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STS 120: The Night Shift

Is there a Doc in the house? Hint: look in the back row.

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Meeting Minutes October 20, 2007

23 Members present, meeting conducted by Randy Hall
Minutes taken by Dan Shepard

New Business:

Doc was asking about who would be going to the Spring Show next year.

Our thoughts go out to Leroy Jones for his surgery .

Tom Vogt donates boxes of little boxes to the membership. They are good for displaying models.

Welcome to Blaine Chandler and to returning member Dan Boise!

Theme Contest- Korea:

There was a very light turnout for this contest with three models entered.

John Wilch: Fletcher Class Destroyer 1/350 scale Tamya.

Bob Olson: Monogram "Swamp" tent. (no scale listed)

Bob Olson: Heller M.A.S.H. style helicopter 1/35 scale.

John Wilch to first with his Fletcher class destroyer.

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Cameron Severts: P-51D Mustang 361FG (yellow nose) "Jasper Joker" Edward PE seat belts, Aero-master decals and rattle-can paint. 1/48 scale.

Cameron Severts: Strike Eagle 194FS in England. Aircraft #321 known as Bent Eagle. She flew a few degrees off center. Also had a mass balance attached to nose gear to cancel out vibration on take-off/landing. 1/48 scale.

Tom Vogt: Coastal U-boat type 206A, water line model 1/144 scale.

Tom Vogt: T.F. Dragster 1/25 scale

Randy Hall: 737-700. Airtran Airline. Scaleliner decals, fictitious paint scheme. Humbrol paint. On home made stand. 1/144 scale

First Place: Randy Hall 737-700.

Display:

Brian Geiger: Armor Personnel Carrier AAV7. 1/35 scale. Won at Shocon!
Pz 1F 1/35 scale.

Due to a technical oversight there were no pictures from the October meeting.

Prez's Prattle

The month of November hasn't snuck up on us, it's beat the door down and asked us if we want a subscription! Sorry, my odd humor. For those of you who were in attendance at the September meeting, I'd have to say that the new meeting place will do just fine. Because of a small mix up with the people at the church we met in the gym. To go from being cramped in a room full of toys to needing a bull horn so that everybody could hear my big mouth was quite a radical change! I understand we met in the designated room in October, and it was a bit cramped. Well if that happens maybe we can move back into the gym.

I was told that the theme participation last month was a little on the thin side. On the subject of themes, we should decide this month what subjects we should do for next year. We discussed some possibilities, so lets nail them down this month so we have time to work on them. I still rather like the Idaho theme as that's something we've never done before.

Congratulations to Brian for finding a job in Boise! I would have hated to see him leave, and I also miss some of his writings, he's quite funny. Welcome home to David Stansell, glad you are back with us in one piece.

On a personal modeling note, I have finally completed the dreaded Piper Super Cub, and I for one, am glad to be over that. I can say that the Testors make your own decals worked a treat. Using the spray sealer ensures that the decals will neither scratch easily when handled and will not run when wet, a highly recommended product. Wish I could say as much for the subject. I found the fit, particularly the three piece canopy, infuriating. This is a critical situation as the wings attach to the canopy. Getting it as right as possible is very important. Add to the dreadful fit was a distinct lack of clarity. I recommend that if you want to build a Super Cub that you wait for the 1/32nd scale Revell of Germany release.

I don't have much else to say, remember that we are meeting at the Foothills Christian Church



STS 120

Space Transport System mission number 120

Pictures and Text by David Alexander (Doc)



This is Discovery on approach to the ISS. This is part of The survey of the Tiles. I have been working the night shift On the ISS (Space Station) Mission Control. We are preparing for the EVA (Extravehicular Activity - Space walk). This EVA is to assess the damage to the Solar arrays and see if they can't be repaired.



Sauyz capsule on the DC-1 docking port taken over Discovery in the background



Doug Wheelock is in the suit getting ready for his first EVA. He is a great guy! Paolo Nespoli is helping out.



Scott Parazynski MD (yep a doctor in space) On his EVA.



Mission Control Orbit 3 Team (Night Shift) for STS 120
Doc's in the back row, right.

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