

Fly By

The Official Newsletter of IPMS Eddie Rickenbacker



Build-a-thon is here

December is here and that can only mean one thing, Andy gets to work on the submarine again! Where, at our usual place of course, only this time it is all day on Sunday Dec 13th. So starting at about 9am, the ODOT Aviation building will be open for us to gather, break out the glue, stab ourselves with knives and watch the Browns lose. Oh, you can also do a little modeling as well.

There are a few rules, so here goes. Bring your own tools etc, and bring something to

cover the table so there are no spills. Bring light if you need it and also, bring power cords to distribute the power to friends and loved ones. Painting is possible, but only with the aforementioned table covering.

This is also a big event in that there is the super raffle. This time is even stakes. All paid up club members get one raffle ticket, no extras, and the prizes are bigger than ever. So this is the time to show up and if you haven't done so, pay your dues.

Also this month is Pot Luck

dinner(all day), so bring food and drink (no alcohol), and a few utensils would help as well.

Finally, this is the meeting that we chose the model of the year. See page three for details.

Capt Eddie Rickenbacker

Name-sake and inspiration



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Letter from the Editor—The New Look Ron Bell

Ok, Eddie Rickenbackers, you can pick yourselves or your jaws up off the floor and, yes, this is still the generated and veneered Rickenbacker publication, the Fly By, only now you have someone competent doing it. Those of you who have been around a while may remember back in the pre-computer days

when you got the Fly By via snail mail. There were articles, photos, drawings, reviews. Lots of really good stuff. Well, with the advent of technology, your resident Luddite, me, did not have the computer saavy to do much else than put out that "thing" you've been getting recently. However, all that's looking to change. Graham

Holmes, he of the funny accent, knows his way around a gigabyte or two and took it upon himself to "update" the Fly By, and what a great job he's done. What your squinting at right now is the fruit of his unsolicited but gratefully appreciated labor.

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For This Months Meeting, bring:

- Models
- Things to make models with
- Light
- Power cords
- Cloths
- Food
- Drink

Is this the best kit ever released?

Well according to some people out there, it is. Superlatives in our hobby are always subjective, especially when it comes to a moniker like Best Kit Ever, and there is always the Aircraft/Tank/Car/Ship/etc debate, but having finally been able to see one, this kit certainly takes the breath away. So what makes it so great? From the various reviews already out on the internet, it has it all, accuracy, buildability, lack of need for aftermarket rip-offs, err I mean goodies. Several have already been built OOB and they look great, even the decals are usable, unusual for

Tamiya. Stop buy your local hobby shop and you can see it for yourself, as there are several in stock at the various stores around. If you get one from Graceland Hobbyland, club members get 10% off.

Here are some reviews/build ups to look at:

<http://www.modelingmadness.com/reviews/allies/previews/tamiya/60319.htm>

http://www.hyperscale.com/2009/galleries/spitfirexc32tamiyamn_1.htm

http://www.hyperscale.com/2009/galleries/spitfirexc32tamiyabg_1.htm



Hospitalization et al (General News)

No, nothing to do with the Health Care debate, but for those of you tha don't know, our leader, President Bob Jones has been in hospital for back surgery. He has now been released and is at home recovering but hopes to make an appearance at the build a thon.

For those interested in such things, a new online modelling magazine has been launched in the UK, at

<http://www.scalemodellingnow.com/>

Check it out, quite good, though a subscription based service.

This months Web Site to look at:

www.Primeportal.net

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We'll be doing it in tandem for a bit while we work out some of the details. However, as we move along we will also need input from you. We will need content. Articles. Pictures. Reviews. Reports on contests attended. Etc. Etc. Anything that might interest another modeler. Don't worry about it being perfect or "acceptable". Just get it to either one of us in electronic form and we'll edit/doctor it to make it work for the Fly By.

In all seriousness, this is a really nice thing Graham has done. It serves the club admirably and I hope he and I can look forward to lots of articles, etc. from you guys. So, with all that said, lets sit back and enjoy our brand spankin' new newsletter, The Fly By.

