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UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS

FEB 17	Friday pm MEETING: VFW Post 10657 DEMO: Track Painting by Frank Blanton
MAR 24	Friday pm MEETING: VFW Post 10657 DEMO: TBD by TBD
MAR 7-12	All days Modeler's Retreat Fort A.P. Hill
MAR 18	Saturday am/pm Fort Lee Ordnance School Tour Petersburg, VA Details are TBD
MAR 24	Friday pm MEETING: VFW Post 10657 DEMO: TBD
APR 28	Friday pm MEETING: VFW Post 10657 DEMO: TBD by TBD

MEETING AGENDA


(segments can vary in length)

- 6:30 BUSINESS
- 7:00 DEMONSTRATION
- 8:00 PASS IN REVIEW
- 9:00 ADJOURNMENT

LOCATION

VFW Post 10657
 11568 Cedar Lane
 Ashland, VA 23005

PRE-MEETING DINNER

 Casa Grande at 5:15 p.m.
 10120 Brook Rd
 Glen Allen, VA 23059

2023 Old Dominion Open this coming Saturday

From Mike Petty: *“The ODO is currently scheduled for 25 February 2023 at the Richmond Raceway. This is the first major IPMS show of the season in the mid-Atlantic and generally a very well attended event. Again this year, I’ve been asked to be the Chief Armor Judge for ODO. In the past the AMPS Chapters in the Region have provided a significant number of armor judges to make our judging job fairly easy. I would appreciate it if you’d pass along to your Chapter members that I could use their assistance to judge the armor categories. While we’ll be using IPMS style judging I’d recommend advising your Chapter members that we’ve put the AMPS judging training modules on the [AMPS website](#). They can review these modules as a refresher since we’ve not judged in about two years.”*

Interested? Contact Mike at tanker@va.metrocast.net.

AMPS-CV Modeler’s Retreat

The March 7-12 Retreat is ready to go and Mike Petty has provided details to those of you that either signed up to go or were on a waiting list. If you have any concerns or questions, please contact Mike directly at tanker@va.metrocast.net.

AMPS-CV demonstration from last month

The January meeting’s presentation “US Army Colors in WW2” [can be downloaded here](#).

Insider access to Fort Lee’s Ordnance School

On Saturday, March 18 we have a private invitation to see the armored vehicle collection at Fort Lee in Petersburg, VA. This is the collection that was formerly on display at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds Ordnance Museum. It includes WW2 vehicles from both Allied and Axis countries. We will also have access to the research library, where documents and photos dating back to WW2 are stored. If you don’t have a military ID you will have to submit to a security check before you arrive. It will be open all day, but exact plans are still being ironed out. More will be published here as soon as they are available.

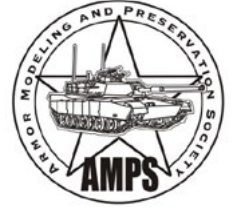
Americans in Wartime Experience

The 2023 Open House is August 26 & 27. [Find out more here](#).





AMPS Atlanta 2023



Military Amphibious Vehicles

February 17-18, 2023

Eligibility for the show theme is defined by:

"Any Military Amphibious Vehicle used by any Country. Vehicles with amphibious capabilities, but not specifically designed for amphibious use are acceptable if shown in an amphibious scenario ."

Join us for our 15th annual AMPS Atlanta model contest and show! Our show provides a great opportunity to tune up your models in time for the AMPS Nationals. There are loads of vendor tables, not to mention great Southern hospitality and weather. All models are judged using the AMPS open system.

Not just a model show, there will be great figures on display as well as educational seminars.



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IPMS RICHMOND

International Plastic Modelers' Society - Richmond, VA Chapter

Since 1972

2023 Old Dominion Open Scale Model Show & Contest

Saturday, February 25

70+ Model Display Categories
Extensive Vendor Marketplace
Huge Modeler's Drawing

1st, 2nd & 3rd place awards for each category, plus these special awards:

Judges' Best In Show • Best Junior
Best Aircraft • Best Automotive • Best Diorama • Best Figure
Best Gundam • Best Maritime • Best Military Vehicle
Best Real Space & Sci-Fi

Schedule

Doors open at 8:30 a.m.
Vendors open all day
Registration Closes at 12:00 noon
Judging Starts at 12:30 p.m.



