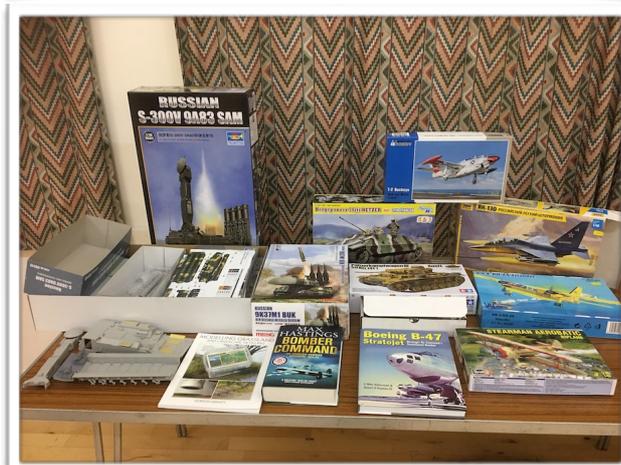


FEBRUARY 2019



Another year has gone and a new one beckons. We had our first meeting of the new year on 15th of Jan and what a spread of delicious modelling goodies where on display.

Looking forward to seeing these as WIPs and finally as finished models.

We have a great lineup of events for this year, so please put them in your calendars, or pin the pages from this newsletter up, so you will never miss a meeting or a Theme Night.

Club Night 15th Jan.

A wonderful display of modelling goodies. Might we see one of these resplendent in Yellow for our first theme night?

Please Note:

Articles and news are always welcome for inclusion in this newsletter. BUT views and information thus expressed are solely those of the author(s) and do not necessarily represent the views of the editor or the club as a whole. Editor: Richard Clarke

Articles for the April 2019 Issue to me please by March 26th 2019 - Hard or Soft copy. Soft copy please email me clarker@godolphin.wilts.sch.uk - Hard copy in my hand at a club night.



Club News

Wishing you all a Happy New Year

My new years resolution is to finish a project before starting on a new one. I have had too many unfinished projects last year, happy to say I have cleared 90 percent of the back log.

A new year and a new **Calendar of Events**, please see the preceding pages for a full list. *Please note this is subject to change, up-to-date info is on our website*

This years Theme Nights are:

- February Tuesday 5th – Colour Yellow
- March Tuesday 5th – Connections
- April Tuesday 2nd – Made in Britain
- May Tuesday 7th – Space, the Final Frontier
- June Tuesday 4th – D-Day
- July Tuesday 2nd – Vietnam War
- August Tuesday 6th – Korean War
- September Tuesday 3rd – Arnhem
- October Tuesday 1st – Outrage
- November Tuesday 5th – AGM + Humanitarian
- December Tuesday 17th – Wacky Races V5.1

Deadlines for Newsletter articles for 2019 are:

- March 26th for the April edition
- May 28th for the June edition
- Sept 24th for the August edition
- Nov 26th for the December edition

Important Dates for your diaries:

- May 31st - Setup for our Annual Model Show
- June 1st - Our Annual Model show
- Nov 5th - AGM

Do not forget, all of this information and a lot more besides is on our website:

www.ipmssalisbury.co.uk

Bookmark it as a favourite in your browser, check back for the latest info, blogs and much much more.

