Fresno Scale Modelers

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**MUCH TO COVER , EDITOR MANAGES TO HAVE EXTRA MATERIAL AT BOTH ENDS of his INTENT (from 1)**



Editor really didn't want to give up using these shots taken in June Game Kastle meet that simply couldn't fit into last TAMS issue. SO, thanks to JULY's meet, works out neatly instead. Above and below, month apart.





AS IT TURNED OUT – NO ILLUSION: Frank Babbitt Transforms an old Revell into Model of Month Bird



Yes, if you thought that two of these pictures look awfully familiar, you're correct. The brown wood grained effect table surface shots are the two July 2022 Model of the Month shots I took for use in August OSS issue.

This article is adapted from my original plan for what became the June/July TAMS issue, and the “preview” that had just begun as my enjoying this model at the June Game Kastle meeting. Frank Babbitt had recently finished her, and didn't even get her out of the carry container originally at that meet. I coaxed him into that, and he briefly outlined all the work he put into this model. I have one in my inventory, so I know what truly hard work this 1/32<sup>nd</sup> Dassault Mirage III was to turn out so. So the “dark grey table” shots are my takes of the night I first encountered her, and I have now included a couple others like them from July meet at MPD Community room, there it won righteously Model of the Month. As you will learn in the minutes, Frank put a resin cockpit, scratchbuilt wheel wells, new wheel doors, replaced pitot tubes with real metal ones. All his ordnance was supplied from Italeri kit source, and the lovely RAAF decals are Red Roo. More detail ahead:







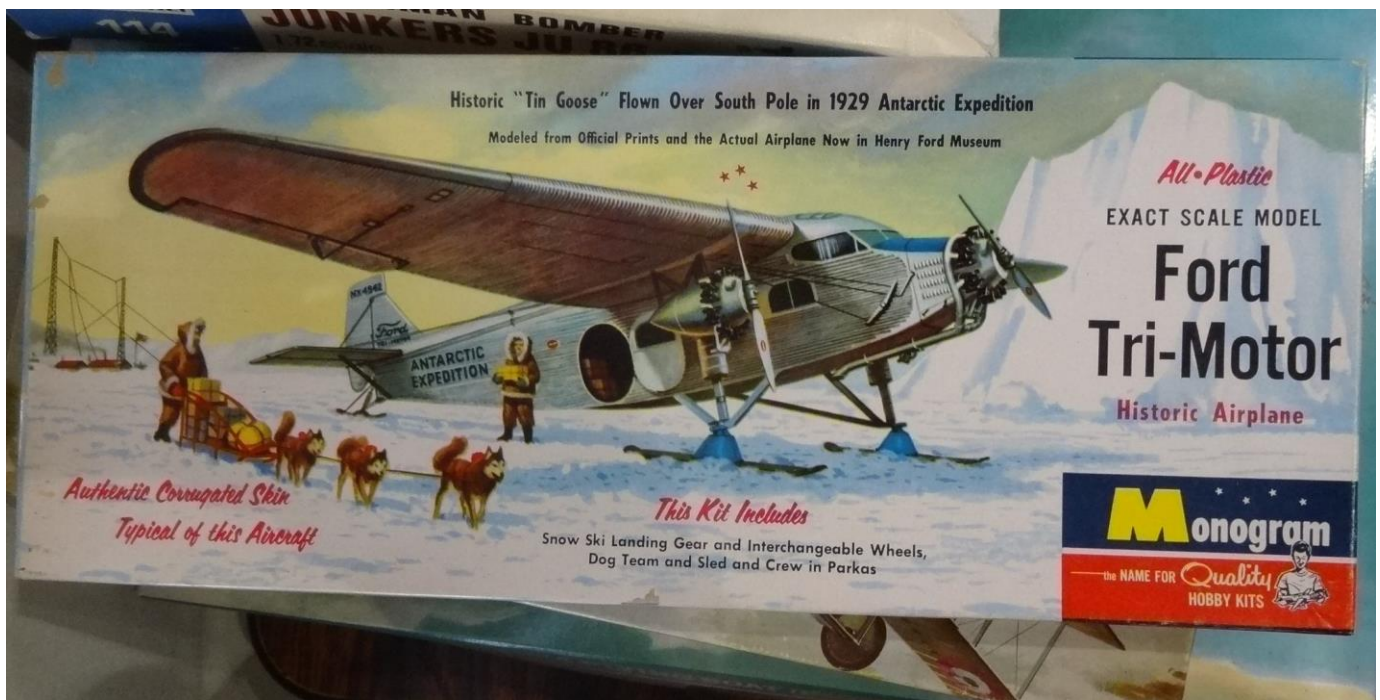
Okay for now, that's the end of that. Well deserved award of M.O.M., thanks for sharing your Mirage, Frank



