

TOM GLOECKLE'S 1/72 SPITFIRE PR.XIX



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PAUL VERHAGE'S 1/48 LUNAR MODULE

SPACE THEME CONTEST

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1st Place 1/48 Dragon Apollo 11 Lunar Module
by Paul Verhage



2nd Place 1/65 Revell X-15
by Paul Erlendson



3rd Place 1/100 Saturn V Apollo 11
by Dan Cripe



1/144 Dragon X-15
by Tom Gloeckle

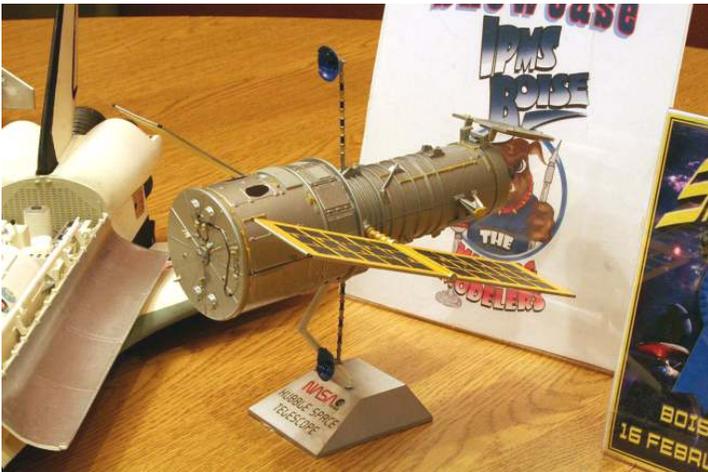
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1/72 Monogram Space Shuttle
by Terry Falk



1/25 MPC Darth Vader TIE Fighter
by John Wilch



1/72 Monogram Hubble Telescope
by Terry Falk



Scratch-built Star Trek "Guardian of Forever"
by Randy Hall



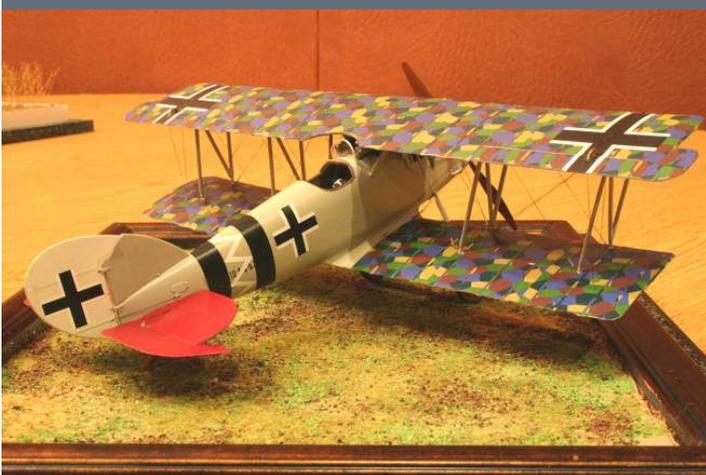
1/25 AMT 1950 Farm Pickup
by Jim Burton



1/35 Italeri M923A1 Gun Truck
by Jim Burton

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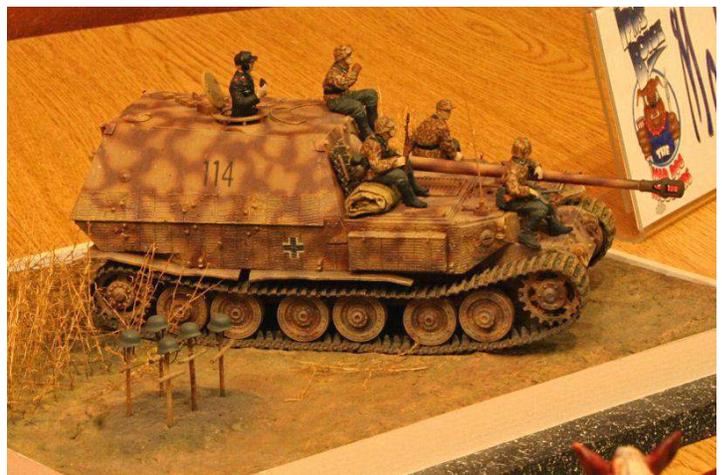
1/32 Wingnut Wings Pfalz D.XII
by John Thirion