New Kits out recently

Eduard 1/32 Eduard Kit No. 3002 - Messerschmitt Bf 109 E-3 Profipack

http://www.hyperscale.com/2009/reviews/kits/eduard3002reviewbg_1.htm

Dragon StuG III Ausf. G Early Production w/Schurtzen - Smart Kit 1/35

http://www.missing-lynx.com/reviews/german/dml6365reviewcs_1.html

Airfix Spitfire PR XIX

<http://www.internetmodeler.com/artman/publish/flaviation/Airfix-1-72-Supermarine-Spitfire-PR-XIX.php>

Valom 1/72 Bristol Brigand

<http://www.internetmodeler.com/artman/publish/flaviation/Valom-1-72-Bristol-Brigand-B-Mk-I-TF-Mk-I.php>

Trumpeter Armored Tank Hunter Railcar

http://www.cybermodeler.com/hobby/kits/tru/kit_tru_1516.shtml

Bronco Models 1/35 German Light Staff

http://www.cybermodeler.com/hobby/kits/bro/kit_bro_35047.shtml

Monthly Winners from 2009

The best of the best this year will be chosen from the following entries:

January

Ron Bell 1/35 AFV Club Scorpion

T J Misiolek 1/48 Tamiya Wasp IIc

February

T J Misiolek 1/35 HUM-VEE w/105 mm gun

Glen Bigelow 1/35 Tiger 1 Late

March

Ron Bell 1/72 M3 Stuart

Bruce Roy 1/48 Eduard Fokker DVII

April

T J Misiolek 1/35 Italeri DeMag Flak w/trlr

May

Dan Popeko 1/48 Minicraft Cessna 172

Ron Bell 1/305 Revell USCGS Taney

June

Bob Jones 1/72 Italeri H-21

Dan Popeko 1/25 AMT '67 Chevelle SS

July

J C Upp 1/35 Spare Parts Sherman

Jon Mitchell 1/48 Tamiya F-16

August

Bob Jones 1/35 Bronco Fiesler V-1

Ron Bell 1/72 Airfix Stug III/Sherman

September

Bob Jones 1/48 Hasegawa A6M-1 Zero

Dave Tingley 1/72 Hasegawa SR-71

October

Ben Pluth 1/48 MPM Dornier DO 217

T J Misiolek 1/35 ICM Lynx

November (GSB)

Jon Mitchell 1/48 Eduard Albatross D.V

T J Misiolek 1/48 Skybow M38A1C Jeep

Bob Jones 1/48 Tamiya Buffalo

Following discussion last year, the Best of the Best will be judged however there will also be a most popular vote as well.

This Month Annual Best of the Best Competition

December's competition is for the previous 12 monthly winners only.

On page 4 I have listed the persons and models involved, so for those people listed, please bring your models and prepare to be chosen. Note, this includes the winners of the open and theme competitions, but they will all be lumped to-

gether for this one. Also, as we want the club's best offering, this will be judged, so if your name is not on the list, please help out and judge if you can.

Finally, as a reminder, here is last year's winner. Tarawa Sherman by Bob Jones



Rickenbacker members in the press

This month sees several IPMS Eddie Rickenbacker members featured in the modeling press. Magazines covering the Nationals from August are finally showing up at newsstands, and there are some notable things to look for. There are several editorials about the show, and pictures include: Bob Jones' 1/24 Trumpeter Spitfire floatplane in Military Aircraft Monthly, Several club members photos in

Scale Aircraft Modelling International and of course a complete coverage in this month's IPMS Magazine. Finally, in the 2010 Great Scale Modeling (opposite) the Seafire on the front is none other than Ben Pluth's. Way to go Ben.