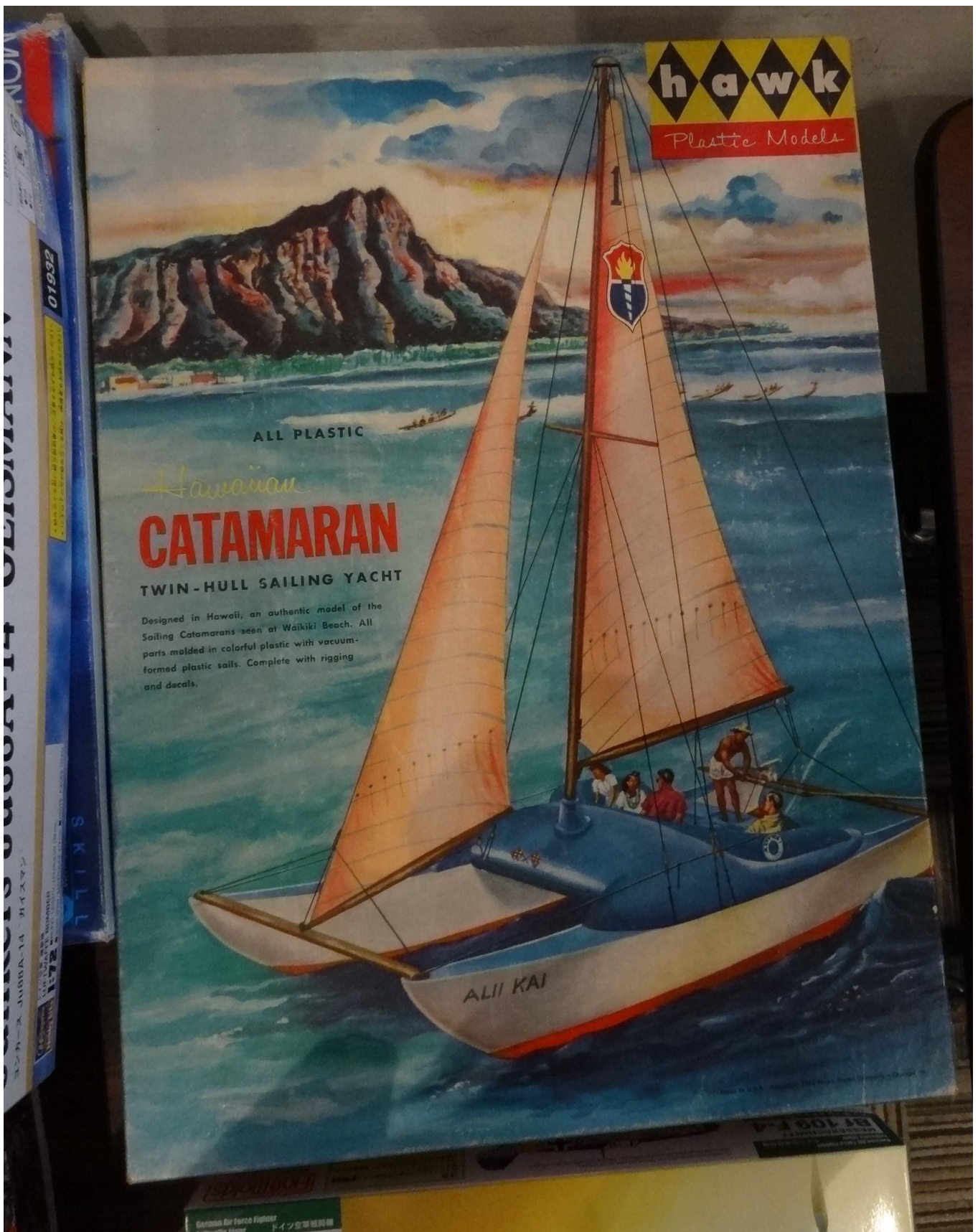
**YES, NOW FOR A LONG DELAYED LOOK AT OUR BUSY JULY 2022 SVSM Meet At MPD Community Room – This time with details often left out by Editor - Enjoy**



