

ANTENNA !

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The "Next Generation" of CAF defence fighter, the CF-44 "Naboo", unveiled by the Noran Design Group Facility at a press conference. Further details can be found on page 5.

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Meetings

Time: 7:30 PM

Date: First Friday of each month.

(No meeting in July. Meeting held on second Friday of the month if first Friday falls on a holiday long weekend)

Place: South Leisure Center, 170 Sunset Drive (Albert Park), Regina, SK

Memberships

Regular	\$24.00/year
Junior (under 16)	\$8.00/year
**Subscription	\$14.00/year

The RSM modeling year runs from September 1 to August 31. All membership renewals are due on or before the start of the modeling year. Any new members joining after the year has started will have the first year's fees pro-rated.

** The Subscription rate is available to those living outside the City of Regina, and wishing to be a club member, but unable to attend regular meetings

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RSM Website:

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"FULL METAL JACKET" Modern Armour and Armour Model Photographs

www.kithobbyist.com/AFVinteriors/fullmetaljacket/fullmet.html

"Uniforms of the German Army" Series Website

www.angelfire.com/sk2/germanuniforms/index.html

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Material for the Antenna

Kit Reviews, Articles, Modeling Hints and Tips, and other newsworthy modeling items for publication in the Antenna!

Contact Al at: magnusfamily@cableregina.com or at 789-9017 evenings and weekends.

Raffle Prizes

Kits, decals, books, etc. donated by you for the club raffle. Raffles happen at every regular meeting (dependant upon donations). Raffle tickets are \$1.00 each. Bring your donations with you. Thank you.



The Parts Box

"Where Are They?"

Hello again gang, and welcome to yet another edition of The Parts Box. For those of you that actually read this article, you may have noticed the title. No, I am not referring to kits that should be reissued. I am not talking about this perfect little pair of cutters that I seem to have lost. And I am not referencing all the unseen car models built by the Aircraft and Armour guys.

What I am talking about is modellers. Where are they?

I have really noticed, (and I know I am not the only one) that there seems to be a lot of kits out there in the stores, especially around Christmas. Henry at Redline seems to be moving them through his doors. A fellow who runs an online hobby store on the west coast of Canada says he ships lots to Saskatchewan, many of which are going to our fair city.

So who is building all these kits? I know as hard as we try to have our buying outpace our building, I can't truly believe we are building them all.

Is it kids? Teenagers? Young adults who would come out to meetings if they weren't on a Friday? (relax, just kidding)

Is it the closet modeller who enjoys throwing the odd kit together when they have time? They enjoy it but aren't as obsessive or passionate as some of are.

Is there is another model club in town and we aren't invited?

Or are they being bought by industry speculators that figure, due to the instability of the stock market, the best long term investment choice is plastic model kits?

Regardless of who is doing the buying, why aren't they coming out to meetings? Are we missing something on getting our name out there? Do people not know about us? Are they intimidated and think their stuff wouldn't be good enough? Or do they simply not care? All of which is possible.

Well, I know this isn't as much of an article as it is a bunch of questions, but it is something that I find myself pondering. Is there something we can do to spread the word?

Personally I think the club is a fantastic thing, something I feel very fortunate to be a part of. Maybe others would feel that way if they gave it a try. I know

we all do, or most of us anyway, really try and build the hobby. Lets give some thought as to what we can do. Do we need to put some "not quite so nice" kits in the display so people don't feel they can't measure up? I know I have lots at home that won't make anybody feel threatened.

Should we have more displays? Should we rent a van with a big speaker and drive around the neighbourhood?

Or do we simply not worry about it?

That's about enough for this month, Al won't have to keep asking me for the next article for a month now (Ed. - hey, it was just one email!).

'Til next time keep your blades sharp
and your brushes clean,

Ron

RSM Club Calendar 2004

February 6

Century Series A/C
Mid-East Armour
Nascar

March 1 -28

Club display at the Sherwood Village branch library

March 5

"For the Birds" (Anything with a bird name .. F-15
Eagle, Ford Thunderbird, etc)
My Favorite Model

April 2

M&M's (Mustangs & Messerschmitts), Wheeled
Military Vehicles & ½ Tracks,
Commercial Transport/Public Service Vehicles

April 24-25

Majestics Car Show & Contest

May 7

Club Contest

June 3

Elections / Modeller of the Year Award
Da Boot (Anything Italian)
Das Boot (Submarines or ASW craft)

June 13

Moose Jaw Air Show

July

No Meeting
Club BBQ

General Meeting, January 9, 2004

Those in attendance for the January General Meeting were Vincent Collins, Larry Draper, Tyler Edwards, Neil Hill, Curfew James, Leith James, Dave Kapp, Ed Kereluk, Kevin Krienke, Al & Nathan Magnus, Chris Martin, Peter Maw, Tim Maw, Brian Miller, Barry Novak, Neil & Drew Ostafie, Dave Schmidt, Len Schmidt, Mike Stobbs, Kyle Stevens, Corey Singbeil, Gene Stacyszyn, Aubrey Steadman, Darin Weilgoz, Bryan Sinclair, Fred Ziegler.



The club welcomed two new members, Prentis Schmuland from Melfort, and Fred Ziegler from Regina Beach.

The meeting was well attended, possibly due to the vote regarding a desire expressed by some to move the general meeting to a different day. The proposed move elicited some lively and interesting discussion amongst the members. The vote was taken, with the result that Friday nights will be retained for the RSM general meeting.

Above: Ron Gall's 1/24 scale 1963 Dodge 330 Super Stock "The Fugitive" - Lindbergh kit

Below: Leith James' '66 Nova SS



The vote results were as follows: 24 for Friday, 4 for Wednesday, 1 for Thursday.

