



Newsletter for modelers

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Grand Strand Scale Modelers was chartered August 14th, 2018 as a chapter of IPMS/USA in the Region 12 Central Atlantic Division. Located in Myrtle Beach, we organized with six exceptionally talented individuals. Our goal is to improve our modeling skills as well as furthering the hobby. Along with these goals we are a social organization where anyone with an interest in hobby modeling can enjoy camaraderie.

Our Mission Statement

To encourage interest in scale modeling by providing an outlet for the exchange of ideas and cultivation of the modeling hobby.

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Meeting Location: Carolina Forest Public Library -3rd Saturday of each month
<https://www.facebook.com/CarolinaForestLibrary/>

Next scheduled meeting October 12th, 2019 at 11:00AM – 1:30PM

Winner IPMS/USA “Chapter of the Year” Award for 2018
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Myrtle Beach, SC

Meeting Information
Grand Strand Scale Modelers meets every 3rd Saturday at 11:00AM.

Location

Minutes from the September 21, 2019 Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 11:00AM.

- A short “Meet and Greet” took place.
- The road trip to visit the U.S.S. North Carolina drydocked in Wilmington, NC. was discussed. 10 members signed up. The price is \$50.00 for the 4 hour “behind the scenes” tour. The date of the tour will be November 9th, 2019.
- Annual dues were collected along with up to date IPMS/USA numbers. If you did not pay your dues, please bring to our next meeting.
- Herb brought up the idea of having a stash sale at one of our meetings to “unload” those not needed kits. We decided a 50/50 split with the member’s revenue and with the club.
- It was also discussed a change in meeting locations. Hobby Town North Myrtle Beach would be an excellent venue. Phil Sicard and Dayne Taylor will discuss the matter further with the manager, Ashley. Hobby Town is welcome to ideas for items to be included in their inventory. They also have started to bring in a supply of Tamiya paints as well as their line of Vallejo paints already on the shelf.
- The club voted to have another “Club Build”. At our October meeting the genre will be drawn with Armour being eliminated. Then the club build will commence as soon as appropriate sources are found for the model.
- Next on the agenda was our Panther club build. One of the librarians made the decisions for 1st and 2nd place. 1st Place went to Phil Sicard along with a \$25.00 gift card to Hobby Lobby. 2nd Place went to Rick Davis. Both entries were outstanding. An interesting fact. The Navy competed against the Marines.
- It was also discussed that a phone directory would be sent out to all the members. This to follow.
- Monies collected from raffle, shirt sales and dues totaled \$243.00.
- Meeting was adjourned at 2:00PM.

Phil Cavender,
Chapter President

Grand Strand Scale Modelers had the opportunity to sponsor a Sub-Category at the yearly Region 12 Show & Convention. The category chosen was “Fantasy/Monster”.

Additionally, Grand Strand Scale Modelers won Region 12 “Chapter of the Year” award.





Panther Club Build Results

September 21, 2019 was the end to the six-month journey involving the construction of a Tamiya Panther A tank. We had some great looking models presented. To judge the models, we enlisted one of the librarians to make the decisions for 1st Place and Second Places.

1st Place went to Phil Sicard for his vignette. Outstanding Job.





2nd Place went to Rick Davis for his Panther A. Another Outstanding Job





Historical Moment in Time



Model by Earl W. Wanklin III

“This motor cycle and side car were of special interest to me as it involved one of my Dad’s favorite stories from WWII. Earl W Wanklin Jr. was part of 102nd Infantry division, the Ozark Division, and arrived in Europe in October 1944. After several months of combat, he was hit by a piece of US shrapnel. Here is the story. He and another guy were going after a German machine gun nest that had his men pinned down. Just as he was about to shoot the new Second Lieutenant got nervous and called in artillery and as he and his partner ran down the hill he was wounded. As he was recovering, he heard his outfit was moving up and he went AWOL from the hospital. When he returned to his outfit, he found his good friend, Wilhelm, and other Sergeants drinking. My Dad’s return was cause to keep the party going. Soon after this a runner came around with a call for all Sergeants and Platoon leaders to report to HQ. The commanding officer stated that the Germans were falling back so fast and the US advance was also unknown. He wanted volunteers to go forward and locate the lines. As Wilhelm was quite drunk, he stood up and volunteered for the job. My Dad also said he would go along. The two Sergeants got 4 jeeps with 50 cal machine gun and loaded as many of their guys in to the jeeps with as much booze that then could carry. This was March 1945.