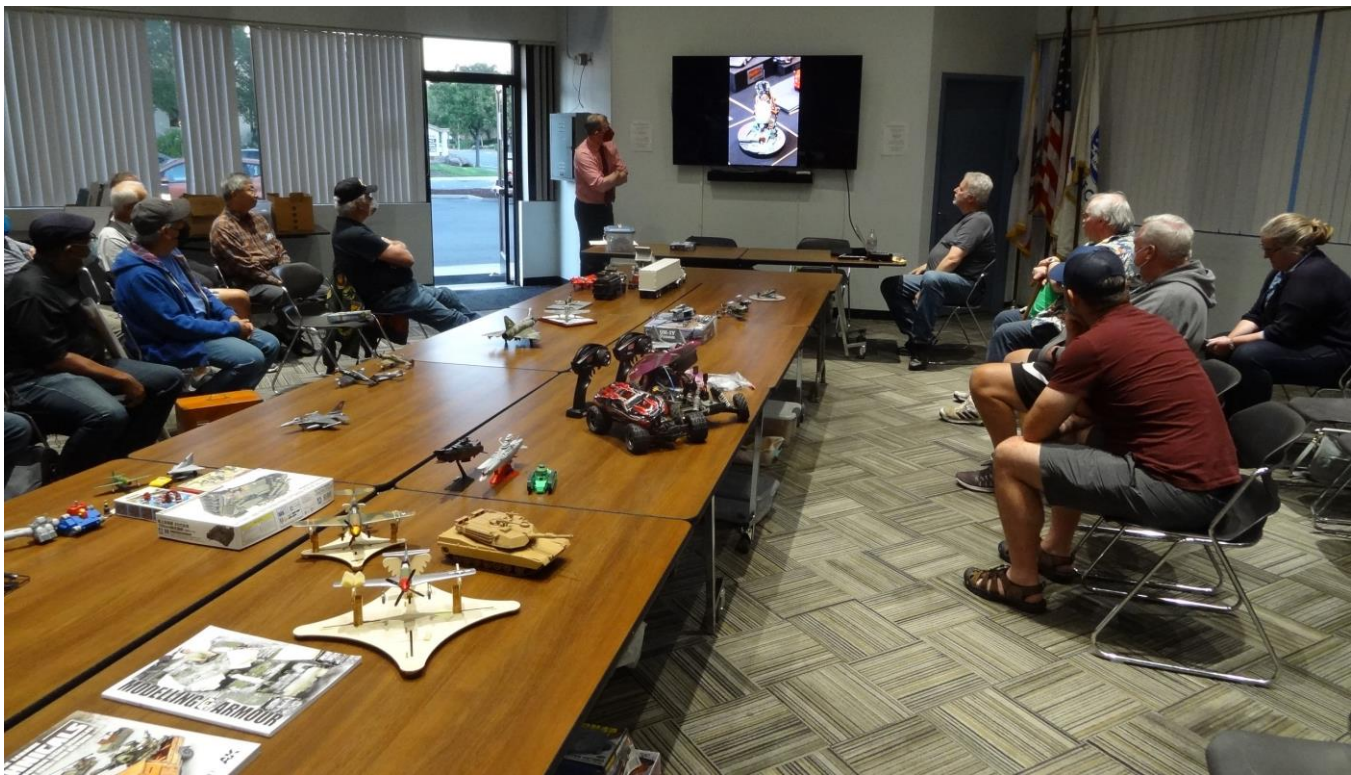




More often than not, at the MPD Comm Room meets we have some items on offer from folks either visiting or membership. Usually, although I take the shots, I don't include them in any publications due space limits. But this July meeting had some old gold I just have to give a nod to these for a change. Those aren't reissues in Monogram those are beautifully preserved real deals. I wonder how many today know Comet from USA. Who had kits some knew as Aurora...



Yes, sometimes it's a time machine quality, making it to a local meeting. This HAWK model is one that I'd never knew of, and madly wished to have upon encountering it here. Alas, sense and sensibility prevailed, a photo to remember her by was what I took home. She did return with her current owner, if you'd like to buy.



Alright, here another lead in photograph of July 2022 meeting underway and I turn you over to Chris now: *(minutes by Chris Bucholtz, SVSM Sec'y 2021-22) (photos Mick Burton, SVSM Editor & 2<sup>nd</sup> VP 2021-22)*

At the July meeting, we announced that September's meeting would be our annual club auction. Dig into your closet and break out those items you know you'll never build (we all have them!) and bring them – and a little cash – to the meeting, then stand by for a fun night of bidding and buying. It'll help fund our contest the next week!

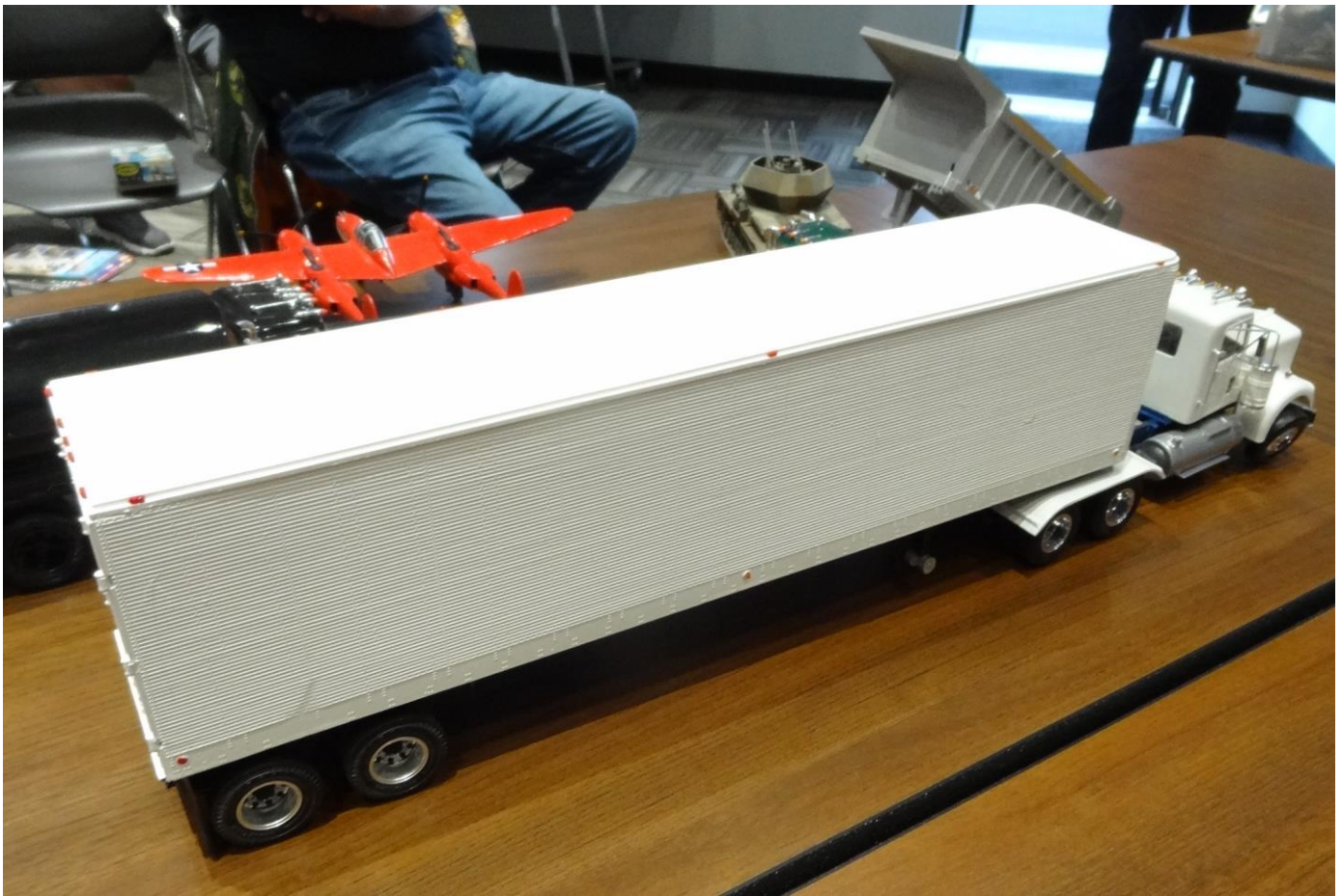
Also, our raffle coordinator, Frank Beltran, asked for contributions to the contest raffle. So, if you're in the mood to give, attend the auction, buy some stuff, and give it to Frank!

