

## IPMS-Flight 19 January 12, 2023

Meeting Place  
First Church of the Nazarene  
916 NE 4 ST  
Pompano Beach FL 33060  
7:35pm – 9:30pm

### Members and Guests in attendance

Jeff East	Eric Olson
Ness Gomez	Antonio Rovira-Luna
Eric Gonzalez	Dave Wallace
David Kennedy	Shaun Williams
John Montesinos	Sylvia Andrassy-Williams
Bob "OD" O'Donovan	Matt Ziegler

The meeting was called to order by Jeff East at 7:35pm.

### General Comments:

**Club Christmas Party held in December 2022:** Overall, the Christmas party was a great success with good food, coupled with big appetites, along with a memorable kit swap section. All hands had a terrific time and it was a nice way to end the year and look forward to good modeling and good fellowship in 2023.

**Club Finances:** President East announced that club finances are in the positive and that the club is financially sound.

**2023 Dues:** Dues--\$20 for the entire year--are currently due for calendar year 2023. Jeff East is collecting dues which can be paid in cash, check or cryptocurrency. [Only kidding with the last one, Ed.]

**South Florida Toy Soldier Club Show:** Mike Skurda, Flight 19 member and president of the South Florida Toy Soldier Club, has announced that the So. Florida Toy Soldier Show will be held on Saturday, February 4, 2023, at the Finland House in Lantana, Florida from 9am to 1pm. This year **there will NOT be a model contest—only the show**, but lots of vendors! Remember to attend if you are able to make the time. You'll see some outstanding examples of figure painting in miniature.

**Local Retail Model Shops:** There was a general discussion about Model Expo which has recently relocated to Miami Gardens, Florida and Micro Macro Mundo (MMM) located in southern Dade County. Model Expo, primarily an Internet vendor, has recently had some very good discounted sales prices and MMM, a Tamiya distributor, has very reasonable prices for Tamiya and Revell model kits.

**GROUP PHOTOS:** Here is a selection of group photographs to brighten (or frighten) your day!  
Enjoy the photos.





**Flight 19 Facebook Page:** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/569054983428871/about/>

Butch Bryan has continued to post photos from our club meetings and various contests to our Facebook page. He will continue to add announcements and photos (particularly from the WBW “Work Bench Wednesday” section). He also encourages members to send him photos that they would like to see published on the Flight 19 Facebook page. While our club Facebook page is a “public” page, you need to be a Facebook member in order to access the page.

**IPMS Rumrunners:** IPMS Rumrunners has resumed meeting for face-to-face Saturday breakfast in South Miami. Rumrunners will generally meet after breakfast at either the Micro Macro Mundo retail store or at Maxwell Wee’s “clubhouse” in Hialeah. Details about the locations of the breakfast venues and Max’s “clubhouse” can be obtained from Lonnie Berry (C46A@aol.com) and on the Rumrunners “What’s App” account. Anyone interested in joining the Rumrunners “What’s App” video chat group should also contact Lonnie Berry at [C46A@aol.com](mailto:C46A@aol.com) for details.

**Model Car Creations IPMS Club:** MCC2 meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month starting at 7pm at the following location:

Flippers Cinemas  
7001 Taft Street  
Hollywood FL 33024

For those planning to attend, enter the movie theater lobby and turn to the left. The meeting tables are at the extreme left in an alcove just past the concession stand. Food and drink is available for purchase. Richards Hardware Store, which is located at the southwest corner of the shopping center parking lot, has created a small hobby section in the store that stocks hobby supplies. Please feel free to stop by Richards Hardware Store during regular business hours to purchase those hard to find supplies you need to complete your models.

### **\*Upcoming Show Announcements:**

Note: See the Flight 19 Facebook page and scroll through the "Discussion" section for show flyers:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/569054983428871>

