

## IPMS-Flight 19 February 8, 2024

Meeting Place  
First Church of the Nazarene  
916 NE 4 ST  
Pompano Beach FL 33060  
7:30pm – 9:10pm

### Members and Guests in attendance

Debbie Blok	Eric Olson
Steven Blok	Mike Quesada
Jeff East	Jose Rodriguez
Tim East	Mike Skurda
Eric Gonzalez	Dave Wallace
Jim Hutchins	Courtenay Wang
Meir Israel	James Wilbanks
David Kennedy	Matt Ziegler
Bob "OD" O'Donovan	

The meeting was called to order by President Dave Wallace at 7:30pm.

### General Comments:

**Club Dues:** Club dues for calendar year 2024 are now due and payable. Yearly dues are only \$20 and can be paid in cash. See Treasurer Jeff East to pay your dues if you haven't yet been able to pay them. Club membership cards are available for those members who desire one—ask Jeff East for details.

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

**Flight 19 Modelfest 2024:** The club was looking to put on a Modelfest contest/show in 2024, but due to the inability to find a suitable venue at an affordable price, a **decision has been made to NOT have a traditional Modelfest show in 2024**. There is preliminary discussion and a tentative plan to hold a "mini" Modelfest on a Saturday in June 2024 at the First Church of the Nazarene in Pompano Beach, Florida (the regular club meeting venue). Once plans are finalized, details will be published on the club webpage and Facebook page along with announcements in the minutes of the club meetings. It is anticipated that the date for the "**mini**" **Modelfest show/contest** will be announced at the March 14, 2024 club meeting.

Despite the fact that the club will defer putting on a traditional Modelfest show/contest, **there WILL BE a separate, club co-sponsored, Gundam show/competition held in conjunction with Tate's Comics at their Gaming Satellite location on Sunday, April 28, 2024 (see the discussion and contest flyer, below) .**

**Gundam Model Group (Affiliated with IPMS Flight 19):**

In October 2023, Meir Israel announced that a NEW modeling sub-group of the club was being formed by a number of IPMS Flight 19 members (thus, the “affiliated with IPMS Flight 19” moniker) to build and improve on Japanese Gundam model subjects. This is a fast growing and entrenched segment of the international modeling community with plenty of exquisite kits being available for modelers to buy and build.

The new Gundam Model Group has begun meeting on the first Wednesday of each month at 7pm at the following location:

Tate’s Gaming Satellite  
4580 N. University DR  
Lauderhill FL 33351

Feel free to stop by the meetings and to join the group if you have an interest in Gundam subjects. The intent of the group members is to teach modeling techniques to improve and enhance Gundam models and to grow the new Gundam Model Group through fellowship and a common interest in Gundam model subjects.

**“FIRST ANNUAL GUNDAM SHOW& COMPETITION” to be held on SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024:**

Flight 19’s First Annual Gundam Show & Competition will be held in conjunction with Tate’s Comics on Sunday, April 28, 2024. Details are shown in the flyer posted below. The venue will be at Tate’s Gaming Satellite which is located at 4580 N University Drive, Lauderhill FL 33351 and will be open to the public from 11am to 5pm on Sunday, April 28, 2024. In addition to the model competition/display tables, there will be Demonstration tables and Vendor tables. There will be model kit raffles as well as a photo opportunity for attendees to pose with “Ben the COSPLAYER.” Gundam COSPLAY performers dress-up as full scale, living, Gundam characters, so there should really be some interesting photos taken during the show! The club would like to extend its thanks and sincere gratitude to Tate’s Comics for co-sponsoring the competition and for providing the venue. We look forward to seeing that everyone who attends the show has a great experience!

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**FLIGHT 19**  
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presents  
**THE 2024**  
**GUNDAM**  
**MODEL SHOW & COMPETITION**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2024**

