

Newsletter



(PHOTOS BY BOB DOEBLEY)

The Winner Is...

NICK SANDONE won the Best in Theme Award on the “Deuces Wild” table at the 21st NNL-East Show sponsored by Tri-State Model Car Club on March 24th. The “Deuces Wild” Theme was in celebration of the 75th Anniversary of the historic 1932 Ford, the iconic hot rod. Nick’s model, built from Revell/Monogram’s 1/25 three-window coupe kit, featuring miles-deep custom paint with subtle graphics and a detailed Ford Boss 429 engine, won by popular vote over approximately 200 other ’32 Fords! Congratulations, Nick! (See NNL Update, page 4)



MARCH MEETING REPORT

29 MEMBERS were present for our March meeting. As usual there were some great models on display. **Lou Ursino** broke out of category in three directions this time out, adding an SBD Dauntless, Ferrari Testa Rossa, and an IJN battleship to the fine armor we're used to seeing from him. **It was great to see Vince Buonfiglio** at a meeting after his long medical adventure! Welcome back, Vince -- we missed you!

David Anderson; Monogram 1/48 B-26 Marauder, F-14 Tomcats, Monogram 1/24 '69 Dodge Daytona. **Vince Buonfiglio;** Movie Characters display. **Bob Cicconi;** Imperial Hobby 1/700 monitor USS Wyoming. **John Goschke;** Monogram 1/25 '55 Chevy hardtop (in progress). **Greg Hogg;** AMT 1/25 1932 Fords, 1940 Ford sedan delivery. **Keith Jones;** Monogram 1/24 '32 Ford roadsters (in progress). **Joe Leonetti;** Accurate Miniatures 1/48 P-51A Mustang (in Tuskegee Airmen markings). **Mike Napoleon;** 1932 Ford diorama, "Rust in Peace." **Nick Sandone;** 1/25 '32 Ford three-window coupe (in progress) and '37 Chevy coupe (in progress). **Lou Ursino;** Accurate Miniatures 1/48 SBD-5 Dauntless, Tamiya 1/35 M4A3 Sherman, AFV Club 1/35 M10 Tank Destroyer, 1/24 Ferrari Testarossa, 1/700 IJN battleship Kirishima. **Joe Vattilana;** MPC 1/72 C-130 Hercules (conversion to DHKC-130 mk3 in progress). **Joe Volz;** Italeri 1/72 F-100D Super Sabre, Hasegawa 1/72 F-15C Eagle "Aggressor", 1/72 F/A-18A Hornet.



Clockwise from above: *Joe Volz's 1/72 F-100D Super Sabre. Vince Buonfiglio's display of movie characters. Lou Ursino's IJN battleship Kirishima. See more photos from DVSM meetings at Bob Doebley's Fotki site via the link at www.dvsm.org.*

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March Program

Sprue Rigging with Bob Cicconi

Bob gave an informative overview of sprue-stretching and the rigging technique for his 1/700 ships. While occasionally using sprue, he prefers to use nylon monofilament designed for tying fishing lures for its consistent weight and strength. After coloring a



Bob demonstrates heating the technique for evenly heating a length of sprue over a candle flame prior to stretching it to create a fine thread. (PHOTO BY BOB DOEBLEY)



Bob used a bit of parts tree to demonstrate his rigging technique. Here he waits for a length of monofilament cemented in place to setup before tightening with heat from a lit incense stick.

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length of the translucent filament with a black Sharpie permanent, Bob cut it roughly to length. After tacking the filament in place on each end with a dot of super glue, Bob tightened the slack with the smoke and heat from the lighted end of an incense stick. This technique, with practice can be employed to enhance many different types of models particularly ships and rigged multi-wing aircraft. Thanks Bob for a fine presentation! ■

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21st NNL-EAST Update

Reported by Uncle Bobby & El' Tanque

THIS YEAR THE NNL-EAST WEEKEND started two days before the show. Ariel picked up Gregg Hutchings, the editor of Model Car Magazine, on Thursday. Greg was Al's house guest for the weekend. That night we had a little get together at Mike Napoleon's.

