



# “STICKY FINGERS” IPMS HORNCHURCH MAGAZINE.



Got to get me some of those!!

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Secretary:-Peter Bagshaw.  
Editor:-Daniel Alvisse.

## Committee for Year 2005-2006.

New club Secretary:-Peter Bagshaw.

New club Competition Secretary:-Robin Bellamy.

Treasurer:-Bob Plumridge.

Editor:-Daniel Alvisse.

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### IPMS Hornchurch AGM Report.

Peter Bagshaw-New Club Secretary.

Dear Club Members,

Firstly I would like to thank all the members who attended the AGM and voted for me as the new Club Secretary. As there were some significant changes voted on at the meeting I thought it would be a good idea to write to you all to clarify what occurred and what was decided. See AGM Report below for the full details.

The major changes that **will** affect you immediately are the changes to the Club Subscriptions and the new schedule. So please look at these closely.

I have also included some other club information some of which may or may not be of interest.

#### Show schedule.

These are some of the forthcoming shows IPMS Hornchurch are booked into:-

3 <sup>rd</sup> July (Sunday)	"Fort Full of Models" in Newhaven, East Sussex. We have 2 tables booked for this show.
20 <sup>th</sup> August (Saturday)	South Downs Show. A new show for IPMS Hornchurch in a location not far from the Newhaven show, to be held at Lancing Parish Hall, South Street, Lancing, West Sussex. A request has been sent in to the show organisers.
4 <sup>th</sup> September (Sunday)	Brampton Model Show at St Neots in Cambridgeshire. 2 tables booked. And also Gillingham Show in Kent at the Royal Engineers Museum. Does anyone have the booking info for this one?
18 <sup>th</sup> September (Sunday)	IPMS Gloucester Show. Stratford Park Leisure Centre, Stroud. Is anyone interested in attending this one?
19 <sup>th</sup> & 20 <sup>th</sup> November (Saturday & Sunday)	ScaleModelWorld (The Nationals). Are you thinking of attending? If so please give some thought to spending some time manning our stand if we are Allocated space. The branch return has been completed and sent back so we should be booked in for this show.
6 <sup>th</sup> February 2006 (Sunday)	ModelKraft 2006, Milton Keynes Show. We haven't officially booked this one yet, but we should be on the invitation list.

#### Museum Visit.

I have been in contact with the Imperial War Museum Photo Archive Department with a view to arranging someone to come along and give us a talk on the work of the department. Unfortunately they won't be able to come along but we have been offered the chance to visit the Archive and have a guided tour around the facility. The only problem for some people will be that it will have to be a week day. Please give some thought to whether you would be interested in taking part and if so any dates which would or would not be acceptable.

#### Contact List.

Bob Plumridge is updating the club contact list, if he hasn't already checked your details please see him at the next meeting to confirm your address, telephone and email (if you have one).

#### Club Sweatshirts or Polo Shirts.

A reminder to those members that haven't got one yet, Club Sweatshirts and Polo Shirts can still be ordered. The prices are as follows:-

Sweatshirts are £13.00 Polo Shirts are £12.00

Sizes are Large (L), Extra Large (XL) and Extra Extra Large (XXL).

Time between order and delivery may be a few months as it is better for us and the company producing them to place batch orders rather than one's and two's.

That's all for now, sit settle back and enjoy the Highlights of IPMS Hornchurch AGM Report.

## AGM REPORT.

The then present Committee presented their reports as follows:-

**Bob Plumridge (Treasurer)** - Presented a breakdown of the club accounts for the year. The end result of this was that we have reduced our surplus cash from £757 to £455, the most expensive outlays being a donation of £100 to the little haven charity and of a die-cast Mosquito for Ken Sparks.

**Danny Alvisse (Editor Sticky Fingers)**-Not a great deal to report, although as is always the case, he would be interested in receiving articles from club members.

**Bob Ryan (Competition Secretary)**-Commented on another successful year of competitions, he noted that the standard of the models was as high if not higher than ever, but the number of entrants was down on previous years. Bob thanked me for the help I had given throughout his time as Competition Secretary.

**Dave Ryan (Club Secretary)**-Reported that he had mostly enjoyed his time as Secretary but felt it was time to stand down.

A new Committee was then voted in. Both Bob Plumridge and Danny Alvisse were happy to continue in their roles and were re-elected as there were no other nominees for their positions.