As they traveled down the road for some time, they stopped to check the map. As they studied the map, they discovered that they had run off it! As they were deciding what to do a German Armored Column came down the road. Wilhelm, who spoke German, walked out to the middle of the road and ordered the column to halt! And they did! A German Officer got out and walked up to Wilhelm and asked if the US soldiers were surrendering? Wilhelm said “NO” and asked if the Germans wanted to surrender. The German Officer said that the US soldiers were outnumbered and outgunned to which Wilhelm replied that he was commanding the lead point for column of Sherman’s

tanks that were just 15 minutes behind them. The negotiations continued for a few more minutes and it was decided that if the US troop would surrender that would be released in the next town. The Germans knew that the war was over and the Officer said his men just wasted to go home. Also, the Germans knew that POW were shipped home and did not reenter into combat. My Dad and Wilhelm got into a trunk where they were greeted by an old Sergeant who was a WWI veteran. Wilhelm found out that he was leaving the column at the next town and that Wilhelm and my Dad should come with him. As the column slowed the three of them jumped out of the trunk and went down some street until they reached a Beer Garden. The old German stomped on the floor and called for the owner to come up. He shouted "the Americans are here". It turned out that the owned was his cousin. The old German Sergeant burned his uniform and got closes from his cousin. Needless to say, the drinking went on all afternoon.

After some time had passed, my Dad and Wilhelm decided that they should rejoined their troops. Well, the 82nd was in town and all their guys had been truck to the rear area. So, they went looking for transportation and found several abandon German vehicles and they were able to get a staff car running. As they started out and turn left, they broadsided a 2 Star Generals jeep. Luckily unoccupied! The General was chewing them out as they showed their shoulder patches showing him, they were not his guys but POW who were hiding in a cellar until the Germans left. They were told to get out of his sight! As they went back to look for another vehicle, they came upon a BMW 750cc motor cycle and side car. They loaded it up with as much gas as they could find and a supply of booze.

For the next two weeks they traveled across southern Germany and France stopping at farm houses trading booze for a meal and a barn to sleep in. As they stopped at US fuel depots a bottle of wine would buy them a full tank of gas along with their jerry can being filled. The trip ended at camp "Lucky Strike" which was Lahaver, France where all returning soldiers would embark for the trip home. Before entering the embarking area, they sold the motor cycle to two British PM's for 300 pounds and then as they walked to "Lucky Strike" they walked into their old outfit. It seems that they had been pulled out of the line and were being sent home. My Dad went over with two stripes on his sleeve and came home with five. He was, earlier, offered a battle field commission but he would be having to leave his troops so he declined. He was also offered as chance to go to West Point but as he was a new father, me, he went to college and became a high school math teacher. The model is a tribute to his memory and all those who served."

Earl W Wanklin III
Member and Guest Contributor

USS North Carolina Battleship Tour



Fellow Club Members,

The following is the information we all asked for. As of September 21st, we have 11 members attending the event. Thanks to Phil Sicard for gathering the information and presenting to the members. Note payments will be due the Thursday before the event. In coming newsletters will discuss this matter further.

SAT, NOV 9 AT 12 PM

Hidden Battleship

USS NORTH CAROLINA Battleship - Wilmington, NC

Price: \$50.00, 4 Hour behind the scenes tour.