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Calendar of events 2019

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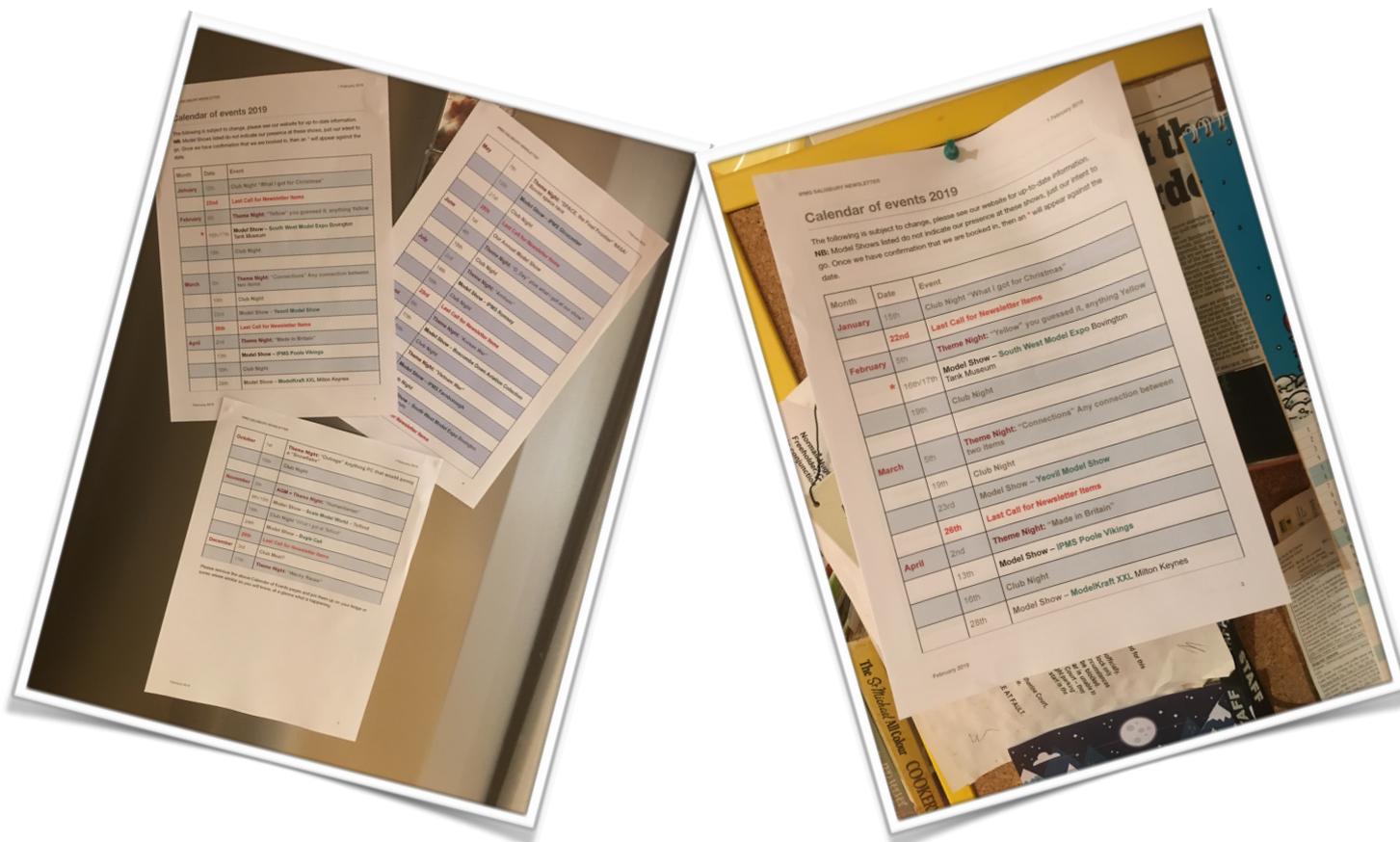
NB: Model Shows listed do not indicate our presence at these shows, just our intent to go. Once we have confirmation that we are booked in, then an * will appear against the date.