hosted at

11AM - 5PM

**TATE'S**  
**GAMING SATELLITE**

4580 N UNIVERSITY DR, LAUDERHILL, FL 33351

- FREE TO THE PUBLIC • CUSTOM, OUT OF BOX & YOUTH CATEGORIES
- \$10<sup>00</sup> & \$15<sup>00</sup> COMPETITION ENTRY FEES, O.O.B. / YOUTH & CUSTOM CATEGORIES RESPECTIVELY
- 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2<sup>ND</sup>, & 3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE AWARDS FOR ALL CATEGORIES
- GUNDAM COSPLAY CHARACTER PHOTO OPPORTUNITY
- ENTRY GRADE SPEED BUILD COMP • RELAX & CHILL BUILD AREA
- ALL DAY GUNDAM SHOWS ON BROADCAST
- SCALE MODEL & BUILD TUTORIAL SESSIONS
- RAFFLE PRIZE DRAWINGS OPEN TO ALL (MINIMUM \$1 PER TICKET)
- PRESIDENT'S CHOICE AWARD & PRIZE, BY FLIGHT 19
- BEST IN SHOW AWARD & PRIZE, PROVIDED BY TATE'S
- QUALIFIED I.P.M.S. JUDGES & ESTABLISHED RULES FOR ENTRY

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The model builders club FLIGHT 19 is proud to host our first annual Gundam Model Show & Competition, featuring multiple competitive scale categories, awards, raffle prizes, & giveaways provided by Tate's! Entries start at 11am, and judging begins at 12:30pm.

[facebook.com/groups/flight19ipms/](https://facebook.com/groups/flight19ipms/)

[flight19ipms.org](https://flight19ipms.org)

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Entries & View  
Judging Rules



Disclaimer: Flight 19 & Tate's Gaming Satellite reserves the right to remove and all parties with whom are deemed disruptive to the event or other guests in attendance.

**2024 GROUP BUILD #1** : Members voted at tonight's meeting to have a new Group Build for the club. The **subject is "Anything Orange."** (See the flyer, below.) It's a wide open category and is only limited by the modeler's imagination! So...build anything orange for the Group Build. Group Build models will be able to be displayed at the May 9, 2024, club meeting. Mark your "building" calendars!



**Conversion to Non-Profit Corporate Status:**

Treasurer Jeff East led a very brief discussion regarding the status of the club's conversion to a non-profit corporate status. A limited liability company (LLC) has been formed under Florida law and the State of Florida is already requesting payment of an annual filing fee. [Thank you Gov. DeSantis. LOL] Efforts are underway to obtain non-profit status for the LLC under both Florida and federal law. Updates will be included in the minutes of future club meetings.

**Club Shirts:** A number of members, both long-term and new, have expressed an interest in obtaining new club shirts. Meir Israel and President Dave Wallace stated that there are a limited number of shirts left over from prior sales and they will be offered for sale to club members at cost, plus \$2.00. The club will be looking into having new club themed shirts manufactured in the near future. Like our current shirts, the plan is for them to have collars and chest pockets along with our club name and a modified Avenger logo. More information will follow as new tee-shirt designs and manufacturing plans/costs are finalized.

**Belated Birthday Celebration:** Club Treasurer (and former President for Life) Jeff East celebrated his birthday about a week ago. Some of the club members surprised him tonight with a stack of birthday cupcakes! Happy Birthday, Jeff and many more happy returns! The cupcakes tasted great, too!



**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 meets for face-to-face Saturday breakfasts at various locations in South Miami. Rumrunners also generally meets 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:

Char-Hut Restaurant  
9000 W State Road 84  
Davie FL 33324

**Track Layers Club:** The South Florida Track Layers club meeting usually takes place at noon on the third Saturday of each month at Miller’s Ale House located in the Oakwood Plaza. The plaza is located on the east side of I-95, between Sheridan Street and Stirling Road, in Hollywood, Florida and can be accessed from either the Sheridan Street or Stirling Road exits on I-95.

### **\*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 16, 2024—JAXCON 2024, Jacksonville FL

April 28, 2024—Flight 19 Gundam Show & Competition, Lauderhill FL

May 4, 2024—Model Fest 2024, Melbourne FL

May 18, 2024—Southlandz Model Car Show, Largo FL

June 2024—Date to be determined, Flight 19 “Mini” Modelfest, Pompano Beach FL

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July 17-20, 2024—IPMS/USA Nationals, Madison WI

2025---IPMS/USA Nationals, Hampton VA

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

**Dave Wallace:** Our new President hasn’t reduced his model building one bit since taking office! He brought three recent models to tonight’s meeting. The first is a 3-D printed resin fantasy figure of a man with extended wings with multiple arms and hands which he purchased on the Etsy Internet site. Dave elected to paint the figure “red” and it really stands out in that color. He reports that it only took him about an hour to prep and complete painting the figure.