Robin Bellamy stood for the Competition Secretary and was elected to that role.

I stood for Club Secretary and was elected to the role.

No other posts were created.

We then debated the proposals that were detailed in the April copy of Sticky Fingers. Here is a summary of the proposals that were debated:-

### 1. New method of club subscription.

The initial proposal was:-

The idea for this is that it compliments the current "You turn up and pay on the night" system. It is not intended as a replacement.

Pay £10 on the first evening you attend, unless you are a new member in which case the first night is free as per current rules.

All subsequent evenings are then £1 each until the next AGM- except Christmas which is free.

Irregular attendees are "invited" to join this scheme by the committee, regular attendees can also sign up and also people who wish to gain the benefits of belonging to the club but are unable to attend that regularly or at all.

This proposal was accepted, but after some lengthy discussion was modified to extend this subscription to be the only method of Payment.

The result is that the club subscriptions from May 2005 are:-

- a. Existing club members pay £10 on the first evening you attend the club on or after the AGM in May.
- b. After paying the £10 all subsequent evenings are £1 each until the next AGM- except the December/Christmas meeting which is free.
- c. New members get a free first evening and subsequent meetings are £2 per evening until the AGM when they start the £10 membership subscription scheme.

**Club benefits-** The club receives money to keep ticking over, as members who only attend once or twice a year pay slightly more but the club gets enough funds to keep up the hall hire etc... This will be especially useful if membership attendance starts dropping off to below a certain level the club would need to start dipping into its reserves to just pay for the hire of the hall.

**Member benefits-** Regular attendees joining the scheme save some money over the year, they would pay £20 rather than £22 for a full year's attendance. It also gives irregular or non-attendees the ability to belong to the club but not have to attend the meetings to be a member, so they can turn up at shows and still claim some space for model display.

All the previous rules relating to how many times a member has to attend a club meeting before they can or cannot enter models into the competitions and is entitled to display models on the club stands have been removed. Once a member has paid the initial £10 part of the club subscription they are entitled to attend as many or as few meetings as they wish and can display models on the club display at any of the model shows we attend.

### 2. Reduction in the number of evenings devoted to the competition.

It was proposed that both Aircraft and Miscellaneous competitions are held on the same evening, thereby reducing the number of evenings solely devoted to competitions. The actual style of the competitions is the same as before.

This proposal was accepted. There was some concern expressed that reducing the number of competition evenings would result in a slight reduction in members attending on non-competition club nights, but the point was raised that not all members are interested in taking part in the competitions and there was a feeling that the club should not become too competition orientated and therefore the proposal should be accepted and trailed for the next year. If the fears of lower club attendance are found to be accurate then we could always go back to the previous system next year.

### 3. Modelling Related Evenings.

It was proposed that non-competition evenings are filled with other modelling related activities.

Based on acceptance of proposal 2 this one was also accepted. The content and scheduling of the club meetings was held over until the end of the debate of the other proposals.

#### 4. Model Bases for Display.

It was proposed that whenever possible models are placed on a display base on the club display tables. As such the club will attempt to supply a selection of relatively simple bases for use on club displays for those members not willing or able to provide their own.

Authorisation was sought to release some funding from the club to purchase either pre-cut bases or a sheet of suitable material (probably MDF) which is cut to size and then a generic type ground work is added. Examples would be concrete/tarmac and/or grass and/or mud for military vehicles and concrete or tarmac for cars and motorbikes, figures can be stood on painted plinth style bases. The bases are to be retained as club property; each one has some form of wording underneath to this effect, but are loaned to individuals for use on the club displays. The overall cost of the bases shouldn't be more than about £50.

This proposal was accepted. There was some debate over what size and types of bases were to be provided. It was felt that the bases should be similar in style to unify the stand display. During the debate I stated that the intention is not to provide a base for every single model that may be used for display, in some cases it will be impractical to do so, large ships or aircraft (B-52s) are good examples where a base may not be appropriate. The bases provided should cover most scales from 1/72<sup>nd</sup> up to 1/32<sup>nd</sup> for aircraft, 1/72<sup>nd</sup> to 1/35<sup>th</sup> for military vehicles and something for car models. For this to work as hoped input from club members on what size bases they think they may need would be appreciated. The club will not guarantee to provide a base for all your models.