1/35 Dragon Elefant
by Bob Olsen



1/35 Dragon Ferdinand
by Ian Robertson



1/35 Italeri Elefant
by Brian Geiger



1/72 Airfix Spitfire PR.XIX
by Tom Gloeckle



1/72 Pavla Typhoon Mk. IB
by Tom Gloeckle

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1/25 Monogram Firebird
by John Wilch



120mm Horses
by John Thirion



1/25 AMT McLaren Indy car & 3D printed parts
by Paul Erendson



USS Freedom in progress
by John Thirion



Tool Display
by Bill Bailey



New Releases

Some interesting aftermarket items for WWI aircraft

FMC decals from Brazil (Felipe Canuta Miranda).

Designed in Brazil but printed in the US by Microscale. Offers decals from 1/144 to 1/32. Sprue Brothers is the only US seller of this product.

Archer Fine Transfers

Raised decals (resin over clear decal sheet) for 1/48 and 1/32 WWI aircrafts. Included are rivets, screws, tape and stitching. Also available are panel lines and weld beads.

Pheon Models (Great Britain)

Decals for many 1/32 WWI aircraft. Many believe that their lozenges decals are the best.

Gaspach Models (Greece)

Offers metal turnbuckles for 1/48 and 1/32 scale aircrafts. Somewhat pricey at 14.5 Euro for 30.

Doug Crane Propellers

Real wood propellers for 1/32 models. Carved out of laminated veneer. The results are amazing and the very tight grain providing a near perfect scale appearance. Not cheap but a must for a contest model.

Eduard

"Wire stretchers and control horns" in 1/32, part # 32320. A very useful PE set for WWI models. Being PE they lack the "3 dimensional appearance".



Silver Wings

The English company specialize in aircrafts from in between the two world wars. So far they have released several aircrafts from Germany, Great Britain, and Italy. Most are 1/32 scale but they have a couple in 1/48. Their latest release is the Polikarpov I-153. Resin and pricey at \$143.

Osprey Campaign Series

The Fall of English France 1449-1453

This volume by David Nicolle covers the closing stages of the 100 years war (which the English lost). This volume contains numerous maps and details of the two famous battles that sealed the fate of the English armies on the continent. The battle of Formigny and Castillon. A general knowledge of the era is assumed and the author directly starts with the events following the battle of Azincourt in 1415 and the Anglo-Burgundian alliance. Great basic history for the general public,

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included are the expected guides to the battlefield.

Special Hobby 1/32 Morane Saulnier N

The Morane was a monoplane that originated as a racer before WWI and was flown by the famous French aviator Roland Garros. It did not have ailerons and instead used the wing wrapping system of control which required a much strength to operate. Also it was one of the first plane equipped with a synchronized interrupting gear which allowed the machine gun to fire through the propeller's arc. The system did not work well due to the poor quality of the ammunition. Deflectors were fitted to the prop.

Special Hobby is definitively not WNW but they are the only one to offer this plane so I took the proverbial plunge. This is a multimedia kit with resin (prop and engine) some PE and wing and fuselage styrene. The engine is in one piece (no ugly seams on the cylinders) and is beautifully detailed, sadly it is completely hidden by the enormous spinner, and yes there was some serious

cooling issues. The fuselage halves do not have locator and shimming is required or maximum adhesion. The wings have pegs which are supposed to fit into holes in the fuselage but the holes and pegs do not align. The cockpit cage once assembled does not fit into the fuselage and much sanding is required. Ran into the same problem with the engine which does not fit inside the cowling, here again much sanding is necessary. The instructions are somewhat confusing regarding the placement of the parts in the cockpit.

The decals look good but the prominent manufacturer logo displayed on the engine cowl is missing. It is present on the box top drawing! The rigging is not overly complicated and being a monoplane all the parts are easy to reach.

Overall, it is probably not a bad kit but with Tamiya and WNW I have become accustomed to super detailed instruction and exemplary fit of all the parts. And of course having a surplus of decals instead of having decals missing.

- John Thirion



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