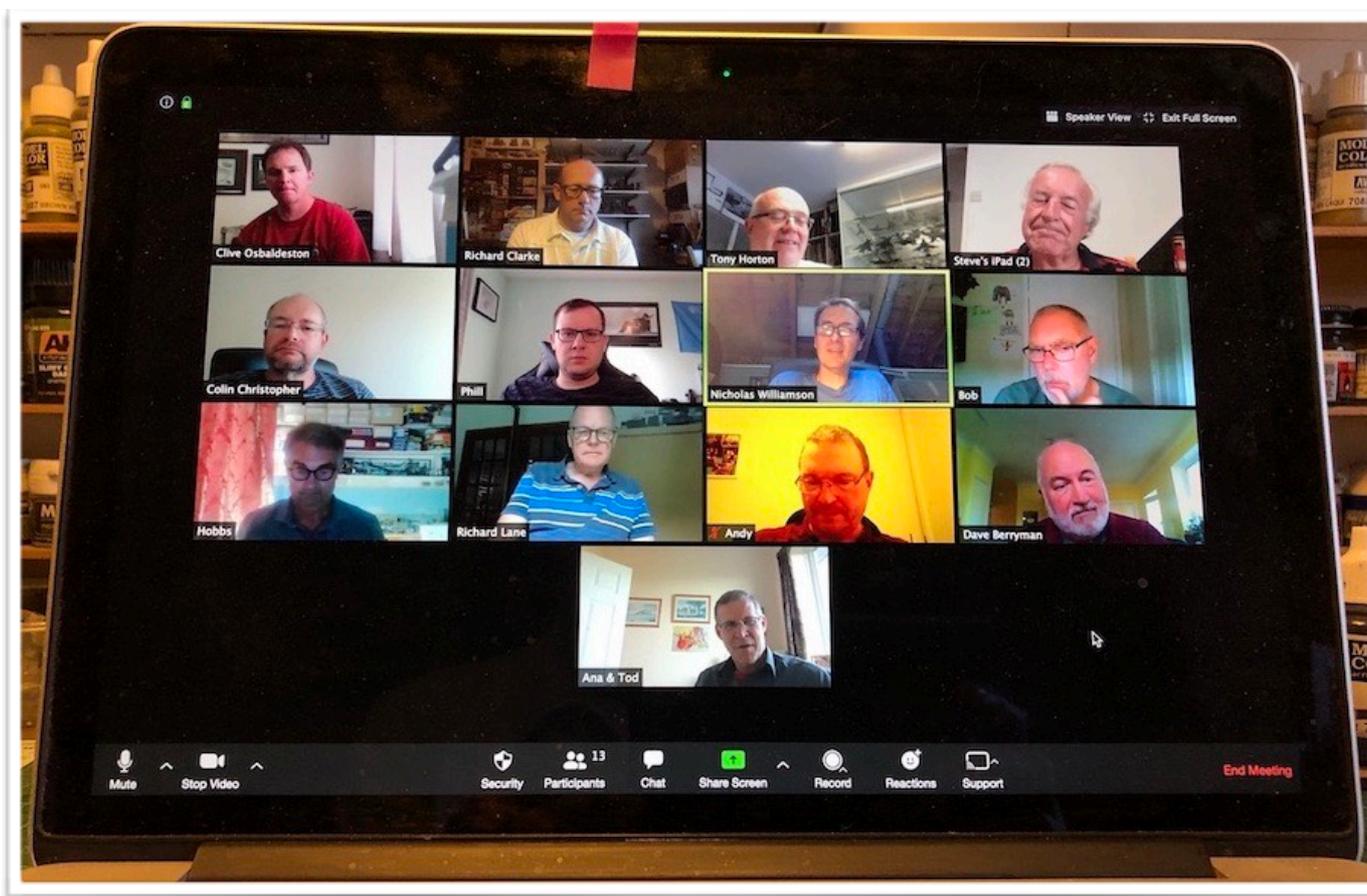


# JUNE 2020



**Z**oom meetings going well, great to see so many of you joining in the conversations and keeping us all abreast of what you are doing, especially modelling during the continued lockdown. We had a great response for the Model Show video which by all counts was very well received.

If you havent seen it yet, it is available via the following link:  
[IPMS Salisbury Model Show 2020](#)

We continued the virtual theme with a Virtual Flash Mod in April organised by Sib0, see his report in the pages of this newsletter.

## Zoom Meetings

Virtual Club Meetings. Come and join us on the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month, details on our website & via email.

**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 Aug 2020 Issue to me please by July 28th 2020  
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## Club News

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### Calendar of Events

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Of course our calendar of events has been curtailed somewhat, but we are trying to carry on as best we can with the technology at our finger tips.

We have had a virtual model show, Zoom meetings continue to grow with more members joining all the time, our first Virtual Flash Mod.

