

CMSM Monthly Meeting Minutes

April 11th, 2013

The meeting started at 6:27pm.

Attendance: The attendance sheet was passed out and 11 members were present.

Treasurer's Report: There was no official treasurer's report at this meeting. However it was noted that the treasury is basically the same this month as last.

Having Fun at Meetings : The opening topic of the meeting was this year's focus on members having fun at meetings. The club has decided to do less outreach this year so that more time can be spent ensuring fun meetings draw existing members to attend regularly. As such, members are encouraged to bring their latest project to meetings. Members are also encouraged to bring with them models and trophies to show which they may have won since the previous meeting. More focus will be given this year to modeling topic presentations. All members are encouraged to suggest topics in which they may be interested.

Potential Modeling Topic Presentations : Several members suggested the following topics for future meetings...

- Modeling Putty Techniques
- Airbrushing (always a favorite)
- Masking (particularly for canopies)
- Kit bashing
- Scratch building

The modeling putty techniques session was scheduled for the May meeting. The scratch building session has been scheduled for June.

Outreach : The club decided to again do a display at the Columbia Mall this year. The club also decided to again do the third floor themed display at the Daniel Boone Regional Library. Discussions with the Mall and DBRL are in the works. The club Outreach Officer noted that due to circumstances, he would

no longer be able to pursue the club outreach this year. The Outreach Officer turned over his material to the TigerCon Coordinator.

TigerCon Report : It was reported that the Parkade Plaza Mall has rented the space used for TigerCon during the November 9th time-period. The club must now find another location. The committee is now frantically looking for a new location. To hold TigerCon, the club needs an area of at least 2500 square feet to maintain vendor and display space for the size to which the event has grown. It is also highly desirable to keep the location rental to no more that \$1000. It was noted that in conversations with other event holders, a number of them are moving their events as well due to costs.

Model Supplies : Mike Duncan from River Eagle Hobbies noted to all club members that they can order modeling supplies and kits from them at 10% over cost. River Eagle Hobbies has been a supporter of the CMSM club since it was first formed in 2010. Orders can be placed and picked up at the club meetings, or by visiting the store.

Modeling Techniques Session : Club President, Jack Andrewson, gave a demonstration on removing glue marks and “glue prints” (finger prints on the model when glue gets on the fingers). By combining light sanding, then using Mr.Surfacer™, and then additional light sanding, such blemishes on surfaces are removed.

Video Showing : Just for fun, the loop video of the TigerCon photos on DVD was shown for members to watch.

Member Models : For the April meeting, members were invited to bring their latest “work-in-progress” to show other club members. Several members brought their current works-in-progress to show the attending members and discuss their models. Scott A. brought his WWII fighter craft cockpit replete with after-market detailing. He also brought a unique modeling saw which he found—a “JLC Universal Sprue Saw” which is very effective in removing small parts with little damage. Gary displayed his work in progress on a 1/35th scale diesel tractor. Lastly, Jim R. displayed his brand new 1/200th scale USS Arizona battleship model from Trumpeter, on which he has yet to start working.

Adjournment: Chairs and tables were put away and the meeting adjourned at 8:11pm.