Randy Ray gave us a nice video report on his trip to Europe, including many museums and World Model Expo in Eindhoven, Holland. We were impressed by the technical acumen on display (the models and Randy's ability to get his computer to work with the police station's video equipment). **In model talk...**



**See Young** enjoyed building Monogram's classic 1:32 Wirbelwind self-propelled flak gun, and added that after you build this kit you can actually play with it!





**Cliff Kranz** used a trailer from his box of random parts and combined it with an extra tractor he had in a Round 2 mixer kit that was missing some parts (Round 2 provided Cliff with an entire second kit when Cliff asked them!).



He built two Autocar trucks with midwestern features – one truck with an IMC tank for delivering home heating oil, brush-painted gloss black, and a dump truck featuring a heated bed to help things move out of the bed in cold weather.



Cliff also built the P-38J “YIPPEE,” starting with the Hasegawa 1:48 kit; he hit a snag and used an Academy kit to finish up, stealing detail parts from Hasegawa to help out.



**Ron Wergin** used the old Airfix kit to build a Commonwealth Aircraft Boomerang; he likes the Airfix kit better than the more recent Special Hobby kit because Airfix depicts the rear cockpit more accurately. Ron added landing lights to the wings of his model.

**Frank Babbitt** is working on a 1:48 conversion of Eduard's Fw 190, aiming to build an Fw 190A-7.



**Mark Schynert** combined an old Aviation Usk Typhoon and a resin fuselage from Kora to create a 1:72 Hawker Tornado, which he fitted with a modified propeller taken from an Airfix Firefly Mk. V kit.



Mark also had an MPM XP-47H on the table, repaired with a replacement tail wheel from a scrapped Tamiya P-47D, and a Ki-61 from Tamiya in 1:72 that's about ready for painting.

**Gabriel Lee's** Puerto Rico Air National Guard F-16A ADF was in the home stretch when his wash had a weird interaction with the clear coat and caused some blistering. It may go to the shelf of doom, he warns



(don't do it, Gabriel!).





**Kent McClure's** projects this month included a Pioneer Yak-15 which has a couch for the pilot but is otherwise accurate, and a Pioneer 1:72 Lippisch P.13 which he outfitted with an ejection seat from an He 162.

**Mike Meek** is eschewing his usual air racers in favor of a wartime P-47D Thunderbolt in 1:48, using the Tamiya kit as the basis for his build.



**Ben Pada** calls the decal sheets from the 1998 Nationals "the best Nationals sheets ever," and he's using one of them on an Eduard 1:48 P-51D to build Pierce McKennon's "Ridge Runner." He used a resin interior to improve the Mustang.

Ben also has a Hasegawa P-40E Warhawk under way; he says it's a great kit except for the fit of the glass behind the cockpit.

He's painted his P-40E with Gunze paints.





**Landon Carr** was excited to show off the snap-together motorized M1A1 Abrams he got while on vacation in Hawaii.

Dad **John Carr** helped get a few stubborn things to fit on the model.

**John** is working on a pair of Space Battleships: Yamato, one being built “stock” and a second one boasting many modifications from John’s imagination to make it a more fearsome battleship.







He's also working on a rough kit of the FT-17 tank; he says nothing fits and the tracks have 40 pieces per side. He replaces the springs in the suspension with springs taken from ballpoint pens.



**Karsten Krueger** built his own motorized vehicle, a 1:10 Traxxas Bandit capable of 70mph (scale speed, one hopes).

He also had a 1:16 car, which he said was even more fun to drive.





**Geoff Krueger** finished work on a 1:48 A-7E Corsair II which depicts the last cruise of VA-172 with the SLUF. He used a WolfPack cockpit and seat to dress up the Hasegawa kit, and weathered it heavily after applying decals from AirDoc.



The Hasegawa A-7 is an older kit, but the Kittyhawk UH-1Y Venom is a new one – Geoff tackled that one, too, using Quinta Studios 3D decals to dress up the cockpit.



Geoff says the kit is overengineered but comes out well.



**Pat Nichols** used the Barracuda Studios wicker chair to dress up Eduard's 1:48 Bristol Fighter,



and he rigged the model with EZ line after applying a coat of Testors PC-10 paint to it.