#### 5. Club Display Co-ordinator.

It was proposed that the club display is co-ordinated by a designated person to be appointed on a show by show basis by the club Secretary or Committee, the display Co-ordinator will have the authority to arrange the display as they see fit. Duties will include ensuring that the display cloths and club name plate are available and used and that the appropriate club display bases are used, Note for some shows where a small number of models or modellers are in attendance you may not need all or any of the stands. The co-ordinator will have the authority to request the moving of models to provide the best possible display and ability to request the removal of models to make room for other club members e.g. if late attendees arrive. The aim would be to allow an equal amount of display space for all members attending and wishing to display.

The proposal was accepted.

#### 6. Alan Carr had also raised some proposals but after the debate of the previous 5, he withdrew them.

**Any other Business-** Peter Quinn asked the question of where the clubs money was being stored and whether the account it was being held in was accumulating interest. Bob Plumridge replied that the money was held in his account and was not earning interest. The reasons given for this that the club could open up its own account for the money but the banks make the whole process so difficult that it was not worth the effort and there would also be tax issues which could ensue from any potential interest earned. Bob did state that although the money is in his own account he has left instructions with his executor detailing what money belongs to the club.

Alan Wright raised a question relating to the number of special interest groups which appear to be springing up in the club and why the club membership were not being informed about them. He was concerned about the lack of communication within the club. The issue was debated and the consensus was that it is up to the special interest groups to advertise themselves either through Sticky Fingers or by some other form of announcement of their existence. There was however some concern expressed that the number of people with associations to other clubs or special interest groups could dilute the number of members available to man the IPMS Hornchurch stand at shows.

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Bit of a Giggle!!

#### Goldfish funeral

Little Nancy was in the garden filling in a hole when her neighbour peered over the fence.

Interested in what the cheeky-faced youngster was doing, he politely asked, "What are you up to there, Nancy?"

"My goldfish died," replied Nancy tearfully, without looking up, "and I've just buried him."

The neighbour was concerned, "That's an awfully big hole for a goldfish, isn't it?"

Nancy patted down the last heap of earth then replied, "That's because he's inside your f\*\*\*\*\* cat."

**IPMS HORNCHURCH.**  
**Meeting Schedule 2005/2006.**

June 20 <sup>th</sup>	Show and Tell
July 18 <sup>th</sup>	Competition Night
August 15 <sup>th</sup>	Video Night
September 19 <sup>th</sup>	Demonstration Night. Subjects to include base building and possibly Figure Painting
October 17 <sup>th</sup>	Competition Night
November 21 <sup>st</sup>	Guest Speaker. John Barfoot from Cross and Cockade Society to talk about Hornchurch Aerodrome 1915-19
December 19 <sup>th</sup>	Quiz and Nibbles
January 16 <sup>th</sup>	Competition Night
February 20 <sup>th</sup>	Guest Speaker. Tony Holmes from Osprey Books to talk about US Navy Aircraft and possibly Osprey Books
March 20 <sup>th</sup>	Competition Night
April 17 <sup>th</sup>	Competition- Modeller of the Year
May 15 <sup>th</sup>	AGM

**Club Display Code of Conduct.**

1. Do not spill any food or drinks on the tablecloths; if possible avoid eating or drinking behind the stand.
  2. Keep the language clean. Swear words may well put off families from approaching the club.
  3. Always keep the stand manned- with 1 person in front if possible. If you are the only person there and need to leave the stand find someone else from the club and request they take over.
  4. Be polite to the punters.
  5. If you see someone has been manning the stand for a long period of time- offer them a break.
  6. be careful with the models- report any damage and arrange for repair if possible. Unless absolutely necessary let the owner of the model move it.
  7. When setting up- make sure that the club name placard is on show, that flyers are available and that any themed displays are clearly identified.
  8. Try not to bring along the same models time after time. Refresh your display models as often as possible.
  9. A Display Organizer will be appointed by the Club Committee/Secretary for each show the club attends.  
They will be responsible for the following:-
- # The club display cloths and club name plate are available and used.
  - # The appropriate club display bases and stands are used, note for some shows where a small number of models or modellers are in attendance you may not need all or any of the stands.
  - # Will have the authority to request the moving of models to provide the best possible display.
  - # Will have the authority to request the removal of models to make room for other club members e.g. if late attendees arrive. The aim would be to allow an equal amount of display space for all members attending and wishing to display.

