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## Peters Prattling

### Next month – To Be Decided Tonight

I had invited Tony from ArmourFast to come along to the next meeting (March) to see how we had done with the quick builds of the free samples and perhaps judge our efforts. He hasn't got back to me yet.

### Home Front

Well the mega build of Spitfires, 109s and He-111 is drawing to a close, phew! As if that wasn't bad enough I've just completed a redecoration of the main bedroom at home, for those that are interested I'm pleased to report it all went very well, if a little slowly due to the small amount of natural daylight available at this time of year, but at least it wasn't too fraught a process. My modelling room is next on the agenda, I can't say I'm particularly looking forward to it but in another sense I am, as it will be good to sort through old magazines and books I no longer think I need and also perhaps find a few lost bits of plastic here and there.

### Southern Expo News and Decals

Not long to go now. Pretty much all of the traders and clubs are booked in now. Best news of all the decals have arrived and Robin and I have been hard at work printing off the instruction sheets and then bagging them up. I must admit the decals do look very good, even better than I really expected. I'll bring along some samples for people to see tonight. We have even had our first international order from a company in New Zealand for 25 copies of the decals, the inclusion of "local boy" Al Deere must have done the trick. We do have a club meet just before the show but as ever I would like to ask all of you who are planning on attending to spend some time behind the club stand, bring along a model to display (even if you think it's not up to the same standard as others, the whole point of the display is to show what the club is about and that is all of us not an elite few) and if there's any spare time whether you could help us out in-between, we would really like some volunteers to help man the entry table (Bob and Ricky have both volunteered but they would appreciate some extra help) and perhaps marshalling for the competition on Sunday please.

### Milton Keynes Show – Sunday 7th Feb

How was the show for you? Unfortunately this year they decided to split the display over 2 halls which were physically separate. It sort of worked but as we were in the "other" hall I did get the feeling that there weren't quite as many visitors wandering round as the main hall. Despite me asking for disability access for Danny, the hall was also accessed down 5 steps, not sure how that worked, sorry Danny, I did try.

Apart from the normal "niggles" I have with the show, I thought we had a really good club display, Robin and I arrived early and so set up the table and stands ready for models and then went for a bargain wander. By the time we got back the table was mostly full of the other members' models (Ian, Danny, Mick and John Huston), so we just filled in the gaps, well done the rest of you. It was good to see other people's models on the table for a change and I'm sure some of the regulars from other clubs were glad to see something other than mine and Robin's models!

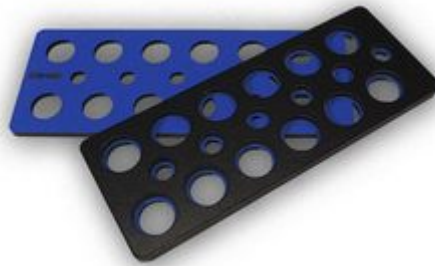


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I didn't actually buy much at the show that I hadn't already pre-ordered, just a couple of 1/72<sup>nd</sup> Airfix Spitfire Is, wonder what I'll use them for? Apart from those I'd ordered some sets of wheel masks for Panzer III & IVs and T-34s which are reusable (unlike the Eduard ones) and look to be a lot easier as you just paint the wheel the type colour then press it into the mask and then spray the body colour, no messing about with peeling off masking material and trying to line it up around the tyre.



Plus a book on captured FW 190s, including some really colourful and unusual illustrations, e.g. a tri-colour US Navy one or an all red version, can't wait to put them on the table and see the reaction.

## Forthcoming Shows in 2010

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.

2010	
<b>21st February (Sunday)</b>	<b>IPMS Wakefield and District</b> , 'Huddersfield 2010', Huddersfield Sports Centre, Southgate, <b>Huddersfield</b> HD1 1TW
<b>20<sup>th</sup> &amp; 21<sup>st</sup> March (Saturday &amp; Sunday)</b>	<b>Southern Expo</b>
<b>28<sup>th</sup> March (Sunday)</b>	<b>Newbury Scale Model Club</b> , Greenham Common Airbase
<b>17<sup>th</sup> April (Saturday)</b>	<b>Plymouth Show</b>
<b>24<sup>th</sup> &amp; 25<sup>th</sup> April (Saturday &amp; Sunday)</b>	<b>Scottish Nationals</b> , Dewars Centre, Glover Street, <b>Perth</b>
<b>16<sup>th</sup> May (Sunday)</b>	<b>IPMS Tyneside</b> , Northern Scale Model Show, Temple Park Centre, John Reid Road, <b>South Shields</b> , Tyne & Wear NE34 8QN
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> May (Saturday)</b>	<b>IPMS Devon (South)</b> , South Devon Model Extravaganza, <b>Newton Abbot Race Course</b> TQ12 3AF <b>Southdowns Model Club Show</b> , Lancing
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> May (Sunday)</b>	<b>IPMS Barnet</b> , <b>RAF Museum</b> Hendon – I've requested 2 tables
<b>5<sup>th</sup> June (Saturday)</b>	<b>IPMS Salisbury show</b>
<b>27<sup>th</sup> June (Sunday)</b>	<b>IPMS West Norfolk</b> , <b>Downham Market Town Hall</b>
<b>26<sup>th</sup> September (Sunday)</b>	<b>Brampton show</b> - Burgess Hall, <b>St Ives</b> , Cambs, PE27 6WU
<b>13<sup>th</sup> &amp; 14<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Scale Modelworld - Telford</b>

