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COMPETITION RESULTS

For January 2005.

72nd scale or less.

Position	Points	Entrant	Model
1 st	65	Peter Bagshaw	Albatross D.111
2 nd	63	Peter Bagshaw	North American P-51B Mustang
3 rd	55	Alan Wright	Vought A-7E Corsair
4 th	35	Nick Pedley	Gloster Meteor
5 th	30	Nick Pedley	F-117 Stealth

Greater than 72nd Scale.

Position	Points	Entrant	Model
1 st	73	Dave Ryan	Fairey Swordfish
2 nd	58	Lee Lacey	Bristol Beaufighter
3 rd	44	Ted Taylor	McDonnell Douglas RF-4C Phantom
4 th	38	Ted Taylor	McDonnell Douglas RF-4B Phantom
5 th	21	Mick Ellis	Northrop N9MA
6 th	17	Mick Ellis	Northrop N1M Jeep

Positions.

Name	Points
Peter Bagshaw	98
Ted Taylor	63
Nick Pedley	59
Brian Lay	36
Bob Ryan	25
Dave Ryan	25
Mick Pitts	25
Ian Brown	23
Lee Lacey	23
Mick Ellis	22
Alan Wright	21
Keith Money	21

72nd Scale.



1st Peter Bagshaw.



2nd Peter Bagshaw.



3rd Alan Wright.



4th Nick Pedley.



5th Nick Pedley.

Greater than 72nd Scale.



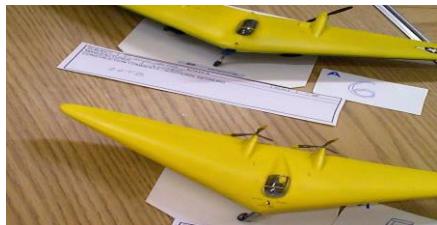
1st Dave Ryan.



2nd Lee Lacey.



3rd & 4th Ted Taylor.



5th & 6th Mick Ellis.

Dave's Divulgences.

Hi Folks,

The last club meet and competition was a very good turnout but it should be better. We have so many members but only the regulars turn up. I know that we all have commitments but that can't be all the time. Anyway I fear that if this keeps happening the club will stop Dead.

Anyway for those who went to Milton Keynes I hope you had a good day as you know it was a very good day indeed.

On another note come the A.G.M I am giving up my post as secretary because I think it's about time someone newer took the job.

Anyway you all have got a few months to think about it.

I hope you all enjoy yourselves tonight.

Happy sticking Dave.

Our stand at Milton Keynes.



Not to be missed! Arguably THE magazine of the year

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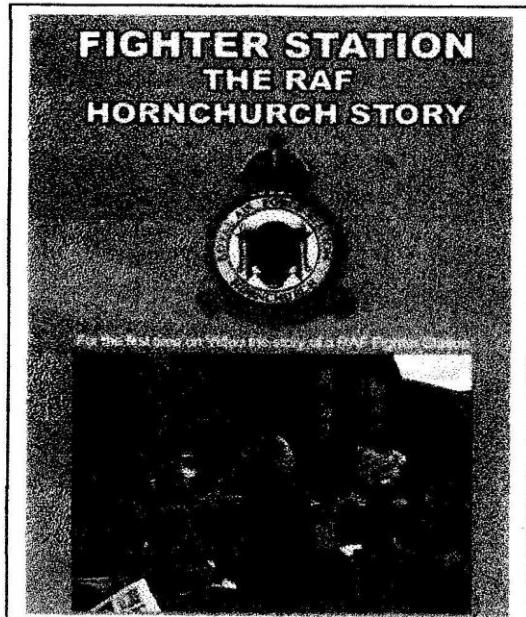
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DVD/Video titled Fighter Station -The RAF Hornchurch Story

For the first time ever, a 60 minute documentary telling the story of an RAF Fighter Station, covering Hornchurch's role from the First World War and the defence against the German Zeppelin raids, its pre-war period and most importantly its part played during the Battle of Britain. This period is covered uniquely with interviews with pilots, groundcrews and WAAF's, some who have sadly since passed away. The interviews have never been seen before and include Brian Kingcome, Colin Gray, Eric Barwell, Fred Barker, Les Harvey, Peter Brown, Gerald Stapleton and John Kilmartin. The footage is also unique, using never before released B/W and colour wartime footage taken at Hornchurch by professional and amateur cameramen. Hornchurch's role post-war and modern memorials are also covered. The script was written by Author and Historian Richard C. Smith who has written a trilogy of books on the Hornchurch aerodrome.