For the explorer at heart, bring a friend and join us for a unique, behind-the-scenes tour of un-restored areas of the Battleship. The four-hour tour consists of small groups with guides. Guests explore the bow (officers' country, boatswain locker), third deck (Radio II, brig, after gyro, storage rooms, ammunition handling, Engineer's office), Engine room #1, superstructure (Captain's cabin, armored conning tower), after diesel, and climb inside the forward superstructure to the top of the ship. The Azalea Coast Radio Club will be in Radio II to explain their work on the ship's radio transmitters. It's the tour that brings out the "Indiana Jones" in all of us, without the snakes!

The program is for adults only (ages 16 and up) and limited to 40 participants. It is not appropriate for those who have difficulty climbing narrow ladders or over knee-high hatches. Wear warm, comfortable, washable clothing, sturdy, rubber-soled shoes and bring a camera!

Registration and payment are due Thursday before the event.

Phil Cavender

Editor

<http://www.battleshipnc.com/programs/hidden-battleship/>

History

When the keel of NORTH CAROLINA was laid in October of 1937 at the New York Navy Yard, Brooklyn, New York, she was the first battleship to be constructed in sixteen years. She became the first of ten fast battleships to join American fleet in World War II. NORTH CAROLINA (BB 55) and her sister ship, WASHINGTON (BB 56), comprised the NORTH CAROLINA Class. Following them were the SOUTH DAKOTA Class – SOUTH DAKOTA (BB 57), INDIANA (BB 58), MASSACHUSETTS (BB 59), and ALABAMA (BB 60) – and the IOWA Class – IOWA (BB 61), NEW JERSEY (BB 62), MISSOURI (BB 63), and WISCONSIN (BB 64).

At the time of her commissioning on 9 April 1941, she was considered the world's greatest sea weapon. Armed with nine 16-inch/45 caliber guns in three turrets and twenty 5-inch/38 caliber guns in ten twin mounts, NORTH CAROLINA proved a formidable weapons platform. Her wartime complement consisted of 144 commissioned officers and 2,195 enlisted men, including 86 Marines.

During World War II, NORTH CAROLINA participated in every major naval offensive in the Pacific area of operations and earned 15 battle stars.

In the Battle of the Eastern Solomons in August of 1942, the Battleship's anti-aircraft barrage helped save the carrier ENTERPRISE, thereby establishing the primary role of the fast battleship as protector of aircraft carriers. One of her Kingfisher pilots performed heroically during the strike on Truk when she rescued ten downed Navy aviators on 30 April 1944. In all, NORTH CAROLINA carried out nine shore bombardments, sank an enemy troopship, destroyed at least 24 enemy aircraft, and assisted in shooting down many more.

Her anti-aircraft guns helped halt or frustrate scores of attacks on aircraft carriers. She steamed over 300,000 miles. Although Japanese radio announcements claimed six times that NORTH CAROLINA had been sunk, she survived many close calls and near misses with one hit when a Japanese torpedo slammed into the Battleship's hull on 15 September 1942. A quick response on the part of the crew allowed the mighty ship to keep up with the fleet. By war's end, the Ship lost only ten men in action and had 67 wounded.

After serving as a training vessel for midshipmen, NORTH CAROLINA was decommissioned 27 June 1947 and placed in the Inactive Reserve Fleet in Bayonne, New Jersey, for the next 14 years. In 1958 the announcement of her impending scrapping led to a statewide campaign by citizens of North Carolina to save the ship from the scrappers torches and bring her back to her home state. The Save Our Ship (SOS) campaign was successful and the Battleship arrived in her

current berth on 2 October 1961. She was dedicated on 29 April 1962 as the State's memorial to its World War II veterans and the 11,000 North Carolinians who died during the war.

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A business by a modeler, making products for other modelers.

Each of the 3 areas, (Kits, Greeblies, ETC) is for a specific type of product. Products will not be announced until they have been tested by a select group of experienced modelers.

Kits -The initial kits will be a series based on a "what if" (alternate history) of a specific aircraft.