The second figure model Dave brought is another 3-D printed resin figure consisting of a woman android robot bust. He used an air brush to paint the figure, BUT the original air brush crapped out and Dave had to get a new air brush to finish the painting. After seeing the finished figure, the new air brush passed its test.



Let's stop horsing around—keep building! Dave's largest figure tonight was a Prosetti 1/10 scale kit of the "Death Dealer" stallion. He said it assembled easily, but that some seams needed a bit of extra clean-up work. The cost for a new kit is approximately \$59 if anyone is interested in acquiring one. Dave used this project as an experiment in painting. Essentially, he was layering translucent paints in varying shades of color. Looks like he's got that technique mastered.



**Jim Hutchins:** Jim is one of our newer members and he likes to do figure models! Generally, he's been hand-painting with acrylic paints. He brought a Gunze Sanyo 1/24 scale kit of a PAM-74C Dunc and F-12 Cupid tonight. It's a pose-able figure, but Jim said that in the future, he'll glue pose-able models so the positions are fixed. It's been his experience that almost all pose-able models move or collapse and he intends to prevent that from spoiling a good model. While he used acrylic paint on this model, he feels that he should have used lacquer paint, sprayed on styrene plastic. Regardless, the finish on his model looks great!





**James Wilbanks:** James is taking the egg model “Fat Man, Little Boy” 2023 summer group build contest to heart--literally. He acquired a pack of dinosaur models and decided to construct a papier mache egg to show a blue dinosaur being born. Talk about being creative! At our October 2023 meeting James brought the dinosaur and egg as a work-in-progress (WIP). Tonight, he brought the completed dinosaur diorama for display. He purchased most of the diorama detail parts at a local Hobby Lobby store. You'll never look at an egg the same way again!



**Steven Blok:** Gundam, Gundam....That could be a description of Steve Blok's primary interests in modeling. His Green Monster [ed. description] Ban Dai 1/144 scale NZ-666 Kshatriya Quad Wing fighter is BIG and really cool looking. According to Steve, it's not entirely a snap-tite kit, but it sure is impressive when completed.



Following up on the Green Monster is Steve's 1/144 scale Ban Dai kit of the God Gundam GF13-017NJ II Gundam Fighter G. Although this model is the same scale as the Green Monster, it is much smaller and a lot more colorful. Enjoy.



**Meir Israel:** Meir has stretched his modeling skills! He brought his *first* scratch-built model which is a free-wheeling creation of his own: a 1:1 scale recon drone “Spyder Bot.” He used a carbonated fruit drink aluminum can as the core of the model and then went wild designing the details on “his” recon drone. He’s posted photos of the model on some of the Internet modeling groups that he belongs to and has received good reviews and suggestions for a name. Here are a few of those suggestions: Kevin the Death Bot; R2Co2; Red Bull Strikes Back; and Gundam affair with a water heater. What’s *your* suggestion?



**Eric Gonzalez:** First, CONGRATULATIONS to Eric and his new bride! They bit the bullet and recently got married. Here's to a long, happy and productive relationship!

Now, down to model business—Eric brought two disparate models to the club tonight. The first is a WIP Monogram 1/24 scale kit of the famous Cord motor car. Eric intends to build it as the first Batmobile that was initially envisioned in the early Batman comic strips. It's going to be true to the original Batmobile concept as a Cord model 812 convertible painted red! Lots of history to the Cord motor cars and the convertible version of the model 810/812 Cord is extremely rare and valuable in today's antique automobile community. The holes in the front fenders are there because Cords had retractable headlights among many other innovations for its time (1937)!



Not one to leave out a kit on a Gundam theme, Eric brought his Ban Dai 1/144 scale RX-78-2 Combat Mobile Suit model. He painted it with white automobile lacquer spray paint (which photographed as a pale green color in the ambient light at the meeting). He added the cherry blossom motifs to the shield and body armor to celebrate the Japanese heritage of Gundam. It's a basic, entry-level snap-tite Gundam kit, but Eric has done a fantastic job of making look like a sophisticated kit/model.



**RAFFLE:** Tonight's raffle consisted of two items. The first was a Tamiya 1/48 scale kit of an F-16CN in "Aggressor/Adversary" markings which was won by Jeff East.



The second raffle prize was a copy of *Jane's Fighting Ships 1996-97* which was won by a happy Eric Gonzalez. Note: President Dave Wallace in the background.



**The next club meeting will be held on Thursday, March 14, 2024, 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 9:10pm.

Minutes recorded by Chickey P. Garbonzo....