IPMS Eddie Rickenbacker



Monthly meetings are held at the ODOT aviation building behind Beightler Armory off SR 161 on the north side of Don Scott field. Members and non-members alike are welcome

Anyone who has content for next month's Fly By, please forward in electronic format to: zed@columbus.rr.com or mabell@columbus.rr.com

Need to know anything about the club, please visit us on the web at:

www.IPMSColumbus.com

Secretary Minutes

Notes from the club secretary Mark Marscher about last month's meeting

Attendance 21

TJ told us we have \$17,058 in the bank

Vendors for Feb Show are going fast

Flyers were handed out with themes for next year

Discussed GSB vs. 123 judging system. This topic took up most of the meeting and was discussed at great length. The pros and cons were explained, however as it is too late for our next Blizzcon, we cannot change now. However, decision

on out years was tabled for future talks.

Finally for this month, it has been announced that Kirk Ballash is stepping down as Regional Coordinator for region 4. Anyone interested in taking over the position should contact Dick Montgomery (*nominations are already closed*)

The chapter constitution needs to be amended for the IRS Tax Exemption. It now reads "Eddie Rickenbacker Chapter of IPMS/USA, Inc." everywhere it used to say IPMS Eddie Rickenbacker. To meet the requirements for amendment, it has to be in the Fly-By the next two issues, then voted on the following meeting.

Accordingly, the Constitution is attached with proposed amendment.

2010 Theme Nights

January 10	Hollywood	Voted
February 14	Friends and/or Adversaries	Judged
March 14(*)	What If?	Voted
April 11	Beginning with Letter 'A'	Judged
May 16	Any Racing Subject	Voted
June 13 (*)	Not Gray or Green	Judged
July 11	Anything with Fins	Voted
August 8	Something Captured	Judged
September 12(*)	TBA	Voted
October 10	"X"perimental	Judged (Kit Auction)
November 14	Mounts of Aces/Winners	Voted
December 12(*)	Best of the Best from 2004	Judged

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Adopted 1995, Amended 2004, 2009

CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE

We, a group of individuals united by a common bond of mutual interest, with the consent of the International Plastic Modeler's Society/USA national organization, do hereby establish a local chapter of that national non-profit association of plastic modelers with the purposes and objectives set forth herein.

ARTICLE ONE - NAME

The name of this group is established as the **EDDIE RICKENBACKER CHAPTER of the INTERNATIONAL PLASTIC MODELERS SOCIETY/USA, INCORPORATED**; a non-profit corporation, affiliated by common interest with member groups established in other US States in accordance with the principles of the founding organization of the International Plastic Modelers Society located in the United Kingdom.

ARTICLE TWO - PURPOSE

The purposes of this organization are:

- A. To cultivate interest in the hobby of modeling, particularly through the use of commercially manufactured plastic model kits, and to provide information, data, and other assistance to such members to continually raise the standards and techniques of their work.
- B. To provide for the members' interests by keeping them informed of meetings, new techniques, research, products and services. Members will also be warned of unscrupulous practices within the industry, by private individuals, or by fellow members.

ARTICLE THREE - OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this organization are:

- A. To facilitate the sharing of information between members via regularly scheduled meetings and other mechanisms.
- B. To provide a regularly scheduled model show/contest for members to display their work.
- C. To encourage interest in plastic modeling and assist interested organizations and groups.

ARTICLE FOUR - DISSOLUTION

If, for any reason the Chapter should be dismantled or dissolved, all assets and monies shall be divided evenly and given to the Air and Space Museum of the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C and the Ordnance Museum in Aberdeen, Md.

ARTICLE FIVE - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Application for Membership

A. Any individual, regardless of race, gender, color, creed, or national origin, expressing a desire to become a member of the Eddie Rickenbacker Chapter of IPMS/USA, Inc. may be considered for membership.

B. The voting membership of the Chapter shall have the ultimate responsibility and decision for acceptance or rejection of any application.

C. Any applicant accepted for membership agrees to abide by the terms and conditions of the Constitution of Eddie Rickenbacker Chapter of IPMS/USA, Inc. and regulations and directives promulgated by the Executive Board.

Section 2. Dismissal of Members

A. A member may be dropped from the rolls of the Chapter by a two-thirds vote of the eligible members present at a regularly scheduled or special meeting for reasons felt to be detrimental to the Chapter. These expelled members will have returned to them pro-rated by the month any membership fees paid and will be notified by the President of the action taken.