**February 4, 2023—So. Florida Toy Soldier Club Show (no model contest), Lantana FL**

**February 10-11, 2023--JAXCON, (Friday night 5pm, all day Saturday), Jacksonville FL**

**March 18, 2023—Pelicon Show 2023, Oldsmar FL**

**April 15, 2023—IPMS Flight 19 Modelfest 2023 (Region 11 Contest), Broward-Palm Beach FL**

**May 6, 2023—Southlandz Model Car Swap Meet & Show, Largo FL**

**Aug. 2-5, 2023—IPMS/USA Nationals, San Marcos TX**

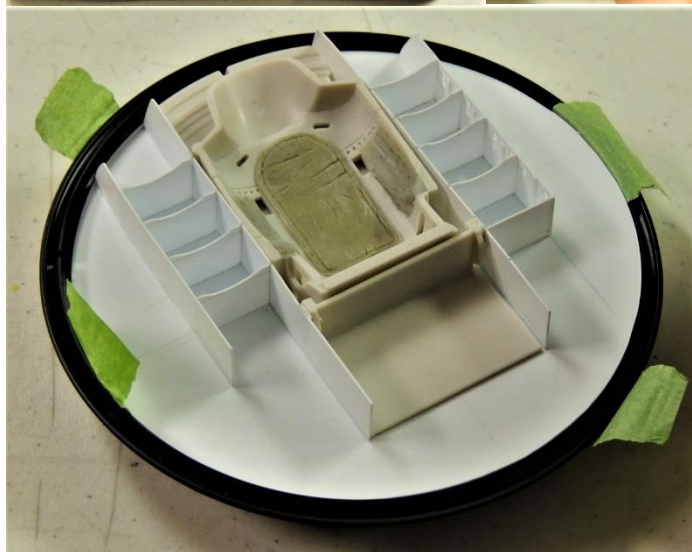
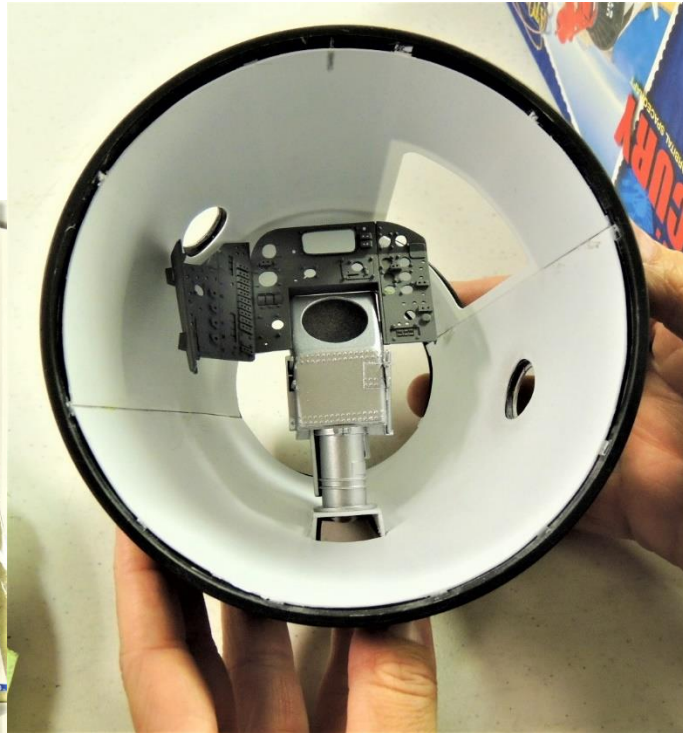
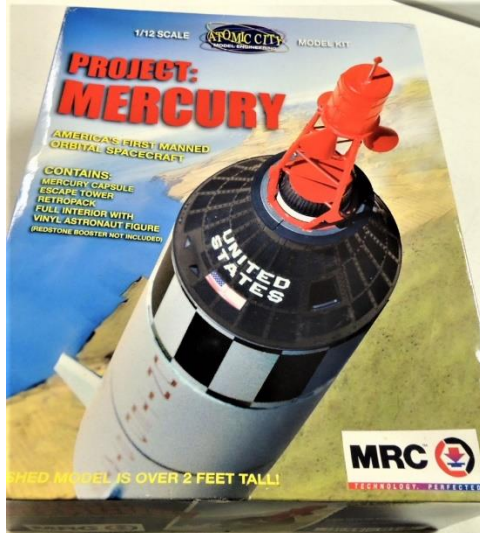
**October 13-15, 2023—Modelpalooza 2023, Kissimmee FL**

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**Aug. 14-17, 2024—IPMS/USA Nationals, Madison WI**

### **\*Show & Tell:**

**Eric Gonzalez:** Mr. Space Cadet has done it again! He's taking the MRC 1/12 scale Project Mercury Kit and backdating it to an early Mercury space capsule with the porthole windows. Since the kit comes with the late-model instrument panel, he's also scratch building the early style instrument panel. Why? A kit in 1/12 scale is large enough to make such differences very obvious. In addition, Eric says there are lots of scratch built modifications in the interior which can be found in documentation/photos on the Internet. He plans to have the completed capsule in a quasi-diorama with an aftermarket astronaut figure produced by Shapeways in 3-D printed resin.