## Club Competition Rules.

- The competitions are split into 2, the Wally Arrowsmith Trophy for Aircraft subjects and the IPMS Hornchurch Trophy for Miscellaneous subjects
- Each competition will be run over 4 rounds.
- The schedule and any “Themes” for the competitions are decided at the AGM in May.
- All models must have been completed after 1<sup>st</sup> May for that competition year.

Each competition has been split into 2 categories.

	Category 1	Category 2
Aircraft	1/72 <sup>nd</sup> scale or less.	Greater than 1/72 <sup>nd</sup> scale.
Miscellaneous	Armour.	Anything else, i.e. not an aircraft or armour subject.

- Registration of models must be made before 20:15 to allow voting to start at this time.
- Members vote for the winning models in order of preference from 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> places in each category and competition.
- For each competition round a maximum of 2 models per category may be entered, i.e. 2 models in Category 1 and 2 models in Category 2 are the maximum allowed per round.
- Modellers may enter either or both competitions and categories, Aircraft and Miscellaneous.
- A model may only be entered into any competition once.
- Dioramas count as 1 model.
- Two models on one base, but not a diorama, count as 2 models.
- Modellers are not expected to vote for their own entries.
- In the event of a dispute the Competition Secretary’s decision is final.
- The person with the highest overall number of points in each competition (Aircraft or Miscellaneous) after the last round will be the Club Champion.
- In the event of a tie on points the number of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> places etc. will be the deciding factor.
- All models entered into the competitions can be entered into the Modeller of the Year competition at the end of the season. (See Model of Year Competition Rules).

### Scoring.

Every model entered in each competition scores 5 points.

The following points will be awarded for the 1<sup>st</sup> five places in each competition category.

PLACE.	POINTS.
1 <sup>st</sup>	20
2 <sup>nd</sup>	18
3 <sup>rd</sup>	16
4 <sup>th</sup>	14
5 <sup>th</sup>	12

Therefore a person entering 1 model that comes 3<sup>rd</sup> will score 5 points for entry plus 16 points for 3<sup>rd</sup> place, giving a total of 21 points.



Bit of a Giggle.

## **Rules for Model of the Year Competition.**

- Only models that have been shown in at least one Club Competition during the previous 12 months will be eligible for entry.
  - Members may enter 2 models of any subject and of any scale.
  - The competition will be judged by a person with no connection to the Hornchurch Club. The Judge's decision is Final.
  - A trophy will be awarded to the Winner, to be held for one year. The Winner will also receive an award to be held in Perpetuity.
  - Models must be solely the work of the Entrant.
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### **Peters Prattling**

Many thanks to all those who supported my nomination as the new club secretary, I hope that the changes being implemented will be a start to make this a modelling club where we all want to help and support each other in our adventures in plastic. By now you should hopefully have received the AGM report which I sent out via email where possible or by post where not. If there are any points which you don't understand please feel free to ask me about them.

This month we have what I hope will be an interesting "Show and Tell" session, as I write this I'm not sure which of the many models I have in progress to bring along, but I'm sure on the day a couple of subjects will spring to mind.

### **Next month – July 2005**

July will be the first of our competition nights, please note it will be for all categories, aircraft, armour and miscellaneous. Hopefully we'll see some of the models from tonight in a completed state.

### **New Haven "Fort Full of Models" Show – Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July**

We have 2 tables booked for this show. I have the car passes which should be displayed when you arrive, please see me if you need one.

### **Scale Aviation Modeller International (SAMI) Modeller Data files**

Alan Carr has passed on an offer sent to him for modelling clubs to take advantage of an offer SAMI are running on their Modelling Data file books. They are offering any of the following for £7.50 each.

Supermarine Spitfire Part 1 – Merlin powered	Avro Lancaster
Supermarine Spitfire Part 2 – Griffon powered	Bristol Beaufighter
English Electric Lightning	Gloster Meteor

If you are interested in any of these I will be willing to put a club order together but I must have the money via cash or cheque before the order is sent.

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### **"FROG Spawn" Model Lottery Competition**

As part of the collection of models I acquired last year there were quite a number of the old FROG/Novo kits in bags left over. I was thinking that if you were interested we could have a model building lottery competition. The idea is this.