Peter



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## Robins Ruminations

Since the last meeting I have been mainly busy with all the little things that make Southern Expo run smoothly. Buying thermal cups, raffle tickets, ordering the awards, keeping the accounts, doing the paperwork and generally doing the legwork while Peter has been doing the late alterations and technical side of Expo.

By the time you read this all the money from the Expo traders will be safely in the bank and all systems are go. All that remains for Peter and me, as far as the sports centre goes, is to have a final walk around with the staff to iron out any last minute details, problems or changes. As a heads up to members driving to the show, I noticed last week the council are digging up part of the car park, so parking will be even tighter than in previous years, you have been warned. Perhaps see if those driving can park at a suitable place, outside somebody's house and all come to the show in one car.

The Southern Expo decal sheet has finally arrived from MicroScale and looks very nice indeed. We are both busy printing instruction sheets and bagging them up with the decals, both Karen and Adele are more than happy to assist us in this, or is it the knotted ropes we keep threatening them with that is the encouragement? Just as an idea of the scale of our "short run" decal sheet, it means that we/our Wives have to print 5600 sides of A4 paper and then fold the 2800 sheets and squeeze them in the plastic bag with decal sheet. That is of course if all the printing is perfect first time around, something that doesn't/hasn't happened. A tad time consuming to say the least, still if we weren't doing this we would only be wasting our time modelling or something! However we will bring in a couple of examples this evening for the members to have a look at.

As well as the printing the instruction sheets and bagging up of the decal sheet, Peter and I are busy building a few models to display the decals to their best effect, well, as far as our modelling skills go anyway. Of course I'm building 1/48th and Peter is busy working on a selection of 1/72nd aircraft. This was causing me major problems as my modelling room only really has the space for building one model at a time. However, my good lady Wife came to my rescue by offering me the unrestricted use of the kitchen table and surrounding area. Adele just gives me one of "those looks" and sighs every time she walks into the kitchen and sees my Augsburg/Woolston production line on the kitchen table. You really know how much your Wife loves you / tolerates you when you do something like this. See the picture below!



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As you can see I have a mini production line going, not my favourite way of modelling, but as most of the colours are the same for each aircraft type and time is pressing I don't have too much of an option.

Ian, Mick, Danny, Peter and I attended the Milton Keynes show last weekend, Wally and Bob also attended in other capacities. After a quick run up to Milton Keynes, Peter and I set up the stand and went walkabout, picking up a few bargains and sorting out a few Expo matters. While we were away, Danny, Ian and Mick part filled the tables with their models and then we topped the table up on our return. Unfortunately the show split into two buildings, the one we were in was out of the main doors, down a slope along a bit and across a road and down a few stairs. I was very glad it wasn't raining but it was damn chilly! Peter was a bit annoyed as he had asked to be on the ground floor of the main hall due to Danny attending the show. The show was well attended by traders and members of the public, but seemed less well attended by members of clubs. Whether this is due to the policy of charging for some members attending or not, I don't know. I picked up a few bargains, a Typhoon, FW190 and a Me109 for £10 each and a few little bits and pieces I needed. I think that everybody else picked up a few bits and enjoyed the day out.

Overall I enjoyed the show, but felt it lacked a certain "something", it seemed a little flat, especially as it was the first show of the year.

## **My Official hat is now on.....**

Last month's Modeller of the Year competition was, I think, a great success with the tables almost groaning under the number of models. A big thank you to all the members that brought in their qualifying models to take part. I think that the club really stretched the Judges from Southend this time. The quality and quantity of the models on the table on the night and indeed throughout the year has certainly improved yet again.

Mick Pitts was a worthy winner on the night with his excellent 75/27 Cannone. After a little bit of misunderstanding due to the entry slips somehow getting reversed, I took second place. Steve Crust took third place with his BAe Typhoon.



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Well tonight is the AGM, or as I like to call it, the annual bun-fight. This is your chance to bring to account the committee for all the dodgy dealings and villainies and vote them out. Well I'd like to state for the record, I haven't had my moat cleaned out for at least a year and my ducks are being forced to make do with a static duck house, not floating.