Location

Richmond Raceway Complex
Henrico Hall
600 E. Laburnum Ave.
Richmond, VA 23222

General inquiries, please contact Bob Walls: robertwalls@comcast.net

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Northern Virginia Modelers Model Classic 2023

Between the Wars

1920 to 1940

Saturday, April 15, 2023

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Fairfax High School

3501 Lion Run, Fairfax, VA 22030



Walk-in Admission

\$8.00 Single Adult

(18 and older)

\$10.00 Family

Contestants

\$10.00

Unlimited number of models

Juniors

(17 & under)

and

Active Duty Military

(with ID)

FREE !

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\$30.00

Vendor Tables

\$30.00 per table

Make & Take FREE for the Kids!

(17 & under)

On Site Food Concession

Model Contest

Over 90 Categories

Tom Henderson
15491 Wheatfield Rd.
Woodbridge, VA 22193
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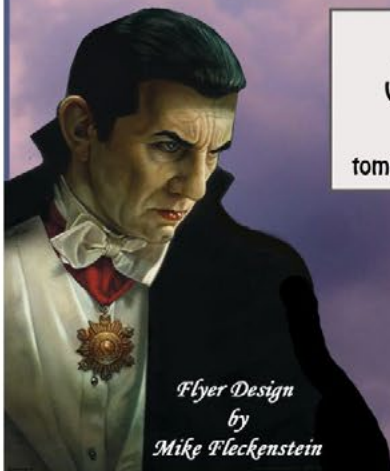
jon.etherton@outlook.com

www.novaiipms.org

Show Sponsorship & Food Concession

Fairfax High School

PTSA All Night Grad Committee



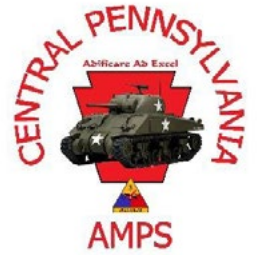
*Flyer Design
by
Mike Fleckenstein*





30th Anniversary 1993-2023

AMPS 2023 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION



The Pacific

Armor From 1940 – 2023

May 4th – 6th Penn Harris Hotel

1150 Camp Hill Bypass, Camp Hill, PA

Join Us To Celebrate Our 30th Anniversary!



2023

AMPS-CV monthly meetings occur on the 4th Friday

	S	M	T	W	Th	F	S	
JANUARY	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	
	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	
	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	
AMPS-CV Meeting	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	AMPS-CV Build Day, VFW Post
FEBRUARY	29	30	31	01	02	03	04	
	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	
AMPS-CV Meeting	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	Old Dominion Open, Richmond, VA
MARCH	26	27	28	01	02	03	04	
	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	AMPS-CV Modeler's Retreat, Fort A.P. Hill, VA
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	Fort Lee Ordnance School Tour, Petersburg, VA
AMPS-CV Meeting	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
APRIL	26	27	28	29	30	31	01	AMPS-CV Build Day, VFW Post
	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	
	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
AMPS-CV Meeting	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
MAY	30	01	02	03	04	05	06	AMPS International Convention, Camp Hill, PA
	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
AMPS-CV Meeting	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
JUNE	28	29	30	31	01	02	03	AMPS-CV Build Day, VFW Post
	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	
	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	VFW Post Maintenance Day
AMPS-CV Meeting	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
JULY	25	26	27	28	29	30	01	
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	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
AMPS-CV Meeting	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	AMPS-CV Build Day, VFW Post
AUGUST	30	31	01	02	03	04	05	
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	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	
AMPS-CV Meeting	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
SEPTEMBER	27	28	29	30	31	01	02	
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AMPS-CV Meeting	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	AMPS-CV Build Day, VFW Post
	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
OCTOBER	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	
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AMPS-CV Meeting	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
NOVEMBER	29	30	31	01	02	03	04	
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	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
AMPS-CV Meeting	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	AMPS-CV Meeting & Build Day (Friday), VFW Post
DECEMBER	26	27	28	29	30	01	02	
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	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
AMPS-CV Meeting	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
JANUARY	31	01	02	03	04	05	06	



Member display models from the January meeting



Academy German Beute-Panzer
T-34 747(r)

in 1:35 scale
by Scott Holtz

After applying the camouflage, Scott applied a layer of AMMO Oilbrusher Buff for fading. The exhaust stains are ground up black pastels with shine added by a mixture of Tamiya Smoke and Clear.