Greeblies - This product area will be for conversion sets and parts that increase/improve the detail level of other manufacturers kits.

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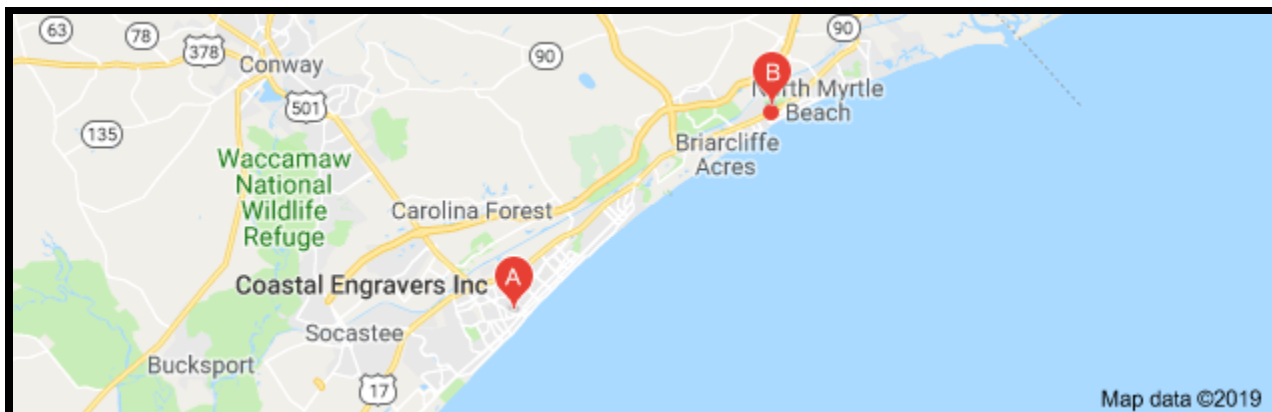
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Upcoming Events

October 19, 2019 Annual SCMA Charleston Contest, "Cruzin in the 50's"

Cokesbury United Methodist Church Gym, 4990 Dorchester Rd., North Charleston, South Carolina

More Shows:

Nov 23 Middle TN Annual Contest and Show - Murfreesboro, TN Brian Durchsprung
bdurch@gmail.com

Feb 29, 2020 Old Dominion Open 2020 - Richmond, VA Chazz Klanian
csklanian@verizon.net, http://ipmsrichmond.blogspot.com/p/2017-odo_1.html

March 7, 2020 MDA Model Car Contest - Roanoke, VA Dennis Smith
mdamodelcar.com

April 18, 2020 NoVA Model Classic 2020 - Fairfax, VA Tom Henderson
tomhernderson51@verizon.net

Oct 16 & 17, 2020 IPMS R2 Convention - Salem, VA Tim Ward
twardf86@aol.com

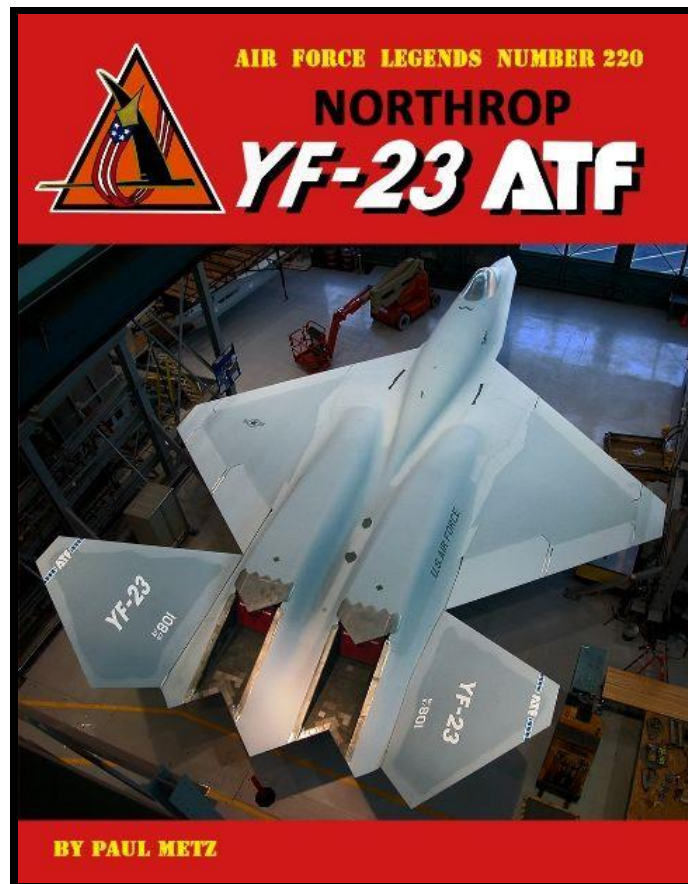
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Dayne Taylor – Panther Ausf. D (Sd Kfz 171) # 35345



