

## IPMS-Flight 19 June 13, 2019 Meeting

Meeting Place: First Church of the Nazarene  
916 NE 4 ST  
Pompano Beach FL 33060  
7:45pm – 9:55pm

Members in attendance:

Gene Beadle	David Kennedy
Debbie Blok	Bill Koster
Steven Blok	Dillon LeBlanc
Butch Bryan	Eric Olson
Tim Bryant	Ralph Severino
Don Danforth	Mike Skurda
Jim Decker	Adam Weinstein
Lynn Delacroix	James Wilbanks
Jeff East	Matt Ziegler
Peter Frearson	

The meeting was called to order by President Jeff East at 7:45pm.

The floor was open for discussion and comments. Butch Bryan participated in the Wonderfest Sci-Fi model contest and show which was held June 1 – 2, 2019, in Louisville, Kentucky. He brought home two awards: a gold for his scratch built Star Trek vortex model and a bronze for his Lexington Star Ship. Bravo! The PAMSCON '19 contest and show is scheduled to take place in two days! The general opinion is very favorable and many club members are looking forward to attending the event. 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 (long) one day drive from south Florida. Our own Modelfest IX 2020 contest was discussed in detail and is described in another section, below.

**Group Build:** While a possible group build was discussed at the March 2019 meeting, details were 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. Dillon LeBlanc has already completed his 1/48 scale Lindberg Grumman F11F Tiger! See the photos elsewhere in these minutes.

**\*Upcoming Show Announcements:**

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 (**N**ational **N**ameless **L**uminaries) Car Show, Orlando FL  
10/11-12/2019—40<sup>th</sup> NNL (**N**ational **N**ameless **L**uminaries) Nationals Toledo OH (Model Car Show)  
10/18-20/2019—Modelpalooza 2019, Kissimmee FL  
11/2/2019—ACME Southern Nationals, Smyrna GA (Model Car Show)  
11/9/2019—Southlandz Show, Tampa area (Model Car Show)  
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.

Butch Bryan, our webmaster-in-training, is in the process of developing a new Flight 19 website. Currently, it can be found at <https://butchbryan2002.wixsite.com/mysite> if any member wants to check it out. Remember, it is under development. Presently, it has links to (1) the IPMS National club website; (2) the Flight 19 Facebook page; and (3) the Models for Troops website.

**IPMS Rum Runners:** Some members of IPMS Rum Runners apparently meet informally in South Miami 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. 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 armored vehicle. 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 photo 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** finally finished his Academy 1/35 scale US Army Abrams M1A2 tank with the Tusk II modification. He has scratch built some of the stowage, e.g., the blue & white ice chest which looks very realistic on the model. The weathering also looks very nice. See the photos below. He also brought in two other 1/35 scale armor models. The first is 1/35 Dragon Model of a German Porsche Tiger tank from WW II. He's doing this kit as a Japanese anime model and has also scratch built some minor parts for the kit. The last armor kit he brought is a 1/35 Academy M163 vehicle WIP (work in progress) that he intends to complete in a scheme he saw in a comic book! The last model he brought tonight was a 1/72 Academy B-29A done as the Enola Gay. He said it was a tough one to bring to completion, but he is happy with the end result. So are we!



**Lynn Delacroix** brought some interesting items to show at tonight's meeting that can be used, particularly, in modeling armor kits. There were finishing materials in gel, modeling paste and some spackling that have real utility in modifying and weathering armor models. Thanks, Lynn.



**Jeff East** continues to fight with his 1/700 scale ship models. He brought his USS Bainbridge (DD-1) model of the first US destroyer circa 1904. The model still needs to be rigged. The railings always pose a major issue for Jeff, but he's getting better at installing/gluing them in place. He also had his fantasy model of a space battleship modeled on a highly modified Testors flying saucer kit. He did a great job on the unusual paint scheme and is admittedly proud of the overall effects created when viewing this model. Jeff used prescription medicine containers as well as scratch built parts to create this unique model.



