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UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS

DEC 29	Friday pm MEETING: VFW Post 10657 DEMO: Photo-etched Brass Tips by Mike Paquette
JAN 26	Friday pm MEETING: VFW Post 10657 DEMO: TBD by Frank Blanton
FEB 16	Friday pm MEETING: VFW Post 10657 DEMO: Making Tarps/Flags by John Robinson
MAR 22	Friday pm MEETING: VFW Post 10657 DEMO: Making Headlights by Ashley Abernathy

MEETING AGENDA

(segments vary in length)

6:30 OPENING REMARKS, UPDATES

DEMONSTRATION (~30 min.)

PASS IN REVIEW (~90 min.)

LOCATION

VFW Post 10657
11568 Cedar Lane
Ashland, VA 23005

PRE-MEETING DINNER



Pizzaro at 5:15 p.m.
9966 Brook Rd.
Glen Allen, VA 23059

AMPS-CV Model Building Retreat: April 30-May 5

Mike Petty is taking reservations but spots are limited. If you didn't already reserve yours, email Mike at tanker@va.metrocast.net. When the count reaches 18, you can still sign up but you'll be on a waiting list for cancellations.

Meeting changes over the next few months

The December meeting is off our normal schedule due to Christmas. We are meeting on the Friday after Christmas, December 29. We will have the usual schedule, with a demo by Mike Paquette on using photo-etched brass. In February, many of our members are assisting IPMS Richmond set up for the [Old Dominion Open](#) on February 23, so we will meet on Friday, February 16.

Demonstration from the November meeting

The November meeting demo was a slide show on painting figures and finding helpful tutorials on YouTube. [Tom Jett's presentation can be downloaded here.](#)

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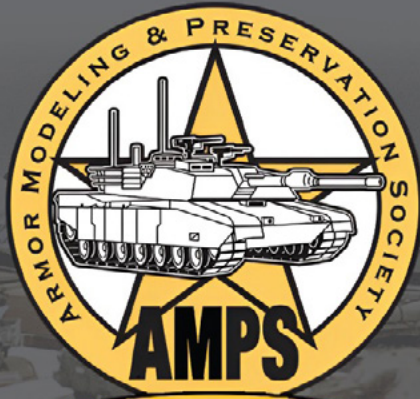
- STEP BY STEP STORMTROOPER IN ACRYLICS (nose, ground, tree, etc.) 277k views · 8 years ago
- TRAILER FROM THE DVD 'PAINTING FANTASY FIGURES IN ACRYLICS' BY JULIO... 44k views · 10 years ago
- STEP BY STEP THE OLD FIDDLER IN ACRYLICS (face and cloth). CODE WY-08 43k views · 12 years ago
- UNBOXING ARTIFICIAL WATER, CODE AAH-01 43k views · 14 years ago
- STEP BY STEP INDIAN TRAPPER IN ACRYLICS (nose, ground, tree, etc.) 40k views · 8 years ago
- TRAILER FROM THE DVD 'PAINTING BUSTS IN ACRYLICS' BY JULIO CABO 39k views · 8 years ago
- TRAILER FROM THE DVD 'PAINTING HORSES IN ACRYLICS' BY JULIO CABO 33k views · 9 years ago
- STEP BY STEP ARTIFICIAL WATER (and in a vignetted) CODE AAH-01 32k views · 14 years ago
- STEP BY STEP TRUCO COWBOY (CHAPS) IN ACRYLICS BY ANDREA MINIATURES, CODE... 27k views · 7 years ago
- TRAILER FROM THE DVD 'PAINTING GIRLS IN ACRYLICS' BY JULIO CABO 26k views · 9 years ago
- STEP BY STEP HORSE (Dapple Grey) IN ACRYLICS BY ANDREA MINIATURES, CODE... 19k views · 7 years ago
- STEP BY STEP PROVE IT IN ACRYLICS (weeb) CODE AG-018 18k views · 8 years ago
- UNBOXING BLACK BOSSY, CODE PN LPR-01, LARGE SCALE 1:10 - LIMITED EDITION... 15k views · 8 years ago
- UNBOXING CAPTAIN OF HUSSARS C 1406, CODE SA-F08 13k views · 8 years ago
- UNBOXING DRAGON LADY, CODE SS-F18 12k views · 9 years ago
- TRAILER FROM THE DVD 'PAINTING SEATED FIGURE IN ACRYLICS' BY JULIO... 11k views · 8 years ago



BORESIGHT

THE AMPS MEMBERSHIP MAGAZINE

SEPT / OCT 2023



30th Anniversary 1993-2023

A Short History of AMPS • Reign of Terror • AMPS Judging From the Beginning • My Time As the AMPS Chief Judge • AMPS Master Gallery • The Story of Boresight • AMPS Family Photo Scrapbook • Local Chapter News & Upcoming Shows