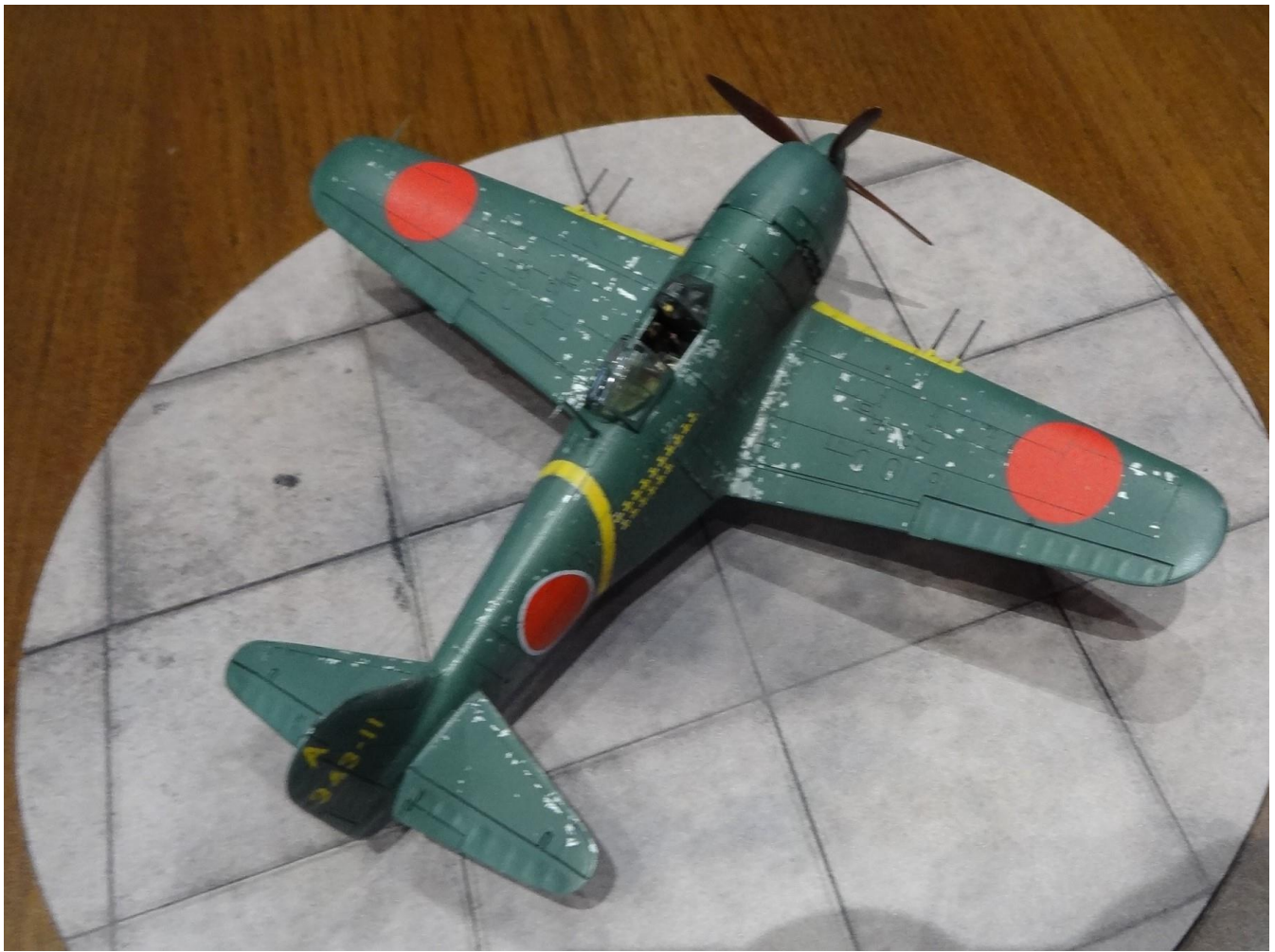
In contrast, his Sopwith 1 1/2 Strutter wears the later war PC-12 as often used in the Middle East. This Eduard kit was built as an anti-Zeppelin patrol aircraft.





**Chris Bucholtz** completed his Aoshima 1:72 N1K2-J Shiden Kai, giving it a worn, chipped finish using the salt masking method. He used paints that are all extinct – Testors Metallizers and Aeromaster IJN green





