

**IPMS-Flight 19  
June 9, 2022**

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

Members and Guests in attendance

Robert Barkoski	JT Occhialini
Steven Blok	Eric Olson
Marco Cruz	Danny Price
Jim Decker	Josie Price
Lynn Delacroix	Jeff Selker
Jeff East	Mike Skurda
Tim East	David Wallace
Eric Gonzalez	Courtenay Wang
David Kennedy	

The meeting was called to order by President Jeff East at 7:30pm

**\*SPECIAL NOTE: The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of IPMS Flight 19 is 2023. Our Modelfest 2023 contest and show will honor the club's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and, according to Butch Bryan, will also serve as the IPMS Region 11 contest for 2023. The tentative date for Modelfest 2023 is Saturday, March 4, 2023. Butch Bryan, the wayward Okie from near Muskogee, will be handling the model raffle for Modelfest 2023. He will also be coordinating with IPMS-USA for such things as regional contest requirements, etc., in connection with Modelfest 2023.**

**Modelfest 2022 Update:**

Financial figures should be finalized and disclosed at the July 2022 meeting, but it appears that the club did have a positive outcome, after all expenses, from Modelfest 2022. Final financial figures are not yet available, because some of the expenses have yet to be billed; e.g., the final bill for the trophies (estimated to be around \$800) has yet to be received. Despite these pending expenses, the club finances remain solvent and it looks like there will be a positive gain from Modelfest 2022 when final figures are determined.

**Modelfest 2023 Update:**

**Pompano Beach Civic Center:** President East and Butch Bryan report that, at this time, the Pompano Beach Civic Center is still going to implement a 90-day maximum lead time for committing to lease the Civic Center premises for future events. **This limitation is NOT feasible for any future Modelfest contest/show**, because a longer lead time is needed to get such things as commitments from vendors, to get trophies manufactured and to prepare and disseminate advertising, etc. The City of Pompano Beach is willing to offer an alternative venue for Flight 19's

future Modelfest contests/shows which will have longer lead times for committing to lease the facilities, but none of those possible sites is large enough or suitable for holding a regional contest. **Consequently, the club is looking for a different venue that is suitable for Modelfest 2023.** President East announced that there appears to be a possible future site at a charter school, but there would be no separate rooms for display and vendor areas. He hopes to announce a new venue at the July meeting in order to move forward with a Modelfest 2023 contest/show.

### General Comments:

**\*Model Car Creations Club** representatives, Jeff Selker and Danny Price, brought some model kits for donation to Flight 19 for the raffle at the upcoming Modelfest 2023 AND other models that were offered for sale to Flight 19 at incredibly reasonable prices with proceeds to go toward the Flight 19 treasury! A BIG THANK YOU from Flight 19 to the Model Car Creations Club and its members for their generosity.

**\*Wonderfest 2022:** Wonderfest, held annually in Louisville, Kentucky, is one of the premier Sci-Fi and figure shows in the USA. Both Eric Gonzalez and Courtenay Wang attended and entered models in this year's Wonderfest contest. [Flight 19 member, Mike Skurda, has attended 8 or 9 past Wonderfest shows and has won medals there, too!] Eric and Courtenay reported that there were 840+ models entered and various seminars presented by nationally recognized masters such as Bill George were conducted during the show. Eric was awarded a total of 10 medals—1 gold, 2 silver, 6 bronze and 1 meritorious—for his modeling efforts. He also was presented with a special model award by Round 2 Models for his Klingon K'Tinga space ship! Well, done guys!



\*Jeff East reports that his copy of the book, the **Encyclopedia of Aircraft Modelling (Vol. 1)**, by AMMO Mig Publications, still has not been returned to him. Whoever has Jeff's book, please make arrangements to return the book as soon as possible. It will be greatly appreciated by all the club members—especially Jeff.

