

# Antenna

A Publication of the Regina Scale Modellers

*An Extra Spooky Pre-Expo Edition!*

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## Words of Wisdom and Inspiration from the Right Honourable Michael Evans, Club President:

Hello everyone:

Welcome once again to the Regina Scale Modeller's Club annual Expo. Our annual showcase of excellence, pretty good, and a few honourable mentions. We are glad to have even the so-so entries, all are welcome and all add to the spectacle.

Expo is a great opportunity to renew old friendships, to make new ones, and to engage in our own version of Newspeak. "Did you see the latest Acme P-47D in 48th scale? Can you believe they made the left aileron with only 68 rivets?!? Everyone knows there were 69!" (Cue the "tsk tsk" shaking of heads). Only the dedicated model builders of the world would understand the anguish. Our hobby is quite misunderstood by many. Too many outlanders see our projects as little more than toys not understanding the dedication, research, patience and research that is inherent to the hobby. Perhaps that is why we are such a close knit community. Those outside the hobby just don't understand us. It is most satisfying to see all the entries every year, be they outstanding, well done, so-so, not so hot, or thanks for coming. It may be cliché, but it's not whether you win or lose, but the participation that counts. Even if you don't walk away with a medal or an award, we appreciate all those who simply participate. Thanks to you all. Thanks as well to those who volunteered to set-up, those who do the judging (a tedious, tough, and thankless task), those who help with the registration, the paperwork, advertising and the numerous but necessary tasks that are all required to carry out an event such as this.

Not to be missed of course is the annual Expo Saturday night social at Tumblers. An evening of good fellowship, shop talk, and of course fill your face with pizza and beer. Enjoy the weekend, enjoy the show, have fun, and perhaps take home a door prize, and maybe an award and/or a medal or two. Thanks to everyone for coming out

Michael Evans  
Club President

## October General Meeting Highlights

Alas, I was not in attendance for the October meeting as we went away for a bit of a family holiday to the Black Hills. Went to a large hobby store in Rapid City called Who's Hobbies. High prices but I bought a few things, probably nothing Henry doesn't have. Also hit a Hobby Lobby. Same as Michaels but with a bit more of a paint selection. Oh back to the October GM highlights. There were none. No models, no pictures, nothing.

## The Frugal Modeler

By Ron Gall

Don't throw out those clear plastic egg cartons. They can serve several purposes.

-when closed make good storage containers for small parts.

-when open they are good for sorting parts, storing parts or mixing glue, paint or epoxy.

-they can be used as a thing to pour your liquid rubber into when making molds for rein casting

They also can be used for making clear window parts. If you have some kind of crazy shape (like a windshield) you can heat the plastic over a candle and using another windshield as a "buck" you can stretch the heated sheet of plastic over. It will very quickly cool and hold that shape. This requires a bit of practice but it works!

Hot Wheels come in blister packs, if you keep the clear part they make excellent window material. Nice and clear, easy to cut, and is a nice scale thickness. I use it all the time.

This way Robert gets a cool car, and I get some building supplies.

Win-win.



Fig 1

A typical plastic egg container. It looks like Ron Gall is a millionaire or something-buying eggs in plastic containers



Fig 2

The remnants of Roberts new Hot Wheels. You must be the best dad in the world, Ron.

## Expo Rant

This is it boys, the Big Show. This is our chance to show our loved ones how cool we really are! Be sure to bring a friend or spouse down to check us out at the Science Centre. Remember, a blockbuster like this doesn't just throw itself together, either. We need help setting up, tearing down and hanging out in between. And be sure to get your stuff OFF THE TABLES when its done so we can pack up and get home to start working on next year's winners.

And now:

## What's on Dave Kapp's Bench



Here it is: a 1965 Aston Martin DB5 Super Spy Car by Aurora decked out with all the secret weapons a debonair 1960's international swinging playboy spy could ask for. Ejection seat, tire shredders, ram bumpers, a bullet proof shield, oil slick spreader, machine guns, etc.



Here is the body. It looks ok from here but its got some bad sink holes and mold lines. And the roll pans (panels under the bumpers to you military guys) fit like poop. Not to worry I have a whole can of Bondo left over from my 1:1 project this summer.



This, boys and girls, is the chassis/interior tub all painted and flocked. Remember: If you ain't flockin' you ain't rockin.'



I told you the roll pan was a bad fit. It and the previously mentioned sink marks have since been sanded and filled. And that's enough of the Super Spy Car for one month. I'd love to stay here lollygagging with you guys but I gotta get a coat of paint on his thing.

## Upcoming Meeting Themes!

Again, incase you missed it last month. Remember these are only suggestions and feel free to bring any models out to display even if they don't match these "themes."

### November; no meeting - Expo

Wow lets show the world what a great show we can put on.

### December: "For the Birds" (Anything with a bird name)

My Favourite Model

For the Birds? How apropos for the Holiday Season. Merry Christmas from all at the Antenna.

### January: build night

Honestly, what better thing can you do one a cold Saskatchewan Friday night. Lets get something moving along here!

### February: What I Don't Usually Build.

### March: build night

Man at this rate, we're gonna be finishing models like there's no tomorrow!

**April: Haul of Fame:** Anything that hauls cargo or people (commercially or military)

### May: build night

### June

Club Elections

Modeller of the Year Award

Club Contest?

### July

No Meeting – summer break



## August

build night

## September

Dioramas and Display Bases

Checkered Flag (all competition vehicles, A/C, yachts, etc.)

## RSM Club Executive

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## Meetings

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.)

## Memberships:

Regular	\$24.00/year	
Junior (under 16)		<b>FREE!!!</b>
**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.

## Websites

### RSM Website:

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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](http://www.kithobbyist.com/AFVinteriors/fullmetaljacket/fullmet.html)

### “Uniforms of the German Army” Series Website

[www.angelfire.com/sk2/germanuniforms/index.html](http://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 Dave Kapp via email at [dkapp@accesscomm.ca](mailto:dkapp@accesscomm.ca) or via phone at 525-8882 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.

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### **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.