- You pay £1 stake for each kit.
- The kits are allocated via "lucky dip"
- For each kit completed by the December meeting you get 50 pence of your £1 stake back.
- The winner of the competition, judged in December, receives the rest of the stake money.

Sorry there are only aircraft kits available. Are you up for the challenge?  
Well that's all for now so happy modelling.

**Peter**

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# Making Sandbags from Milliput

Sandbags are used by every armed force of the world in a variety of ways. This includes adding extra armour on tanks to providing extra protection at bunkers or MG stands and for bomb protection at buildings. This variety gives us modellers a lot of freedom in using them.



A view of one of the author's armour subjects treated with custom-made sandbags using the author's technique.

## How can I make them?

I was surprised how many times people asked me this question on the various modelling forums all over the Net. I am not an expert but I have used the method I describe here and I have received some very good comments about it so here it is. There are many ways to make sandbags and I am not telling you that this is "the way" but it works for me and maybe for you to?

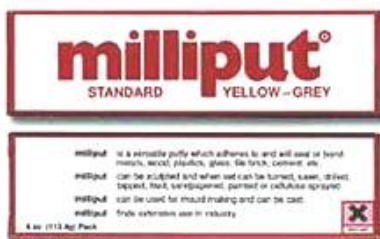
## Tools & materials

To make good sandbags you don't need many tools:  
Milliput (or A+B Epoxy putty)  
Smooth surface (glass or tile)  
Knife - a piece of cloth (cheese cloth ore fine mesh)  
Your fingers

## Step-by-step

### Step One

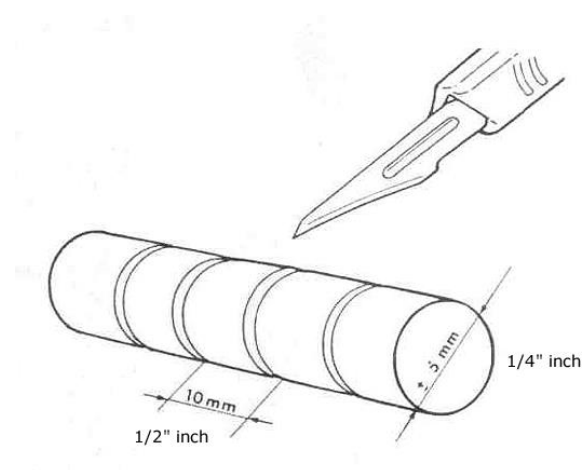
Mix the Milliput according to the instructions into a good homogeneous mixture. Use a smooth plate to work on (I always use a piece of glass).



### Step Two

Roll from this mixture several sausages from about 8-10 cm long and 6mm in diameter (if necessary put a little Talcum powder on your glass plate to prevent the Milliput from sticking too much). Cut this sausage in to little pieces of about 1 cm.





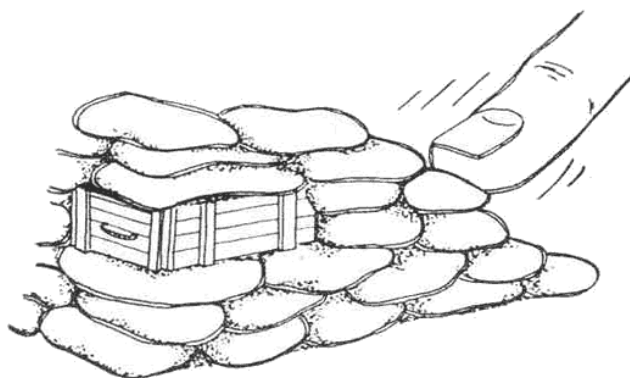
### Step Three

Take these little lumps of Milliput between your fingers and form them into little blocks.