The DVD is priced at £14.99 + £2.50 p&p - Video at £12.99 + £2.50 p&p and available only by mail order. Payment by cheque or postal orders to: Streets Ahead Productions 33 Nobel Square Basildon, Essex SS13 1LT Please allow 14 days for delivery

For more info ask our new member Ted.

Norfolk Nerd

I fully admit that some of the articles or pieces I put in our mag have been gleaned from sites on the Internet. Believe you me there is a wealth of knowledge out there. Its been some time that I have done a bit of the old “surfing” so I recently revisited a site that I had not been on for over a year (when obtaining printouts from a site the date is printed in the bottom right hand corner).

This was the IPMS USA site. Since my last visit the site has been revamped into basically ten sections:-

1. International IPMS groups.	2. Local IPMS groups (American clubs)	3. General building tips
4. General modelling links	5. Aircraft modeling links	6. Armour modeling links
7. Automotive modeling links	8. Figures and other modeling links	9. science fiction modeling links
10. Ship modeling links		

So as you see there is a wide variety to gain access to. Most sites are club sites that not only give you info on that site but show you photos of models built. Some have their own club mags or bulletins with a host of info. The “International IPMS groups” section has 63 sites alone. Again some sites have message boards where you can type in messages or queries and get them answered. Normally each site will also give a list of the specific sites they like which leads you further onwards. Ok you say but I don’t have a PC well how about the local library (mine gives library members free access to the net for an hour). Cultivate a friend to let you on his PC for an hour. If one of your friends is updating their PC make an offer for the old one. In the next few months I will visit some of these sites and give you feedback, in the mean time if you have a favorite site then let us know.

Let’s talk about actually building models! It seems a lot of modelers are becoming collectors of kits or pre-built models or are getting trapped in that “perfection above all else” snare. You know that absolutely perfect model suitable for entry into the Nationals or museum display. The one model you’ve been working on for two years and wish some nice aftermarket supplier would come up with a resin and Photo Etch add-on for you with working missile pods, etc. Gimme a break!

Model builders build models. There is nothing wrong with working toward that perfect model, but some people have lost that enjoyable spark we had when we started (or rejoined) the modelers fraternity. You remember, that joy of accomplishment when the plastic is painted, decaled and finished! While some continually work on approving their models, we should avoid getting dragged into the modeler’s black hole of absolute perfection.

Just as a suggestion, maybe modelers should start getting back into constructing good and very good, but not necessarily perfect kits. After all the purpose of a hobby is to relax and have fun. Let’s get back to that, O.K.?

HOT TIP HOT TIP HOT TIP

After a while unused decal sheets can become yellowed with age. To restore them back to their original colour and get rid of the yellowing is actually quite simple. Put them in a plastic bag against a window facing direct sunlight. In a few days the decal sheet should be restored.

If any of your old Humbrol paints have to be thrown away keep the lids. They have a multitude of uses apart from using to mix paint.

We all know to use white glue when sticking canopies and windows to aircraft to stop fogging the plastic. The fogging is caused by the vapours emitted by superglue or ordinary polystyrene glue. If you have no white glue available then you can use your ordinary glue by finding its “tacky time”

This is the period when the glue will not run but is still able to glue. Take two pieces of scrap plastic, put the glue onto one piece, count off five seconds then put the second piece onto the first. If the two pieces hold together firmly then that is the “tacky time” If they don’t hold then reduce the number of seconds until you find the correct “tacky time”

On your model put the glue where you want it holding the part so the vapour escapes into the air. Count up to your “tacky time” then put the clear part in place then hold the model so any remaining vapour escapes away from the clear part.

YA GOTTA LAUGH

Flying isn’t dangerous, crashing is what is dangerous.

Why did the parrot wear a raincoat? Because he wanted to be polyunsaturated. (Say it slowly)

What bird is always out of breath? A Puffin.

Judges comments you don't want to hear.