Month	Date	Event
January	15th	Club Night "What I got for Christmas"
	22nd	Last Call for Newsletter Items
February	5th	Theme Night: "Yellow" you guessed it, anything Yellow
*	16th/17th	Model Show – South West Model Expo Bovington Tank Museum
	19th	Club Night
March	5th	Theme Night: "Connections" Any connection between two items
	19th	Club Night
*	23rd	Model Show – Yeovil Model Show
	26th	Last Call for Newsletter Items
April	2nd	Theme Night: "Made in Britain"
	13th	Model Show – IPMS Poole Vikings
	16th	Club Night
	28th	Model Show – ModelKraft XXL Milton Keynes

May	7th	Theme Night: "SPACE, the Final Frontier" NASA/Soviet space race
	12th	Model Show – IPMS Gloucester
	21st	Club Night
	28th	Last Call for Newsletter Items
June	1st	Our Annual Model Show
	4th	Theme Night: "D_Day" plus what I got at our show"
	18th	Club Night
July	2nd	Theme Night: "Arnhem"
	14th	Model Show – IPMS Romsey
	16th	Club Night
	23rd	Last Call for Newsletter Items
August	6th	Theme Night: "Korean War"
	11th	Model Show – Boscombe Down Aviation Collection
	20th	Club Night
September	3rd	Theme Night: "Vietnam War"
	14th	Model Show – IPMS Farnborough
	17th	Club Night
	28th/29th	Model Show – South West Model Expo Bovington Tank Museum
	24th	Last Call for Newsletter Items

October	1st	Theme Night: “Outrage” Anything PC that would annoy a “Snowflake”
	15th	Club Night
November	5th	AGM + Theme Night: “Humanitarian”
	9th/10th	Model Show – Scale Model World – Telford
	19th	Club Night “What I got at Telford”
	24th	Model Show – Bugle Call
	26th	Last Call for Newsletter Items
December	3rd	Club Meal?
	17th	Theme Night: “Wacky Races”

Please remove the above Calendar of Events pages and pin them up on your fridge or some where similar so you will know, at a glance what is happening.





Wacky Races Result 2018

Great to see so many of our members turn out for our annual "Wacky Races", who were fortified with Mulled Wine, Mince Pies and a Chocolate Log Roll kindly provided by Tod G. Many thanks Tod for providing us with succour.

Then it was onto the main event, Wacky Races.

First was the judging of the best self powered model, this was won by Brian S and his "Air Powered" car.

As Sibio had the only Tracked vehicle he walked away with the top prize, we did, however insist that he ran his tank, which did cross the finishing line.

Then we had the wheeled race, we had four entries, Brian's Air Powered car, Ray's pull back and release mini, Richard's battery powered Shogun and Don's battery powered car. Don's car raced ahead and was a clear winner, followed by Richard's

Shogun, then Brian's car and coming in last was Ray's mini.

We then had a demonstration of Ray's flying skills with his RC Helicopter from B&M.

Then it was on to the second part of the evening, a new addition to the Wacky Races calendar, the RC Tank Challenge.

We had five entries, and it proved to be a hilarious end to the club night.

This was over an obstacle course. Drive over a bridge, stop rotate turret 360 degrees, then drive round a chocolate box, drive into a

garage, then drive to cross the line, then turn around and race back over the bridge, stop then fire twice then sprint to the end.

The time trials was won by Richard C, 2nd was Mick E and 3rd was Chris S.

We then had a straight race between the top three: Over the bridge, cross the line, turn around then back over the bridge and cross the Start/Finish line.

It was a tight race, three tanks trying to get over the bridge at the same time, some dirty tactics were used. Richard pulled ahead, crossing the line first then made his way back to the bridge closely followed by Chris. These two then got stuck trying to get onto the bridge at the same time, managing to knock each other out of the way leaving the bridge clear for Mick to race over and cross the line first. Richard was 2nd but Chris failed to get over the bridge and ended up on his side unable to move, tank that is, not Chris.

A great end to the evening.





Modelling News from the Frontline

Being involved in the industry does mean I get invited to the release announcements for each new year's range from the bigger names in the UK hobby world. To be honest I don't often attend, many items are nothing more than CAD illustrations, or re-announcements of items that don't appear for up to 3 years previous. This year I have in the end been hosted by Hornby and Bachmann in Margate and London respectively. Both these names are familiar to model Railway enthusiasts but club members will be more interested in the Airfix (Hornby) and Pocketbond (Bachmann) elements, Pocketbond being importers for Trumpeter, Takom, Academy and many others.