B. Expelled members so dismissed or previously rejected applicants may reapply for membership six months after dismissal and will be subject to re-evaluation by the Chapter at the next regularly scheduled general meeting after their application is received. Notification of the decision will be given to the applicant as soon as possible.

Section 3. Classes of Membership

A. **LIFE MEMBERSHIP.** This may be granted only by a two-thirds vote of the eligible members present at a regularly scheduled meeting to a member having, to an outstanding degree, contributed to the success of Eddie Rickenbacker Chapter of IPMS/USA, Inc. This honor may not be rescinded at a later date.

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B. MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING. Any person who joins and maintains his dues and abides by the Eddie Rickenbacker Chapter of IPMS/USA, Inc. Constitution.

C. HONORARY MEMBERSHIP. Shall be afforded any individual or organization which can and will provide material benefit to the membership. This privilege may be granted only by a two-thirds vote of the eligible members present at a regularly scheduled meeting, and must be renewed annually.

D. FAMILY MEMBERSHIP is available to any member of the immediate family of any member in good standing of Eddie Rickenbacker Chapter of IPMS/USA, Inc. Family membership is on an annual basis at the dues set by the Executive Board. Family members are non-voting, cannot hold elected office, and do not receive separate publications. They can attend any Chapter meeting, function or contest and enjoy all other privileges of membership.

Section 4. Privileges of Membership

A. Life Members and Members in Good Standing shall be privileged to vote, hold elected office, serve on committees, attend any meetings, receive the Eddie Rickenbacker Chapter of IPMS/USA, Inc. publication, and enjoy all other privileges of membership.

B. Honorary and Family members shall not be eligible to vote or hold elected office. With these exceptions, they are allowed all other privileges as outlined in 'A' above.

ARTICLE SIX - OFFICERS

Section 1. - Elected Officers

The elected officers of the Chapter shall be the following: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Section 2. Appointments

Members may be appointed by the Executive Board to a specific titled position to facilitate the functioning and control of Eddie Rickenbacker Chapter of IPMS/USA, Inc. These appointees will not have a vote within nor be members of the Executive Board, with the exception of the President, Pro-Tempore, whose voting powers will be limited as outlined in Article Six, Section 5.

Section 3. Special Provisions

If an officer must for any reason relinquish his position during his term, the Executive Board may select a replacement to that office for the balance of the term, subject to approval by a majority of the eligible members present at the next regularly scheduled meeting. Said replacement shall have all duties, voting rights, and other privileges of that office.

Section 4. Eligibility

All officers in appointed positions must be members in good standing, or life members. Additionally, the requirement for

President, Pro-Tempore will be at least one of the following: an IPMS National Officer, a past IPMS National Officer, an IPMS Regional Coordinator, a past IPMS Regional Coordinator, or a Past President of Eddie Rickenbacker Chapter of IPMS/USA, Inc.

ARTICLE 7 - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. President

A. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Executive Board and Chapter meetings. The President shall prepare the agenda for the monthly business meetings.

B. The President shall prepare, with the consent of the general membership, a schedule for the year, including any special theme nights and publish the meeting schedule in the Chapter publication.

C. The President shall oversee the other officers to ensure the performance of their duties.

D. The President shall appoint any special purpose or ad-hoc committee chairmen as needed to accomplish Chapter goals.

E. The President shall maintain the official records of the Chapter and all Chapter files.

F. All policy decisions will ultimately be made by the Executive Board and the Officer directly responsible for that area.

Section 2. Vice President

A. The Vice President shall preside over meetings in the absence of the President.

B. The Vice President shall be in continuous liaison with the President and be prepared to assume the presidency on immediate notice.

C. The Vice President shall assist the President in overseeing committee chairmen as needed.

D. The Vice President shall supervise the monthly contest, compiling, recording, and announcing the results.

E. The Vice President shall maintain and compile the necessary records for the "Bob Frank Memorial Member of the Year" award.