10. "We felt that the cross-eyed effect on your figure was too exaggerated."
9. "What toy store did you buy this from?"
8. "We needed some comic relief, so we counted up the flaws on your aircraft. You should be able to view it in the Journal in several months. Should be about 3 pages."
7. "We really admired the finish. What is that, Sherwin-Williams industrial semi-gloss latex?"
6. "Out of curiosity, was there any historical significance to the "one blade at a different angle" propeller design?"
5. "We really liked the effect that the 1:1 scale spider living in the cockpit had on the judges. That's a nice touch."
4. "You mean you actually entered this? We didn't judge it, we thought someone put it out here as a prank."
3. "We thought it was really neat the way that you painted the rocks on the base so that it looks like nothing is holding that section of tank track off the ground. Oh wait! Nothing is supporting that track, is it?"
2. "Does the upside-down national insignia indicate that the pilot is in distress, or that the air force is surrendering?"
1. "We didn't know that this many flaws could exist on one model. We took about 40 digital pictures and slammed them out on rec.model.scale for comments. We used your name..."

And one that would really hurt the ego:

"You are NOT a modeller, you are a butcher. Your work should be crushed and melted as a warning to others."

From the Hyperscale forum.

Those of you in the UK and Europe may have already heard the sad news announced yesterday that the long awaited revival of the Mildenhall Air Show is not going to take place this year as previously announced and reading between the lines it may have gone for ever.

For the last two years Hannant's has held an Open Day on the Saturday that would normally have been the day of the Air Show, the last Saturday in May, and we have already been asked if we are going to have an Open Day again this year.

We have had a quick chat here about it and the answer is yes, so book the date, Saturday May 28. And since there is not going to be a Southern Expo at Hornchurch this year we are thinking about expanding the Open Day into an Eastern Expo, with Clubs invited and a competition.

More news when everything has been finally decided.

Thanks to Peter Bagshaw.

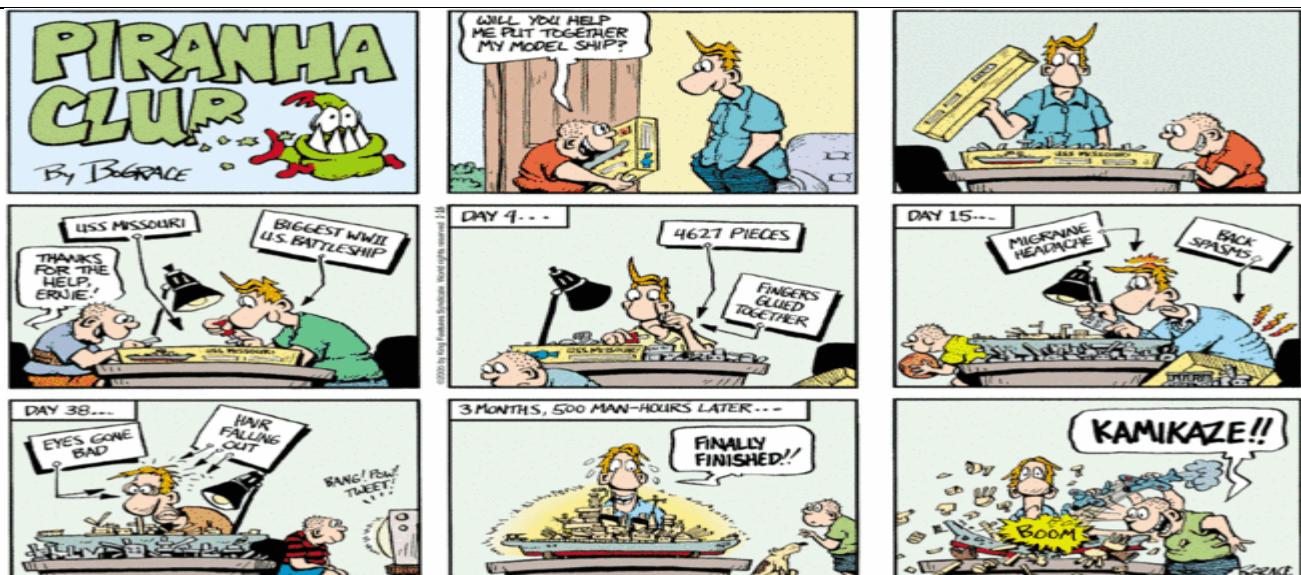
Scale Lengths. By Bob Sinfield.

