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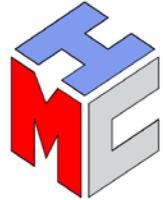
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## Peters Pratting

### This Months Talk by Jan

Unfortunately Jan has had to pull out at the last minute as he has a family matter to deal with, he is still keen to come but won't be until next year.

### Hornchurch Country Park Visitors Centre Opening

My thanks to Robin, Ian, Kevin and Ralph for turning up and help man the tables we were allocated, much appreciated. We had a great display of aircraft, much of it relevant to RAF Hornchurch and some armour too.

We were based inside the new visitor centre which certainly looks the part and had an excellent café, the cakes looked really good but for some reason I never tried any, I must be slipping!

We had loads of people visit the stand and ask questions or pass on positive comments; I think this was one of the busiest shows we've ever had. There were quite a number of "I used to make models and hang them from the ceiling!" conversation starters and a fair number picked up flyers for the club and Southern Expo so who knows we might pick up some new members or visitor numbers at the show.

We did have to vacate the building for the official opening ceremony, which was happening in the display ground area, slightly surreal moment of the day, but it gave us all a chance to walk around the displays. I swear after visiting the Greyhound Rescue I saw Ian Brown's bag wagging on the way home!





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## More New Airfix model announcements

Next on the line is a 1/48<sup>th</sup> Curtiss P-40B/C and a revised tooling for a Nakajima B5N1 Kate in 1/72<sup>nd</sup> scale. Announced today (09/10/15) all in 1/72<sup>nd</sup> scale are a brand new tool Jet Provost JP3/3A, plus revised mouldings for Bristol Beaufighter Mk.X and Armstrong Whitworth Whitley Mk.VII (Coastal Command version), both based on the recently released new mouldings.

## ScaleModelWorld 2015

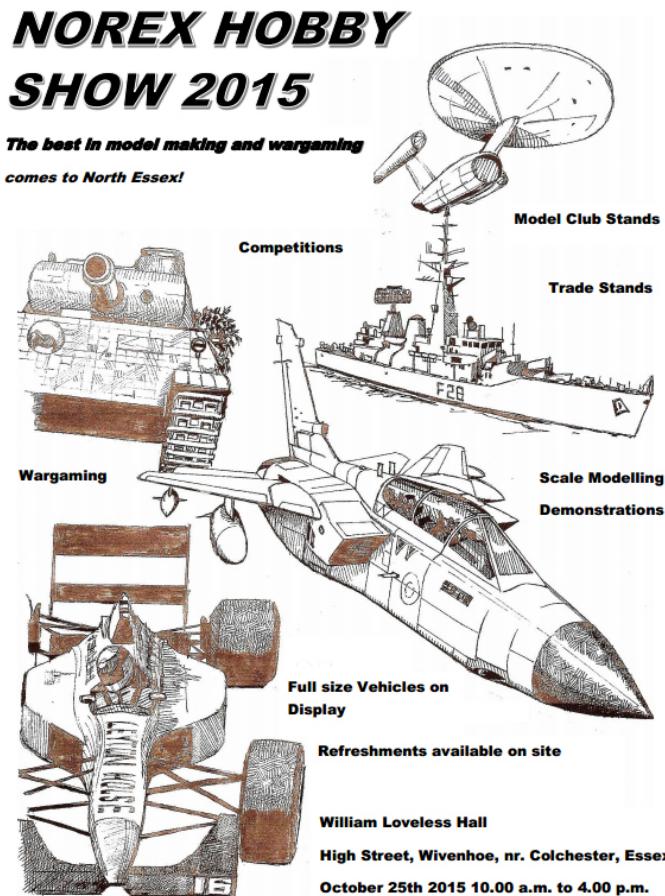
Not long to go now until the IPMS ScaleModelWorld show kicks off in Telford on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November. If you are coming up for the weekend or even just one day please try and spend some time behind the club stand and definitely put some models on the table for display, last year we had a really good turn out and wide variety of models, not just myself and Robin's well-travelled stuff. I might also need to ask for a club volunteer (or sacrificial lamb as they are known) on Sunday at 12:30, as Allen Roffey had put himself forwards as the official club "volunteer" to help out for show duties but he told me he now won't be going up to the show so we might get called on to provide someone for an hour to help out. We are on the "Stand By Rota" and some years we've not been asked so you may not be required at all.

