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Message from the President

by Wayne Brunkhurst

CONTEST reminder: "2012 Winter Build Contest V" happens at the May meeting at the Senior Center. Judging will be performed by your fellow modelers in the following categories:

1. Best scale
2. Best sport
3. Best iron on finish
4. Best paint
5. Best scratch built (from plans only)
6. Best kit bash (including ARF's)
7. Best of show

Even if you don't have an entry, please be sure to come to the May 9th meeting and vote! If you have built anything, please bring it in to be judged. It must be a newly built plane that has not been flown.

Let's show each other what we can do when we set our minds to something!

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Message from the Editor

by John Sohm

Well, I figured it's about time I started the club newsletter again. I feel bad about the hiatus but I was going through some rough times coming up with things to put in the newsletter. So I figured I would give it another try. I will again be asking members for items of interest and will fill in the blanks myself if need be. I hope this will be an informative and interesting item once again. So, with that said, let's get started once again.

Now let's see what's been happening...



Eric and Jer Milosek at Toledo Show 2012

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Christmas Dinner Party 2012

Christmas 2012 Dinner Another Great Time

by John Sohm

Well, by now, this is extremely old news but the 2012 annual Christmas dinner was held at Vincent's Restaurant in Saugerties. In the past, we have had several dinners at the Hillside in Kingston but the membership voted to try a different venue this year and after considering several options, the spot selected was Vincent's on Malden Turnpike in Saugerties. I'm not going to go into a lot of detail about the food but the quality was quite good with a good selection. If I can say anything it is that with our bunch, you better be in front of the line if you want any shrimp.

Following is just a sampling of the pictures I received from Mike Loebbaka, thanks Mike.

I know it's early, and I'm definitely not trying to rush the season, but I'm looking forward to our next dinner party. It was a blast to get together for the holidays



Scale Seminar 2012

MHRCS 2nd Scale Seminar

by John Sohm

What can I say except this seminar is something all modelers should attend. It's not just for scale modelers, it's techniques and tips can be applied to all types of modeling. This past session included: How to make moulds, How to vacuum form parts, scale type hinges and controls and making hatches.

answered both during and after each segment. After an hour lunch recess, the afternoon session



Dave Wigley demonstrating mold making

continued.

At the end of the afternoon, they polled the attendees to see what topics and items of interest should be part of the next seminar. I had gone with Sean Tokle to this event and both of us mentioned something that stops many from doing all but the simplest of planes... How to loft fuselage bulk-



Roy and Dave showing scale hinging

Roy Vaillancourt and Dave Wigley, both Top Gun competitors (Dave being last year's Mr. Top Gun with his Westland Wyvern), were the presenters and did a top shelf presentation. The atmosphere was casual and many questions were asked and



Roy Vaillancourt demonstrating vacuum forming

heads, aka formers. Hopefully, we'll see this at the next session in January. For more info, go to



Sean, Lee, Eric and Jer representing SR/CF

<http://www.mhracs.com>

Toledo Show 2012

Toledo Show 2012

by John Sohm

If you have never been to the Weak Signals Show in Toledo Ohio, you are missing out. This year, I had the opportunity to attend this show with Jer and his son Eric. We left Kingston around 6:30 on Friday, April 13th and were in Toledo by 4:30. That night, we attended the ETOC meet and witnessed some extraordinary flying of indoor, extremely light weight aircraft by some of the best pilots in the world.



Jer and Eric speaking with Quique Somenzini

The next day we arrived at the Seagate Center around 10:15 and people were already bringing some of their prizes out to their cars. We paid our



Dave Platt's entry, a Scottish Aviation Bulldog

admissions and then entered an area that was like a larger version of the WRAM Show. More vendors, more models on display and several new items to be released in the near future. To name a few, there were several new World War 1 items from Glenn Torrance Models and Balsa USA.

GTM had the fuselage section of his new 1/3 scale RAF SE-5a. This is going to be a museum quality offering with all hardwood construction and formed metal fittings. Absolutely stunning !!!

Balsa USA will be introducing both a 1/3 scale Fokker Dr1 Triplane and a 1/3 Scale Albatros D-Va and from hints from the rep, they're hoping to have it at Rhinebeck this year.