1:1	Scale	1/72	1/48	1/35	1/24	1/76	1/32	1/200	1/350	1/700
Inches	Dec. Ft	mm	mm	mm						
3	0.25	1.1	1.6	2.2	3.2	1.0	2.4	0.4	0.2	0.1
6	0.5	2.1	3.2	4.4	6.4	2.0	4.8	0.8	0.4	0.2
9	0.75	3.2	4.8	6.5	9.5	3.0	7.1	1.1	0.7	0.3
12	1	4.2	6.4	8.7	12.7	4.0	9.5	1.5	0.9	0.4
15	1.25	5.3	7.9	10.9	15.9	5.0	11.9	1.9	1.1	0.5
18	1.5	6.4	9.5	13.1	19.1	6.0	14.3	2.3	1.3	0.7
21	1.75	7.4	11.1	15.2	22.2	7.0	16.7	2.7	1.5	0.8
24	2	8.5	12.7	17.4	25.4	8.0	19.1	3.0	1.7	0.9
27	2.25	9.5	14.3	19.6	28.6	9.0	21.4	3.4	2.0	1.0
30	2.5	10.6	15.9	21.8	31.8	10.0	23.8	3.8	2.2	1.1
33	2.75	11.6	17.5	23.9	34.9	11.0	26.2	4.2	2.4	1.2
36	3	12.7	19.1	26.1	38.1	12.0	28.6	4.6	2.6	1.3
39	3.25	13.8	20.6	28.3	41.3	13.0	31.0	5.0	2.8	1.4
42	3.5	14.8	22.2	30.5	44.5	14.0	33.3	5.3	3.0	1.5
45	3.75	15.9	23.8	32.7	47.6	15.0	35.7	5.7	3.3	1.6
48	4	16.9	25.4	34.8	50.8	16.0	38.1	6.1	3.5	1.7
51	4.25	18.0	27.0	37.0	54.0	17.0	40.5	6.5	3.7	1.9
54	4.5	19.1	28.6	39.2	57.2	18.0	42.9	6.9	3.9	2.0
57	4.75	20.1	30.2	41.4	60.3	19.1	45.2	7.2	4.1	2.1
60	5	21.2	31.8	43.5	63.5	20.1	47.6	7.6	4.4	2.2
63	5.25	22.2	33.3	45.7	66.7	21.1	50.0	8.0	4.6	2.3
66	5.5	23.3	34.9	47.9	69.9	22.1	52.4	8.4	4.8	2.4
69	5.75	24.3	36.5	50.1	73.0	23.1	54.8	8.8	5.0	2.5
72	6	25.4	38.1	52.3	76.2	24.1	57.2	9.1	5.2	2.6

The above scale lengths maybe handy for anyone who wishes to know the length or width of an item in the scale they are building in. e.g. a plank of wood (54")4.6Ft x 6" would be 19.1x2.1mm in 1/72 scale and 39.2x4.4mm in 1/35 scale.

Hope this helps those who like to scratch build accessories for there models.

Happy modelling Bob.



Events 2005

Saturday 5 th March	East of England Model Show	Peterborough Town Hall David Martin 01733 380250 The3martins@btopenworld.com
Sunday 3 rd April	Heritage Model Show Open Cockpit Day	Doncaster Aeroventure (aka South Yorkshire Air Museum) Martin 01226 753649
Sunday 17 th April	East Midlands Model Show	Hinckley Leisure Centre Gordon Upton 01455 230952 www.modelspot.com/show99/05.htm
Sat 23 rd & Sun 24 th April	Scottish National Scale Model Show	Dewars Centre, Glover Street, Perth www.scotnats.org.uk web@scotnats.org.uk
Sunday 1 st May	Abingdon Air & Country Show	Abingdon Airfield (Dalton Barracks), Oxfordshire 01235 529142 www.abingdonfayre.com
Sunday 15 th May	IPMS Hornchurch Model Show	Sydney Russell School, Parsloes Avenue, Dagenham Alan Carr 01708 747849 Acarr.jaglancia@virgin.net
Saturday 4 th June	IPMS Salisbury Model Show	Wyvern College, Laverstock, Salisbury. Peter James 01980 862403 peter@toggie.freeserve.co.uk
Sunday July 3 rd ?	Fort Full of Models	Newhaven Fort, Sussex
Saturday 21 st August	IPMS Avon Model Show	Yate Leisure Centre ipmsavon@aol.com
Sunday 18 th September	Wings & Things Model Show IPMS Fenland and Spalding Model Club	Spalding Grammar School Bill Pickering 01775 710465 Peter Emms 01775 767729
Sat 19 th & Sun 20 th November	Scale Model World 2005 (aka the IPMS Nationals!)	Telford International Centre
Other dates	To be confirmed	Please let me know of any new dates or changes to above!

This list is not complete and some details may be ~~wring~~ wrong! Please let me know if you have any changes or would like this emailed to you.

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