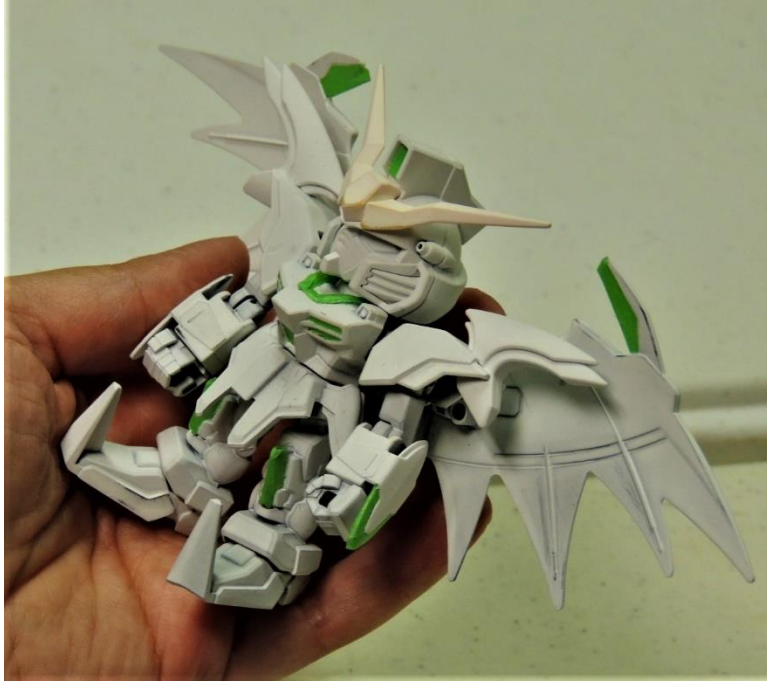


Members also asked Eric to list the awards he took home from the recent Wonderfest Sci-Fi and Figure contest, held annually in Louisville, Kentucky. He had 11 entries and here is the summary:

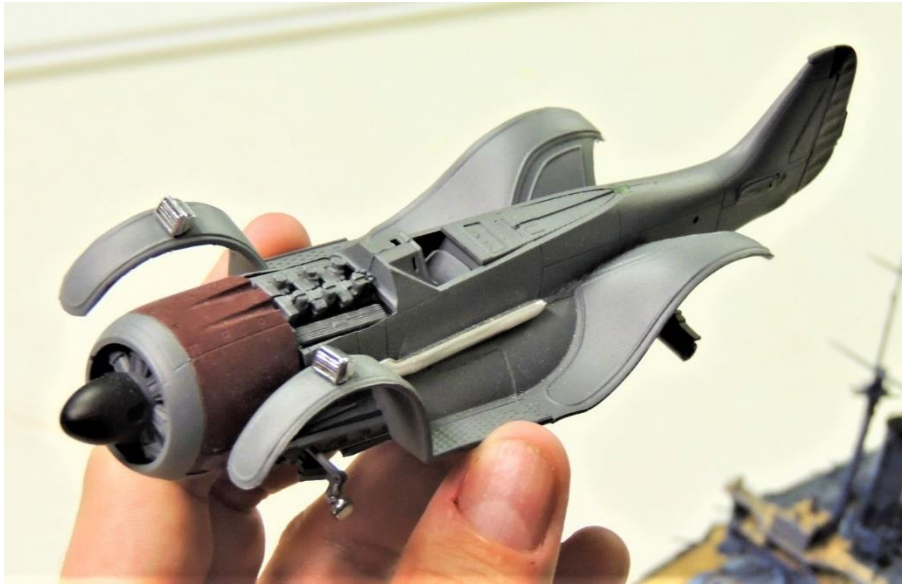
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- Silver medal -----2
- Bronze medal ---6

He also took home a special award from the manufacturer of Round 2 Kits for one of his entries.