Member display models from the January meeting



AFV Club US M728 CEV
in 1:35 scale
by Scott Bregi

The model has been glossed and readied for markings. The cabling is Syren Ship Model rigging thread. The emergency lift cables on the earth blade were added using Eureka XXL cables with 3D printed ends.



Member display models from the January meeting



Trumpeter Ukrainian T-72B
in 1:35 scale
by Tabb Tharrington

The barrel netting is from Verlinden with pieces from the DEF Model Modern Camouflage Nets set. Tabb matched up the model's weathering to photos from the war in Ukraine. The dust is a 1:1 mixture of AMMO Nature Effects Earth and Light Dust applied with an airbrush. It was mottled with a paintbrush damp with enamel

thinner. The darker streaks are AMMO Streaking Grime for US Modern Vehicles painted on with a paintbrush. The same color was splattered with an old paintbrush. Debris is Sea Grass and Birch seeds. The wheels were treated with two different layers of dry pigments and fixed with Tamiya Acrylic Thinner.

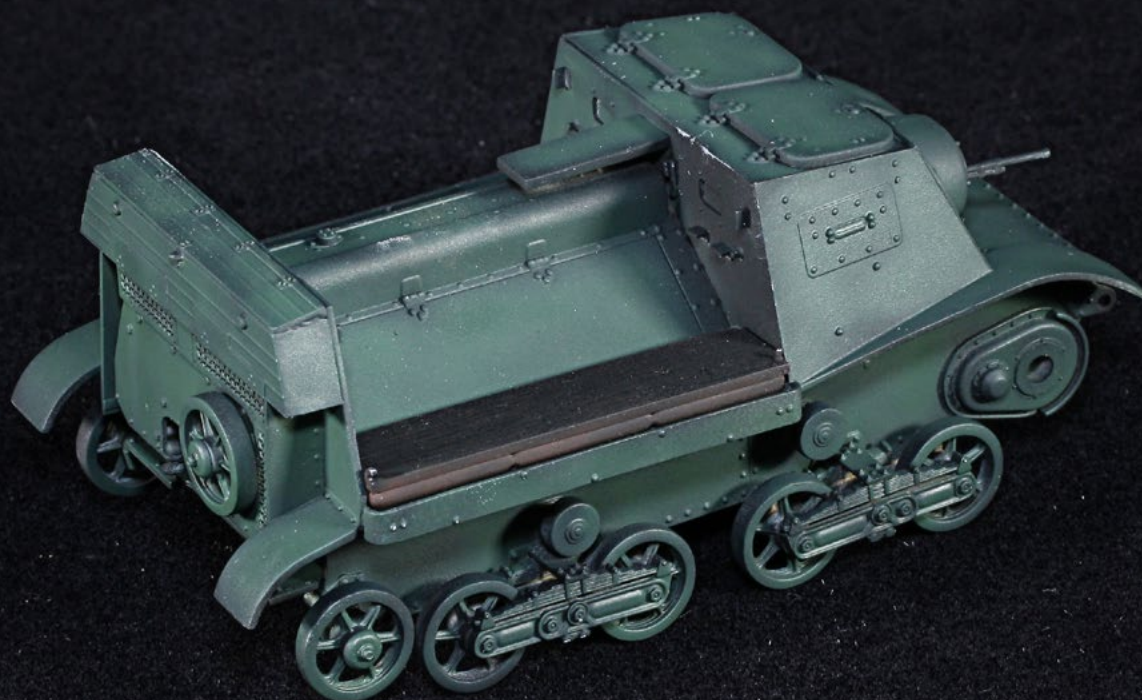


Member display models from the January meeting



Hobby Boss Soviet T-20
in 1:35 scale
by Clint Mills

The kit was pain to put together and the tracks were especially difficult.