**Jim Decker.** Jim Decker, one of our master modelers, brought his 1/32 scale Revell F-15E Strike Eagle which he mounted on a home-made double layered wood base with two brass mounting rods for the flying pose. It is painted in a dark grey-green camouflage scheme used on aircraft from Seymour-Johnson AFB during the 1<sup>st</sup> Gulf War in 1991. Jim made the pilots (kind hard to have a model mounted in a flying pose with no pilots) as well as scratch building the correctly shaped fuselage bomb pylons. Various shades of metal foil were used to cover exhaust cones and burnt metal areas around the engines to simulate heated aluminum, titanium and steel. Overall, an impressive model of an impressive USAF fighter!



**Mike Skurda** had a 1/32 scale (35mm) War Hammer figure in styrene plastic to display. It was a plastic snap-tite kit of an unknown subject and there were no instructions included with the kit, per Mike. The kit went together well and will be very attractive once Mike gets it painted and mounted. The club photographer pledges to get better close-up photos in the future. (He's learning how to do macro close-ups with his digital camera.)



**Dillon LeBlanc**, one of our junior modelers, brought his 1/48 scale Minicraft Beech Bonanza back to the meeting now that he has applied decals. It sure looks a lot better than just a white fuselage when he brought it in as a WIP last month! His other model was his entry for the Lindberg group build—a 1/48 scale Grumman F11F Tiger which looks really cool. He wins the award for first completion of a Lindberg kit!



**Don Danforth** had an interesting car kit to show the club members. It was the 1/25 scale AMT kit of the Dodge “Little Red Wagon” funny car dragster. Don plans to use some after-market parts, e.g., P/E distributor, etc., to spruce up the kit when he builds it.



**Butch Bryan** is progressing well with his build of a 1/350 scale Polar Lights Enterprise Star Trek Star Ship. He has highly modified it to depict a Lynch class light destroyer, the USS Shau (“Shark” in Chinese). He cut down the disk, lighted it with stobes, flashing lights, a lighted hangar deck and lighted engines. This is a massive electronic project for Butch, but he’s doing a fantastic job incorporating the lights into the model. Incidentally, as we know, Butch likes to mask his Star Trek models for painting rather than using decals. This kit requires a very detailed masking job and involves six different paints for essentially a white paint scheme! Butch will be released from the loony bin shortly after he completes this model. He also brought his 1/24 scale GT 350 Ford Mustang model WIP. It is the black object next to the big star ship in the container on the table top. It looks great and should be fantastic in black when completed.