There were also many new electric offerings, prize give-aways, special offers and you name it.



Mike Gross Sr. awesome 1/3 scale Sopwith Camel from Mick Reeves plans

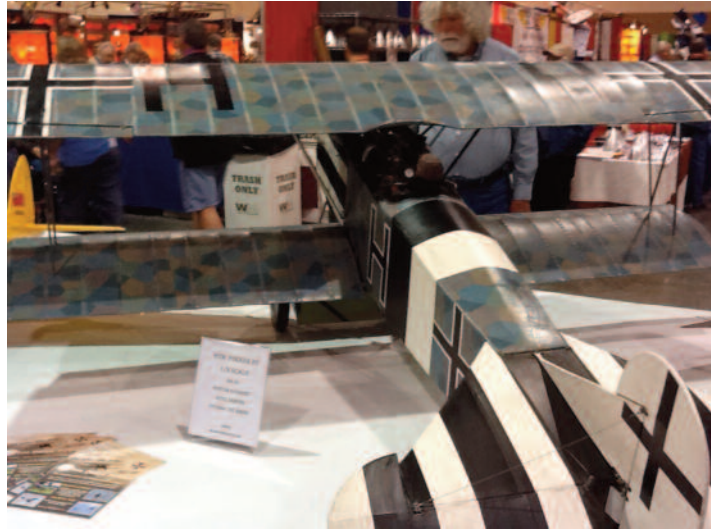
One very interesting booth was the Foam Casualty booth. These guys are going to be offering a computer controlled foam cutter that has both a hot wire cutter and a router. It's not cheap, but it is very flexible and can have many interesting uses in our hobby. Using Google Sketch Up and a driver they supply, the options are numerous using standard foam sheets available at any hardware store.

Toledo Show 2012

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Before you knew it, it was 5:00 PM and we still hadn't really eaten so we asked the guys (and gals) at the Foam Casualty booth where a good burger joint was. They recommended a place called Ahmed's and it was definitely a good pick.

After dinner, we again went to the ETOC finals and were entertained by some awesome flying again.



Glenn Torrance 1/3 scale Fokker D-VII

circuits of the floor, and getting some last minute bargains, we left around 1:15 for the long trip home. We made excellent time and Jer dropped me off at my home about 11:00 PM, he and Eric still had the trip to Saugerties to deal with.



An extremely well done Aviatik D1

Sunday started with a quick breakfast and another trip to the Seagate Center for another round before heading for home. After making a couple



An excellent Avro Tutor with metal finish



A CARF F4U Corsair with Moki 250 and folding wings

I would like to thank Jer and Eric for their generosity and thoughtfulness in offering me the chance to attend this show, something I've wanted to do for a very long time and just never did. God willing and you don't mind me lugging along a bag full of on the road treats again, keep me in mind next year if you go.

What Our Members Are Doing

by John Sohm

It's time once again to let everyone know what our members have been doing lately. And just so you know, they've been doing a lot !!!

First off, I'd like to thank Don Peters for framing up my Balsa USA Nieuport 11 for me. Don even threw in some extras for me which I didn't expect. Thanks Don. Now I just have to finish it up.

Speaking of finished, Don finished and flew his T-28 Trojan and, aside from some nose gear issues, I understand it on good authority (aka Lee Henderson), that it flies extremely well, like it's on rails. Nice job Don.



Eric Milosek and his 1/3 scale Balsa USA Fokker D-7

Eric and Jer Milosek are probably two of the most active and enthusiastic members in our club. Not only are they both working on 1/3 scale Balsa USA kits (Eric has the Fokker D-7 and Jer has the Sopwith Pup), they're also both building 30% Lasers that were flown by Leo Loudenslager. I might add that they both attended a session where they learned how to cut foam wing cores and fuselages that was taught by a member of the Model Masters, Brad Quick. Jer offered a free lunch to the person who could complete the project they worked on at the session, a foam Piper Cherokee from construction foam bought at a hardware store, and Brad's father Lloyd won by completing and flying it in two days !!!