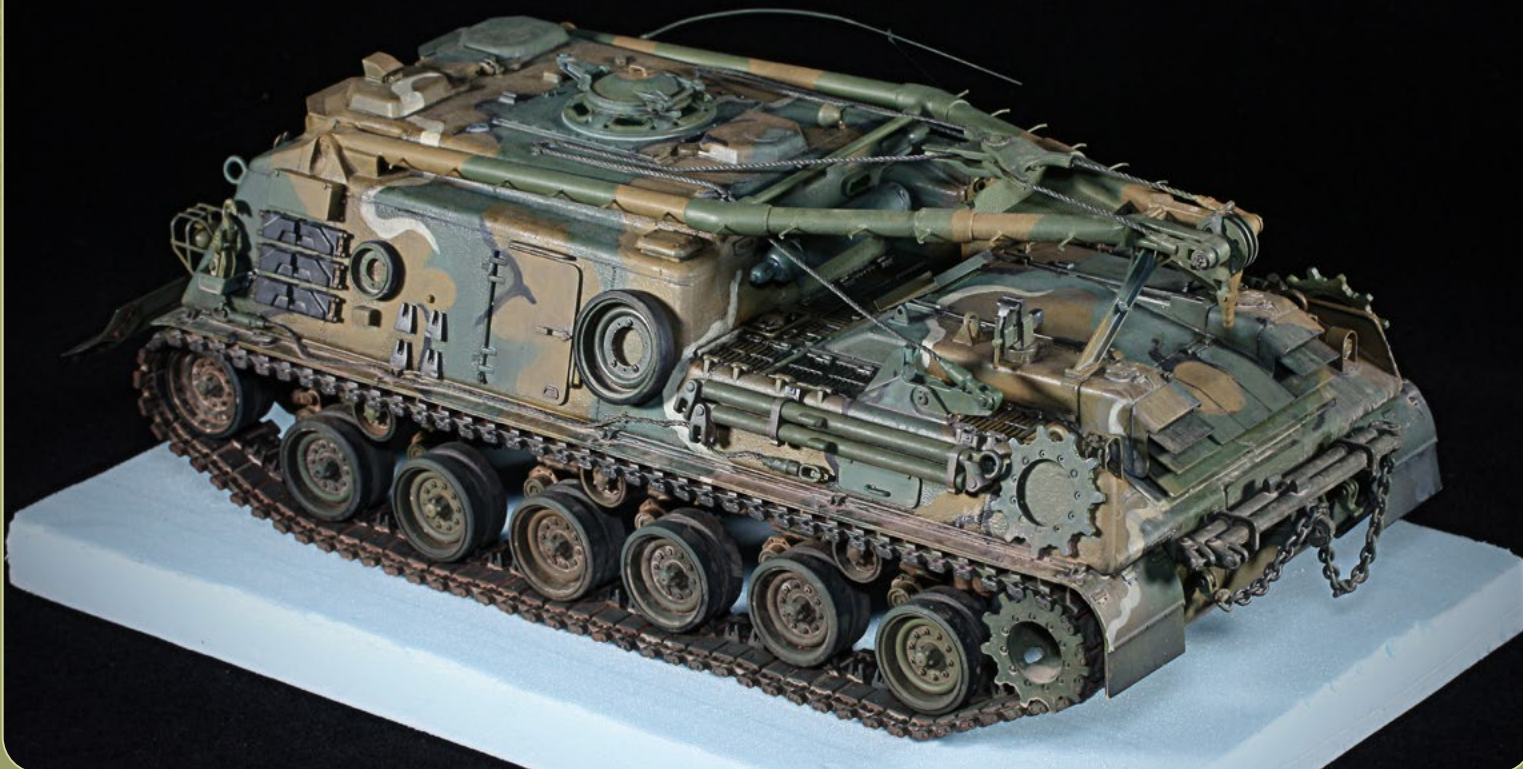
Member display models from the January meeting