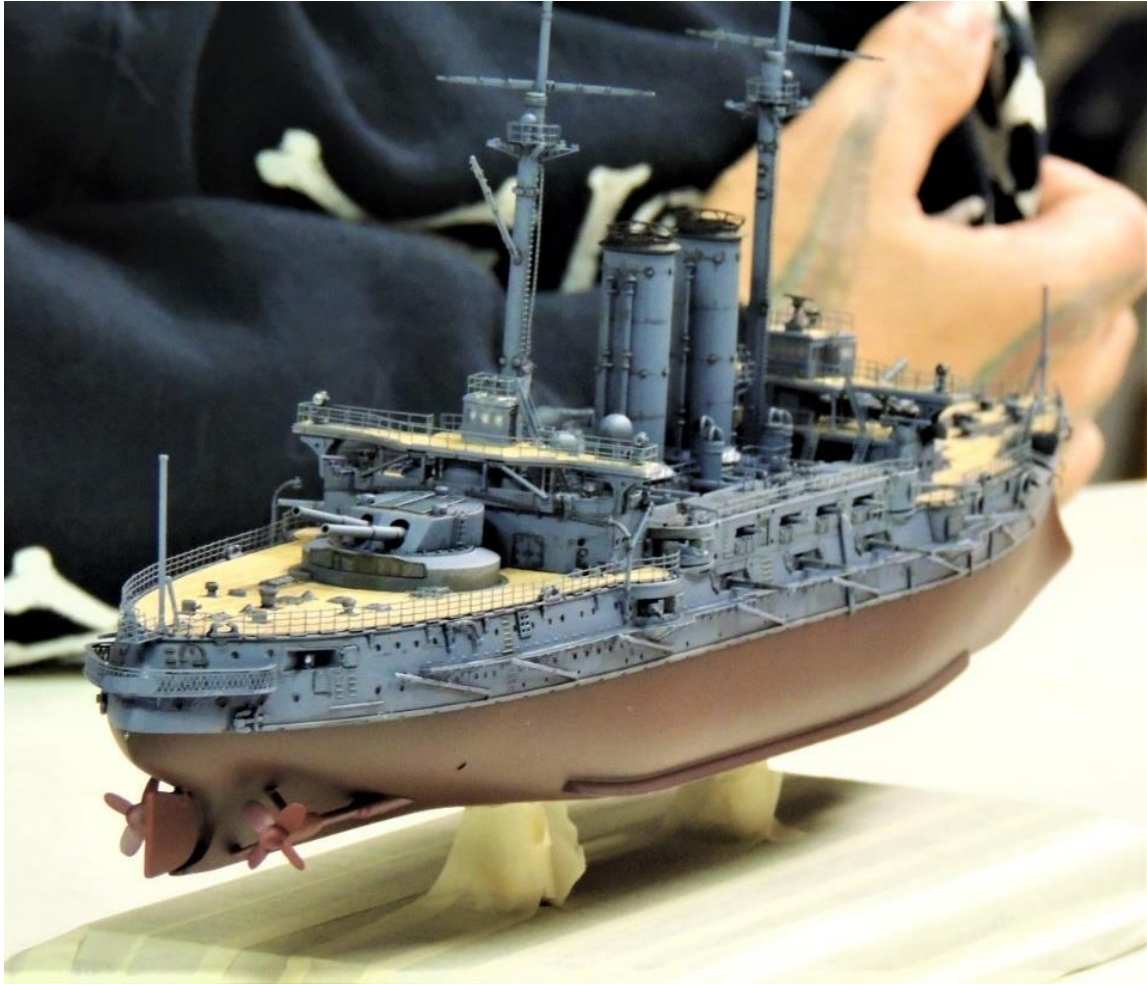
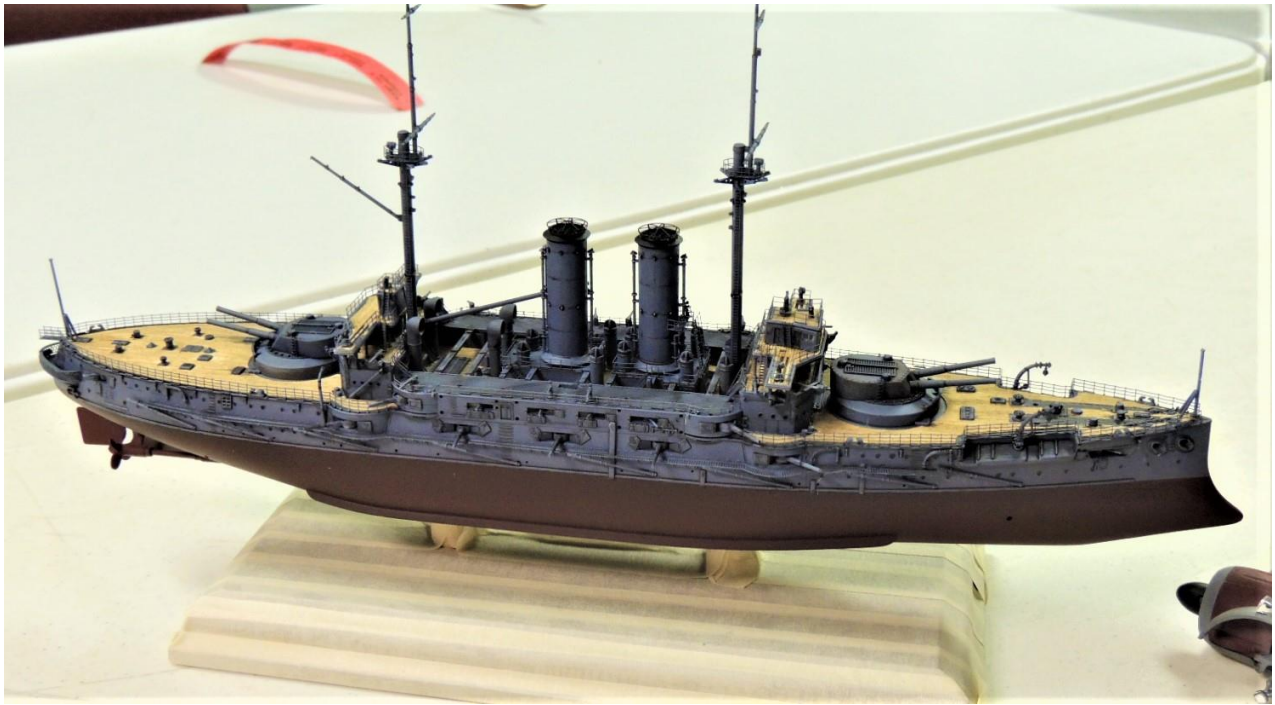
**Ness Gomez:** Ness brought a really compact, intricate, but great looking Bandai kit of a Gundam Death Scythe Hell EW (there is no scale noted on the kit box). It's primed and ready for masking for neon glow and black paint for a startling contrast. It looks fantastic now, so it's going to be very attractive when she gets it finished. Looking forward to seeing it next month in all its glory!