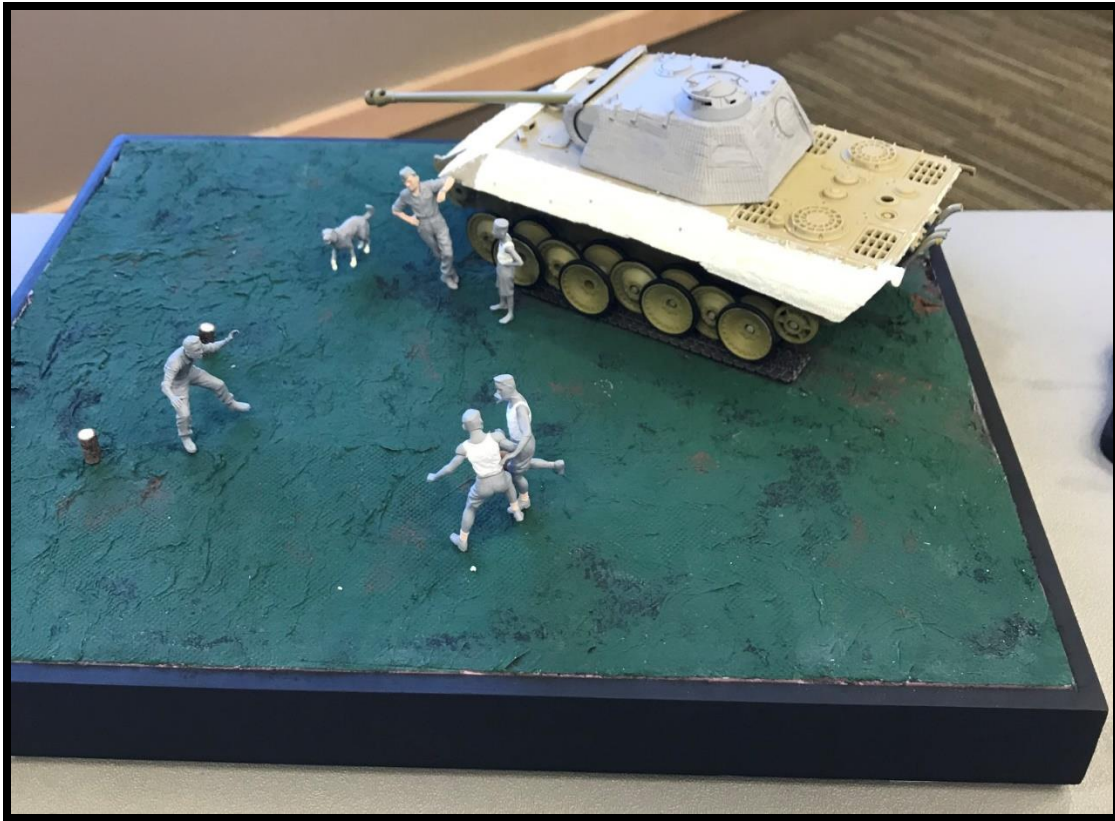
Dayne Taylor – Panther Ausf. A Club Build Contest Entry



