# IPMS-Flight 19 May 9, 2019 Meeting

Meeting Place: First Church of the Nazarene 916 NE 4 ST Pompano Beach FL 33060 7:40pm – 9:45pm

Members in attendance:

Steven Blok Butch Bryan Tim Bryant Don Danforth Jim Decker Lynn Delacroix Jeff East David Kennedy Dillon LeBlanc Eric Olson Ralph Severino Mike Skurda Gala Terrazas James Wilbanks Matt Ziegler

Missing in Action: Gene Beadle (who had to work late) Peter Frearson (who is sick and doesn't want to infect us) Bill Koster (who is also sick and doesn't want to infect us)

The meeting was called to order by President Jeff East at 7:40pm.

The floor was open for discussion and comments. Jeff East summarized the recent Wings, Wheels & Keels and Pelicon '19 model shows/contests. The minutes from the April 2019 club meeting also included a detailed description of those events. Everyone was reminded of the PAMSCON 2019 contest scheduled for June 15, 2019, in Plant City. Last year's inaugural PAMSCON was a great success and everyone is looking forward to a repeat this year. There was also a general discussion of the 2019 IPMS Nationals which will take place in Chattanooga, Tennessee from August 7-10, 2019. A number of club members are planning on attending the nationals since it's only about a one day drive from south Florida. **Group Build:** While a possible group build was discussed at the March 2019 meeting, details have been finalized among a select group of club members. At least seven members have agreed to "**Build a Lindberg Kit**" and bring it to the Flight 19 October 2019 meeting. There are no restrictions on subject matter—just that it has to be a Lindberg kit. So far the following members have jumped into the pool:

Butch Bryan(1/48 Curtiss P-6E biplane)Dillon LeBlanc(1/48 Grumman F11F Tiger jet)Jeff East(an undisclosed ship)Tim BryanBruce KayeGalo TerrazasAdam Weinstein

### \*Upcoming Show Announcements:

5/11/2019—14<sup>th</sup> Semi-Annual Southlandz Model Car Swap Meet & Contest, Largo FL 6/15/2019—PAMSCON 2019, sponsored by the Polk Area Model Society, Plant City FL 6/22/2019—So. Carolina Scale Model Mega Show, Columbia SC (https://scmegashow.com) 8/7-10/2019—2019 IPMS Nationals, Chattanooga TN 9/1/2019—18<sup>th</sup> Annual Table Tops NNL Car Show, Orlando FL 10/18-20/2019—Modelpalooza 2019, Kissimmee FL 2/29/2020—**Modelfest IX,** Flight 19, Pompano Beach FL 7/29 – 8/1/2020—2020 IPMS Nationals, San Marcos TX

# "MODELFEST IX 2020"

YES, there will be a Modelfest IX in 2020. Modelfest IX will take place on Saturday, February 29, 2020, at the Emma Lou Olson Community Center in Pompano Beach. The contest theme will be anything related to "CATS." Butch Bryan is involved in marketing the contest and is actively soliciting corporate sponsors! Food will be available at the contest venue, but details are still being worked out. More information will follow as it develops in coming months, but start building your kits in anticipation of entering the competition at Modelfest IX 2020.

### \*Flight 19 Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/groups/569054983428871/about/

Butch Bryan has continued to post photos from our club meetings (including tonight's meeting) 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 Rum Runners:** A couple of the members brought attention to the fact that some members of IPMS Rum Runners apparently meet informally in south Miami-Dade County each Saturday at 10am at the Micro Macro Mundo hobby shop which is located at 7564 SW 117 AVE, Miami FL 33183. In addition, Rum Runners also holds a monthly formal meeting there, usually on the last Saturday of the month. Members of Flight 19 are welcome to visit at either occasion and the side advantage is that Micro Macro Mundo stocks excellent kits (e.g., Tamiya, Revell, etc.) at reasonable prices. So...if you go for the fellowship, you can also buy nice plastic kits at good prices! P.S.—be sure to bring your passport, remember, it is south Miami-Dade County. LOL

### \*Show & Tell:

**James Wilbanks**, as noted in prior minutes of our club meetings, is endeavoring to do a diorama of a Russian KV-1 tank being taken out by a German Nashorn. This month he brought in the Eastern Express 1/35 scale KV-1 work-in-progress (WIP) as he is experimenting with painting/coloring the foam depiction of an explosion. James is attempting to paint the foam to represent the instant after an explosion has taken place. This is not going to be easy to do, but he is making good progress. To illustrate the effect, a photo of the unpainted foam is included, below, along with a couple of photos showing the current stage of painting. In addition, James told us that he intends to light the explosion internally after he is satisfied with the final coloring of the foam. That will look great when done to James' demanding standards of production.