## Maquette Club Opale, Complexe Sportif, Rue de la Mairie, Fretun (near Calais)

Fretun club have set their dates, it will be on 17 & 18 September 2016, at the same place as in 2014. They very much hope to see us there again.

Setting up is possible on Friday, from 2 to 7pm; Saturday setting up times are 7.30am til 10am, with official opening at 12.30pm with the Maire. Open on Sunday from 10am. Show closes at 6pm on Saturday and Sunday.

## Model Show in Colchester – Who Knew?





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## Forthcoming Shows in 2015/2016

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.

2015	
<b>October 25<sup>th</sup> (Sunday)</b>	<b>Norex Hobby Show 2015</b> , William Loveless Hall, 85-87 High Street, Wivenhoe, Essex, CO7 9AB. Model Club and Trade Stands, Demonstrations, Wargaming, Full size vehicles on display, Competitions. Refreshments available. Open 10.00am to 4.00pm
<b>November 1<sup>st</sup> (Sunday)</b>	<b>North Shropshire Model Show</b> , Market Hall, Scotland Street, <b>Ellesmere</b> , Shropshire, SY12 0ED
<b>November 7<sup>th</sup> &amp; 8<sup>th</sup> (Saturday &amp; Sunday)</b>	<b>Scale ModelWorld 2015</b> , Telford International Centre, Telford, Shropshire, TF3 4JH
<b>November 22<sup>nd</sup> (Sunday)</b>	<b>Aircraft Enthusiast Fair and Model Show</b> , Museum of Army Flying, <b>Middle Wallop</b> , Hampshire, SO20 8DY
<b>December 6<sup>th</sup> (Sunday)</b>	<b>London Model Show</b> , Islington
2016	
<b>January 15<sup>th</sup> –17<sup>th</sup> (Friday – Sunday)</b>	<b>London Model Engineering Exhibition</b> , Alexandra Palace, London
<b>February 6<sup>th</sup> (Saturday)</b>	<b>North Surrey Military Modelling Group</b> , Annual Open Day & Competition, Carshalton Beeches Baptist Church, Banstead Road, <b>Carshalton Beeches</b> , Surrey, SM5 3NL
<b>March 19<sup>th</sup> &amp; 20<sup>th</sup> (Saturday &amp; Sunday)</b>	<b>Southern Expo</b>
<b>May 28<sup>th</sup> (Saturday)</b>	<b>Torbay Military Modelling Show</b> , Torquay Town Hall
<b>June 19<sup>th</sup> (Sunday)</b>	<b>MAFVA Nationals 2016</b> , The Burgess Hall, Westwood Rd, <b>Saint Ives</b> , Cambridgeshire, PE27 6WU
<b>September 17<sup>th</sup> &amp; 18<sup>th</sup> (Saturday &amp; Sunday)</b>	<b>Maquette Club Opale</b> , Complexe Sportif, Rue de la Mairie, <b>Frethun (near Calais)</b>
<b>November 12<sup>th</sup> &amp; 13<sup>th</sup> (Saturday &amp; Sunday)</b>	<b>Scale ModelWorld 2016</b> , Telford International Centre, Telford, Shropshire, TF3 4JH

Peter

## Robins Ruminations

Cor, where has the last month disappeared to? It seems only a week or so since we last met and already I'm getting gentle reminders from Peter for this article. I must be getting old, time is just flying by.

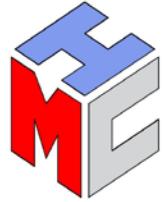
The clubs attendance to the new visitors centre at the Hornchurch Country Park was, in my opinion, a great success. Peter, Kevin, Ian and I were the permanent fixtures for the day with a few other club members popping into the show over the course of the day. The visitor centre itself is very light and airy with a very good café, my eyes were drawn to some very interesting cakes under glass domes, and I resolved to "test" one of them before the day was out. The views from the café are over some reed beds and part of the country park is very nice, with quite a few birds flying and wandering around in the margins.