Mike had some pizza and liquid refreshments for us to quench our thirst, including some beer and a couple of concoctions that would come back to haunt us throughout the weekend; Bacardi Zombies (Hereafter referred to as Blue Stuff) and El'Tanques (Gatorade and Bacardi O). After a late night and way too little sleep Friday arrived and Tommy K, Mike and I made our way to Parsippany. On the way we stopped by Avenel Hobbies. This is a must stop if your in the area.

We arrived at the Hotel around 3:00PM. Al, Fernando, Rogelio, and Gregg Hutchings arrived about an hour later and then quickly invaded our hotel room. We had some more liquid refreshments (More beer, El'Tanques and Blue Stuff). We then went down for the NNL-EATS Friday night VIP party. This little gathering is a meet and greet for the people staying at the hotel the night before the show.

At our table there were some Philly Guyz, Jersey Shore and MAMAS members. This proved to be a dangerous combination. We may be a little to...uh...intense for some clubs to understand? After we filled our stomachs we brought out some more Blue Stuff to drink. Everyone who tasted it seemed to really like it. Some people were heard saying "keep the Blue Stuff from the Philly Guys." We may have been responsible for someone falling off the wagon. Sorry about that Mr. Woddington.

After the party, a few of us retired to the hotel pub for even more merrymaking. At some point the Cops and Paramedics showed up. For the record, we had nothing to do with this. "That's our story and were



A 1953 Packard Carribean is flanked by a Nash Airflyte and a '49 Cadillac on the Replica Stock table at NNL.



The Blue Stuff Support Group at NNL-East 21.

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sticking to it.” Around midnight, most of us retired, but some diehards continued to party until literally being thrown out of the bar. Mr. Stark, we bow to your party prowess...you are the MAN!! One word of advice, do not give anyone your room number because you will receive a phone call around 1:30am from drunks looking for more alcohol. We must have made quite an impression because all the next day we kept hearing from people that, “you guys were something last night.” I do not know what they were talking about.

Saturday morning came way too early also as we stumbled to the Empire Diner for breakfast. Then we made our way over to the PAL building to wait in line for the show

The line seemed to be the longest since I have been coming to the show. One of the good things about shows is that you meet people from around the world and see people you only see at this show. To me this is what the hobby is all about.

The theme for this year’s Show was, “Deuces Wild”, in honor of the 75th Anniversary of the ’32 Ford, a true automotive icon. DVSM had a very good showing at the contest. I am honored to tell you that the theme award was won buy our own Nick Sandone with his ’32 street rod with a Replicas and Miniatures of Md. Boss 429 engine. The following members had their models photographed for either *Model Cars* or *Scale Auto* magazines, (or in Mr. Goschke’s case, both): Bill Garner, John Goschke, Keith Jones, Tommy Kortman, Jason Rothgeb, and Nick Sandone. I hope I did not forget anyone.

After the show we went back to the Empire dinner with the MAMAS club and a club from Indianapolis Indiana. We met this club at Toledo last year and it was good to see them again. They said we have to come out to their show in April. Be careful what you wish for, you just may get it. Maybe we can make it next year? ■

Coming Events

PACM HOT ROD CHALLENGE. Members are invited to participate in the Philadelphia Area Car Modeler’s Hot Rod Challenge 2007. The challenge is open to newly built hot rod models and will be awarded in May ’07. What’s a Hot Rod? Any 1948 or earlier car modified for street or competition performance.

April 7th MOSQUITOCON 2007 Wayne Police Athletic Legue Building Wayne, NJ
Hosted by New Jersey/IPMS For more information visit njipms.org

April 14th and 15th 19th ANNUAL MODEL CAR EXHIBITION Tauton, MA
Hosted by Masscar model club For more information, contact STUART MARCUS (603) 382-9724

May 4 - 5 MINIATURE FIGURE COLLECTORS OF AMERICA SHOW & MART
Valley Forge Convention Center Admission: \$10, children under 12 are free
Hours: Fri. 12pm - 5pm; Sat. 10am - 4pm <http://mysite.verizon.net/vzerm67t/id2.html> 856-665-8909

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