We shall be trying out a live talk in the coming months, Mike H will be he first to do this on June 16th. We might be able to arrange some more if this works out.



### (Virtual) Theme Nights 2020

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- **June 2nd** – Helicopters
- **July 7th** - Battle of Britain
- **Aug 4th** - Maritime
- **Sept 1st** - Land Rover
- **Oct 6th** - Red Arrows 55 Years Young
- **Nov 3rd** - AGM & Gulf War
- **Dec 1st** - Xmas Meal?



### Up Coming Model Shows

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Model shows continue to be cancelled the latest I have heard from is Avon Model Show set for August 2nd, has been cancelled.

Not heard reference the North Somerset Show on 12th July, but assuming it has been cancelled.



### Group Build - 1/32 Spitfire

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I do hope you are all getting on with your Spitfire builds.  
Please send me your pics and write ups as your build progress.  
I have finished the Revell "Iron Maiden" Spitfire, Tamiya Spitfire is finished, & have managed to do another Revell Spitfire.  
Phil & Mike M have finished their Spitfires.

Richard





# Spitfires over Salisbury



Mike M - Revell



Phil - Tamiya



Phil - Tamiya



Richard - Revell



Richard - Tamiya



Richard - Revell "Aces High"



# LVTP-7 1/35 Scale

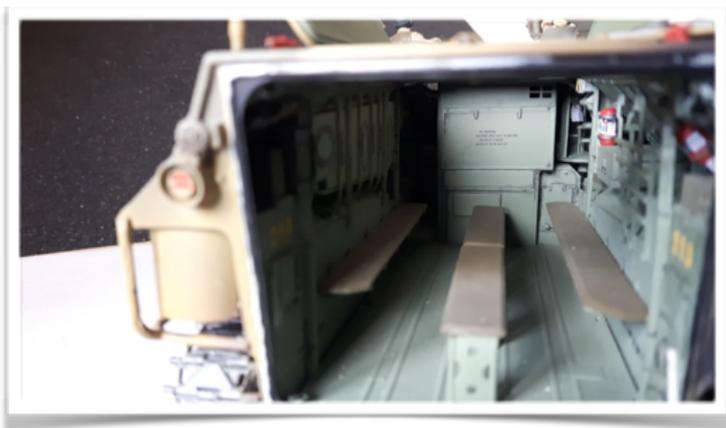
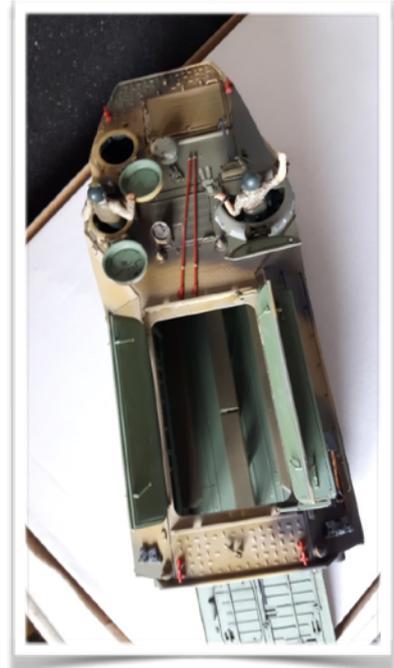
A good kit for the price £23.00, goes together well with minimal flash. It has a full interior that is very detailed with decals for fire extinguishers, and various NO SMOKING etc.

The kit takes a good time to build, as with all full interior kits, there is a few issues as regards the rear ramp there is no hinge (option UP/DOWN) but this can be overcome by making a hinge out of wire.

No figures are included in the box, but worth a go.

A good value, time consuming kit.

**Bob L**





## Virtual Flash Mod - April 2020

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Being the strange year it has been so far everyone has had to look at different ways of filling their time and conducting events in a suitable manner.

Richard has set up virtual club meetings using Zoom and I'm sure many club members have increased their modelling time as they 'work' from home. As I'm a big fan of the irregular Flashmod events we have as a club I thought I might try and organise an online Flashmod, it was a success with only minor changes to the normal scheme of things.

As is normal participants had 6 hours to take an un-started kit and complete it as much as possible in whatever manner they wished (for some it is just a fun day to complete something without extra effort, for others a kick start to get something done on a new model with out distraction). Having it done virtually meant each member taking part could start when most convenient with dates set between 2nd & 19th April. To apply the rules remotely, fun as they are, but to also provide the boundaries to meet the challenge, each builder had to take time stamped pictures or have a clock face visible in the photo. In effect one picture at the start point and then a photo each and every hour till they arrived at the 6 hour point. Hourly pictures were sent to Sibio who collated all entries. The final aspect was voting, usually done at the end of the event by those taking part. This time after all the pictures of the models at their respective 6 hour point were published, every member of the club was invited to anonymously vote.