However on a serious note, this is **your** chance to have **your** say, to change the committee, the club's rules, and the direction of the club or simply to blow off steam. Whichever of the above fits your needs, go for it!

**Robin**

## Wrighty's References

Alan had sent in something for this month's references but it was quite late being delivered and I just ran out of time to type it in, sorry Alan! It will be in next month's Sticky Fingers.

**Alan**

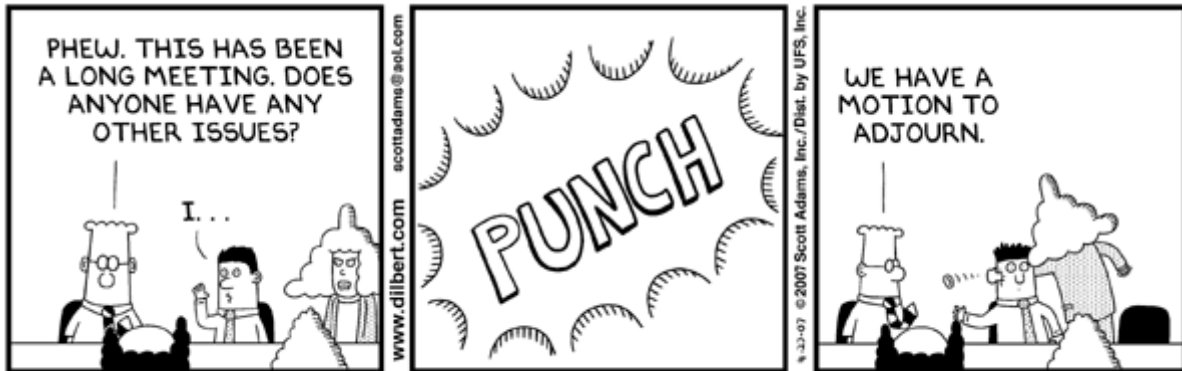


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## IPMS Hornchurch AGM 2010 Agenda



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1. Committee Reports
  - i) Secretary's report – Peter Bagshaw
  - ii) Treasurer's report – Bob Plumridge
  - iii) Assistant & Competition Secretary's report – Robin Bellamy
2. Election of Officers
  - i) Secretary
  - ii) Assistant & Competition Secretary
  - iii) Treasurer
3. Club Competitions
  - a) Announcement of winners for 2009/2010 competitions
    - i) Wally Arrowsmith Trophy (Aircraft) – Robin Bellamy
    - ii) IPMS Hornchurch Trophy (Miscellaneous) – Danny Alvisse
    - iii) Modeller of the Year –

1 <sup>st</sup>	Mick Pitts	75/27 Cannone
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Robin Bellamy	Pfalz D.III
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Steve Crust	Eurofighter Typhoon
  - b) Competition rules – Same as last year?
4. Formulation of outstanding monthly dates for 2010/2011

I have one suggestion for a themed build – “Get your finger out!” Let's bring along a model project that has been stalled for some time or even quite a long time and then actually finish it.
5. Any Other Business



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## 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 rounds determined at the AGM (normally 4).
- The schedule and any "Themes" for the competitions are decided at the AGM.
- All models must have been completed 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	Military vehicles any scale	Anything else, i.e. not an aircraft or military vehicle 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 competitor may enter a maximum of 2 models per category, i.e. For the Wally Arrowsmith competition (Aircraft) 2 models in Category 1 and 2 models in Category 2 are the maximum allowed per round.
- Modellers may enter models in 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.
- 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 any of the rounds are eligible for entry into the "Modeller of the Year" competition.
- **In the event of a dispute the Competition Secretary's' decision is final.**

### 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.

1 <sup>st</sup> place	20 points
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	18 points
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	16 points
4 <sup>th</sup> place	14 points
5 <sup>th</sup> place	12 points

i.e. a person entering 1 model who 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.

## Modeller of the Year Competition

### Rules

- Judging for the competition will be performed by external judges with no association with any of the entered models.
- Any models which they have entered into the IPMS Hornchurch competition over the year are eligible for entry.
- First, second and third places are to be awarded with the following prizes being awarded.

Winner (1 <sup>st</sup> place)	£20
Runner up (2 <sup>nd</sup> place)	£10
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	£5
- **In the event of a dispute the judge's decision is final.**



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## 2010/2011 Schedule Template

March 15 <sup>th</sup>	
April 19 <sup>th</sup>	Competition Night
May 17 <sup>th</sup>	
June 21 <sup>st</sup>	Competition Night
July 19 <sup>th</sup>	
August 16 <sup>th</sup>	
September 20 <sup>th</sup>	Competition Night
October 18 <sup>th</sup>	
November 15 <sup>th</sup>	Competition Night
December 20 <sup>th</sup>	Quiz and nibbles
January 17 <sup>th</sup>	Competition: Modeller of the Year
February 21 <sup>st</sup>	AGM