**Steven Blok** has been working on an Academy 1/35 scale US Army Abrams M1A2 tank with the Tusk II modification. It is a WIP but, according to Steven, is now almost finished. He's made a lot of progress since last month's meeting and has scratch built some of the stowage, e.g., the blue & white ice chest. The weathering also looks very nice. Looking forward to seeing the completed model next month!

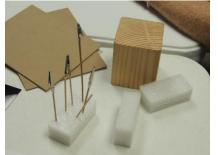


**Lynn Delacroix** brought some interesting tools to show at tonight's meeting. One was a handheld engraving tool. It looked to be both comfortable and easy to use. It was battery powered and not very heavy, both traits that make modeling a bit easier. The other was a mini-vise that was able to be attached to a smooth, flat surface via a suction pad. It shows up in one of the photos of Dillon LeBlanc's F4U Corsair in tonight's minutes--it is the blue object in one of the photos.

Both of these tools would be very handy on a modeler's workbench. Lynn also brought a photo from years ago that includes two of our current Flight 19 members. See if you can identify them! (A better photo will be included and the identities will be disclosed in next month's minutes.)



**Jim Decker**. Tonight, Jim brought a couple of 1/48 scale kits to give to Dillon LeBlanc. They were both Monogram kits with lots of extra, aftermarket decals, etc. Dillon was appreciative and happy as a lark to receive the B-25H and the B-24D kits. Thank you, Jim, for thinking of our junior modelers. He also brought examples of simple items that can be extremely helpful when building or painting models or figures. The biggest was a 6" block of a 4X4 which Jim uses to temporarily mount figures for painting. It not only elevates the figure, making it easier to see, it allows it to be turned and maneuvered using only one hand without having to touch the figure. He also brought some flat, pressed particle board sections (approximately 7"x 8") to give away to members. These can be used for small diorama bases or for small work areas to paint or glue parts. He gets them from inside US Army ammunition boxes—easy for him since he's the manager of the Ft. Lauderdale Police Department gun range! Thanks, Jim. The final hint/tip was a combination of small alligator clips being attached to bamboo skewers. These are great for holding small parts for painting or gluing. The alligator clips and skewers can be found at craft stores such as Hobby Lobby or Michael's and all you need to do is glue them to the skewers. All of these items are shown below in a photo taken at tonight's meeting.



**Dillon LeBlanc**, one of our junior modelers, brought a nice looking WIP to the meeting. It's a Revell 1/32 scale F4U Corsair in the three color camouflage scheme. He's doing it as a gear-up, in flight model and has been working on the camouflage and weathering along with decaling. He also added a radio antenna and non-skid wing walkways. It's coming along very well. It's also good to see that each model Dillon completes demonstrates something new that he has learned and applied in his model building! (The blue object in the middle photo is the mini-vise that Lynn Delacroix gave to him.)



**Butch Bryan** has decided to "light" his Polar Lights 1/350 scale refit Enterprise Starship kit. He's already heavily modified the kit, but has purchased an electronic circuit board, LED's and micro fiber optic cable in order to light the model. Learning wiring and soldering is new for Butch, but he's managing to get things done without burning down the model (yet). He did experience one instance of smoke and burnt electric smell, but it was a minor fix without damage—Whew! The model is impressive in size and with the lights on, it looks great. We look forward to seeing it to final completion and display.



**Tim Bryant** continues making progress on his Tamiya 1/350 scale Yamato Japanese battleship from WW II. It suffered some model room battle damage when it partially capsized on the modeling workbench but, fortunately, didn't sustain major damage and Tim has already repaired it. Tim is weathering and decaling the massive ship kit, but said that there are at least 100+ photo etched parts yet to be attached. He also said applying decals to 1/350 scale aircraft is a bit of a chore. LOL This is one ship kit that will be outstanding when completed. Note: You can see Butch Bryan's WIP "lighted" Starship Enterprise in the upper portion of the first Yamato photo.



Here are a few random photos of the members attending tonight's meeting.



**Raffle:** There was no raffle at tonight's meeting.

Next meeting will be on June 13, 2019, SAME PLACE, STARTING AT 7:30PM!

The meeting concluded at approximately 9:45pm.

Minutes recorded by Eric Olson ....