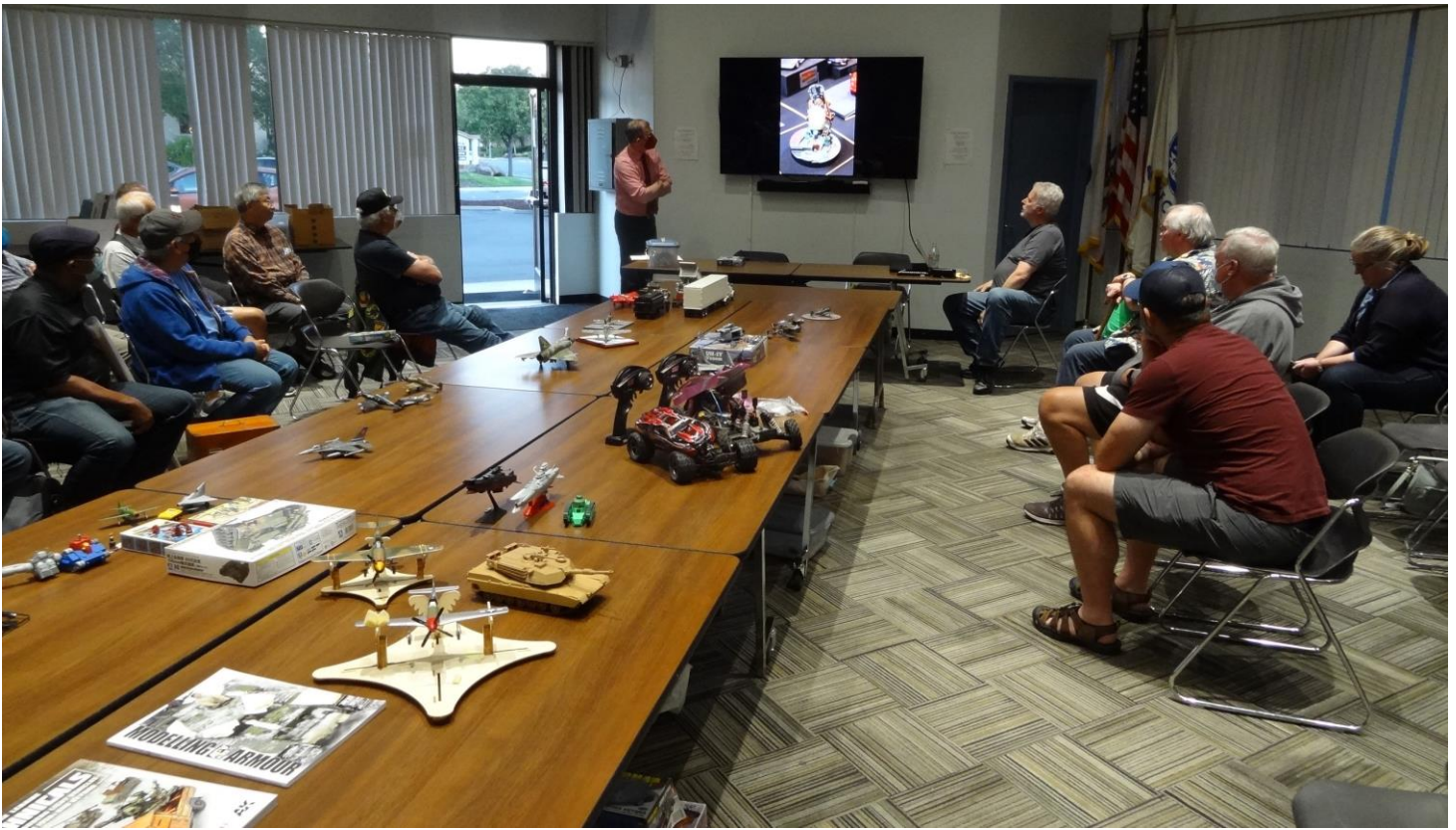


(above & left) This is **David Balderrama's** 1/72<sup>nd</sup> unassembled Lockheed U-2A, C, D molding by Airfix, in the (then and now) so rare MPC box release with the extra parts.

*Chris's minutes did not include it, so the Editor is framing in here deservedly now.*

**The Minutes will resume to conclude after these brief Editorial interrupts - mb**

As David described in better prose, this is what happens when mother-in-laws "help" with house cleaning. Being unfamiliar with properties of model polystyrene, parts he'd put to dry due to another disaster were then left uncovered out in the sunlight for hours by her. As you see, they tried to return to "nature". (one last look at meeting then...)



**And the model of the month goes to... Frank Babbitt's 1:32 Mirage IIIEO.** Frank started with the very old Revell kit, then added a resin cockpit, scratch-built the wheel wells, added Master Models pitot tubes and scratch-built new wheel doors. His decals came from Red Roo Decals, and the extra ordnance under the wings was pilfered from the Italeri kit.- *chris fini*







## WHAT DIFFERENCE A YEAR MAKES: JULY 2021 vs 2022 SVSM

AMAZED himself, The Editor does a little review/retrospect in lead in to GAME KASTLE July 2022 Meeting News



### THE STYRENE SHEET

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CONTEST & EVENTS NEWS You Can Really Use, YES!



We Actually Show Evidence of Life Returning To Surface

EDITOR NUSES ON PRESENT & FUTURE EVENTS NOW CONFIRMED AS SURFACED, WITH AN EXTREMELY GREAT BIT OF LOCAL CLUB CONTEST NEWS!

Many thanks again to Joe Martinez, John Ballman, Andy Kellock, OC-IPMS, IPMS-Yuba City & others for this (continues page 2)



Editor's Ravings - this month's editor, Mick Barlow



" SOME RETURN OF SIGHT EDITORIAL EDITION "

**YES, YOU ARE CORRECT THIS JULY LETTER IS BEING PUBLISHED ONE YEAR SINCE LAST ONE**

Your Cranky and Aggravated Editor will resume publication for now with the sudden onset of worthwhile things to continue to rant about, make articles about, and crow about efforts of others which you'll see about

THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO OUT THERE, BE SAFE, BE AT IT AND LET'S MODEL

mick off to let others speak for themselves... READ ON

#### THE BEST NEWS EVER FOR ALL OF US FROM OUR CLUB PRESIDENT.

Hi Mike, I have some great news. We have a room with tables that can hold 40 at Game Kastle in Santa Clara at 1350 Coleman Ave in Santa Clara. Coleman Ave. is right off Highway 17/880 across from the airport. We have the third Thursday of each month now reserved and they are going to put the word out to anyone interested in attending our meetings. The meetings will start at 7:30 and end at 9:45 so we have to be cleaned up and out of the room by 10. They allow food and drink. Game Kastle has a huge assortment of paint including Vallejo Paint so this might also be a good way of getting supplies.

Masks are required unless you provide proof of vaccination and have a picture ID.

I think this a great opportunity for us since the Police Station may be closed to us for a long time. So the first meeting will be on Thursday the 13th. It will be great to get back to forcing myself to get something done each month. Without the club I just haven't felt the motivation to finish anything. If you have any questions send me a message by Messenger. There will also be a restroom there we can use and a McDonald's across the street.

See you there and pass the word because not everyone who normally attends are on Facebook and you may have members in your contact list I do not have. Thanks.

