

ANTENNA!

A Publication of the Regina Scale Modellers



Larry Draper's Revell Dick Landy 1968 Dodge Stock Car

(Al Magnus photo)

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Meetings

Time: 7:30 PM

Date: First Friday of each month.

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

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

Memberships

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

The RSM modelling year runs from September 1 to August 31. All membership renewals are due on or before the start of the modelling 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

Websites

RSM Website:

<http://angelfire.com/sk2/scalemodeling/>

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RSM Bulletin Board/Trading Post:

<http://www.quicktopic.com/4/H/Z8cOpNBqCNY3A7wCNd/>

“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, Modelling Hints and Tips, and other newsworthy modelling items for publication in the Antenna. Contact Al via email at magnusfamily@cableregina.com or via phone at 789-9017 evenings and weekends.

Publication of the Antenna is usually the week of scheduled general meetings. If you have time sensitive information to pass on, please try to get it to the editor at least one week before the next general meeting. Copies are emailed once the Antenna is complete. Postal mailing will be done following the general meeting.

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.



Glue Crazy

What is it that keeps me in this hobby of building plastic models?

I was asked this question recently and it gave me reason to pause and really think about what it really was that holds my interest so much. Here is a short list of what I came up with:

(1) I believe every person has a creative side to their persona. Not everyone is a gifted artist, sculptor, designer or inventor. Wait a minute, don't we do a bit of all the above? Yes we do even though we don't think of ourselves as being any of those talented persons.

(2) I really enjoy building plastic models. I do enjoy holing up in my basement workshop and letting the creative juices flow. And yes, I do like my times of solitude when I can listen to my radio (what I want to listen to) and work on my models and let life's pressures ease up a bit.

(3) I really enjoy sharing with other like-minded individuals my foibles, mistakes, challenges and triumphs. It is very rewarding to have recognition from your peers for skilled crafting in the models that we do build.

(4) I don't feel offended when one of my models is critiqued by one of my peers. I look for the positive aspect of criticism so I can improve on the interpretation of the model I am presenting.

(5) I enjoy the friendship of my fellow modellers. It brings me out of my shell when I can talk about a subject that I am so comfortable with.

(6) It gives me a chance to join and belong. Every person has a need to belong to some organization. I choose to belong to a club that deals specifically with something I am so passionate about. I can choose to be more than just a member by devoting some of my time and energies to help out the club I am a member of.

(7) Having fun is contagious. When I get together at various functions (club related) I see a lot of good natured kidding that is given and taken and returned.

(8) I can share with people who don't have any understanding of what it is we do. WE ARE NOT PLAYING WITH TOYS. We are talented people who don't consider our favorite pastime to be what is on the next reality program.

These are but a few of the things that keep me building plastic models. There is one benefit not mentioned above specifically and that is if one chooses one can run for president and if one is so lucky to be elected one has the opportunity to put a blurb in every months issue of our newsletter and to call the column what ever one chooses to call it.

We have been fortunate to have Capital Pontiac Buick, Cadillac come forward as a major sponsor for our club contests (Majestics and Expo) thanks to the efforts of Leith James. Well done. We still have spots to be sponsored yet for Expo so don't stop now. I am happy to say that all the automotive awards have been sold out.

Is your workbench empty or is it cluttered with your projects? Expo is coming quickly so don't wait till the last minute. Get to work building.

Yours (crazily gluing)
Curfew James.

RSM Club Calendar

2006

March 3

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

April 7

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

April 29-30

Majestics Car Show Model Contest

May 5

Club Contest
Modeller of the Year Award

June 2

Club Elections
Da Boot (Anything Italian)
Das Boot (Submarines or ASW craft)

August 11

Dioramas and Display Bases
Open Wheel Competition Auto



February Antenna Trivia Quiz Answer

by Gord MacDonald

The question:

In the 1960' s, this DHC Otter (Tail Number A704) was owned by two military organizations at different times, and utilized exclusively in the training role by five military organizations. Name all five. (Hint: The most important clue is the tail number).

The answer:

While posted at Camp Borden Ontario for trades training as an airframe tech, I spotted Otter A704 and photographed it. What made it unique was its Tanzanian markings. In 1966 Tanzania bought DHC Otters and Caribou. The country' s defence forces had no prior aviation element, so part of the purchase agreement was to train both ground and air crew. However, this aircraft was not Tanzanian. The clue to its ownership is the tail number.

When RCAF aircraft were struck off strength and released to ground training aids, they were assigned new identification numbers. We had Beech 18' s T-33' s, Otters, CF-100' s, an F-86 and a Canadian Army Cessna 1-19. The Cessna' s tail number was 698B. All the RCAF airframes were renumbered with ' A' series numbers. So Otter A704 was owned by the RCAF and later the Canadian Armed Forces when I photographed it in May 1968. In addition to these two organizations it was used for training Royal Canadian Navy and Canadian Army personnel, in addition to the Tanzanian Defence Forces.

Hobbycraft' s DHC-3 Otter in 1/72nd scale was the kit used. Assembly was pretty well SOB, the only alterations were to the fuselage antennae and Krystal Klear for the windows. The paint scheme consisted of white upper fuselage surfaces, with lower fuselage and all flying surfaces in silver lacquer. Only the exhaust stacks are in bare metal. The usual black belly panel was the same shade of silver. National markings used for the kit came from the Hobbycraft Caribou kit. Fuselage and wing markings were close to size, the tail flag was reduced in size, numbers and letters and black fuselage stripe came from old decal sheets. Although Tanzanian aircraft had national insignia in six positions, A704 had no under wing insignia. The blue on the kit decals is considerably darker than the blue on the actual aircraft, but when you see Tanzanian flag, the darker colour appears to be correct.

