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Modellers



**“Model Building is being able to hold history in  
your hands”**

***Leonardo da Vinci***



400 Sqn Mk XI Spitfire built by Patrick Elkington  
Photo by Al Magnus

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**Meetings**  
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  
170 Sunset Drive  
(Albert Park), Regina, SK

**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 member  
joining after the year has started will have  
their first years fees pro-rated.

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**Optional Parts**

Hello Gents:

A Happy New Year to all, and hopes that Santa  
(or the magic styrene fairy if that's your take) was  
good to you all in the plastic department and that  
you had a good Christmas all around. My  
Christmas was carried out in the usual eat too much,  
drink too much, spend too much genre, followed by  
the usual let's clean up this mess, where are we  
going to put all this new crap dilemmas, and of  
course the inevitable "I really don't want to open that  
credit card statement" conundrum.

Now that the turkey leftovers are gone, the  
Christmas tree is down, the china put away and the  
mess is somewhat cleaned up I can peruse the  
Trumpeter CH-47D Chinook I found under the tree  
(see photo). It looks to be a deadly kit with many  
hours of work to go into it. Canadian Chinooks were  
the CH-47C variety, and since I'm not sure what the  
difference is I'm leery of doing that version. That I  
would have rather had the CH-47A, ie the version  
flown in Vietnam, is a complaint I suspect would fall  
on unsympathetic ears.



This Friday's meeting will be one of the  
bimonthly build nights. Bring whatever project you  
have and work on it while sharing discussion and  
chuckles with your fellow club members. Just no  
spray cans okay (gee I hope you don't mind that light  
misting of German Panzer Grey on your Candy Apple  
Red '67 Corvette there bud). As for the theme, there  
really is no theme, but feel free to bring out a recent  
or not so recent creation for discussion. We are  
always glad to see finished or unfinished projects on  
the table. In conjunction with the build night Neil  
Hill has generously volunteered to do  
a demonstration of heat forming parts such  
as aircraft canopies. Such a technique has rescued  
many a modeller after dropping glue on a  
canopy. Many thanks Neil.

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An upcoming club project to keep an eye on is the building of a 1/72 scale HMCS Regina, the original one sunk in 1944, for display at the Regina Airport. I was approached on Remembrance Day by a member of "Friend of HMCS Regina", a local historical group who exist to support the current ship and preserve the memory of the original. As it stands I have given them a cost estimate and an estimated time for building which they will discuss and give us a go ahead (or not). I suggested to them that they shell out for some higher quality after-market products to make the display item museum quality since the Revell Corvette kit parts are fairly mediocre. These accessory sets sound to be quite intricate. If anyone feels comfortable working with resin and brass and would like to help out with the project please let me know. I have already received positive responses from a couple of club members but I wouldn't mind a couple more as this could be quite a lengthy and complicated project.

I would of course like to extend my thanks to Patrick Elkington for taking on the job of club Vice President. It is tough to find willing people to take executive positions at the best of time. My thanks as well go to all the other executive members without whom this club could not function. As for the general membership, thanks to all who have put on demonstrations, written Antenna articles, or have helped out with displays. Our club lives and dies on the input of our membership and all contributions, large or small, are appreciated.

There is nothing like working with scale models. A 2" tall plastic man doesn't argue with you or complain, and a 1/24th scale car doesn't create \$500 repair bills or require registration or insurance to keep. Keep up with the building and let us all thrive in our little plastic empires.

Michael Evans  
Club President  
Regina Scale Modellers



## **RSM Upcoming Events**

### **January 4 2008**

#### **Bring and Build Night**

Bring a kit to build at the meeting!!

#### **Member Demo-Heat**

#### **Forming-Neil Hill**

### **February 1**

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

### **March 7**

#### **Bring and Build Night**

Bring a kit to build at the meeting!!

### **April 4**

Bare Metal Finishes  
Utility Armour and Support  
Vehicles (jeeps, tank transporters, recovery vehicles, etc)  
Chevy's

### **May 2**

#### **Bring and Build Night**

Bring a kit to build at the meeting!!

### **June 6**

Club Elections  
Modeller of the Year Award

#### **Bring and Build Night**

Bring a kit to build at the meeting!!