The stand was quickly set-up we soon had the stand full of models and ready for the public, however very few people seemed to come in at all. Then at about 10:30 the sun began to break through the clouds and the temperature increased and the people began to roll in through the doors. Over the next two and a half hours we were all kept fairly busy chatting to people about the models, modelling they did as children and some that remembered R.A.F. Hornchurch as an operational base during the war. One gentleman I got talking to served aboard an old paddle steamer that was equipped with the most advanced R.D.F. and every night sailed out into the Thames Estuary and anchored just off the main channel. The crew's job was to plot the approach and flight characteristics of German mine-laying aircraft and then pass the information to a flotilla of mine sweepers that would then sweep along the tracks and neutralise the mines they found. It was only later I was kicking myself for not asking the gentleman for the name of the ship. We were shooed out of the centre at about 12:30 for the "official" speeches that took place on the main events field; however we used the time to wander around the stands around the field.



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Keen, fit and ready to meet the public, or something like that!

It was while walking around the field that Ian fell in love with, it must be said, a bit of a dog. Don't worry, it was of the four legged variety with a wet nose and wagging tail. A charity stand was trying to re-home ex-racing Greyhounds. As Ian had lost his pet dog a while ago, the affectionate and energetic dogs on the stand were a real hit and very, very tempting. After much patting, smoothing and rubbing we had to drag Ian back to the club stand before he could talk himself into putting his name down to home one of the dogs. Ian's wife popped over later in the afternoon and they both wandered over to have a look at the dogs, I think it was a case of a swap, the dog could go home with Mrs. Brown but the charity would have to take Ian in exchange. A case of work in progress I feel.

The afternoon followed much the same pattern as the morning with a procession of people talking to us and reminiscing about the area in earlier days. Before we realised it, we had to start packing up and head off home in our respective directions.





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It was only when I got home I realised I had forgotten something, to get myself a slice of one of the cakes from the café, damn, I must be slipping!

The Brampton Show was held on the Sunday of the 27th of September and the welcome from the Brampton Club was as warm as ever. The club had its normal 12 feet on the ground floor with the nice comfy chairs, very civilised. Graham, Bob Smith, Ian, Peter, Bob Plumridge and of course yours truly attended as Hornchurch and Wally and Bob Lawrence visited from their respective stands. Some bargains were on offer but I resisted as best I could, only spending about £20 all told on some of S&M Viscount airliners at a whole £2 each, a few paintbrushes and the raffle, well the Nationals are on the horizon after all. The only other purchase that stands out in my mind was the two kits of the Fokker Dr.1 that Peter purchased cheaply; to put it mildly in 1/144th the Triplane is truly tiny! I think he could display both aircraft with the ground crew on a beer mat! As ever the show seemed to flash by and we were soon packing up to make the homeward journey. Brampton is always a good show and one that if you can get to, it's well worth the effort.

## My "official hat" is now on....

Last month's competition went well, albeit with only fifteen entries but they were of the same high standard that the club seems to be normally producing nowadays. Congratulations to Ian Brown who won the miscellaneous section with his Suzuki RC500 and Bob Lawrence came second with his Lotus 99. The AFV section was won by Bob Smith with his First World War Mk.IV female tank with Peter Bagshaw coming second with his Warrior APC.

The 48th scale and larger aircraft section was the evenings second win for Bob Smith with his P-40 Warhawk with Ian Brown coming a close second with his P-51. The 72nd scale section was won by Paul Bennett with his Westland Lysander; Paul also took second place with his model of a Baroudeur experimental test aircraft.

The Nationals are almost upon us and if you are intending to go could you please tell Peter so we can sort out how many models to take, if the stands are required etc.

Robin

## Wrighty's "References"

### WrySpy Calling



The Shoreham Show crash, things have gone quiet and the Hawker Hunter crash at the show as you will be aware that, thanks to our records on the three previous crashes, WrySpy has been called in to offer an opinion on the reason for the Hunter's crash. You can read it in Septembers Sticky Fingers the submitted reasons posted to the CASB. Very little has come out in the newspapers was that the pilot of the Hunter is still in hospital (he is out now apparently – Peter) with safety officials at his bedside hoping he can tell them what went wrong in the loop, our point that no black box was fitted which probably would have given the machinery which was at fault, as you will recall our choice was for the drop tanks used in flight (see issue 136), especially as it was doing aerobatics.