So there you have it; a rather unique paint scheme for anybody interested in RCAF/CAF paint schemes.

February 3, 2006 General Meeting

Well, the above normal temperatures and the lack of snow continue to make this a most unusual Saskatchewan winter, and the fair conditions are, I believe partly responsible to the great turnout over the past couple of general meetings. It was nice to see Ted and William make the drive from Fort Qu' Appelle, and Ryan in from Moose Jaw for the meeting. We don' t get too many of the members from outside of Regina out during the winter months.

I can only work from memory for a complete attendance roster for the February meeting since part of the attendance sheet went missing. So here goes ...in attendance were Sheldon Barsi, Ryan Cunningham, Patrick Elkington, Arnold Gelowitz, Kurt Gulash, Neil Hill, Curfew James, Leith James, Dave Kapp, Kevin Kreinke, Colin Kunkel, James Lory, Gordon MacDonald, Al Magnus, Chris Martin, Ted McPherson, Brian Miller, Dave Porte, Dave Schmidt, Len Schmidt, John Seitz, Gene Stacyszyn, Kyle Stevens, Frank Turgeon, Ted Upcott and William Yee.

And for the third meeting in a row new faces were in attendance. John Seitz, who is yet another car modeler, gave us a look over. Arnold Gelowitz, a friend of Gene' s was also out. Both he and Gene brought their latest work.

On the tables:

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| <u>Larry Draper:</u> | Revell Dick Landy 1968 Dodge Stock Car, 1/144 scale E-2 Hawkeye |
| <u>Arnold Gelowitz:</u> | Academy 1/200 scale Spruce Goose |
| <u>Neil Hill:</u> | Hobbycraft 1/72 scale CF-100, Tamiya 1/35 M13 tank.. |
| <u>James Lory:</u> | Heller 1/72 scale Hawkeye (primer table). |

Gordon MacDonald:

Airfix 1/48 scale Thundermustang.

Dave Porter:

Minicraft 1/72 scale AH-64A Apache, Tamiya 1/35 scale Iraqi T-62 tank, Dragon 1/35 scale M-50 Super Sherman.

Len Schmidt:

Testors 1/72 scale E-2C Hawkeye (primer table).

Gene Stacyszyn:

Testors 1/72 scale E-2C Hawkeye (primer table), Academy 1/200 scale Spruce Goose.

Kyle Stevens:

Hobbycraft 1/35 scale T-72, Citadel Miniatures Imperial Army Company.

Ted Upcott:

Monogram 1/24 scale Western Auto NASCAR, Revell 1/48 scale SE-5A (primer table).

Will Yee:

Revell 1/25 scale 1981 Dodge Colt FWD Drag Car being converted from a VW Rabbit (primer table).



Dave Porter' s 1/72 scale Academy AH-64A

(Al Magnus photo)



Dave Kapp' s Ricksha

(Al Magnus photo)



Dave Schmidt' s 1/32 scale F-104

(Al Magnus photo)



Dave Porter' s 1/35 scale Iraqi T-62 tank

(Al Magnus photo)

Vote Reminder

Just a quick reminder that the constitution changes outlined in the February Antenna will be voted on during the March general meeting.

March 3 General Meeting Agenda

1. Constitutional Ammendments vote
2. Library Display reminder
3. Expo status

Expo 2006 Report, part 3 (Awards)

Below are the revised Expo awards that will be in effect for the 2006 competition. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact any of the executive.

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| Best in Show | Modellers' Choice |
| Best Diorama | Best Intermediate Entry |
| Best Junior Entry | Peoples' Choice |
| Best Canadian Aircraft (Brian Findlay Memorial Award) | Best Automotive Paint |
| Best Hot Rod Paint | Best Automotive Engine Detail |
| Best Automotive Interior | Best Automotive Decaling |
| Best Aircraft Paint | Best Aircraft Cockpit |
| Best Armour Paint | Best Armour Interior |
| Best Figure Paint | Best Bare Metal Finish |
| Best Scratchbuilt or Conversion | Best Weathering and/or Damage |
| Best Military Jet Aircraft | Best Military Prop Aircraft |
| Best Civilian Aircraft | Best Rotary Wing |
| Best Street Auto | Best Competitive Auto |
| Best Hot Rod | Best Muscle Car |
| Best Replica Stock Auto | Best Truck |
| Best Armour | Best Sci/Fi |
| Best Figure | Best Figure Vignette |
| Best Ship | Best Aircraft Straight outta the Box |
| Best Armour Straight outta the Box | Best Automotive Straight outta the Box |

Annual Club Display at the Library

Once again the club will put on a display at the RPL branch on Rochdale Blvd. Set up will be on Sunday, March 5 starting at 1:30pm. The display will run four weeks. The break down will be Sunday, April 2 at 1:30pm. Each year we get rave reviews from the library staff, and I know that the display attracts a lot of attention.

If you are interested in putting something in the display, please contact Al at magnusfamily@cableregina.com or 789-9017.