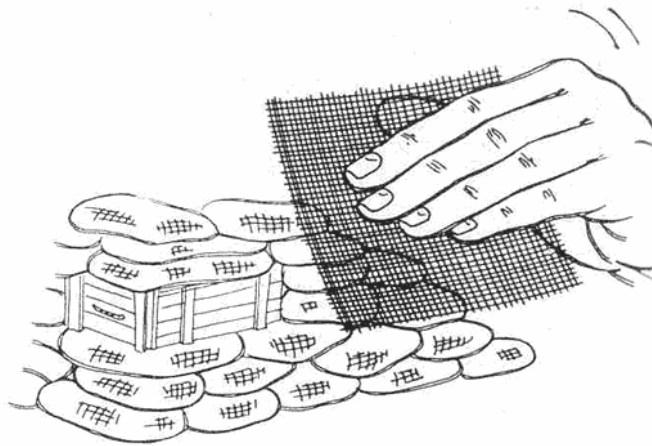
### Step Four

Now you have created rectangular shapes, which you can start to stack onto each other. By using a little pressure when stacking them, they will form themselves like sandbags. Don't worry about the different shapes and sizes you create by applying pressure; this is very natural because of the material and content of real sandbags. If you are using the sandbags to fortify a bunker or MG nest then you should also consider putting some wooden ammo boxes on the sides of the construction that were placed to reinforce the sandbag construction.



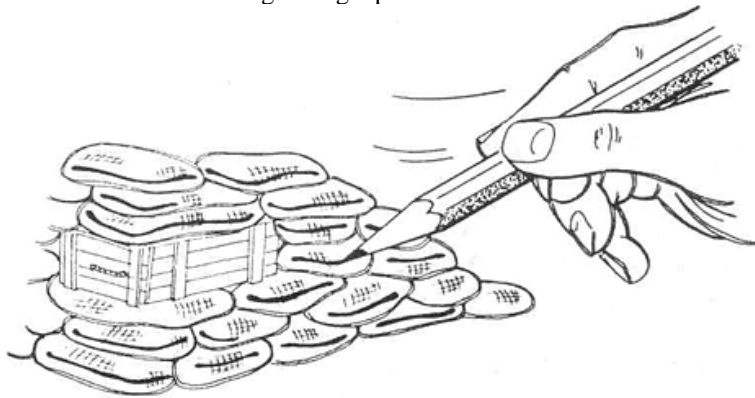
### Step Five

Let the sandbags dry for about 15 minutes then use some cloth and press lightly on the bags to give them some texture.



## Step Six

Don't forget to scribe some seams on the side of the bags using a pencil or knife.



## Finishing touches

That is basically it!

When painting it is a good idea to give them a different colour than your main object. For example, if you are using them on a tank with an Olive Drab basecoat then give your sandbags a Desert Yellow basecoat. This gives a good colour variation to your model. Oh, if you are painting and weathering your sandbags remember to give several sandbags a different colour (variations on your sandbag basecoat) otherwise they will look like one even colour, which is not very natural.

Using this way you can very easily create a lot of sandbags in a short time with fine results. Oh, one last tip. If you plan to remove the sandbags from your model (for painting) then you can put a small plastic sandwich bag on your model first, this way the putty will form itself according to the model but you can remove it without any problems.

## Club Competition Winners 2004-2005.

Wally Arrowsmith Trophy (Aircraft).

Awarded to:-Peter Bagshaw.



IPMS Hornchurch Trophy (Miscellaneous).

Awarded to:-Daniel Alvisse.



Chairman's Trophy.  
Awarded to:-Mick Pitts.



Model of the Year Trophy.  
Awarded to:-Mick Ellis.



What do you all think?

Website Model Gallery

I have had the following passed on to me.

From Carl Fisher

Fisher Aviation Art Studio

20 Auld House Wynd

Perth, PH1 1RG

United Kingdom

I came across your email on the IMPS website and I was enquiring if your branch would be willing to showcase some models on my new website [www.aviationartstudio.co.uk](http://www.aviationartstudio.co.uk).

This is a relatively new website which I am constantly updating to help establish my name in the aviation art world.

On my website I have a "Guest - Model & Art Gallery" and I would like to have a new club/modeller in this section every month. I do not charge for this, but donations to the RAFBF would be nice, though not essential.

I recently entered two aircraft at the Scottish Nationals in Perth last month (my home town) and was thrilled to gain a commendation and a highly commendation for my work.

Please advise as soon as possible if you would be interested in showing some of your members work. All I need are images via email and a few lines of text for each image shown

I hope this will be of interest to you or your club and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Best Wishes?

As a club are we interested in participating? If so I propose that next month we send off photos of the models on the competition table and if there is any other models you are particularly proud of bring them in too and we can send the whole lot of as one batch.

From Peter Bagshaw.

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Words from Robin.

First of all I would like to thank all those members that voted me into the competition secretary's job. Secondly I would really, really like to thank the members who then voted to cut the number of competitions from eight to four. I wish my boss would halve my workload that fast!