### Shoreham pilot to be questioned

The pilot of the Hawker Hunter jet that crashed at the Shoreham air show, killing 11 people, will be questioned by police 'as soon as possible'.

Andrew Hill's condition is improving and he has been released from an undisclosed specialist hospital.

An interim report by accident investigators found 'no abnormal indications' during the Hawker Hunter flight.

Cockpit cameras showed the 1950s jet 'appeared to be responding to the pilot's control inputs' on August 22.



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## Las Vegas Boing B777 Engine Fire

**LUGGAGE IDIOTY OF FIRE-JET PASSENGERS**



**Safety risk:** Passengers, some with luggage, leave the burning Boeing 777

PIC: ENP/INS

■ Thank goodness everyone escaped the BA plane that caught fire in Las Vegas [Metro, Thu]. This, despite the selfishness of those passengers who delayed others by getting their hand luggage. Pure stupidity. *Donna, Cheltenham*

■ It's no wonder people were injured sliding down the escape chutes. Maybe their bags had something to do with it. Your bag might be the death of you, and others, next time. *Marcus, London*

■ The delays, blockages and potential chute-puncturing caused by passengers retrieving luggage and sliding with them could have led to a catastrophe. *Lisa, Birmingham*

■ Passengers fumbling for bags can not only delay themselves but others, while also blocking the aisle with falling luggage. Don't risk somebody else's life for items that are replaceable. *Ally, Glasgow*

A British Airways Boeing B777 was taking off from Vegas airport when thick black smoke started emitting from the port on take-off and climb. As you probably know Las Vegas is in the middle of the Nevada desert (note, presumably very hot weather is frequent in the area – yes it was quite warm enough in November when we went there last year – Peter). Yes, thanks to our boss Cdr/RFD.1 who is on holiday in the US of A he was offered reasons as in the case of the others in air crashes recently, so a large photo and request of the 777 ablaze on the runway, with note “what can we do for the Yanks on this one?”.

The plane got some 15 miles out before calling for help, full crash prevention went into operation but to cut a long story short the plane landed safely amid turmoil aboard, thanks to the skill of the pilot.

Look closely at the picture, people are strolling along like a Saturday afternoon in Oxford Street, they had time to retrieve their luggage, but importantly the port engine is ablaze, the fire is contained in this engine. This is aviation fuel burning, obviously fuel pipes are leaking, loose union joints would leak a fine spray which lands on the engine turbine exhaust pipe being red hot due to the power required at take-off, fuel and heat create black smoke as in the picture. Eventually put out by Airport Fire & Rescue Services. A TV interview with the pilot on 18<sup>th</sup> September he seemed to find it more like a school boy prank offering no explanation from the cause, maybe that's because no passengers were killed or injured; our advice check maintenance records over the last 2 years! One wonders if the true cause will ever come to light?

## Post Office Rifles

My congratulations to Robin for his story no the Post Office Rifles, how very interesting his history is for somebody who sounds like a pop group! But seriously this is a very informative history about a unit of the Army. I and probably most of you have never heard of let alone counting the 5,000+ killed or wounded the dates of their positions 1914/18 and engagements in the lines of the Western Front. I would like Robin's permission to include the story in the “Unsung Heroes” along with the Furious, Dambusters, 47 Sq. Wellesleys and others etc. listed last month. So come on lads, what new can you bring to these pages about “Unsung Heroes”?



