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A Presentation model by David Torres

Thanks to those that provided models for this issue of the newsletter. Jim Davis, Dixi Fischer, Jerry Richardson from Amarillo, David Torres and Rodney Rogers from Las Cruces.

I read in the newspaper that the city had extended the disaster decree until July 13.

The Governor of Texas has restricted meetings again.



Dixi Fischer's Hanging Out at Home

A reminder, Hal's is open from 11 to 5 but closed on Sundays.

I have not been able to go to the bank to deposit the checks for dues for a couple of months. If you are one of those that gave me a check, I will try to get to our bank.

Thanks to those that replied to Richard Macias's question concerning Model Master paint.

David Torres sent me a couple of pictures of a Border Patrol unit near Lordsburg, NM. He will present the model to an agent that is retiring. A very nice gesture and a fine model.

Jerry Richardson sent several pictures of his latest modeling effort, the Trumpeter 1/32nd scale P-51B Mustang. The aircraft of Ralph "Kidd" Hofer, Salem Representative of the 334 FS ,4th FG, circa May 1944. Jerry used Kit World decals, Eduard seat belts and wheels. Neat.



Jerry Richardson's P-51B



The Interior

Dixi Fischer re-did her Hedge Hog room into a room for hanging out in the time of being restricted by government decree. She changed the floor covering and added people just taking it easy.

Jack Callaway sent me a memory sick with some photos. I will use something off of that for this issue.



Somewhere in Lordsburg...

David Torres's Border Patrol Presentation



Rodney Roger's Mirage 2000

Since Rodney Rogers has not been traveling as much, he has had a little more time to model. He sent pictures of his latest effort, a Dassault Mirage in Taiwanese AF markings. Rodney used the Kinetic kit of the Mirage 2000 Sdi in 1/48th scale.



Justin Segovia's Bren Carrier

Justin Segovia sent me several photos of his latest effort. I did not go back and add him the first page list as I thought I was almost finished with this issue. Little did I know.



Jim Davis's Grumman F11F-1



Jim Davis's F3H-2

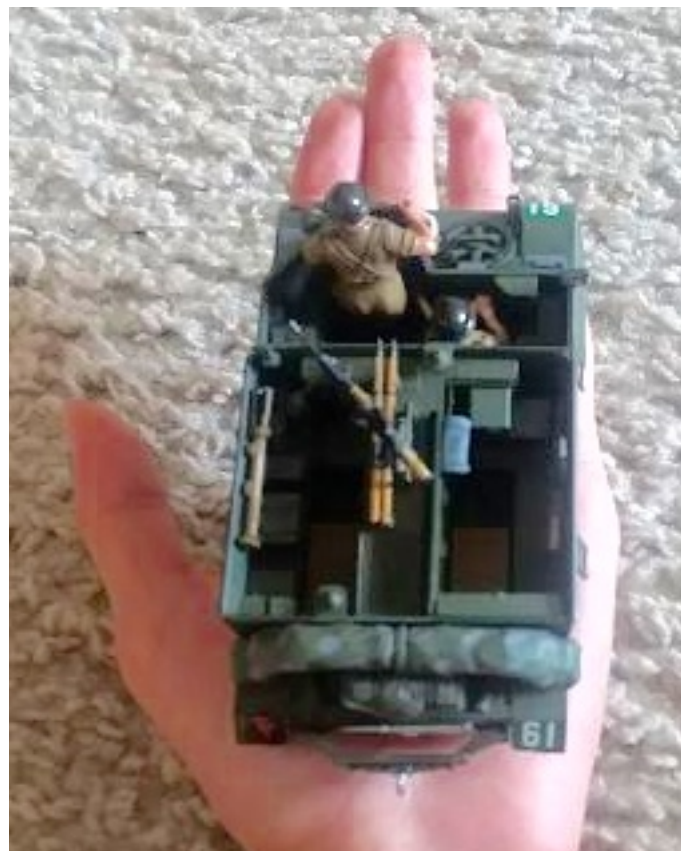
Jim Davis brought a couple of models over to be photographed, One was a Hasegawa F11F-1 Tiger in VF-21 "Mach Busters" markings, circa 1963.



Jim's other model was an F3H-2 Demon built from the Emhar kit in VF-41 CAG markings while assigned to the USS Independence CVG-4. Both models were in 1/72nd scale.



Another view of Rodney Roger's Mirage 2000



Justin Segovia's Bren Carrier



Jim Davis's F11F-1 Tiger

From IPMS/USA

The following is a joint announcement from the San Marcos 2020 Convention Leadership team and the IPMS USA Executive Board.

We jointly appreciate all the feedback we received regarding this year's convention. We've taken your comments and concerns into careful consideration, while maintaining an ongoing dialogue and negotiation with the Embassy Suites convention center in San Marcos. These negotiations have been proceeding carefully due to the significant financial exposure that IPMS would be subject to if we simply decided to cancel the convention unilaterally.

We are now prepared to announce that the 2020 National Convention is officially canceled. While this may disappoint many, including your authors, we believe it is the prudent, safe and sensible thing to do.

On a more positive note, we have been successful in negotiating the use of the Embassy Suites San Marcos location for the 2023 convention. Therefore, the rotation for the next three years, circumstances permitting, will be Las Vegas in 2021, Omaha in 2022, and San Marcos in 2023. Tentative dates for the 2023 convention will be August 2nd through the 5th. We are currently finalizing details of the contract with Embassy Suites and expect a finalized version within a week.

For those who have registered already for the convention, we will be processing your refunds. For those who have booked hotel reservations at one of the convention center hotels, it will be up to you to cancel those on your own. Vendors will be refunded their money for tables as well through our vendor coordinator, Craig Gregory. Chapters and individuals who have sponsored contest categories may also receive refunds for their sponsorships.

Again, we want to thank you all for your patience and support during these trying times, and hope that you recognize we have made the best possible decision for all under the circumstances.

For any questions please contact John Noack at: IPMSPresident@ipmsusa.org

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Respectfully submitted,

Len Pilhofer, 2020 Convention Chairman