On a more serious note, I'm sure that you will join me in thanking Bob Ryan for doing such a good job in the competition secretary's post over the last couple of years. As things have run so smoothly, I can see no need to change the current way model registration and voting is done. There will only be a couple of minor cosmetic "tweaks" because of running the aircraft and miscellaneous competitions on the same evening.

So it only leaves me to say good luck and happy modelling.

**Robin.**

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Can you Help?

I need some decent Pictures of the engine on the Airfix 1930 Bentley or Reference pictures, websites so I can get on and build the model with detail.

Thanks Danny (the Editor).

## NORFOLK NERD

Well here we are again, a new modelling year and new committee members. Well done to Dave and Bob Ryan for all their sterling efforts whilst in office and welcome to Peter, Robin and Danny.

I thought that this years AGM was quite constructive and some good ideas came out of it. Let's hope they continue in the future.

It's amazing where you pick up info from these days. A few weeks ago 4 of the local churches had an open day and were advertised on Norfolk radio. So having a few hours to spare 'er indoors and myself decided to visit all 4. (It wasn't much fun climbing a spiral staircase as wide as me up a church tower just for the view)

One of them, Ludham, had a display of the village through the years and lo and behold in 1944 there was a RAF fighter station there that was actually visited by the then King and Queen. Where exactly I know not but it looks interesting.

(Mon 13th addition: just seen on local TV a bit about Ludham airfield. Apparently the tower and one other building are still standing and Norfolk council want to sell it. They hope whoever buys it will restore it to its original condition, also they stated that Ludham was the RAF's most easterly fighter station during the war and that the TV presenter Raymond Baxter flew from here)

I recently paid my annual visit to Hannants open day (well last two years only that's good enough isn't it). Found a few kits for loft insulation especially from the Eduard range. Two people were actually walking around with Tesco shopping trolley's now that is having some front!

## YA GOTTA LAUGH

One day two old ladies were standing outside the nursing home casually having a smoke. After being outside for a while it started to rain on them. Suddenly one of the ladies took out a condom, cut off the tip, and slipped it over her cigarette.

The other lady asked, "What's that for?" The first lady replied "It's to keep my cigarette dry when I'm outside smoking and it starts to rain."

The second lady said "That's a crafty idea."

The following day the second old lady went to the chemist to get some condoms. She walked in and said to the assistant "I'd like some condoms please."

The assistant looked at the old lady, rather baffled at why she would need condoms. However he asked, "What brand would you like, Madam"

The old lady smiled and replied, "I don't care what brand you give me, as long as it fits a camel."

## MODELLING MEANDERINGS

Newbie's & Wannabees	
Weirdness scale:	3
Creativity scale:	1
Nerd Scale:	3
Anal Retention Scale:	1
Prima Dona Scale:	0

Newbie's and Wannabees are, believe it or not, the future of our hobby. Every single one of us was a newbie or a wannabee, or both, at some point in our lives. Most of us didn't realize it until we went to our first model contest, and we were stunned, dumbfounded, awestruck, and outright intimidated by the models on the tables. You can always tell a newbie or wannabee, because they're like country folks in the big city for the first time...deer in the headlights look, eyes wide, staring, taking photos of everything...this is a whole new world to them, it is alien. But you were there once too...back then, you were painting with the little Airfix enamels, using the plastic bristled brushes and working on your Revell Missouri or Airfix Spitfire (admit it, all of you). There was no such thing as resin, photo etch, CA, or aftermarket parts or conversion kits...it was whatever was on the shelf in the local Woolworths for 2 shillings. As much of a modeling idiot as I am, I always try to encourage and help newbie's or wannabees as much as I can, with no bad hum our or ill will about the types of models they build. After all, these modellers are fragile, and easily influenced. Folks can only progress so far by reading and looking at photos. It falls on our shoulders to help modellers to learn the techniques that we've learned, discovered or dreamed up. Teach someone how to dry-brush and he will dry-brush everything, because of the new skill he has learnt. Something we do for years, and take for granted that everyone else does too, is not always the case. Modeling is a solitary hobby, we do it alone, locked in closets and basements and converted spaces in our homes. We rarely venture out except to the monthly model club meeting, and the occasional model show, to show off the results of our work. But during that time in between, we do the best we can with what tools and knowledge we have. "I wish I could build like him" Why? He's overweight, losing his hair, unemployed, his wife left him for the mailman, kids are in reform school, and he's spent every last cent on his models...that's a helluva price to pay for that stupid little trophy, isn't it? No, we can't let the newbie's and wannabees be disillusioned, because it really doesn't matter in the end. Your models should be built as well as you want them to be. If you don't like rigging, then don't rig. If you want to drybrush, weather and photoetch, then go for it, knock yourself out. If your model wins the Nationals, good for you, that plaque will sit nicely on your desk. But if your model wins your approval, that's all that really matters...