Ron Wergin, SVSM President 2021-22

#### EDITOR'S CLUB CONTEST FOR 2021 JULY MEETING

( AS TEASED ABOUT ON FRONT PAGE )

Is Named As

" FIRST PLACE AWARD OFTEN GOES TO THE ONE WHO BOTHERS TO SHOW UP "

7:30 PM OPEN, MEETING ENDS 9:45 PM SHARP

THURSDAY

JULY 15 (at a COMPLETELY NEW SITE)

At

COMMUNITY ROOM

GAME KASTLE

1350 Coleman Avenue

Santa Clara, CA



The Game Kastle 2022 July Meeting was a very successful and well attended event, however the Editor among those who showed up, didn't even recall we were actually having our one year anniversary of our inaugural arrival there. I have gone ahead here and tried to catch us up as this really was a great club life saver, thank you again Prez Ron! The announcement of the first meeting was in the OSS you see snips above, and a shot of the July 2022 meet atop it

**NO, YOU WEREN'T IMAGINING THIS...  
WE DID MEET FACE TO FACE IN JULY**



**The SVSM July Meeting**

*There are no minutes to speak of or write from, the Secretary didn't get them to this Editor.*

The Editor was fortunate to have even made it to this meeting, much less shoot the pictures he later published a portion of, on his own website. (later on in that month). So you are getting a few of the Shots here that were on that site along with a couple not before seen.

Thanks again to SVSM President Ron Wergin for making his efforts to get this meeting set up for the Thursday night of July 15, 2021, at the Game Kastle in Santa Clara, CA. Located off of Coleman Ave just adjacent to the always popular SJC International Airport, the generous management of this game shop opened their facility to our membership to use as a meeting place in midst of their usual crowds.

We only had to comply with reasonable constrictions such as wear masks, maintain some sort of social distancing protocol outside our own group, agree to not meet before 730 PM and leave by the time of 945 PM so shop staff had time to get things in order for closing at 10 PM.

So as you see here, we managed to get word out through several avenues including the first SVSM Newsletter of 2021, and had a good sized crowd filter into the area seen for a meeting of sorts. It was a bit hard to hear anything, it was confusing at times, seating was very competitive, but overall for a first meet face to face since very early 2020, the general consensus was that whole adventure, worth the try.



There was no Model of the Month for July meeting, and some confusion concerning status of our old haunt as in Milpitas PD Comm Room. Point being as if or when we could reserve to meet there.



For near future, we were told to wait, continue with Game Kastle plans. So that we shall and next meet may again get fresher news to add hope. mb



*And here you go, taken straight off the PDF page of the August 2021 OSS, that first SVSM meeting of 2021, as you see, pretty crowded affair and fun*

*If this is hard to read or better yet, you actually like to read the entire issue of both July, August 2021 OSS (Original Styrene Sheet) in normal format, a visit to the SVSM 2021 Archive of Editor at his mickbmodeler.com site is all you need to get them*

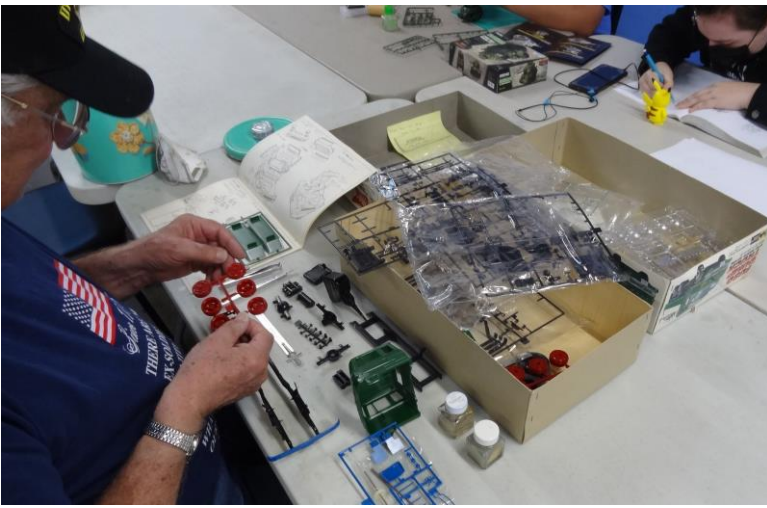
*It doesn't cost anything, there's no adverts and I won't know you even came to visit specifically, a simple increase in visit counter for the page will be only indication for my end. Simple, eh?*

**OKAY with that windy preamble and hallelujah we'll proceed to briefly cover how July 2022 went for us at the Santa Clara Game Kastle meet !**

**Mike Schwarze** showed up with several projects as WIP, two I noted were his "Freddy FlameOut" and an arachnid sized to put a shudder into arachnophobe like myself.



That's the tarantula from the "movie monsters" inspired model series briefly available in the 1970s then again in 1990s, mostly as AMT/ERTL boxings although originally FUNDIMENSION in 1975 when released first, all billed as "GIGANTICS" in any case. Nice starts out of box, Mike's made improvements, trust me.



**Cliff Kranz** was hard at it with a FUSO Dump Truck this time out. Cliff is and always has been, an enthused modeler who is never one to shy from project, and built pretty much the gamut of what's on offer in scale models over years.



**Dave Balderrama** and youngest son **D.J.** were as ever, also at modelling muchly. David's WIP included a 1/144 Heinkel, an FW-190 and a cool SF ship I include picture as I can't otherwise ID. The "Squashed Sherman" is D.J.'s latest, above.