**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 photos and announcements and 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 Macro Micro 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:**

June 25, 2022—PAMSCON, Plant City FL

July 20-23, 2022--IPMS Nationals, Omaha NE

October 7-9, 2022—Modelpalooza, Kissimmee FL

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**2023 IPMS Nationals, San Marcos TX**



**\*Show & Tell:**

**Eric Gonzalez:** Mr. Gonzalez brought four models for display at tonight's meeting—two of them space related and two of them Sci-Fi figures. The first is a Star Trek vignette that he created from three separate kits in 1/32 scale: Captain Kirk and Spock on the bridge of the USS Enterprise! He used two Andrea white-metal figure kits of Kirk and Spock and an AMT kit of the Enterprise bridge complete with the captain's chair. Definitely an eye-catching vignette for any Star Trek fan.



The first Sci-Fi figure Eric described at tonight's meeting was a 1/4 scale Geometric resin kit from the 1990's of the Invisible Man. He scratch built the head wrap and the sun glasses, too! It won a bronze medal at the recent Wonderfest show/contest in Louisville, Kentucky.



The second Sci-Fi figure won a Silver medal at Wonderfest! It was also a 1/4 scale Geometric resin kit, this time depicting “The Creature from the Black Lagoon” movie franchise. It was a solid resin piece, so superior model preparation and painting skills were required. Good job, Eric!



The last model that Eric brought tonight was a 1/48 scale Moebius kit of the Aires 1B Lunar Shuttle from the “2001: A Space Odyssey” movie. It is a “work-in-progress” (WIP) and, knowing Eric’s skills, will look impressive when completed.

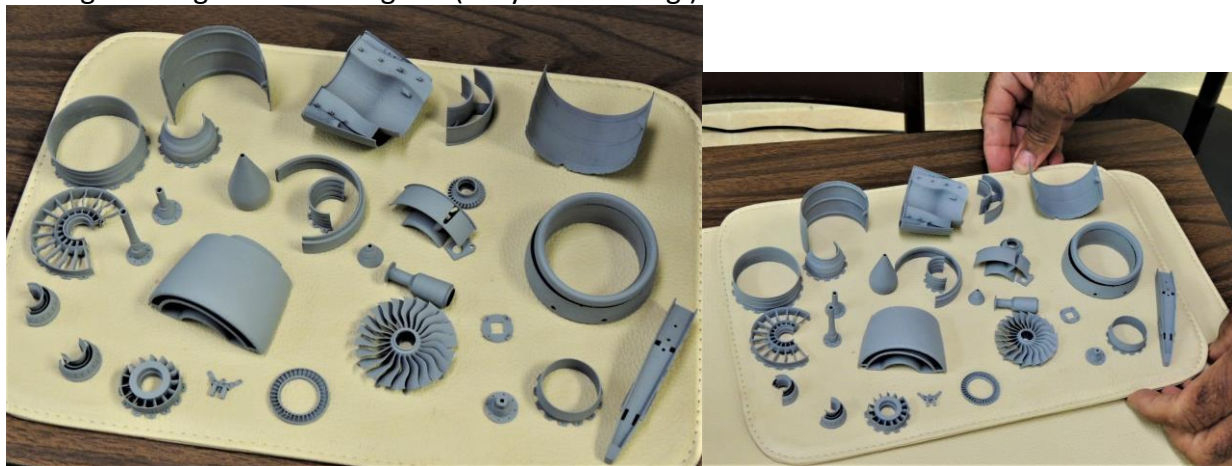




**Marco Cruz:** Marco is experimenting with 3-D printing in 1/24 scale since he's predominantly a car modeler; however, he's also developing skills in aircraft and aviation modeling in the same scale (where there are very few 1/24 scale kits)! Currently, he's working up a 1/24 scale 3-D model of a Mitsubishi Mu-2B business turboprop. He's found that the parts printed from the original software are too thin and flexible, thus, they are easily misshapened. So...Marco is modifying the software to re-inforce the parts to make them more suitable for handling and painting. It's a WIP right now, but he's already got plans to design a stretched Mu-2J in the near future. Can't wait to see either of these large scale models.