Patrick Elkington kicks off 2008 with a series of “in box” reviews of some newer model kits out on the market. Let’s join Patrick for his first instalment of “Looking into the Box”.

### **LOOKING INTO THE BOX**

Chinook HC.1 (CH-47C)

Italeri Kit No. 2662 1/48 scale

One of the latest releases from Italeri in 1/48 scale is the Chinook HC.1 (CH-47C). This is a kit that has been long awaited by many builders of Canadian aircraft, in this scale. Academy has already released a 1/48 scale Sea Knight CH-46E, and Trumpeter has released two 1/35 scale Chinooks, as well. In 1/48 scale, Italeri has an ACH-47A (an armed gunship version) and this kit, the CH-47C Chinook.



At first glance, the kit looks relatively accurate, and appears to be the correct shape. One will have a better idea of this once the building process is under way.

Peering into the large box, one will see two very large and three smaller sprues of gray parts, one sprue of clear parts, and a square of nylon mesh; there are 174 parts in all, with only one part that is not to be used (173 usable parts). On further inspection, there is a huge decal sheet (as large as the box art) that includes markings for a Canadian helicopter of 450 Squadron (disbanded in 1996), a U.S. Army chopper, an Australian version, an Italian aircraft, and two British birds (one colourful job bearing the Union Jack and the other wearing combat camouflage of the 1982 war in the Falkland Islands). The 8 ½”x 11” instruction “booklet” is a very well laid out 24 page manual. Finally, this kit includes a 48 page (6”x 8”) full colour history and walk around profiling all the technical details of the Chinook helicopter. The box is filled with almost everything that one will need to build a great looking model.

However, I can see the need for some additional improvements. The cockpit detail, though adequate, has flat surfaces for the instrument panels that are to be replicated by decals. A resin cockpit detail set will be a must to provide the necessary details, as the large clear windows and windscreen allow ample opportunity to see into the cabin of the Chinook. Having said that, the aft compartment of the helicopter is well appointed. It has very nice detail in the rear sections, and on the jump-seats and harnesses.

Also, there are a few places on the aircraft where screened vents are molded into the fuselage. These are begging to be opened and filled with screen. The mesh, provided in the kit, is designated for placement around the forward facing engine intake vents.

This is a box into which it is well worth taking a look. As soon as there is a detail set for this helicopter, that includes cockpit and external upgrades, I will be able to begin building the mighty Chinook.