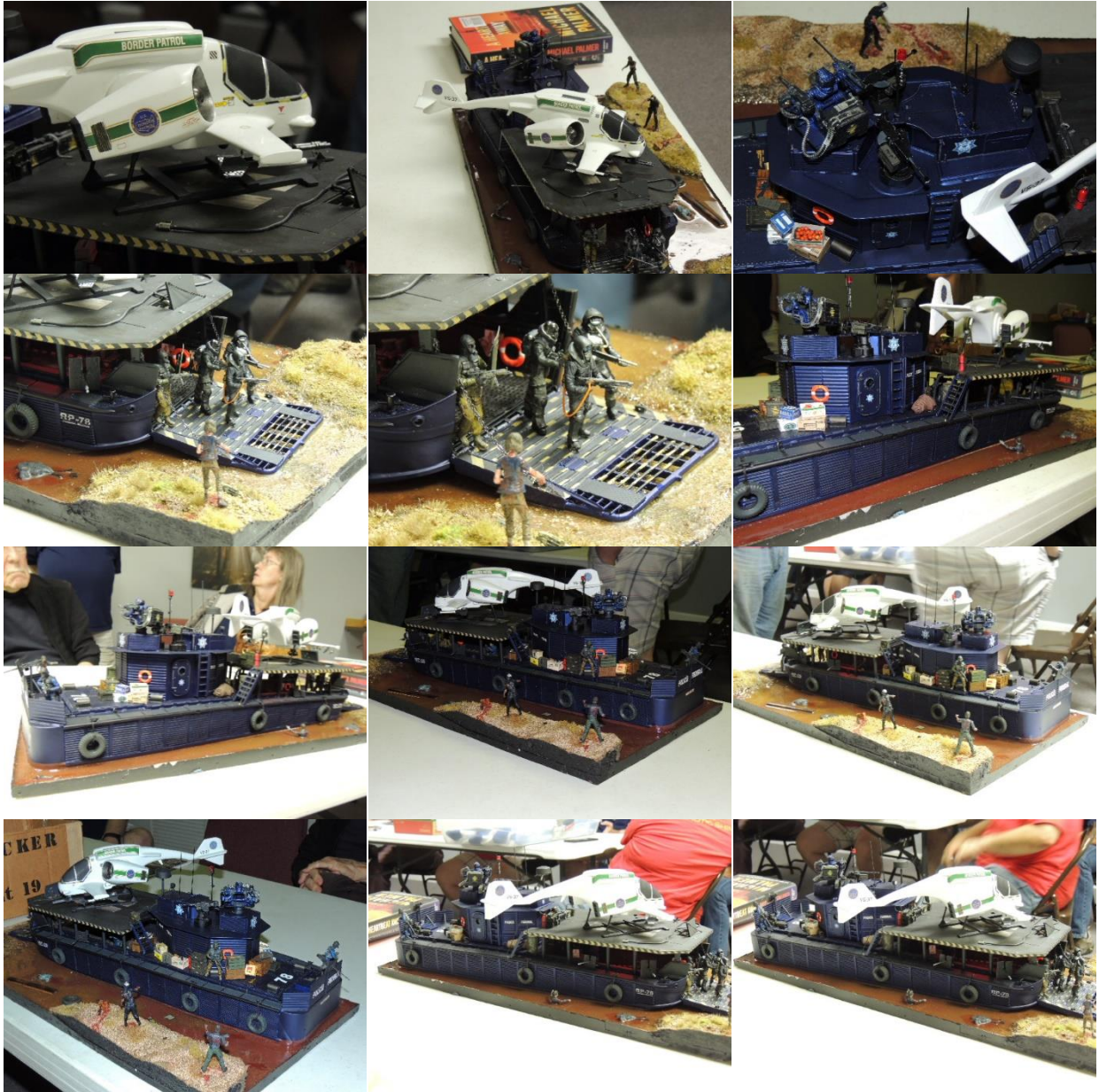


**Tim Bryant** continues to work in 1/350 scale! He brought in a 1/350 Hasegawa Japanese destroyer, the Yukasaki. It is looking good, but there is a lot of photo-etched brass that is going to be on this model. Tim has already ordered brass deck striping and removed plastic railings and sanded down raised plastic sections to get the deck ready for the P/E deck striping. That's a lot of work to be done BEFORE you even start on the P/E brass! He also acquired a Koster Aero Enterprises 1/48 scale vacuform kit of the WW I German Hanover CL IIIA. Our esteemed member, Bill Koster, said that the kit is probably 50 years old and Tim said it is still in excellent condition! It will also be a stunner when Tim gets around to completing it.



**Adam Weinstein**, last but not least, has created an most unusual diorama. He alternatively describes it as a "Water Thingee" or honestly, as the "End of the World" diorama. It is based on a 1/35 scale resin kit by Masterpiece Models of a Vietnam era brown water navy gunship/barge. Adam used after-market resin guns to depict a Mexican Federal Police gun barge on the Red River. Figures from Industriul Mechanica were used for the zombie infantrymen. He scratch built the Border Patrol helicopter/hover craft. Our late club member Glen Gerson left a lot of figure and armor detail models that Adam was able to incorporate into his diorama, too. The

water was created with a two-part, self-leveling water soluble epoxy resin called Enviro Tex Lite, purchased at Hobby Lobby (32 oz.) for about \$23.





Here are a few random photos of the members (not too scary) attending tonight's meeting.



**Raffle:** Tonight's raffle prize, after taking a vote by the members present, was an AFV Model Club 1/48<sup>th</sup> scale Lockheed U-2A "Dragon Lady," which was won by a very happy Butch Bryan!

Next meeting will be on **July 11, 2019, SAME PLACE, STARTING AT 7:30PM!**

Tonight's meeting concluded at approximately 9:55pm.

Minutes recorded by Eric Olson....