



# 'The Instruction Sheet'

IPMS / Granite State Modelers Club

Nashua, New Hampshire

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GSMC/IPMS meets the third Monday night (4<sup>th</sup> Monday in Jan & Feb) of each month from 7 to 9 PM at the Nashua Public Library, 2 Court Street Nashua, New Hampshire. Visitors are welcome to attend. Monthly show and tell pictures are posted on our website. Website maintained by Brandon Clifton.

### Club Officers:

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### Meeting Reminders:

**2016-2017 Meeting Dates: November 21, December 19, January 23**

### Business Report

We had our first nominations for club officers at our September meeting. The sitting officers all volunteered to run again. There were no new nominations in October, so unless someone declares they wish to run this month, the current board will stay on for 2017. If you wish to volunteer, please speak up at the meeting or notify one of the current officers. If you know a member that you feel would go a good job, talk them into it! Most of the current board have held their offices for many years now, and would not mind a break, or at least others showing an interest to volunteer.

We also need to find a new venue for Granitecon next year. The Elks are selling their current space, and are moving into smaller quarters sometime next year. John Rauscher is checking out a place just off the highway in Manchester. Keep your eyes open for a space a bit bigger than the Elks. A smaller space will not work.

We went over some of the Granitecon particulars at our October meeting. Treasurer Ed will have the financial results this month. We had seventy four contestants with 332 entries this year. Not too shabby. The model count was up by forty five. I guess our "customers" had been busy beavers the past year building models.

During the previous month, Paul Lessard visited the Barington Truck Show which was actually held at the Route 117 Fairgrounds in Lancaster, MA. He said there were 250 trucks on display, which was great, but the food vendors were really expensive, which wasn't so great! Mac Johnston visited the Carl Busch Nascar Shop in North Carolina, and got to see how the cars were actually put together. Rod Currier (me) was visiting family in Virginia, and went to the Vicksburg Airshow. There were a few stunt fliers putting on performances in their very lightweight aircraft throughout the afternoon. There was a P-51 there that was going to also going to put on a flight demonstration, but could only do a bunch of low and high speed passes because the cloud deck was at 2400 feet and the FAA required him to have 4000 feet to do his entire show. There was also a TBM-3 Avenger and one of those Val dive bomber replicas from the old "Tora, Tor, Tora" and "Midway" movies from my youth. I had a great time bonding with my son-in-law.

Tony D'Anjou put forth a proposal to have a club dinner sometime this next year. We all work hard to put on Granitecon every year, and a lot of members feel we should have a real get together once in a while where everyone could come instead of the few interested in the summer BBQ. When we find out how we did this year and where the treasury balance lies, we will discuss it further. A lot will depend on how much a new Granitecon location will set us back.

Nate Clark won our “pass the trash” contest with a nice Spitfire. He won a gift certificate to Hobby Emporium for his efforts. After our “show and tell,” Tom Shanahan did a quick demo on how he uses AK Interactive products and an eraser on painted brick to make a great representation of brick and mortar.

### Participating Hobby Shops

These are the hobby shops that support us and our efforts year after year. They give club members discounts, make donations for club contests, and stock the supplies and new kits we crave. Please support them, too!

Hobby Emporium (978-649-5055) 440 Middlesex Rd Tyngsboro, MA 01879  
The Spare Time Shop (508-481-5789) 222 E. Main St Marlboro, MA 01752  
North East Trains Model Center (978-532-1615) 18 Main Street Peabody, MA 01960  
Hobbys “N” Stuff (603-298-6111) 1 Glen Rd Plaza West Lebanon, NH 03784  
Hobbies With A Twist, LLC (603-223-0132) 1 Depot St Concord, NH  
Elite Hobbies (603-749-0800) 90 Washington St Unit 334 Dover, NH

### Local Upcoming Events of Interest

March 25, 2017: RepLIcon 28 Freeport, NY  
March 26, 2017: Valleycon 27 Chicopee, MA  
April 2, 2017: Downeastcon 2017 Saco, ME  
April 9, 2017: Buffcon 32 Cheektowaga, NY  
May 19-20, 2017: Noreastcon 46 Batavia, NY

## October Raffle Winners



## October Show and Tell



Nate Clark's 1/48<sup>th</sup> Airfix Spitfire Mk Vc. Nate added seat belts and an antenna wire to his “winning” model.



Tom Shanahan's 1/48<sup>th</sup> ESCI F/A -18 in a fantasy camo scene.



Mac Johnston's entry was this 1/48<sup>th</sup> Revell F4U-4 Corsair, for which he had nothing good to say.....



Chuck Converse drew this 1/35<sup>th</sup> Italeri Horch KFZ-15 Command Car in the "pass the trash" competition.



Paul Lessard added cut levers, air hoses, and under body brake gear to his 1/87<sup>th</sup> Athearn 50 ft D.D. Boxcar



Paul Lessard added cut levers, air hoses, and under body brake gear to his 1/87<sup>th</sup> Athearn 40 ft AAR Boxcar



Rod Currier used Greg "Pappy" Boyington's markings from the 1<sup>st</sup> Squadron of the AVG on his 1/32<sup>nd</sup> Trumpeter P-40B