



March 2019



David Torres's 1/35th scale Diorama

The March meeting was well attended with 30 members, family and two guests, both that indicated they were interested in joining. Carlos Nava was invited by Roger Gutierrez and James Howard was invited by Joseph Roper. Welcome. John Van Sickle from Tularosa, NM drove down again, about 120 miles each way. It was nice to see him again.

A couple of folks paid their dues at the meeting. Our dues run for the year, from January to December and are only \$15.00 per year. By paying dues, you may vote, buy a chance for a door prize, and complain. However, complaints may allow you to write, print, and edit the newsletter.

Phoenix and River Villa did not attend the meeting. I answered email from Phoenix during the week and may not have included him in the notification about the meeting. If that was the case, my apologies to them. Further info on Phoenix: he pulled a muscle or strained a muscle in his neck and was unable to attend. He stated that he will return.

Duane Velasquez is at home recovering from his recent surgery on his foot. Clifford Bossie went by to bring Duane to the meeting, but Duane did not feel up to it.

Dixi Fischer was not able to attend the meeting as she was at the hobby shop filling in for Duane.



Mike Garcia's Graf Zeppelin in 1/245th scale

Steve Herren came up with a fund raiser for the club. He will print an 8 ½ by 11 color print of each individual's models that are photographed, put them in a clear sleeve and place them in a notebook. If you are interested, check with Steve.

Jack Callaway commented on what a great meeting we had. I commented that we didn't do much, but he used the noise level as an indicator. There were many conversations and discussion about the models on the tables and how the results were achieved. It was rather noisy, in fact.

Thanks to Jerry Richardson from Amarillo. He sent several sheets of decals that will be used for door prizes. Jerry mentioned Rick Wongsing but Rick is in Korea TDY at this time.

Clifford Bossie may be going to Korea as part of his job. Rick has found a very good hobby shop and he and Clifford will check it out if Cliff gets to go to Korea, so I was told.

The photo section will have an artillery bias this month. We photograph what is brought. Thanks to Steve Herren and his wife Bea. She drove him over and helped bring in the photo equipment.



Art Berdick's Kriegslokomotive Br-52 in 1/72nd scale

Our next meeting will be April 7, same time, same venue: 7000 Edgemere at 2:00 P.M.



Carlos Delgado's Mine Clearing M-1 in 1/35th scale

From Jack Ratterman, a former member of IPMS/El Paso:

Hi John,

I wanted to say thank you for all the El Paso Model Club did for me.

I have not kept up my membership as I used to and I apologize for that. I owe any and all model success I have had to this club and the members.

I recently participated in the AMPS Atlanta Show this past weekend. I earned two silver medals in the advanced class for a Tamiya Tiran 5 and my Ming DR9 Dozer.



Jack Ratterman's photo of his AMPS winners



Sal Samaniego' F-15 in 1/72nd scale

Joe Martinez ,award winning figure modeler, has at least two pictures in the World War One issue of *Fine Scale Modeler*. Joe also painted figures for a museum in New York for their WWI display. Well done, Joe.



This figure by Joe Martinez appeared in the Phoenix Nationals section of *Fine Scale Modeler*.



Roger Gutierrez's Pak 40 in 1/5th scale

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We will meet the first Sunday of the month until September when it will be the second Sunday due to the Labor Day Weekend.

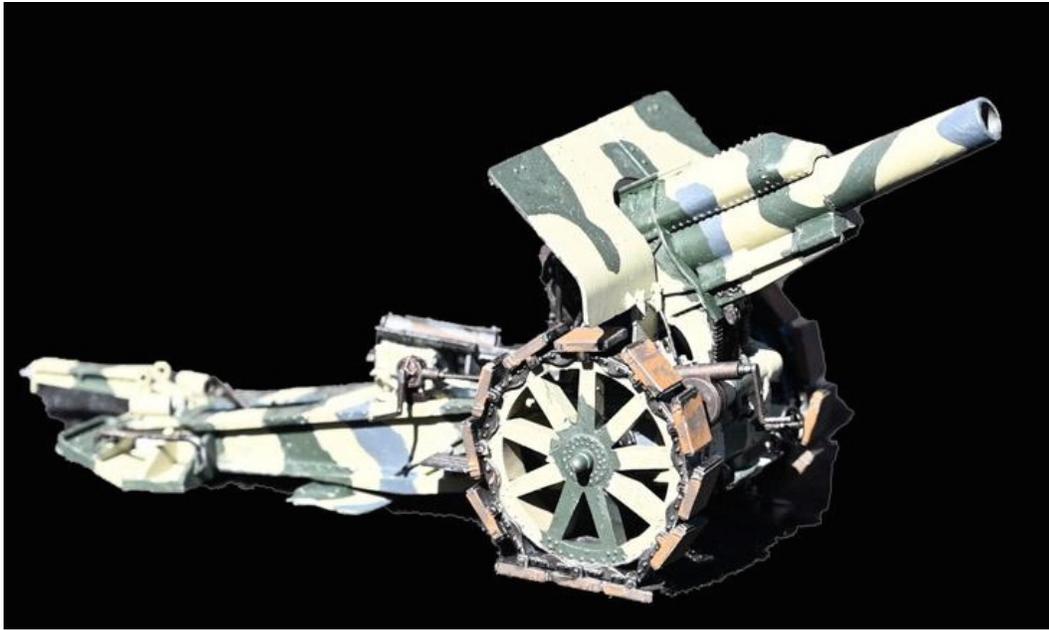


Arthur Berdick's M102 Howitzer in 1/35th scale.

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Justin Segovia's T-34/85 in 1/72nd scale



Arthur Berdick's Krupp 21cm Morser in 1/35th scale



Arthur's Dragon Wagon M1070 with a D-9 in 1/72nd scale



Carlos Delgado's G3M3 in 1/72nd scale



Arthur Berdick's 15 cm sJG. 33 infantry gun



Justin Segovia's ABM 42 with a 47/32 anti-tank gun in 1/72nd scale.

ON THE TABLES

Justin Segovia brought a T-34/85 with a figure of Stalin and an ABM 42 with a 47/32 anti-tank gun by Italeri.

Both models were in 1/72nd scale.

Michael Garcia had a Hawk 1/245th scale Graf Zeppelin to show.

Rodger Gutierrez brought a Pak 40 anti-tank gun built from the Tamiya kit in 1/35th scale.

Carlos Delgado brought a Hasegawa 1/72nd scale Mitsubishi G3M3 Nell and a 1/35th scale Trumpeter mine clearing M-1 prototype.

David Torres finished his 1/35th scale diorama representing the Special Forces camp at Long Vei that was overrun by North Vietnamese troops and tanks. David used Dragon figures, a Verlinden trench unit beefed up with Styrofoam and Miliput sand bags. The ground work was done with Vallejo pigments and artist pastels. The PT-70 is a Trumpeter kit. Very nice work.

Arthur Berdick once again had several models to show. One was a Dragon kit of a mechanized towed 15 cm sJG. 33 infantry gun, circa World War One. Another was a M102 Howitzer built from an AFV kit also in 1/35th scale. Art also brought a German Kriegslokomotive Br-52 in 1/72nd scale built from the Hobby Boss kit. Also in 1/72nd scale, he had a Dragon Wagon M1070 with a D-9 bull dozer by Takom. His final model was a Krupp 21cm Morser in 1/35th scale built from the Takom circa, WW I.

John Van Sickle brought a Steyr command car but did not have it photographed.