Section 3. Secretary

A. The Secretary shall keep minutes of all official meetings and provide copies to the Editor for publication, if necessary.

B. The Secretary shall function as the Chapter Contact with other IPMS chapters and IPMS/USA.

C. The Secretary shall assist the President in preparing the agenda and provide this agenda to the Editor for publication.

D. The Secretary shall maintain the Chapter membership roster with the aid of the Treasurer.

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Section 4. Treasurer

A. The Treasurer shall collect all monies and make all disbursements keeping detailed accounts of all monies received and expended by the Chapter.

B. The Treasurer will make a yearly financial report that will be published in the Eddie Rickenbacker Chapter of IPMS/USA, Inc. publication. He will prepare and file necessary financial forms including income tax returns with the appropriate governmental agencies for the Chapter.

Section 5. President Pro-Tempore

A. The President, Pro-Tempore will act in an advisory capacity to the executive board.

B. The President, Pro-Tempore will act as a voting member of the Executive Board only in the event that a vote by the Executive Board results in a tie.

Section 6. Executive Board

A. The Executive Board shall consist of the following officers: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Additionally, the President, Pro-Tempore will participate as required as outlined in Article Seven, Section 5 above.

B. Three-fourths of the Executive Board will constitute a quorum.

C. The President shall act as the Chairman of the Executive Board. Each elected member of the Executive Board shall have one vote. In the event (and only in the event) that a vote of the Executive Board results in a tie, the President, Pro-Tempore will cast the deciding vote.

ARTICLE EIGHT -ELECTIONS AND TERMS OF OFFICERS

Section 1. Elections

A. All officers named in Article Six shall be elected to a two (2) year term, at the June meeting, with the exception of the President, Pro-Tempore. The President and Secretary shall be elected in even years, and the Vice President and Treasurer in odd years. The President, Pro-Tempore will be appointed by the Executive Board by majority vote of the Executive Board.

B. A nominating committee shall be appointed by the current President at the March meeting. The nominating committee shall present a slate of officers for consideration at the May meeting. This slate of candidates will be announced in the Eddie Rickenbacker Chapter of IPMS/USA, Inc. newsletter for May. Interested candidates should apply in writing to the Nominating Committee before the May meeting.

C. Candidates for elected offices may have a statement (not longer than 1/4 page) printed in the Eddie Rickenbacker

Chapter of IPMS/USA, Inc. newsletter for June if they so desire.

D. Candidates for elected offices shall be elected by a simple majority of the eligible members present at the June meeting, or submitting a written ballot to the Secretary beforehand.

Section 2. Terms of Officers

A. Elected officers shall serve a two year term, beginning at the end of the June meeting, and continuing until the election of officers at the second following June meeting.

B. An elected officer may serve as many consecutive terms as they so desire.

C. In the event there is no candidate for an elective office, after the election, the members of the NEW Executive Board will appoint a person for the remainder of the unexpired term of office.

D. The President, Pro-Tempore will serve for an indefinite term at the discretion of the Executive Board until:

1. He or she is replaced by majority vote of the Executive Board or

2. He or she resigns the office.

ARTICLE NINE -APPOINTED OFFICERS AND THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES

Section 1. Editor

A. The editor of the monthly newsletter is appointed by the Executive Board and serves at the discretion of the Board. The Editor is directly responsible to the Secretary.

B. The editor will produce the monthly newsletter, be directly responsible for content, and responsible for coordinating all steps necessary to provide the membership with the newsletter before the monthly meeting.

Section 2. Contest Chairman

A. The Contest Chairman is appointed by the Executive Board as soon after the annual elections as is feasible, but no later than the August meeting.

B. The Contest Chairman is directly responsible to the Vice President.

C. The Contest Chairman will conduct the annual chapter contest, including planning, recruiting, and appointing subordinate positions as necessary. The contest chairman will abide by any budget restrictions placed by the Treasurer.

D. The Contest Chairman may modify the contest categories and rules with the consent of a majority of the eligible members at a regularly scheduled meeting.