Alan

# Competition Results for 3<sup>rd</sup> Round 2015

## Wally Arrowsmith Trophy (Aircraft)

1/72<sup>nd</sup> Scale or Less

Position	Entrant	Model	Votes
1 <sup>st</sup>	Paul Bennett	Westland Lysander	45
2 <sup>nd</sup> =	Paul Bennett Peter Bagshaw	Barouduer Vickers Viscount	37
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bob Lawrence	Learstang Miss Ashley II	36
4 <sup>th</sup>	Peter Bagshaw	Mig-21SMT	14

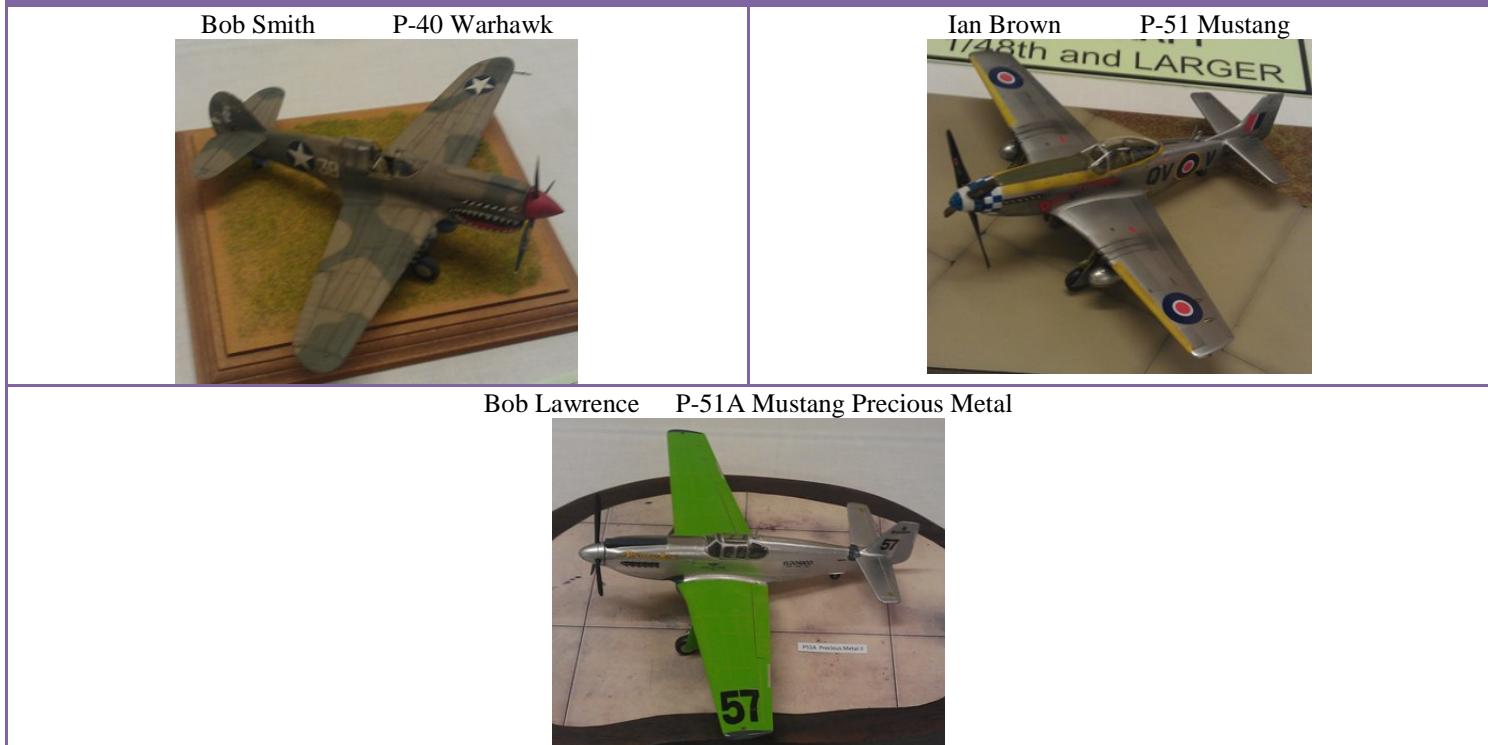
1/72<sup>nd</sup> Scale or less



Greater than 1/72<sup>nd</sup> Scale

Position	Entrant	Model	Votes
1 <sup>st</sup>	Bob Smith	P-40 Warhawk	53
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ian Brown	P-51 Mustang	49
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bob Lawrence	P-51A Mustang Precious Metal	36

