



June 2022



Michael Kennedy's F-102

Twenty-five members, guests and family attended our June meeting. Frank Rodriguez was invited to the meeting by Michael Garcia. We now have a new member to our membership. Welcome, Frank. He spent most of the meeting with the armor folks as that is his modeling interest.

Jerry Richardson sent an e-mail stating that all the folks that were at the May meeting had their picture in the May issue. His was not, so he sent a photo of himself and his fourth grandchild, Sophia. So, for those that were wondering, if there really was a member that lived in Amarillo, you now will have a face to go with the name.

John Estes claimed that someone asked to see a demo on how to cut parts off the etch metal sheets supplied in some kits. John was able to cut several parts off without losing any of them. However, he did not provide an easier way to cut the parts from the sheets. Patience, a sharp blade or small scissors and the use of cutting board surface of some type, did the job.

Actually, someone really did ask John to do this demonstration.



Marine, Saipan, 1944 by Joe Martinez

Joe Martine attended the meeting and brought one of his outstanding figures to show. Michael Kennedy, our photographer, brought his latest modeling effort to show. Mike got to photograph one of his own for a change. Nice work.



Arthur Berdick's

Some general discussion about the status of the National IPMS was tossed about as it was noted that phone calls are not returned when messages are left. Three years dues of almost ninety dollars and you get to print your own membership cards, postage is up again but?? Some of the IPMS honors selections have not been announced, Person or Contributor of the Year to mention one. John Estes was named from Region 6 in that Category and El Paso was selected as the Chapter of the Year for Region 6. Thanks, Sean. We requested a new Certificate of Renewal and some seals with the year of renewal. We got two answers, not doing that anymore and yes, I will send you what you need. Nothing yet has arrived to my knowledge.

I am still willing to use articles of build reviews, photos from individuals that attend open houses or trips to museums, etc. for the newsletter if provided by member.

I had planned to place the picture of modeler with the photograph of his work but maybe I will try that next issue. I think I am just too lazy to change my usual method.



Revell 1/35th scale H13 built by Roger Gutierrez



Kit Bash Tiger II from Frank Rodriguez 1/35th scale

On his photo information sheet, Frank listed a SWS German Rocket Launcher in 1/35th scale built from the Italeri kit. However, I did not have a photo of that build.

Our next meeting will be July 3 at 7000 Edgemere. Time 2:00.



AMT 1929 Ford Model T Chopped and Modified by Hector Gonzalez



1/35th scale Panther G WIP Arthur Berdick's effort



1/48th scale Monogram P-61 built by Ricardo Macias

From Richard's photo sheet: "First operational night fighter and the first to use radar. Twin engine boom with four forward firing 20 mm. Speed was 430 at 30,00 feet, service ceiling was 41,000 feet. Crew of three, pilot, gunner and the radar operator."



Revell 1/72nd scale Me 262-A1 built by Richard Macias



ZU-35 1/35th scale built by Carlos Delgado



Monogram 1/48th scale P-47D built by Carlos Delgado



Hasegawa 1/48th scale P-38 built by Carlos Delgado



1/72nd scale F-4J Phantom built by Jim Davis

Jim's F-4 is in the markings of VF-74, the Be-Devilers, circa 1973 and was assigned to the USS America.



Swedish Warship "Wassa" WIP by Arthur Berdick, circa 1628



Tamiya 1/35th scale 38 cm Assault Mortar "SturmTiger" built by Joe Martinez

From Joe's photo info sheet: "Joe used an Eduard photo etch sheet, an Aber bow machine gun barrel, Monroe Purdu Studios zimmerit and he added texture using Mr. Surfacer 500. The paints that he used for primers, were Krylon black and Tamiya white. Joe used Lifecolors for the three-color camouflage and some Scale 75, Vallejo and Andrea acrylics as well as some Mig and AK paints for the weathering.

For the Marine from page two, Joe used the Hellhound Miniatures 1/16th scale Private USMC, Saipan, circa 1944. Joe replaced the right-hand side chin strap with lead foil as the resin piece would not hang correctly. During the prep work, Joe goofed up the bayonet, so he had to secure a replacement M-1 rifle with one from Alpine Miniatures, however the replacement rifle came with hands attached to the rifle so he had to carve the hands away in order to use the rifle. Joe used various acrylics to paint the model.



AMT 1/25th scale 1990 Thunderbird built by Hector Gonzalez



AMT 1/25th scale 1940 Ford Sedan built by Hector Gonzalez



1/72d scale M109 models by Justin Segovia



1/35th scale MiniArt German Police Van circa 1939 built by Arthur Berdick



1/35th scale Zvezda Russian Police Van Leningrad District by Arthur Berdick



Inspiration for Michael Kennedy's F-102

This is one of several F-102's flown by NASA during the 1960's and 1970's. N617NA was based at the Lewis Research Center in Cleveland, Ohio and information given in the color guide that came with the Fox One Decals stated that it flew mostly as an escort aircraft for the Lewis Research Center F-106B, which was a power plant testbed. N717NA was originally assigned to the 118th FIS of the Connecticut Air National Guard. It flew at Lewis from 1970 through 1974.



Michael Drapes Jack Callaway



Jim Davis Dixi Fischer



Hector Gonzalez



Roy Lingle



Gustav Hebrok



Arthur Berdick

Justin Segovia



Joe Martinez



Frank Rodriguez



Mike Garcia

Jim Davis

John Estes



Duane Velasquez



Bernie McCune

Conrad Hottenhoff



Clifford Bossie



Ricardo Macias



Carlos Delgado

We will meet on July 3 next month. In years past, we have waited until after July 4 to meet.

I took part of the folks that attended from the archives. If you were not included, my apologies.



Michael Kennedy



Jerry Richardson Sophia



Roger Gutierrez



Joseph Roper