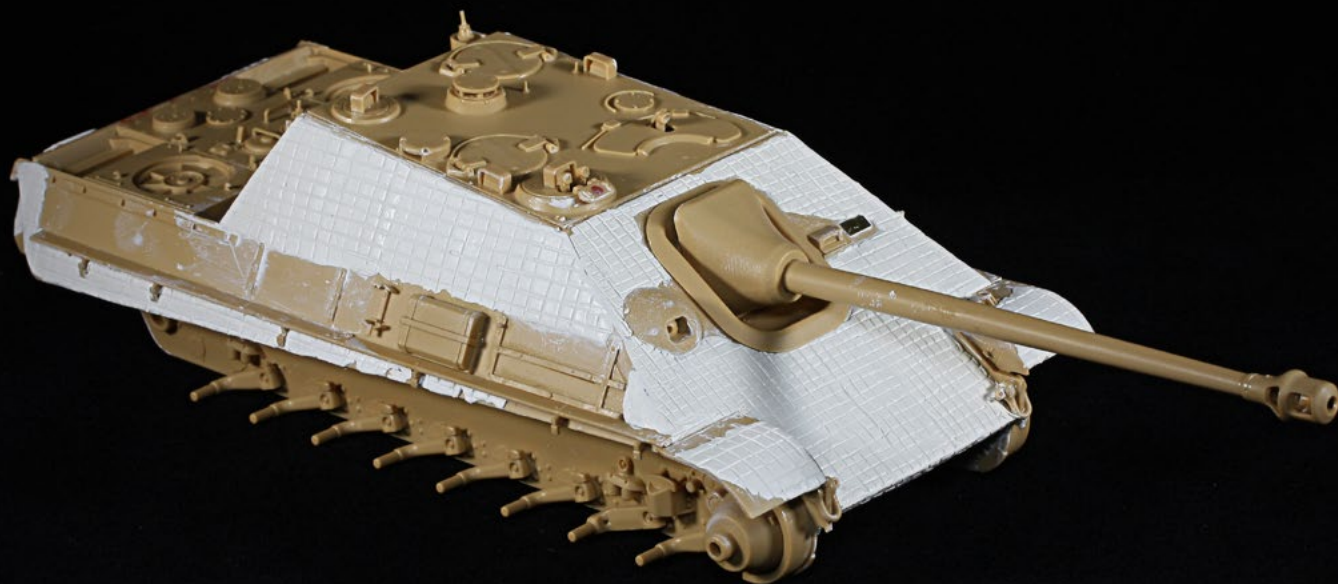
AFV Club US M88
in 1:35 scale
by Frank Blanton

The kit parts have lots of flash and the plastic is brittle. The kit tracks were replaced with AFV Cub individual tracks. The light guards are replacement 3D

parts from Elefant Corporation. The lights were first treated with a Molotow Chrome pen and then painted Tamiya Clear Red and Black. Extra track guide teeth were mounted to the hull sides. It was first airbrushed Forest Green then Field Drab. Sand and Black were hand painted.



Member display models from the January meeting



Takom German Jagdpanther
in 1:35 scale
by Glen Martin

The kit is highly detailed and fit is good. The only repair work was around the engine deck where it meets the rear plate. The tracks are link and length and have ejector pin marks on most links. A string tow cable and basic photo-etched brass engine grills

are provided. Glen added the Zimmerit using Aves Apoxie Sculpt. This is a kit review for AMPS - read more here: [Academy Jagdpanther Review](#)



Member display models from the January meeting



Flyhawk French FT-17 (Germany)
in 1:72 scale
by Steve Bruce

Two models come in the box along with four turret choices. The tracks are one solid piece and the suspension units are two pieces. Two different idler wheels are provided. It was painted and marked as serving under German control in WW2. The

crosses were airbrushed through home made stencils made from scaling down a 1:35 marking sheet. The exhaust was painted with Lifecolor Rust and the track wear simulated with a HB graphite pencil.



