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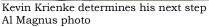
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Dave Kapp at work on his model. Al Magnus photo







"Model Building is being able to hold history in your hands"

Leonardo da Vinci

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Time: 7:30pm

Date: First Friday of every month

(Meeting held on second Friday if first Friday falls on a long

weekend. No July Meeting)
Place: South Leisure Center
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Memberships

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

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

The RSM Modeling year runs from Sept 1 to Aug 31. All membership dues are due on or before the start of the modeling year. Any new members joining after the year has started will have their first years fees pro-rated.

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What I Have Been Up Too

By Dave Kapp

Let'see... where did I leave off? OK-I've got the PF2 into rough mockup stage. After giving the shell an initial spray of base white it became apparent that there is a bit more body works to be done on it. While I wait for that paint to dry I decided to work on getting the plastic tires painted. As with most of these glue bombs, they needed to be dismantled to pop the "mags" out and in doing so usually creates a bit of "collateral damage.

In this case, the PF has spikes on the tires and one of those broke off. I could have left it as is and mounted the tire in as position where one could not see it but that's not how my mama taught me to do things. I replaced the missing spike with a piece of melted, stretched sprue that was even the same colour. In order to get the spike to sit straight, I drilled a small hole perpendicular to the surface of the tire, glued in the melted sprue/spike and trimmed it to fit. Even I can't tell the difference!



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On to the mags! When I got this piece, it was missing a chrome mag. I could have used another hubcap or what ever, but I wanted to keep its original appearance as much as possible. This is where my good friend and comrade Larry Draper saved my bacon by casting a few replacements for me. After some intensive grinding and shaping with some rifling files he generously gave me I had a new mag ready to go.

I have decided that I will "replate" all the chrome with Alcad as much of it has worn off and the hot pink plastic is showing through. I will save that process along with painting the fenders, etc for one major painting session. Before I get to the paint stage I have to replace one of the axle bosses on the front axle as it was broken off. As I did with the Ramrod and the 32 Skid, I will use a bit of paper clip as a "pin" to secure a replacement boss. Sure, I could have just glued the wheel to the remaining part of the boss, but to paraphrase Randy Bachman, "I can't get to Texas if my wheels won't turn." A bit more work but how many times do you actually get to work on restoring a classic like the PF? It is truly an honour.

As you can see in the picture I have managed to get the PF2 to the mock-up stage but there is still much work to be done. The drip rails need to be cleaned up, it needs final paint (that Testors white just won't cut it so I'll have to step up to Tamyma (ouch-\$\$\$). The paint also requires some red stripes and some rather complex decal making on the computer-that will be a first for me, AND I have to build a mini-chopper to mount on the p-side running board. Luckily William Yee had my back on that one and has kindly supplied me with the basics for the bike.

As you can also see in the other picture there is a Ford T dragster in the restoration bay as well. Look for a feature on this one soon.



RSM Upcoming Events

June 1 2007

Club Contest Modeller of the Year Award Club Elections

June 10

Regina Flying Club Display

July 6 2007

No Meeting

August 3 2007

Flash & Dash (Fast machines, Colorful schemes) German Armour (all eras)

September 2007

Adversaries (Vette & Mustang, etc.) Children of the Night (Things that operate by night .. F-117, Dracula, etc.)

October 2007

Anatomy 101 – figures, or anything with mouth, eyes, etc

Flamer Night – anything with flames on it, etc

November 2007

EXPO-Display Only

December 2007

Ladies Nite – anything female, A/C nose art, vehicles with women's names, etc Foreign Cars (non-North American)

Tales of the Road Warrior: Two Contests, Two Weekends

By Colin Kunkel



Regina's Choice Winner- "Victory is Near"-built by Jayme Benson from Saskatoon, SK. Colin Kunkel photo

Well, springtime is usually the start of contest time in Western Canada. May 4th and 5^{tl} saw the Scale Modeller's Association of Saskatoon once again hosting Bridgecon. The 2007 edition of Bridgecon saw a change at the helm as longtime Chairperson Shane Armstrong stepped down after the previous Bridgecon in 2005. Taking Shane's place is Murray Kish.

As usual, entries in the Advanced Category were highest among the three tiered system that Bridgecon has in place. Modellers from Calgary, Prince Albert, Saskatoon and of course, the Regina Scale Modeller's were in attendance. The quality of work in a lot of the categories was excellent to say the least.

The Regina Scale Modeller's were proud to award "Regina's Choice to Jayme Benson for his fantastic diorama "Victory is Near", which depicts an American tank crew passing a burnt out German tank during the final days of the Second World War. Congratulations Jayme, very well deserved!

All in all, Bridgecon 2007 appears to have been a success, although, there is talk about holding Bridgecon every two years and working along with the contest schedule of the Regina Scale Modeller's and Expo, thus ensuring at least one contest per year in Saskatchewan.

Thanks to the Scale Modeller's Association, Murray Kish and the Bridgecon 2007 Committee for being such good hosts on both Friday night at their "Meet & Greet" social and Saturday during the contest. I will be looking forward to the next Bridgecon contest!



Bridgecon Chairperson Murray Kish (right) presents Jayme Benson with the "Regina's Choice Award" Colin Kunkel photo

Well, the weekend came and went. As I drove back to Regina, my sights turned to Calgary and the Western Canadian Regional Contest being hosted by the Rocky Mountain Model Club. First thing was first.....could I pull off a miracle and finish my CF-18 in 4 days for Calgary (I wanted it done for Bridgecon, but just couldn't finish it)? Read on my friends!