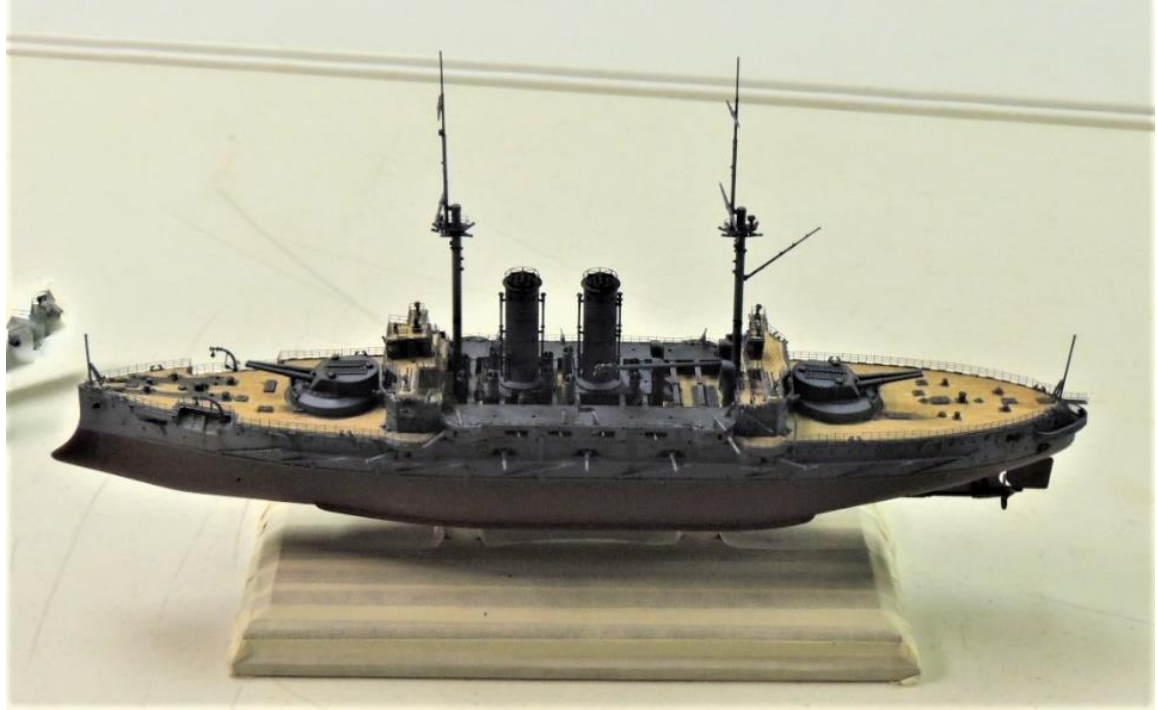
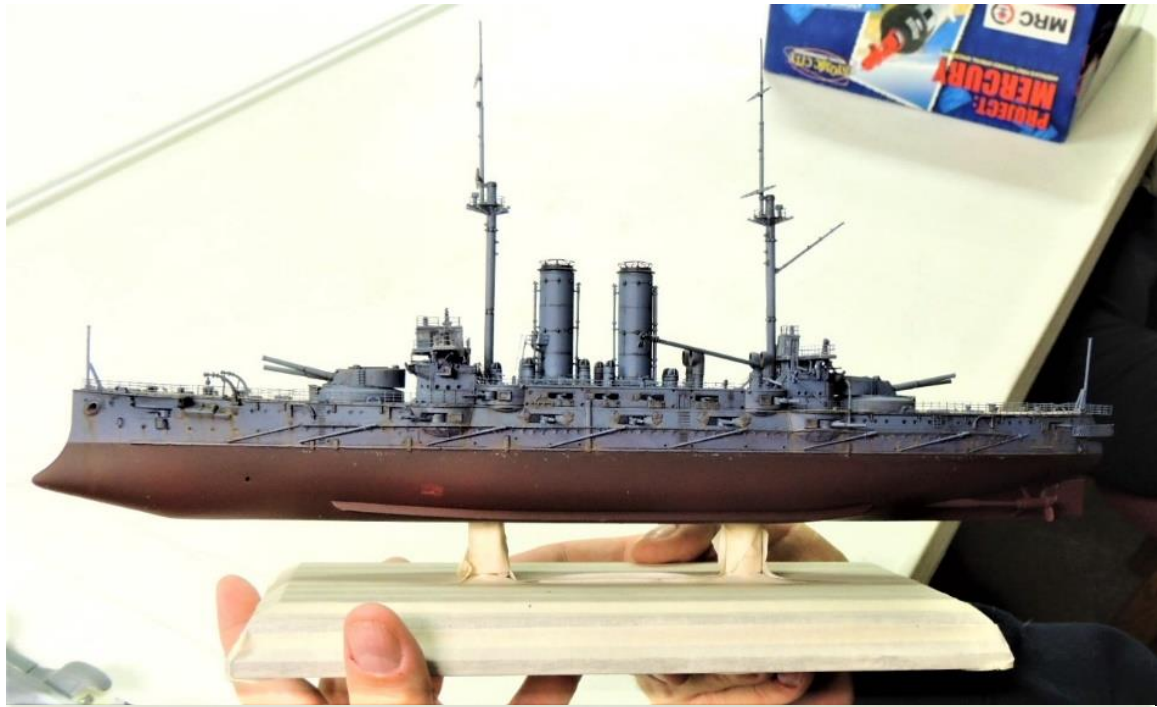
**Dave Wallace:** Dave brought two models to display at tonight's club meeting. The first is a "kit bash" effort that is a work-in-progress (WIP). He's taken a 1/48 scale Fw-190 kit fuselage and added hot rod fenders to it for a post-apocalyptic scenario similar to a Mad Max concept. Looks like it going to be a super-fast motorcycle-type vehicle fit for the streets of Miami at night. Knowing Dave's modeling skill set, we can expect a really interesting finished project in the near future!



Dave is a multi-talented modeler who has myriad interests which include sci-fi models, aircraft, ships, Gundam models, etc. However, he does exquisite ship modeling and tonight he brought his Hasegawa 1/350 scale IJN Mikasa which is a WIP, but is nearly completed. It's awaiting final weathering and full rigging. Dave used photo-etched railings and machined gun barrels for a more realistic effect and intends to use elastic string for the rigging which he will attach with medium viscosity cyano-acrylic glue. Look at what he's already accomplished!









**RAFFLE:** Tonight's raffle was a brand new kit of the Tamiya 1/35 scale A34 Comet British Cruiser Tank which was won by a happy Jeff East.



**The next club meeting will be held on Thursday, February 9, 2023, starting at 7:30pm at the First Church of the Nazarene, 916 NE 4 ST, Pompano Beach FL 33060. See you all there!**

Tonight's meeting concluded at approximately 9:30pm.

Minutes recorded by Groucho, Zeppo & Harpo....