



### THE BIGGEST LITTLE MODEL CLUB IN IPMS

### CLUB INFORMATION



IPMS Livonia is a non-profit educational organization created to promote and share the art of plastic modeling. The group meets at 8:00 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the Month.

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**Meeting time is at 8:00pm on Tuesday the 13th of January at the Pierson Center. It is contest month so bring the latest and greatest.**



## Pack it up and Sit Down with Something New

By: Ian P. Dow

Gentleman,

I am sending this with the hopes that everyone had themselves a good Christmas and a Happy New Year. I myself had a very nice one. Had family in from out of town, celebrated a family birthday, spent time with all the relatives and managed to keep the excess to a minimum. Well sort of. That's what New Year's Resolutions are for. Anyway the Plastic Fantastic Santa Clause came to my house and surprised me with a kit that I had been eyeing for several months. It was a new kit by UM and is a 1/48 Russian airfield fire truck that was used during WWII. Very quirky and a neat kit. I think that will be an inbox review next month.

The reason I was surprised that I got the kit was as most modelers know, once you get to a certain point in your modeling career you develop very specific tastes and likes as to what you want or desire and part of the fun of the hobby is getting a great deal on that one very coveted model that you have been eyeing. Most folks think a trip to Michaels or Hobby Lobby is where we get our impressive stash from. So it came as a surprise that the wife handed me a gift and inside was the kit that I had been looking for. The surprising part was that the kit was next to impossible to get from most outlets. Not from Squadron, or most the places you might think. Instead it came from an off the wall car model site. I am not sure I would have ordered it from them but Sheila did and Ian got exactly what he was looking for under the tree. I felt like a kid again. I am glad that I bought her a new tv for the bedroom and not the toaster I was thinking about. Add that to the gift card from Michigan Toy Soldier and I was able to score some proper Holiday Plastic cheer.

Now I hope that everyone has had some bench time because the January monthly contest is upon us next week. Bring out all that you have been working on the last couple months and wow the crowd with your excellent modeling skills. I will say that the last several contests have been difficult to pick a first, which is an excellent problem for a club to have. The level of building seems to be increasing with each model. As well as also seeing some members who dont build often bring out really nice pieces just to show that they are not sleeping at the meetings. A job well done by all.

I have decided to start the year out by showing what the suppliers have to offer this year. This is a brief sampling what the companies have out for 2015. I know there are way more than this but here are a few things to get the creative juices flowing. Hope to see everyone next week and any articles or submissions anyone wants to send me are always welcome.

Ian

## 2015 New Releases

By: Ian P. Dow

### Hasegawa Releases



#### A unique take on the "Golden Eagle"

The Su-47 Berkut ("Golden Eagle") is distinguished by forward-swept wings, which maximize maneuverability and agility. When the Su-47 appeared in the popular "Ace Combat" video game series, it was flown by Captain Ashley Bernitz, the famed Belkan pilot from the Grabacr Tactical Fighter Squadron. This limited edition kit features display stand parts.

#### Decal Options:

1. Belkan A.F. 6th A.W. 4th SQ. Captain Ashley Bernitz Code: 609 TAC name "GRABACR" May 28, 1995
2. Principality of Belka 229th TFS "GRABACR" Code: 000



### Honda NSR500 "1989 WGP500 CHAMPION"

1:12 SCALE KIT



#### Leave the competition breathing tire smoke

After winning the 1988 WGP500 for Yamaha, Eddie Lawson jumped ship and went to ride for Honda. Despite extremely stiff competition at events all over the world, Eddie Lawson's finishes were consistently in the top two, with four first place finishes. With all his wins combined, Eddie won the 1989 Grand Prix Championships for the Rothmans-Kanemoto-Honda team, making him the only rider in history to win two consecutive championships with two different teams.

Decal Option:

1. Rothmans Honda team 1989 WGP500 Champion Rider No.1 Eddie Lawson

Stock Number: **HSGS1504**

Mfg. Number: 21504 BK4Skill Level 3

**192 pieces**

**Length: 6.6 in (167 mm)**

**Width: 2.1 in (53 mm)**

**Age 14+**

## Tamiya Releases

1/35 Military Miniature Series No.159

**U.S. AAVP7A1 w/UGWS**

Item No: 35159



### **Anywhere You Want It!**

The LVTP7A1 was a highly capable amphibious vehicle, capable of carrying 25 fully-armed marines or up to 4.5 tons of equipment. It has experienced a number of upgrades throughout its service life, including having its firepower boosted with the addition of an up-gunned weapons station (UGWS) with 40mm grenade launcher to the existing 12.7mm machine gun and 60mm smoke round launcher. The vehicle was renamed the AAVP7A1 in conjunction with the addition of a bow plane in 1985. It saw action with the U.S. Marine Corps during the Gulf War of 1991, transporting soldiers across the desert in tandem with the formidable M60A1.

### **About the Model**

This is a plastic model assembly kit of the AAVP7A1. ★1/35 Scale. Length: 235mm, width: 94mm. ★The 40mm grenade launcher with grenade round belt is accurately depicted. ★Weapons station hatch and boarding ramp can be assembled in open or closed position. ★Other hatches and bow plane are movable. ★Can also be assembled without up-gunned weapons station. ★Includes full-body commander and driver torso figures.

