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## Peters Prattling

### Next month – Is the 1<sup>st</sup> round of the competitions

Firstly I would like to thank all the members who attended the AGM and voted to keep me on as the Club Secretary.

#### AGM

Well that’s the AGM over with for this year, phew what a relief! Hopefully you’ve all read the report, just in case I’ve included the club meeting schedule for this coming year below. Only one major change this time round, namely that the AGM has shifted to February next year to allow us to formulate the dates before the model show season really kicks in and thus gives us a schedule to talk about when hopefully gathering new members through out the year.

#### Scale Modelworld 2008

Latest wheeze from the bigwigs at IPMS land is to have a branch champion contest at the Nationals. The idea appears to be that all the clubs puts forward 1 model to be judged. There are however several issues which haven’t been effectively solved yet, one is that only IPMS members can enter, so our “official” Branch Champion Danny wouldn’t be able to enter his winning model of the year and the other major one is that they don’t appear to have worked out how or who they are going to get to judge it.



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## Forthcoming Shows in 2008

Shows with **highlight** have been booked for us to attend. If you wish to attend any of the shows with the club stand please let me know so I can attempt to book space for the club.

2008	
21 <sup>st</sup> June (Saturday)	<b>IPMS East Neuk</b> annual model show to be held at the YMCA Hall, 93 Bonnygate, <b>Cupar, Fife</b> KY15 4LG
6 <sup>th</sup> July (Sunday)	<b>Washington Model Club</b> present the 'Washington Model Show' to be held at the Nissan Sports and Social Club, Washington Road, <b>Sunderland</b> SR5 3NS
10 <sup>th</sup> August (Sunday)	<b>Eastern Expo</b> , West Norfolk Show at the college of West Anglia in <b>King's Lynn</b>
16 <sup>th</sup> August (Saturday)	<b>Essex MAFVA</b> , "Present Arms" at the Marshalls Park School, Petits Lane, <b>Romford</b>
6 <sup>th</sup> September (Saturday)	<b>IPMS West Cornwall</b> annual model show at St John's Hall, Alverton Street, <b>Penzance</b> , Cornwall TR18 2QR
	<b>IPMS Glasgow</b> present the <b>Glasgow Open Model Show &amp; Competition</b> to be held at the Kelvin Hall, Argyle Street, <b>Glasgow</b> G3 8AW
14 <sup>th</sup> September (Sunday)	<b>IPMS Fenland</b> and <b>Spalding Model Club</b> present ' <b>Wings and Things</b> ' to be held at the Grammar School, Spalding, Lincolnshire PE11 2XH
21 <sup>st</sup> September (Sunday)	<b>IPMS Farnborough</b> present 'Modelfest', to be held at Kings International College, Watchetts Drive, Camberley, Surrey GU15 2PQ
28 <sup>th</sup> September (Sunday)	<b>Brampton</b> The Burgess Hall, <b>St.Ives</b> , Cambridgeshire. I've requested space for this one.
12 <sup>th</sup> October (Sunday)	<b>IPMS Lincoln / IPMS Newark and the Spitfire SIG</b> Expo 2008. The Grandstand, Southwell Racecourse, <b>Southwell</b> , Nottinghamshire NG25 0TS
15 <sup>th</sup> & 16 <sup>th</sup> November (Saturday & Sunday)	IPMS Scale Modelworld (aka The Nationals), <b>Telford International Centre</b> .

**Peter**



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## Robins Ruminations

Well as I am tapping away at the keyboard summer might finally arrived or at least two consecutive rain free days so I guess that's as good as it gets at the moment. What little modelling I had on the go has had to be shelved in unseemly rush two cut our lawns and then attack the Mother in Laws wilderness before the weather turns to rain again. This is in between "requests" for visits to various garden centres, digging over of borders and assistance in general gardening duties. Does anybody get the idea that I don't like gardening?

I guess it's all because my Brother and Sister both revel in gardening and really can't think of anything better than spending all weekend tinkering with their gardens. When my parents were alive they were the same, unfortunately the gardening "gene" missed me totally. Whereas my Father could grow anything just by looking at it, I kill anything I plant or try to nurture in the garden with consummate ease, much to my wife's exasperation. My idea of a good garden is astro-turf lawns and plastic flowers stuck in planters, always looking fresh and green, no cutting, pruning or watering, heaven!

My wife unfortunately does not share my vision of a gardening utopia so I guess it's more strimming, cutting, planting, thorns, prickles, poisonous sap, blisters and gnat bites for the next four months before the nights draw in and the garden slumbers. Just in time for the decorating and D.I.Y. "season" to start. ARGH!

On the 21st of May, Wally, Robert, Paul, Kevin and myself made a visit to the Southend model club to judge their annual competition. We were made most welcome and again had the daunting task of judging the winners out of well in excess of a hundred models. As you can imagine, this took some time, but decisions were reached and the awards presented. The best in show went to a very well made and painted small group of figures depicting a scene from Napoleon's army's retreat out of Russia. Just to round the evening off well, I won twice on the raffle, a S.A.M. saw set and a 1/48th Lysander by Gavia.

### **My "official" hat is now, ON.**

The A.G.M. has once again passed off quickly and without any major changes, problems or "lively" debate. First of all let me thank the club members for re-electing the committee and especially myself as the competition secretary. I take this a sign that the club members are reasonably happy with the direction the club is going. By that I mean that we meet once a month for a pleasant chat about modelling and life in general. Enjoy the tea, coffee and biscuits and take part in the regular competitions as and when we feel like it or have something we wish to show. Unlike some clubs there is never any pressure to deliver a set number of completed models in a set time span or on a specified theme. I am happy with this, as I enjoy modelling as a relaxing pastime not a chore.

As the competition secretary all I would request is for a few more models on the tables on competition evenings, but most of all simply enjoy the hobby and our meetings.

**Robin**



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## 2008/2009 Schedule

June 16 <sup>th</sup>	Southern Expo DVD & Matchbox box top artwork Models in Progress
July 21 <sup>st</sup>	Competition Night
August 18 <sup>th</sup>	Phil Worths' "Airbrushing and Painting with Acrylics Master class"
September 15 <sup>th</sup>	Competition Night
October 20 <sup>th</sup>	Favourite Model Brain/Barn storming
November 17 <sup>th</sup>	Competition Night
December 15 <sup>th</sup>	Quiz and nibbles
January 19 <sup>th</sup>	Competition: Modeller of the Year
February 16 <sup>th</sup>	AGM Theme Build Round Up – Airfix Models