Greater than 1/72<sup>nd</sup> Scale



### Positions after 3<sup>rd</sup> Round

Position	Entrant	Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	Bob Lawrence	107
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Peter Bagshaw	82
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Brian Thomas	78
4 <sup>th</sup>	Ian Brown	69
5 <sup>th</sup>	Paul Bennett	48
	Allen Roffey	44
	Brian Breeze	
	John Bennett	38
	Bob Smith	25
	Kevin Curley	
	Charles Thompson	20
	Paul Bird	19
	Alan Wright	5

### IPMS Hornchurch Trophy (Miscellaneous)

#### Military Vehicles

Position	Entrant	Model	Votes
1 <sup>st</sup>	Bob Smith	W.W.1 Tank Mk.IV	47
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Peter Bagshaw	Warrior	37
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Kevin Curley	Bedford Truck	30
4 <sup>th</sup>	Peter Bagshaw	Leopard A2	24

#### Miscellaneous - Armour

Bob Smith

W.W.1 Tank Mk.IV



Peter Bagshaw

Warrior



Kevin Curley

Bedford Truck



Peter Bagshaw

Leopard A2



### Miscellaneous

Position	Entrant	Model	Votes
1 <sup>st</sup>	Ian Brown	Suzuki RG500	49
	Bob Lawrence	Lotus 99T Camel	43
	Bob Lawrence	Lotus 72E	37

### Miscellaneous

Ian Brown

Suzuki RG500



Bob Lawrence

Lotus 99T Camel



Bob Lawrence

Lotus 72E



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Position	Entrant	Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	Peter Bagshaw	103
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bob Smith	94
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bob Lawrence	67
4 <sup>th</sup>	Mick Pitts	44
5 <sup>th</sup> =	Graham Hill Ian Brown Paul Bird	25
	Kevin Curley	21

## Models for Sale

I received this list from Kiran Patel from the Abingdon Club, he's been selling off some of the stash and as he works at FORD in Brentwood, Essex he thought we might be interested being local. He'll also be up at the ScaleModelWorld so you could collect there if required. He can be contacted on 0777-1790-331 or email [kiran002@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:kiran002@hotmail.co.uk).

Sell Price	Model Nos	Model	Scale	Manufacturer	Comments
1/32 Scale					
£20	4786	F16 - XL	1/32	Revell	
£25	4706	F4F - Phantom II - 'Wild Horse'	1/32	Revell	
£25	4719	F15D/E - Eagle	1/32	Revell	
£20	570	F117A Stealth Fighter	1/32	Testors	
£20	4760	Tornado GR Mk 1	1/32	Revell	
£12	32002	NC-8A MOBILE ELECTRIC POWER PLANT	1/32	Skunk models Workshop	2 Carts in One Box
£3	JX 047	Mask for P-51D Mustang for Hasegawa	1/32	Eduard	
1/48 Scale					
£15		Dam Busters Set - Tornado 1/48 & Lancaster 1/72, Missing Paints	1/48	Airfix	2 Kits in One Box & Missing Paints
£10	841	F-16 Fighting Falcon Nato	1/48	Italeri	
£16	2664	JAS 39 Gripen - Twin Seater	1/48	Italeri	
£16	864	U2R Senior Span	1/48	Italeri	
£22	80320	FA 18A Hornet	1/48	Hobby Boss	
£6	4371	F-18A Interior for Hobby Boss	1/48	Aires	
£30	7584	SR-71 Blackbird	1/48	Testors	
£10	5813	Phantom II - F-4J	1/48	Monogram	
£3	48053	F-4 B/N Wheel Set, 2 Main 2 Nose Circumferential tread	1/48	True Details	
£40	12209	CH-53E Super Sea Stallion USMC	1/48	Academy	
£10	2671	A-4 E/F/G Skyhawk	1/48	Italeri	
£10	2671	A-4 E/F/G Skyhawk	1/48	Italeri	
£10	07100	De Havilland Mosquito FBVi	1/48	Airfix	
£10	48010-2200	Messerschmitt Bf109G-6 Trop	1/48	Fujimi	
£2	41029	Messerschmitt Bf109E-3 Fast Frames (2 per set) for Tamiya	1/48	True Details	
£25	4507	PBY-5A Catalina - 'Rescue Option Decals'	1/48	Revell	
£25	5609	PBY-5 Catalina	1/48	Monogram	
£2	41302	PBY-5 (5A) Catalina Fast Frames for Monogram	1/48	True Details	
£20	61085-2500	F4U-1D Corsair with Moto-Tug	1/48	Tamiya	
£2	41006	F4U-1D Fast Frames for Tamiya	1/48	True Details	
£16	85-5512	B-25J	1/48	Revell	Two Kits in one Box
	05753-0389	B-25J Red Bull	1/48	Revell	
£10	4646	Bell AH-1F Cobra	1/48	Revell	
£16	4014	A7-E Corsair 2	1/48	Esci	
£25	5509	JU 88G-6 Nachtjager	1/48	Dragon	
£6	X48-2	Aircraft Weapons Set B US Guided Bombs & Rocket Launchers	1/48	Hasegawa	
£5	XF-042	F117A Express Masks for Academy	1/48	Eduard	
£4	41042	A1-H Skyraider Fast Frames set for Tamiya	1/48	True Details	
£2	41033	Heinkel He 219 UHU Fast Frames for Tamiya (2 per set)	1/48	True Details	
£6	FE395	A-10 Thunderbolt 2 interior for Hobby Boss Kits	1/48	Eduard	
£6	AC48090	Airwaves 090 EE Lightning U/C Bays for Airfix	1/48	Airwaves	
£2	48092	P-39 Wheel Set Air cobra	1/48	True Details	