*1/16 Big Tank Series No.9*

*Japan Ground Self Defense Force Type 10 Tank (Display Model)*

*Item No : 36209*



### 10 out of 10 for Accuracy

This epic 1/16 scale plastic display model assembly kit owes its highly accurate recreation of the Type 10's form to the extensive cooperation of the Japan Ground Self Defense Force (JGSDF). From the 120mm smoothbore gun to the svelte angular armor and modern turret, this model gets the details of this state-of-the-art tank spot on. It also features realistic non-slip surface textures. An aluminum barrel forms the centerpiece of the accurate depiction of the main gun. With metal parts used to recreate the chassis, drive sprockets and suspension arms, the model has an authentic weighty feel. A commander torso figure is included to further raise the realism. 3 marking options recreate JGSDF units.



★The svelte form of the Type 10 with angular armor is recreated in 1/16 scale, at an impressive 596mm in length.



★Clear parts are included in the kit for accurate representation of headlights and various low-visibility lights.



★Add the finishing touch to your model with this realistic commander torso figure surveying the scene.



★Even the pre-assembled tracks are up to a high standard of detail, using metal pins and die-cast connectors.

## *Airfix Releases*

### Maserati Indy Starter Set 1:32 - A55309



**Scale: 1:32**

Thought by some to be the most underrated Maserati, the Indy – named such to celebrate Maserati's two victories at the Indy 500 in 1939 and 1940, was launched at the Salone d'Automobile de Genève in 1968. Maserati are still the only Italian Marque to have won the famous 500 mile race!



## HMS Daring: Type 45 Destroyer Gift Set 1:350 - A50132

**HMS Daring**  
Type 45 Destroyer

8 Acrylic Paints  
2 Paint Brushes  
2 Poly Cements  
12 Page Booklet

ROYAL NAVY

1:350 scale

**Model kit**

- MAQUETTE A MONTER
- MODELLBAUSATZ
- MAQUETA PARA MONTAR

SET INCLUDES  
8 Acrylic Paints  
2 Brushes  
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Britain's six Type 45 'Daring Class' destroyers are the most advanced escorts the nation has ever built. They are designed to shield a naval task force from air attack by using the Sea Viper missile system. Their Aster missiles can knock targets out of the sky over 70 miles away if required. The Type 45 destroyers are also capable of a range of other roles and will spend their commissions switching between them, often at short notice.

## The Bullsheet

### Sandys Can Cars

By: Luken Around

Do you ever get tired of carrying all those pop and beer cans back to the store, feeding the recycling machine so that you can get the little ticket, just so you can pay the mortgage? Well here is a man who has a solution to that problem. His name is Sandy Sanderson and he uses his imagination to make something spectacular. Here are some examples as well as a link to his website that has plans and more photos of the cars. [www.sandyscancars.com/](http://www.sandyscancars.com/)





### Upcoming Shows

Start	End	Chapter	City/Area
1/17/15	1/17/15	Shenango Valley Area Scale Modelers Free Swap Meet	Sharon, PA
02/07/2015	02/07/2015	Mid-Michigan	Bay City, MI
02/21/2015	02/21/2015	BlizzCon	Columbus, OH
04/10/2015	04/11/2015	<b>Wright Field Scale Modelers (IPMS/USA Region IV Convention)</b>	Dayton, OH
04/19/2018	04/19/2015	Lorain County	Westlake, OH
04/30/2015	05/02/2015	*AMPS International Convention	Auburn, IN
05/02/2015	05/02/2015	Warren	Detroit, MI
05/09/2015	05/09/2015	MMCL Invitational	Louisville, KY
05/30/2015	05/30/2015	Toledo	Toledo, OH
07/22/2015	07/25/2015	<b>IPMS/USA 2015 National Convention</b>	Columbus, OH
09/19/2015	09/19/2015	Dayton Area Plastic Modelers	Dayton, OH
		* Denotes non-IPMS event (shown for info only)	

## Mess Hall

By: Grunty the Magic Pig

### Thai Fried Rice

#### INGREDIENTS

##### GARNISHES AND ACCOMPANIMENTS:

2 tablespoons peanut oil

4 to 8 cloves garlic, very finely chopped, or more if not using optional ingredients

1 to 2 ounces thinly sliced boneless pork (optional)

2 cups cold cooked rice, preferably Thai jasmine

1 cup torn Asian greens, such as cabbage, bok choy, or mustard greens

2 teaspoons Thai fish sauce, or to taste

1/4 cup **Thai Fish Sauce with Hot Chiles**

1/4 cup fresh coriander leaves

6 thin cucumber slices

1 small scallion, trimmed (optional)

2 lime wedges

#### DIRECTIONS

1. Heat a large heavy wok over high heat. When it is hot, add oil, and heat until very hot. Add garlic, and stir-fry until just golden, about 20 seconds. Add pork, if using, and cook, stirring constantly, until all the pork has changed color completely, about 1 minute.
2. Add rice, breaking it up with wet fingers as you toss it into wok. With your spatula, keep moving rice around wok. At first it may stick, but keep scooping and tossing it, and soon it will be more manageable. Try to visualize frying each little bit of rice, sometimes pressing the rice against the wok with the back of the spatula. Good fried rice should have a faint seared-in-the-wok taste. Cook for about 30 seconds. Add the greens, then the fish sauce, and stir-fry for 30 seconds to 1 minute.
3. Turn out onto a dinner plate, and garnish with coriander, cucumber slices, scallion, and lime wedges. Squeeze lime onto rice as you eat it, along with chile sauce -- the hot, salty taste of the sauce brings out the full flavor of the rice.