Kevin Krienke reminded those in attendance that the Yorkton Farm Toy and Collectable Show and Sale is scheduled for February 21 and 22, 2004. Additional details can be found in the January 2004 issue of the Antenna.

Table charges are \$10/table, and the club is looking at renting 3 tables for the event.

If you are planning to attend, please contact Kevin at 757-6231 or 781-6400, or via email at kb_krienke@yahoo.com.

Neil Hill gave notice that, at the February meeting, he will be formally proposing that the club to adopt a policy that for all displays of members' models open to the public, all models in such displays will be accompanied by a standardized information card containing a minimum and maximum amount of information about the model. The object is to enhance the professionalism and visual appeal of our displays as they now are, by providing basic interesting information to viewers, while maintaining uniformity of presentation. Specifications on exactly what the standards will be for such things as print style, size, card size, decoration, if any, will have to be developed.



Vincent Collins' 1/72 scale Ju-188



Barry Novak's 1/35 scale Sherman 105

February 6, 2050 (Reuter's/AP/LP Regina, SK)

A news conference at the Noran Design Group Facility today announced that the latest generation of Canadian defence fighter craft will be unveiled later this year. Design team co-ordinators Jared Schmidt and Sophia Porter announced that the new craft, the CF-44 "Naboo", which will replace the current ageing CF-18 fleet, will introduce a significant technological advance over current defence vehicle designs in progress world wide.



The Naboo, which was inspired by an old movie series called "Star Wars", is rumoured to have Mach 6 capabilities as well as a WDS (Weapons Defence System) that will remain classified for the foreseeable future. It has also been rumoured (but not confirmed by Schmidt and Porter) that the fighter craft has the capability to operate in Earth's outer atmosphere, and possibly even in outer space!

Available for viewing at the news conference was a scale model replica of the craft, dressed up in Canadian Defence markings. The design team, consisting of brother and sister combinations of Jared, Jesse and Kaley Schmidt, as well as Weapons and Defence Systems team Sophia and Nick Porter, have been working on this design for the past ten years, and have already begun working on the next generation of fighter craft, tentatively referred to as the "X" project.

Well, ok seriously folks, here is what really transpired - according to Len.

The pictures are of the Star Wars Naboo fighter that I gave my 4 year old nephew Jared as a Christmas present (He and I, as well as his sisters all helped in building it).

The kit is AMT/Ertl 1/48 scale Snap kit from the Star Wars Episode One movie. We used a combination of the "snap" and some glue, and the decals used were the kit decals, as well as Citadel miniatures decals and some leftover aircraft decals from my spares.



We removed the engine exhaust points (the pointy things sticking out the back of the engines), as they were very flimsy and not likely to last too long when in the hands of a four year old! The use of the Canadian markings inspired me to write the above "press release" on the CF-44 "Naboo". (The "44" stands for "built for a four year old").

<< The production line: (L-R) Jesse, Len and Jared Schmidt.

A modelling tip

from Patrick Elkington

Paint Jewels is a craft paint that I found at the local Michaels craft store. It has a somewhat translucent quality.

I found that Black Onyx #61021 is very appealing as a wash on chrome-plated automotive parts. For example, it works extremely well to show detail and depth on chrome detail parts with different depths such as body trim, headlight and tail-light bezels, grilles, bumpers, and chrome wheels (anything chrome or shiny). Just remove the cap from the bottle, roll up a "Kleenex" tissue and dip it into the end of the bottle. Apply the liquid onto the chrome piece and, with a clean tissue, remove the excess paint. The affect is different than if you would have applied regular paints or washes.

The orange, amber, green and blue colours work very well for light lenses; these could find suitable applications on automotive lenses, aircraft lights, or any other model where a translucent lens is required. It has the same appearance as the Gunze or Model Master clear red or clear amber, etc., model paints. These paints come in a 2 oz. plastic bottle and are quite inexpensive.

Give this one a try, and HAPPY MODELLING!

RSM Library Display, March 2004

Once again the Regina Scale Modellers plan to put on a display at the Sherwood Village Branch library, located at 6121 Rochdale Blvd. The models will be on display for the month of March. Set-up will be Sunday, February 29 at 1:30pm, and the breakdown will be Sunday, March 28, 1:30pm. According to the staff at the library, our past displays have generated quite a bit of interest.

I would like to request that those planning to place items in the display bring a small typed information plaque for each item, even if all it contains is the subject name and its scale. I know from past displays, that this would better inform the public as to what they are looking at. For example, a couple of years ago, there was a Japanese Army Ki-27 on display. While we were leaving after the set-up, I overheard someone say to their son "...look that's a Japanese Zero". If there had been a plaque with the Ki-27 the gentleman would have been able to see that it was not a Zero.

If you plan to put something into the display, please contact Al Magnus at magnusfamily@cableregina.com or amagnus@sgi.sk.ca, or at 789-9017.

There is one caveat regarding the display. The library workers are members of one of the unions whose contract expired at the end of 2003. I'm sure some of you remember the 2002 display, when we were hard pressed to get our kits back because of the rotating walkouts. So if there is any indication that this may happen again in 2004, I suggest that the display be cancelled. Hopefully by the February 6 general meeting we will know more about this issue.

Lost and (Hopefully to be) Found

At one time the club had approximately four or five videos in the Scale Workshop Series for members to borrow. One of the titles was on the Mig-29. Over the years they have not managed to make their way back to the club. If you have any of these videos, the executive would appreciate seeing them returned. We have some members that would like to view them for upcoming projects.

Fantastic paint scheme on this Mi-24/25!

pictures submitted by Neil Hill



So, anyone out there willing to give this paint scheme a try!