Member display models from the January meeting



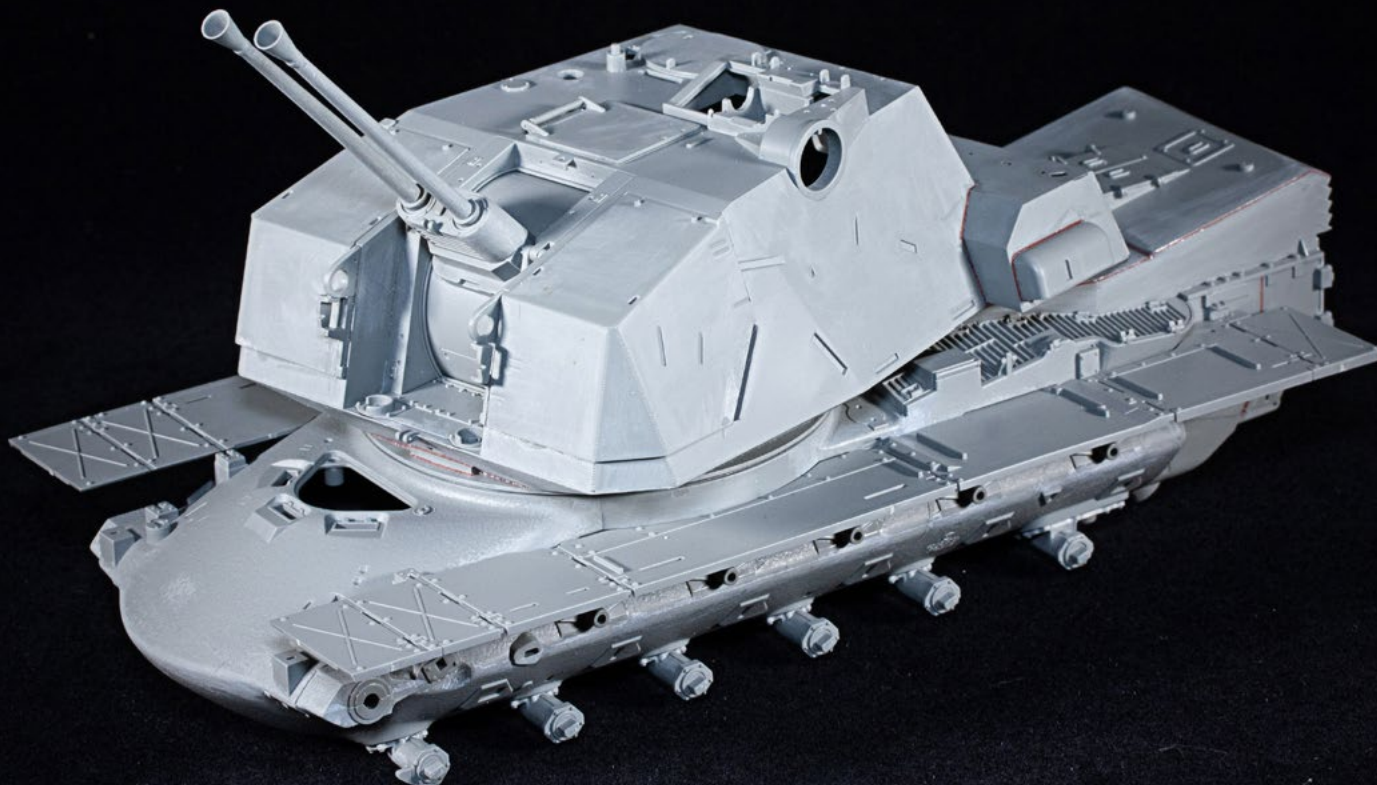
Tamiya US M41 Walker Bulldog
in 1:35 scale
by Frank Blanton

Yes, this is the old kit from the 1970s but Frank is building it mostly OOB for a friend. New grab handles were added to the turret, along with some cast-steel texture made from Mr. Surfacer. The bridge is a plaster

piece obtained years ago from a railroad supply shop. The base is built up with pieces of XPS insulating foam board. The creek bed was painted in various blue and green tones to prep it for water.



Member display models from the January meeting



Takom US M247 Sgt. York
in 1:35 scale
by Scott Bregi

The kit has been good so far with the only problem being a prominent mold seam on one side of the lower hull. The fenders click into place. Missing weld lines were added

with Slater's .010" rod, which dissolves after one application of Tamiya Airbrush Cleaner.



Member display models from the January meeting



Andy's Hobby Headquarters US
M4A3E8 Sherman
in 1:16 scale
by Victor DiVittorio

Sorry! No notes were captured about this model.





AMPS-CV Quartermaster

This page is dedicated to member-recommended products and places to purchase hobby products.

If you have a company you want to add to this list, contact your editor [via the chapter website](#).

Product Manufacturers

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[Bolddivision](#)
[D-Day Miniature Studio](#)
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