Jon Caywood is still working on and improving the hexacopter. This is an amazing vehicle that is run on six brushless motors arranged in the shape

of a three bladed prop with the controls in the center and a brushless motor on top and bottom at the tip. Add to that lights and a strobe and you have a great flying UFO.

Joe Sauers also has a quad copter and is now also branching out once again to airplanes, electric of course.

Rich Walbert has his 1/4 scale Balsa USA Piper Cub all framed up but was in the process of upgrading his workshop for business purposes and as a result, put the project on temporary hold.



Sean Tokle with the plugs and mold

And now we get to Sean Tokle's project. Sean and I attended the scale seminar together back in January given by the MHRCS and guest speakers Dave Wigley and Roy Vaillancourt. We both learned some interesting things and Sean is the first of us to put it into practice by making his first mold to reproduce fiberglass cowls for the giant Contender model he built. Several of us have seen a couple pieces produced from his mold and they came out very well. Next phase will be vacuum forming the canopy for it. If he does as well on it as he did on the cowl, it will be extremely good. Hopefully we'll see it at the contest.

Well, that's about it for now. If anyone would like to have what they're working on included in the future, please send pictures and info to: **JFSohm@hvc.rr.com** or bring to any club meeting or you can mail it to me at:

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Announcements

"Winter Build" Contest V

by John Sohm

This year's contest is, as usual, scheduled for our May meeting at the Senior Citizens Center. Categories tentatively set to include but not necessarily limited to:

1. *Best Sport Plane.*
2. *Best Scale Plane*
3. *Best Paint*
4. *Best iron-on finish*
5. *Best unfinished*
6. *Best ARF*
7. *Best of Show*

Winners to be determined by the votes of the members attending the May meeting.

Model Master's Flying Sessions at SUNY Ulster

by John Sohm

As many of you are aware, the Model Master's Club has been scheduling one Sunday per month to fly indoors at the SUNY Ulster Senate Gymnasium. All local club members are invited to participate and, if interested, join this club, which I did. Since August 2011, I have assumed the role as coordinator to contact and schedule the dates for use by the membership. I was unable to obtain dates for May and June this year so indoor flying will resume once again in either August or September, dates to be determined at a time closer to that time frame.

Please try to attend a session or sessions if possible and enjoy some fun times. We've seen some really cool things this past season thanks to Jon Caywood and Joe Sauers. They both brought their quad copters and flew them in formation. Videos are located at our club website if memory serves me correctly. Check it out.

Instructional Videos Available

by John Sohm

In the pursuit of increasing the interest of scale modeling in the club, and the skill set of our members with methods and materials to build better models, I am making available to the membership, my collection of Dave Platt "Black Art" videos. Over the years, I have accumulated almost the entire set and should my financial situation change in the near future, the entire set will be available. I will have a sheet with the list of titles available, place to sign out and a date field for out and returned and a telephone number. Please limit your choices to three (3) titles at most (even though some series have 4 or 5 titles in them) and return them at the next meeting. I will call a day or so before the next meeting to remind you to return the video. If you are unable to attend, please find someone else who can return it for you. And please try to take care of them and not get them all scratched up. Thanks. Hope you enjoy them and learn from them, I know I have.

Question to the Club Membership from Jer Milosek

by John Sohm

Both Jer and Eric Milosek are each in the process of building a 1/3 scale Laser 200 from plans designed by Wayne Ulery. Originally flown by Dave Brown to a second place finish in the 1982 Las Vegas TOC hosted by Circus Circus Casino, Jer is converting his to electric power using a 10s lipo, a Hacker motor swinging a 22 inch prop. Eric decided to finish his in the familiar Bud Light Laser scheme while Jer opted to make the earlier version Laser that was blue and yellow with some white thrown in.

Jer has a question and would like to know if anyone has first hand info on whether the blue paint was metallic or not. If anyone knows 100% for sure, or has some magazine with an article regarding this plane, please talk to Jer. He can be reached at (845) 247-6251 or milosek@localnet.com

Club Meeting Schedule

Upcoming dates: Wed. May 9th, Thu. June 14th, Wed. July 11th



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