£2	48089	F-80/T-33 (early Style) Wheel Set	1/48	True Details	
1/72 Scale					
£18	909002	Avro Vulcan B Mk 2	1/72	Airfix	
£36	04608	B-52D Stratofortress	1/72	Revell	Box Crushed on one side
£26	A12050	Nimrod	1/72	Airfix	
£25	11050	Concorde	1/72	Airfix	
£16	1679	F14A Tomcat	1/72	Academy	
£16	2110	F15E Strike Eagle	1/72	Academy	
£10	166	F15E Strike Eagle	1/72	Italeri	
£5	BO11-350	OV-10A Bronco	1/72	Hasegawa	
£5	4574	Jas 39 Saab Gripen	1/72	Revell	
£30	4800	Airbus Grizzly A400M	1/72	Revell	
£8	2525	German Navy Figures	1/72	Revell	
£4	X72-3	Aircraft Weapons 3 - US Air to Air Missiles	1/72	Hasegawa	
£4	X72-3	Aircraft Weapons 3 - US Air to Air Missiles	1/72	Hasegawa	
£2	X72-3	Aircraft Weapons 3 - US Air to Air Missiles - Missing Decals	1/72	Hasegawa	Missing Decals
£4	X72-4	Aircraft Weapons 4 - US Air to Ground Missiles	1/72	Hasegawa	
£4	X72-4	Aircraft Weapons 4 - US Air to Ground Missiles	1/72	Hasegawa	
£5	X72-7	US Pilots & Ground Crew	1/72	Hasegawa	
£2	QB72-202	P-40B Exhausts	1/72	Quick Boost	
£2	25006	Authentic American Seat belts & rudder pedals 1950's	1/72	True Detail	
£2	25003	Authentic Japanese seat belts & Rudder Pedals WWII	1/72	True Detail	
1/144 Scale					
£4	1063-300	A10-A Thunderbolt 2	1/144	LS	
£4	1063-300	A10-A Thunderbolt 2	1/144	LS	
£25	09171	Hovercraft SRN4	1/144	Airfix	
1/35 Scale					
£3	1380	IDF Tank Crew Set	1/35	Academy	
£3	1380	IDF Tank Crew Set	1/35	Academy	
£3	1380	IDF Tank Crew Set	1/35	Academy	
£3	1380	IDF Tank Crew Set	1/35	Academy	
Various Scales					
£50		Dalek	1/5	Sevans	
Other					
£5	1073	JU87 Stuka In Action	N/A	Squadron	