*And to wrap up, in a nod to our friendly neighbors whose gaming haunt is our shared space: they too, are builders in their own right, you see.*

**OKAY – FOURTH MONDAY every month, is OUR SVSM MEETS SCHEDULE at the GAME KASTLE Santa Clara, 730-945pm .**

**UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR AS OF 08-28-22**

**Saturday, September 10 2022**

**IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers** host their model show and contest, SVC 7 “Take Your Best Shot” as theme Napredak Hall, San Jose CA

**Friday, September 16 2022**

**IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers** meeting. “SUPER AUCTION” is Club Contest Theme

**Monday, September 26 2022**

**IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers** meeting. **GAME KASTLE** locale

**SUNDAY, October 02 2022**

**IPMS/ Orange County** host their model show and contest ORANGECON 2022. Buena Park, CA

**Saturday, October 08 2022 ( NOTE NEW LOCALE FOR THIS EVENT )**

**CONTEST & SHOW** Hosted by **RENO HIGH ROLLERS** , BPOE Lodge 597, 597 Kumle Lane, RENO NV. Theme is "The Cold War" with any model subject extant between March 5 1946 and December 31 1991 (The dates of Churchill's "Iron Curtain Speech" and dissolution of Soviet Union) being eligible

**Friday, October 21 2022**

**IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers** meeting. “**Boring Return to Normal Functioning** ” is Club Contest Theme

**Saturday, October 22 2022**

**IPMS/ Fresno Scale Modelers** Contest, Clovis Veterans Memorial District, Clovis CA

**Monday, October 24 2022**

**IPMS/ Silicon Valley Scale Modelers** meeting. **GAME KASTLE** locale

**Saturday, October 29 2022**

**IPMS/Antelope Valley Group** return with **DESERT CLASSIC** show. **Desert Christian High School, Lancaster**

**Saturday, November 5 2022**

**IPMS/ Fremont Hornets** host “From The Earth To The Moon ” as Contest Theme for TriCity Classic 14. NEW LOCALE this time, ELKS Lodge Fremont, 38991 Farwell Dr, Fremont CA

**Saturday, November 12 2022**

**IPMS/Dragon Lady** host “From The Ground Up” as Contest Theme for their returning Classic Contest & Show, nod to The Art of Scratchbuilding. Hope Point Nazarene Church, 600 N Geo Washington Blvd, Yuba City CA 9AM-4PM

**Saturday, January 21 2023**

**NNL WEST / West Coast Model Expo SUPER DISPLAY** not to be missed! Returning to the Santa Clara Convention Center in Hall A, 5001 Great America Parkway, Santa Clara CA. Theme TBA later.

**Saturday, June ?? 2023 (specific date is TBA, but JUNE as month is confirmed already)**

**IPMS/SilverWings** host **SILVERCON 2023** @ Town and Country Lutheran Church and School, Sacramento

NO KIDDING HERE ,THIS IS NO DRILL ! WE ARE HAVING THIS SHOW ON THIS DATE, The 4<sup>th</sup> Be With US

## The Silicon Valley Classic VII "TAKE YOUR BEST SHOT"



IPMS Region 9

**SEPTEMBER 10 2022** NAPREDAK HALL 770 MONTAGUE EXPY. SAN JOSE CA. 95131

1920's racing vehicles of all types (land, sea, air), military recon subjects, spy aircraft, space, Aerospace vehicle or subjects that pushed the limits of technology or drew negative feedback from others, early stealth projects, super weapons, WWII aircraft that saw service in Korea & Vietnam, fire fighting aircraft, China Lake, Point Magu, Tyndell AFB, Hollaman AFB, White Sands Missile Range, Red Flag, UCAV/UAV's, Land Speed vehicles.

9AM DOORS OPEN "Free spectator admission" 12 NOON REGISTRATION CLOSES, 1:05 judges meeting, 3:30 Awards

Free Make N Take model building for kids being held all day. Gourmet food truck serving food & drinks for lunch. Two raffles held at 11AM & 2PM. Competition open to the public (IPMS MEMBER OR NOT) in 47 categories of senior (18 & UP), 9 youth (13-17), sub junior (12 & under). (SWEEP ALLOWED) SENIOR \$12 UNLIMITED NUMBER OF MODELS, \$5 FLAT FEE

PLEASE NOTE Due to safety restrictions within the contest venue we can not accommodate models or vendors that require wall power. Small battery power models are ok.

Vendor table sales and other contest related information please contact the contest director. Tables are on a first come basis and limited to two tables per person and non refundable or transferable. NO EXCEPTIONS. Valid state of California tax form/permit required and must be present at event.

"The following awards will be awarded to a model that best fits the title, flavor, or the person would find of interest and does not have to be a 1-2-3 place winner"

"Best Competition Auto"

"The Steve & Anita Travis subject award"

"Atlantis reissued model kit" (must be built out of the box with instructions present)

**IF LOOKING FOR CATEGORIES or perhaps, would like to have your entry form started beforehand, go to <http://www.mickbmodeler.com/sv-classic-seven.php> and you will be rewarded with these items in PDF format !**

# GO FIGURE - LOOK WHAT'S ALSO UP for SEPTEMBER '22



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*STAY TUNED FOR NEWS ABOUT UPCOMING FALL 2022 and Start of 2023 EVENTS*

*STILL PLANNED: OUR SEPT, OCT, NOV 2022 SVSM Meets @ Game Kastle*

*STAY TUNED FOR NEWS ABOUT MILPITAS PD Community Room for same months*

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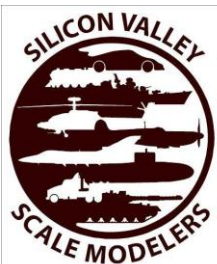
PLEASE SHARE THE JOY OF OUR HOBBY AND FRIENDS

Because it seems sometimes more than a few forget this :

THE ONE TRUE RULE OF MODELLING (if ever there is).

*If you're having fun,*

*Then you're doing it right.*



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