In the end seven club members took part with a wide range of subjects tackled. The first to commit was Chris Southwood who was the only entrant to start late and carry on into the night, all the other members started at the normal-ish time of late morning to finish late afternoon. As I was receiving all the hourly pictures to my email account and offering words of encouragement I too stayed up to gone midnight. The reward was seeing Chris's 1/35 Elefant kit by Italeri which Chris had converted to a 'World of Tanks' variant with a larger calibre metal barrel. What I also thought impressive but probably not realised by voters was the whole finish had been brush painted, an extra time drain.

The following weekend saw activity galore. First Mick Ellis proved to be committed as he also did a conversion, fitting a Resin body to replace the Tiger hull on a Meng Toon tank, to become a 'Sturmtiger'. Mick got as far as applying basic cam as well and picked up at least one vote. Paul Capon joined in with a 1/72 scale model from an odd Eastern Europe manufacturer, PST. The model (a Zis 6 Fire truck) was not ideally suited for Flashmod as it needed a number of parts scratchbuilt and is a most basic kit. Paul did great – the focus of the Flashmod helped get things done. A lot was still needed to be done when his 6 hours were up and to his credit Paul carried on afterwards to finish the model.

Clive 'Oz' worked on a Resin figure, a first for him and with personal links as it was finished to represent his great grandfather William Butcher, a LCpl with the Berkshire Regiment. He was taken prisoner on the Somme during July 1916.

Almost simultaneously Nick Williams and Sibio were building. Nick took on the task of building 3 vehicles from the Airfix RAF Vehicle set, and achieved his goal, completing all 3 including a nicely faded airbrushed finish. Sibio pulled out a PKA – a fighting suit from the Maschinen Krieger universe. He too set about converting the figure and always accepted he would not be able to finish in time but enjoyed the focus and importantly the progress. Like Paul, Sibio has continued through lockdown working on the model.

The final contender was Tony Horton who plugged away at an Airfix 1/72 Mig 17, quite a new release and enjoyable as far as it seems. But Tony did admit more time would have resulted in a better finished model, perhaps he is being too harsh on himself though as his silver finished Mig placed first with the most votes and his name going onto the trophy.

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Some interesting traits came out as I monitored the emails from the participants. Seam lines caused the biggest head ache with time needed to remove them and then the frustration of finding a missed one later and having to repeat work if paint had already been applied. Everyone ate as they went, with baguettes appearing to be the favoured food of choice. The 4<sup>th</sup> hour seems to be groundhog hour as nearly everyone lamented how the picture sent at that point seemed to show little progress. And the 5 hour picture was inadvertently skipped by a couple of entrants as they worked feverishly to complete their models. How the models appeared at the 6 hour point is visible on the IPMS Salisbury website, below are a few pictures showing how the day progressed.

Another fun FLASHMOD albeit under different circumstances. Dependant on how long Covid 19 forces us all to remain apart we may well do it again.

**Sibo**



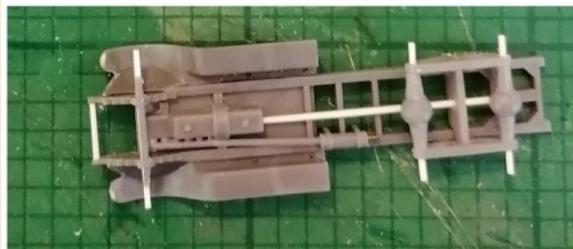
**Nick's WMD reached a 'nearly finished' stage but look great.**



**Chris managed to have this hand painted by Midnight.**



**Sibo's model with cockpit interior. Seam lines slowed his PKA build.**



**Scratch building is evident on Paul's Zis 6 Fire truck.**



**Paul's model looked great once a few extra hours were spent on it.**



**Tony Horton's winning entry. With a clean metallic finish and simple soviet markings this MiG 17 'Fresco' was most popular, landing Tony's name on the Flashmod trophy.**



## Model Rooms

As we are in lockdown, still, and some of us are more than likely spending their time modelling, we thought we could do a little gallery of members modelling rooms/spaces, wherever they may be.

Send me your pics (to the usual email address) and we can start a page on our website:

**“Where were you during lockdown?”**

To start the ball rolling here is Oz & Richard C’s modelling rooms.

## Oz’s Modelling Room



## Richard C's Modelling Room



Added a spray booth which I purchased from Amazon for about £35, great addition to the modelling setup.

Do not know how I have managed to do with out one for so long.

Rearrange the area in front of the cutting mat to make room for the wife's birthday present to me, 60 paint pot stand. I then made some smaller shelves to clear the many paint bottles I would normally have sitting on the desk.

Very pleased with the additional space, will make it easier to build my next 1/32 scale project, no not another Spitfire but a.....

**Richard C**