As I sit here typing this I've come to the realization that we're all weird, every one of us...equally...aircraft modellers no doubt laugh at us, who in turn are laughed at by armour modelers...and the Sc-Fi guys are laughing at all of us, because they care the least about what people think...and I guess I really don't care what people think (or do) for that matter. For all you folks with dirty minds wondering about freezing the balls off a brass monkey, here's your lesson for today... In the olden days of ships with cannon, the cannonballs were stacked on a square metal base, with indentations for the bottom row of cannon balls. The balls would then be stacked in a pyramid on top of the frame. The frame was made of brass, and when it got very cold, the brass would contract to the point that the cannonballs would roll off...the frame was called a 'Monkey' by sailors...thus, freezing the balls off a brass monkey. Now go build a model!!

*(Adapted from an IPMSUSA site)*

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### How to Make Tent rolls/Blanket rolls.

On to the tutorial:

First thing you take is a roll of toilet paper.

You tear off one sheet, that's more than enough for what we want to make.

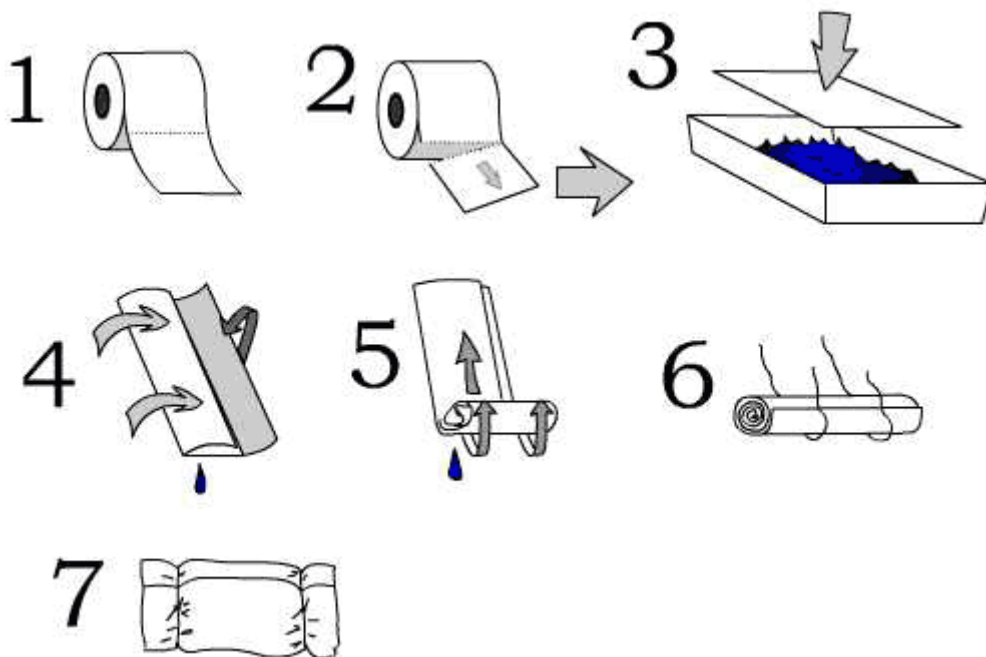
Take a little bowl with water and make the paper wet. Now you have to handle the paper like it's your own child or else you will tear it apart and you will have to start over again.

Fold the sheet as shown in the illustration.

Then roll it up.

Take 2 strings of sewing thread and tie them on to your roll.

The result should look a bit like this.



Then you let the "tent-roll" dry. When it's dry you can paint it in every colour you like. You can also experiment with different sizes or a different way of folding to make the roll longer, shorter or thicker. You will see it for yourself. These look good on dioramas, tanks or wherever you want to use them.

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