Reviewed by: Patrick Elkington



**Photos from the December General Meeting**

Photos by Al Magnus



1/72 scale Roden Sdkfz 263 8 Rad-Al Magnus



1/48 Hobbycraft Vampire III-Neil Hill



1/24 Monogram "Green Hornet" -Ted McPherson



1/25 1929 Dodge Coupe-Mike Straugh



1/72 Tamiya Spitfire-Larry Draper

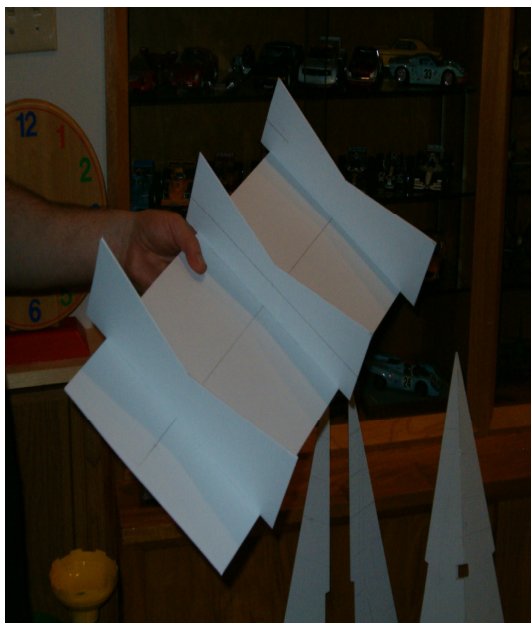
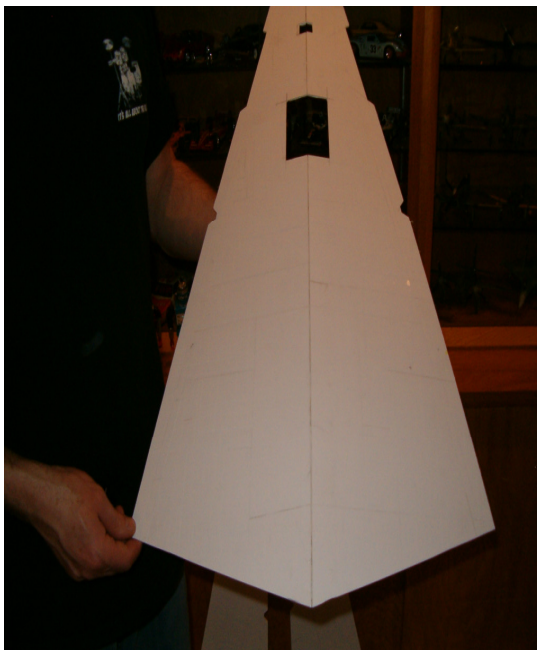
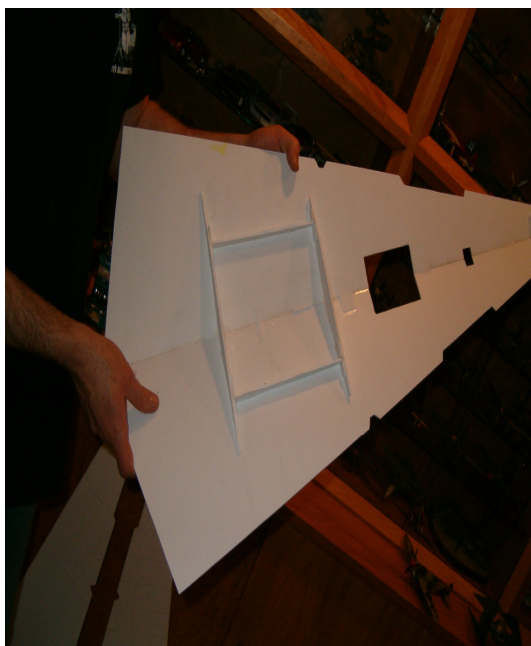


1/48 scale Monogram P-40 Warhawk-Builder Unknown

**"May The Force Be With You?"**

Photos and Text by Len Schmidt

Attached are some pix I took of Dave Porter's Star Destroyer projekt (early stages)  
Rumour has it that he may get a web page going about this with updates along the way  
So far he has the bottom section glued together and the 2 top halves cut. He has done a bunch of  
scribing but I'm not sure it shows very well in the pix  
Also took a picture of the jig he made so that he has the correct angle for the main hull. He says it  
works great!  
I think it's supposed to be 3' long (or thereabouts) once it's complete.





**The Passing of a Great Modeller!**

I am sad to report that a former RSM member, from the 1980's and early 1990's, Harold Geuthert passed away early Monday December 17, 2007, in the Moose Jaw Union Hospital. He was admitted to the hospital about two weeks prior, after suffering a mild heart attack.

There are a few of us who remember Harold. However, for those who did not know Harold, he was a very kind and generous man, and an excellent model builder. He built 1/72 scale models, and his primary interest was any aircraft built for and flown by the Luftwaffe during World War Two, and any captured aircraft flown by the German Air Force. Harold had built display cases that covered the walls of a small bedroom in his house, in order to display his excellent collection of built models. Harold's interest in this subject matter was a direct result of his heritage, as Harold was born in Germany and fought in the German Army on the Russian Front (and was "fortunate" enough to have been wounded and sent back to Berlin, which probably saved his life). After the war, he left Germany and was very happy to move to Canada, where he settled at Rouleau, Saskatchewan.

Harold will be missed by all who knew him.

Patrick Elkington

**A Few Important Reminders From Your Executive**

With the passing of September 1<sup>st</sup>, please remember that your 2008 RSM Membership dues are due in to Al Magnus ASAP.

Paid members will be receiving the following with your 2008 Membership:

**-Continued subscription of the "Antenna"**

**-RSM Club Pen**

**-Reference CD containing back issues of the "Antenna", SMAS newsletters, as well as numerous "how-to" articles, tips, photos, and so much more!!!**