Sticking with the aviation themes that are of interest to Marco, he's printing out parts to make a jet engine with all of the components in 1/24 scale. It's going to be a large, turbo-fan jet engine that's typically found on wide-body aircraft. Can't wait to see if he wants to do a 1/24 scale Boeing 747 to go with the engine! (Only half kidding.)



Not to be forgotten, but Marco also brought some examples of his 1/24 scale 3-D printed car models in various stages of completion. A 1953 Cadillac convertible is almost completed (in Marco's preferred Ferrari red). The exterior looks complete, including paint, and the convertible top can be removed to display the interior, which is not yet finished. Looking good!





No collection of model cars from Marco could ever forget to include at least one Ferrari model. This time he's done a 1/24 scale 3-D printed Ferrari F599 which looks great.



There were also two examples of 1/24 scale Datsun 1200 cars in various stages of construction.



Accompanying the car kits were 3-D parts that Marco has printed out for a detailed engine that he will use in one of the car models along with a 1/24 scale driver figure. A very impressive series of 3-D printed parts!



We really look forward to seeing this “collection” completed in the near future. These examples of 3-D printing are very inspiring and will probably mean other club members will begin to explore 3-D printing themselves. Thank you, Marco!!!!



**Robert Barkoski:** Robert brought his 1/48 scale Fine Molds kit of the 1931 Curtiss RC-3 seaplane racer that Jimmy Doolittle flew to victory in the Schneider Seaplane Race. He said the kit is outstanding with great fit and fidelity to detail, including very thin wings. Robert used “rattle cans” to paint the plane—Krylon Sapphire Blue and Tamiya Sun Yellow and white. The finished model colors look great, too! There was a standing pilot figure included in the kit, BUT it is definitely NOT 1/48 scale. It is much larger than 1/48 scale, but would be perfect for a giant of a pilot who would have trouble fitting into the cockpit and would probably screw up the aircraft’s weight and balance. LOL Regardless, it looks good even if it’s in a different scale.





**Dave Wallace:** Dave is one of our newest members and he brings a fresh approach to modeling to the club. He's a pretty creative fellow and used two 1/48 scale Airfix AH-6 Apache attack helicopter kits to create the Ornithopter which Dave liked in the movie, "Dune." It actually looks a little like a real dragonfly insect in this incarnation. Dave butt-joined the rotor wings to the engine nacelles and fuselage using super glue. This was also his first attempt at opening cockpit windows and he sure nailed it this time! Tamiya acrylic paints and thinner were used to airbrush at about 15-20 psi. The effect is very realistic. Keep up the good work!



**JT Occhialini:** Back in the early 1990's Hasegawa was trying to establish 1/200 scale as a standard for airliners and larger military transports. That effort essentially failed, but one of the kits Hasegawa produced was a 1/200 scale Kawasaki C-1 transport used by the Japan Air Self-Defense Force (JASDF). It's a relatively tiny model, but JT used it to experiment with depicting natural metal surfaces with metal foil. He didn't have access to Bare Metal Foil back in 1993, so he used Wrigley chewing gum wrappers affixed with MicroScale Metal Foil adhesive. His burnishing tool ended up being the butt-end of a scalpel. The few windows on the transport were "painted" using a Rapidigraph pen with black ink. The model was completed in 1993 and has been stored away in a box until tonight's meeting. It has held up very well over the intervening years—a true blast from the past.



**RAFFLE:** Tonight's raffle consisted of two models: a 1/35 scale Tamiya M18 Hellcat tank destroyer, which was won by Robert Barkoski; and a 1/35 scale T-34/76 Russian tank from WW II which was won by Courtenay Wang, who attended his first Flight 19 meeting tonight! (Beginner's luck!)

**The next club meeting will be held on Thursday, July 14, 2022, 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 9:35pm.

Minutes recorded by Larry, Moe and Curly....