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On the Display Tables-May 2007 General Meeting

Photos by Al Magnus



1/72 Airfix RAF Rescue Boat built by Ted Upcott



1/72nd Matchbox Daimler Dingo built by Al Magnus



1/25 AMT 49 Plymouth Coupe built by William Yee



1/72 Hasegawa SdKfz 234/1 built by Al Magnus

Darn Paparazzi! William Yee (left) looks on as Ted McPherson concentrates on his kit at the clubs "Bring and Build" Night

In Attendance at May GM

Dave Kapp, Kevin Krienke, Al Magnus, Ted McPherson, Brian Miller, Neil Ostafie, Carter Smith, Len Schmidt, Ted Upcott, William Yee

Road Warrior-continued

Well, no sooner had I got back from Saskatoon, I started work on completing my CF-18 for Calgary. After 4 days and evenings of sweating, swearing, painting, swearing, repainting....did I mention swearing......I was......finally....off to Calgary (yeah, left ya hanging.....mean....I know).

For many years now, the Rocky Mountain Model Club of Calgary has been hosting an annual contest and over the years, the contest has grown leaps and bounds. Recently, the contest underwent a name change to the Western Canadian Regional Contest....and it truly is a regional contest. This year, participants from Calgary and area were joined my model builders from Saskatoon, Edmonton, Victoria, and of course, Regina.



Regina's Choice Winner for the 2007 WCRC was this Sopwith Triplane, built by Jim Robinson

As with Bridgecon, the Regina Scale Modeller's presented the "Regina's Choice Award" to one deserving model. The Regina's Choice winner at the WCRC was a Sopwith Tri-plane built by Jim Robinson, from Edmonton, AB. Unfortunately, I did not catch what kit Jim had used for the model, but the extra detailing and painting was just excellent.

There were also many other special awards given out, including "Best Aircraft Built in Canada", won by yours truly, for my 48th scale Sabre Mk6. Thanks to the RMMC for being great hosts. I am already looking forward to 2008's WCR Contest.

The hottest place (literally) was the Vendor's Room. There was many a great deal to be had in the room. In addition, draws were being held throughout the day. Finally, throughout the day, photos were being taken for Fine Scale Modeller magazine. The WCRC has been featured in FSM's "Great Scale Modelling" the past two years, so, hopefully that trend will be repeated as there were some phenomenal models on display.

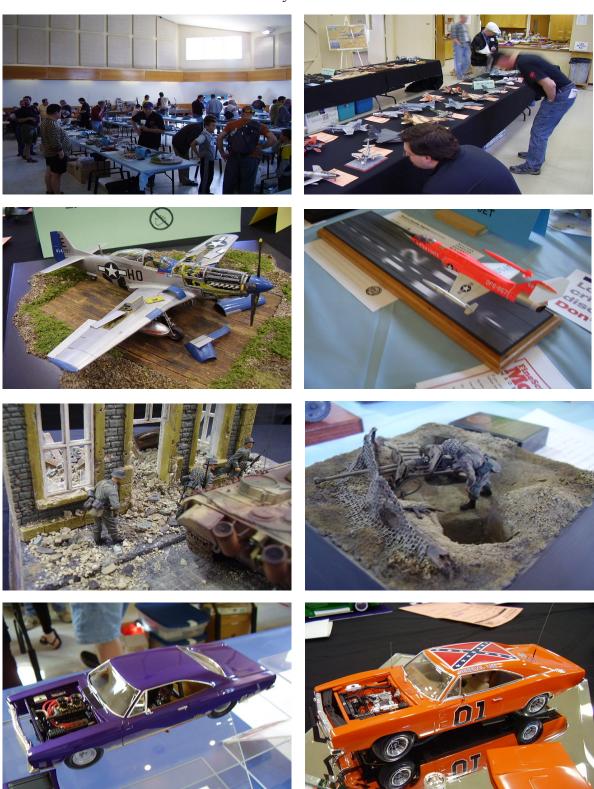
Also, a trip to Calgary is just not complete with the almost mandatory visit to the local hobby shops, such a Chinook Hobbies and of course, Uncle Bill's.



The author (left) presenting "Regina's Choice to Jim Robinson-Colin Kunkel photo

All in all, two great contests! Yeah, a lot of traveling due to the back-to-back weekends, but well worth it. It is always great to travel to these out of town contests, show the flag, represent the club, and it is great to renew old friendships, see what everyone else is building and to be inspired for that next project. Oh...what's that? The CF-18?? Well, of course I finished it. I thought it was a horrible disaster.....wasn't gonna win a thing....and it wins Gold in its class.....whoda thunk it, huh? Never again though.....I hate deadlines.

-7More photos from Bridgecon 2007 and the Western Canadian Regionals
Photos by Colin Kunkel



Buy and Sell.....parts, decals, kits

Gord MacDonald asked me to announce he is having a garage sale at his house on May 31, June 1 and 2 and he will be selling off a variety of model kits. The list is posted at Redline Hobbies in case anyone is interested. Gord cannot make it to the Swap Meet, because of the garage sale, so he is inviting anyone interested to drop by 2710 Howell Dr on the weekend before or after checking out the RSM Swap Meet at Kevin's.

Al Magnus is looking for decals for USA, red/white/blue stars-and-bars insignia, approximately 5mm or thereabouts. Need these for a 12 Squared BQM-34 Firebee II kit whose decals are out of register and are basically unusable!

Thanks.

John Neale, who works at Redline is looking for a 1/35 scale Korean War era Dodge Power Wagon, possibly made by Italeri. He didn't leave a number so I assume interested parties can contact him at Redline (721-4322)

Upcoming Events and Contests

June 2, 2007-Regina Scale Modellers Swap and Sell Meet Will take place at Kevin Krienke's house-434 Mullin Ave East Noon until 4pm. Refreshments will be available

June 10, 2007-Regina Flying club Open House-Regina Airport Set up times TBA.





Who says Model Builders don't have a sense of humour???????