E. The Contest Chairman shall maintain records such as vendors contacted, raffle donors, publicity sources, number of entries, etc. and provide to the Secretary for future use.

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F. The Contest Chairman will provide a report to the general membership, including number of entrants, number of entries, number of vendors, and income and expenses associated with the contest no later than two months following the contest.

Section 3. Chapter Historian

A. The Chapter Historian will be appointed by the Executive Board as soon after the annual elections as is feasible, but no later than the August meeting.

B. The Chapter Historian shall maintain a historical record of the Chapter and Chapter events as requested by the general membership or the Executive Board.

Section 4. Chapter Activity Coordinator

A. The Chapter Activity Coordinator will be appointed by the Executive Board as soon after the annual elections as is feasible, but no later than the August meeting.

B. The Chapter Activity Coordinator shall solicit suggestions for special activities, field trips, etc. for the general membership. They are then responsible for scheduling such events with the assistance of the Executive Board and membership.

Section 5. Chapter Membership Chairman

A. The Membership Chairman is responsible for developing programs to recruit and encourage new members, enlisting the cooperation of local hobby shops to provide information flyers about the club and serving as the point of contact for potential new members.

B. The Membership Chairman shall plan and implement an information table at our annual contest where prospective new members may learn about the chapter.

C. The Membership Chairman is responsible for creating and maintaining a new members packet with information about the Chapter and the National IPMS, meeting info, and other useful materials.

D. The Membership Chairman is the “official greeter” at chapter functions, welcoming new members, assisting them, and introducing them to the chapter.

Section 5. Committees.

A. Ad-hoc committees for specific tasks as required shall be selected, appointed, and terminated by the President, with the approval of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE TEN - MEETINGS

Section 1.- Procedure

All meetings shall be conducted by parliamentary law, with “Robert’s Rules of Order, Revised” being the authority.

Section 2. General Meetings

General meetings of the Chapter shall occur at least monthly. Routine business of the Chapter shall be conducted at the general meetings.

Section 3. Executive Board Meetings

The Executive Board should meet at the general meetings, or at another time and place acceptable to the Board members.

Section 4. Special Meetings

Special meetings of the Chapter or the Executive Board may be called by the President at his discretion. These meetings must be of sufficient urgency to preclude using normal channels to conduct the required business.

ARTICLE ELEVEN - FISCAL

Section 1. Dues

Dues for all types of membership shall be set annually by majority vote of the eligible members at a regularly scheduled meeting. The dues shall be adequate to provide services and benefits to each member as stated in the Constitution and sufficient to operate the Chapter throughout the fiscal year. The dues shall be no more than is necessary to maintain the Chapter and achieve its goals. Notification of a dues change will be made to the membership via the Chapter publication as soon as possible.

Section 2. Operating Costs

All costs incurred in the operation of Eddie Rickenbacker Chapter of IPMS/USA, Inc. shall be paid by check which shall be signed by the Treasurer or President.

A. Normal Expenses. Officers and members will be reimbursed for normal operating expenses and postal costs subject to the approval of the President and Treasurer.

B. Special Expenses. Special expenses will be considered and decided upon by the President and Treasurer with the majority approval of the Executive Board.

Section 3. Gifts, Donations, and Project Support

A. Any decisions regarding special monetary problems will be decided upon by the Executive Board.

B. No Chapter financial support will be given to private projects or ventures.

C. No projects will be deliberately undertaken specifically to generate a profit.

D. Trophy Sponsorships and similar requests for donations must be approved by a majority vote of eligible members present at the meeting where such request is presented.

**ARTICLE TWELVE - CONSTITUTIONAL
AMENDMENT PROCEDURES**

1. Any current member in good standing of the Chapter may submit an amendment proposal.
2. An amendment ballot will be included in the official Chapter newsletter at least two meetings prior to the proposed amendment vote.
3. Amendments will be voted on at a regularly scheduled meeting. A two-thirds majority of the members *present* at the meeting or submitting a written ballot to the Secretary before the meeting is required to adopt the amendment.