I travelled to Kent the Sunday before so as not to get stuck on the M25 and was therefore one of the first to be shown around, even before the official press release. This did mean I was asked not to photograph some railway items for fear of leaking it to the internet. The tight control of the release info showed just how dog eat dog the hobby industry really is as the security measure was related directly to other retail\manufactures that were competing to get products into the market place first. Hornby had a new Loco (known as a Terrier). It is not the first time they have made a Terrier, and the existing model was still decent. But Hornby had decided on a 3 year development programme to replace it with a more modern version. A well-known retailer who also commissions Hornby's competitor to manufacture limited edition locos on their behalf had identified the potential gap in the market so set about beating Hornby to release a newer item. As locos are expensive, most people only buy a type once so being first out usually means the majority of sales. Hornby raised the stakes and hence the security, as they are now releasing the new Terrier in the first few months of 2019, 2 years ahead of schedule taking the first-place position when it comes to release dates. Apt being called a 'Terrier'; it is Dog eat Dog indeed.

On the Plastic kits front there is a lot to report and I feel Airfix for once are getting everything right this year. Telford saw the 1/24 Wildcat announcement but additionally we will be treated to a brand new 1/72 Buccaneer, 1/72 Mig 17, 1/48 Tiger Moth. 1/35 scale



Heron Dominie

military kits will appear in Airfix boxes, but are in fact Academy offerings. Airfix finally realise that a red box doesn't mean new and won't make up for an old crusty kit inside. So older kits are being packaged as VINTAGE-CLASSIC. It does mean the re-issue of some old kits that will be a struggle to build to modern standards but older generation kit builders will love the Heron, Dominie and Jetstream being back amongst others.

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It was hard to know how Bachmann, the owner of Pocketbond felt about this turn of events, they were tight lipped about things in general. The new 1/32 HK Lancaster was a jewel in their crown but for everybody present this was 'Old News' as it really belonged to 2018's releases. I am happy to say that Pocketbond in general are still receptive to modellers needs and desires regarding future model production. Big kits are still very much in vogue and we may see a 1/200 Titanic this year, another version of the 1/32 Lancaster and some amazing new models from Takom, the Frie Crane already appearing ahead of schedule.

Another thing I cleared up by being able to speak directly to the management was Pocketbond's announcement that a £12.00 fee would be invoiced to replace damaged / missing parts. Digging down this was not quite as black and white as the announcement had seemed. As a retailer I am trusted to know my customers and follow up problems, so no charge on shop related matters. The issue which has become a bigger deal in recent years is the number of second (or 3rd and 4th) hand dealers who don't care what state the kits they re-sell are in. I'm sure many of the club have taken a purchase home whether from a dealer or an under-table sale to find an important part missing even if the box said complete. I regularly get asked in the shop to help, but I've had to reduce my helpful nature as tallies are kept on the stock sent out and the number of issues needing to be resolved. I was given a friendly warning that Salisbury Model Centre was sending parts and decal requests far more often than other shops in the Wiltshire and Hampshire area. No deviousness on my part, and perhaps reflecting a 'We can't help' from some staff at other outlets, but it has meant having to turn down club members who asked for help after their show purchase has been started.

In summery a good start to the modelling year on the retail front with much to look forward to, but for some big names a review of production times and costs may be due.



LööK is another style name for a range created by Eduard, an extension of the Brassin range. I got to look at one after seeing it advertised. The advert was ho-hum, the CAD imagery we see all to



P-51D for 1/32 Scale Revell Kit

often but the actual item was amazing and at a better price than the fully PE set. The advert as pictured above really doesn't do justice to the fully painted resin console panel. All the dial markings are present, and the black is a satin finish. The real gem is the lenses over each dial not just gloss, but each with a convex curve mimicking a true optic. The P-51D set in 1/32 is designed for the Revell kit and retails at £8.40. Also included for that price is a small fret of pre-painted metal seat belts in the normal style with exaggerated stitching.

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