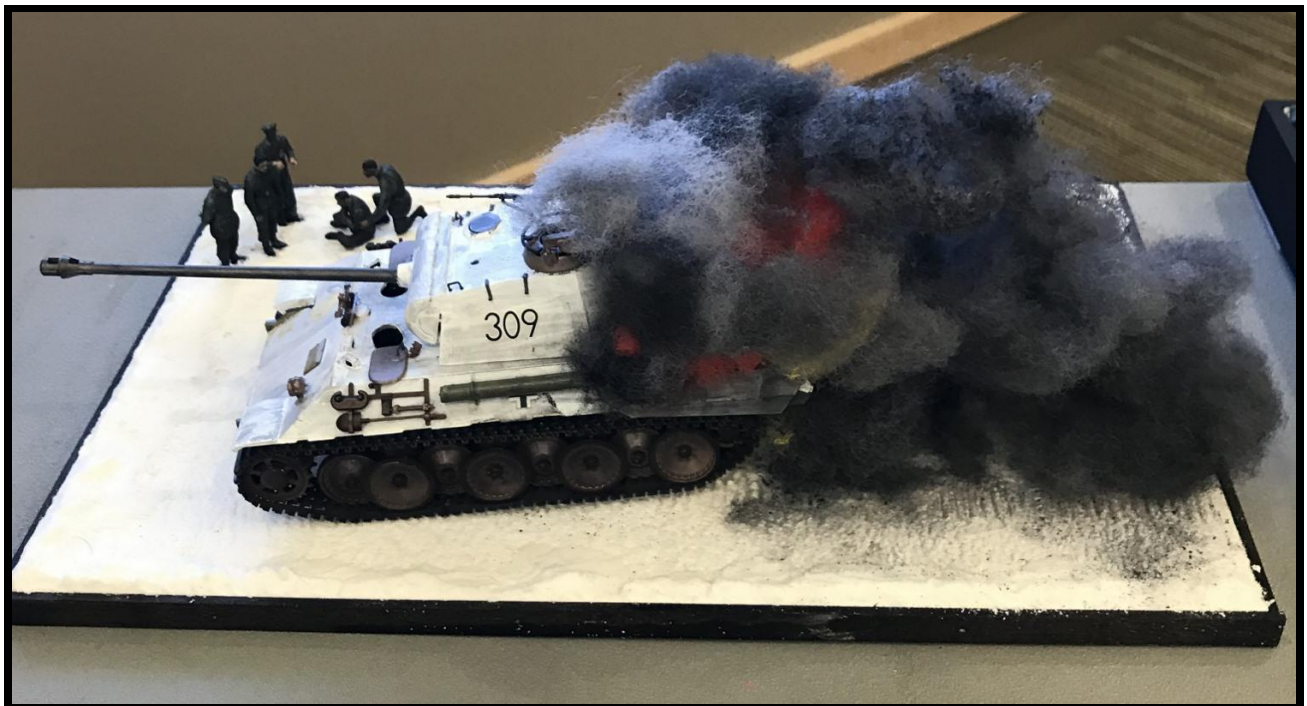
Earl Wanklin - Panther Ausf. A Club Build Contest Entry



Joe Garforth - Panther Ausf. A Club Build Contest Entry



Joe Baxter - Panther Ausf. A Club Build Contest Entry



Jim Fraboni - Panther Ausf. A Club Build Contest Entry



Phil Cavender - - Panther Ausf. A Club Build Contest Entry



Earl Wanklin – “A Tribute”



Jim Fraboni – “Final Mission”



Herb Horvath – Opel Blitz Flak 38 North Africa 1942



Herb Horvath – 2nd Place IPMS/USA Nationals – Opel Blitz



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Phil Cavender

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Chapter President and Contact

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