Boresight September/October 2023

A Short History of AMPS by Stephen "Cookie" Sewell, Mike Petty, and Neil Stokes

Reign of Terror by John Charvat

AMPS Judging From the Beginning by Steven Andreano

My Time As the AMPS Chief Judge 2008-2018 by Mike Petty

AMPS Master Gallery by The Editor

The Story of Boresight by The Editor

AMPS Family Photo Scrapbook by The Editor

Local Chapter News & Upcoming Shows

Membership includes the society's Boresight magazine that is published six times per year. In it are exclusive articles about armor research and modeling.

	1 year	2 years	3 years
USA	\$30	\$55	\$80
Canada/Mexico	\$35	\$65	\$95
International	\$40	\$75	\$110
Junior*	\$15	\$30	\$45
Family**	\$15	\$10	\$15
Digital***	\$25	\$45	\$65

* Juniors: members aged 17 years or younger.

** Family: active regular members living at the same address.

*** Available to International members living outside North America.

Renew or start your AMPS membership online at: www.amps-armor.org

PayPal, Visa and MasterCard accepted

To pay by check or money order, enter your delivery information at right and mail it with your payment to:

AMPS Membership
PO Box 807
Thorn Run Rd.
Moon Township, PA
15108-9998
USA

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Zip Code: _____

State: _____

Country: _____

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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 (new this year)

Richmond Raceway Complex

The Old Dominion Building

600 E. Laburnum Ave.

Richmond, VA 23222

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

Find IPMS Richmond online:

ipmsrichmond.blogspot.com

facebook.com/IPMSRichmond





AMPS Atlanta 2024

February 9-11, 2024



Armored Personnel Carriers

WW II to Present

Eligibility for the show theme is defined by:

“Wheeled, Tracked or Half-tracked vehicles specifically designed as an armored troop carrier ”

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.



Hilton Atlanta Northeast
5993 Peachtree Industrial Blvd
Peachtree Corners,
GA 30092
(770) 447-4747



[More Information:](#)
www.ampsatlanta.org
[www.facebook.com/
groups/ampsatlanta/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/ampsatlanta/)

AMPS 2024

International Convention

South Bend, Indiana • April 11-13

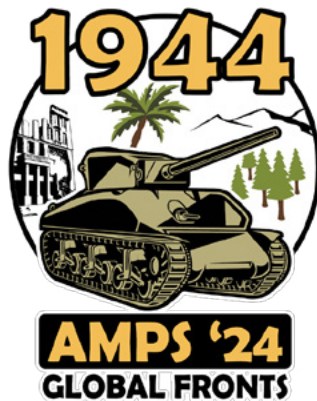
Contest
Awards
Vendors



Seminars
Demos
Raffle



The convention theme is "1944." It was a year the world was at war and Armor units played a huge part in the titanic struggles that were occurring all over Europe, the Mediterranean, and the Pacific.



From the steppes of Russia, the hills in Italy, to the far off shores of tropic Islands, mechanized battles raged that would change the course of World War II and tighten the noose around the axis powers.

Century Center • 120 Dr Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. • South Bend, IN 46601

Visit the AMPS website for more details: AMPS-Armor.org



2024

	S	M	T	W	Th	F	S	
JANUARY	31	01	02	03	04	05	06	
	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
AMPS-CV Meeting	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
FEBRUARY	28	29	30	31	01	02	03	
	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	
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AMPS-CV Meeting	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	Old Dominion Open, Richmond, VA
MARCH	25	26	27	28	29	01	02	
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AMPS-CV Meeting	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
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APRIL	31	01	02	03	04	05	06	
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AMPS-CV Meeting	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
MAY	28	29	30	01	02	03	04	AMPS-CV Modeler's Retreat, Fort A.P. Hill, VA
	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
AMPS-CV Meeting	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
JUNE	26	27	28	29	30	31	01	
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AMPS-CV Meeting	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
JULY	30	01	02	03	04	05	06	
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AMPS-CV Meeting	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
AUGUST	28	29	30	31	01	02	03	
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AMPS-CV Meeting	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
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SEPTEMBER	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	
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AMPS-CV Meeting	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
OCTOBER	29	30	01	02	03	04	05	
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AMPS-CV Meeting	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
NOVEMBER	27	28	29	30	31	01	02	
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AMPS-CV Meeting	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
<i>Thanksgiving</i>	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
DECEMBER	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	
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AMPS-CV Meeting	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
JANUARY	29	30	31	01	02	03	04	



Pass and Review from October

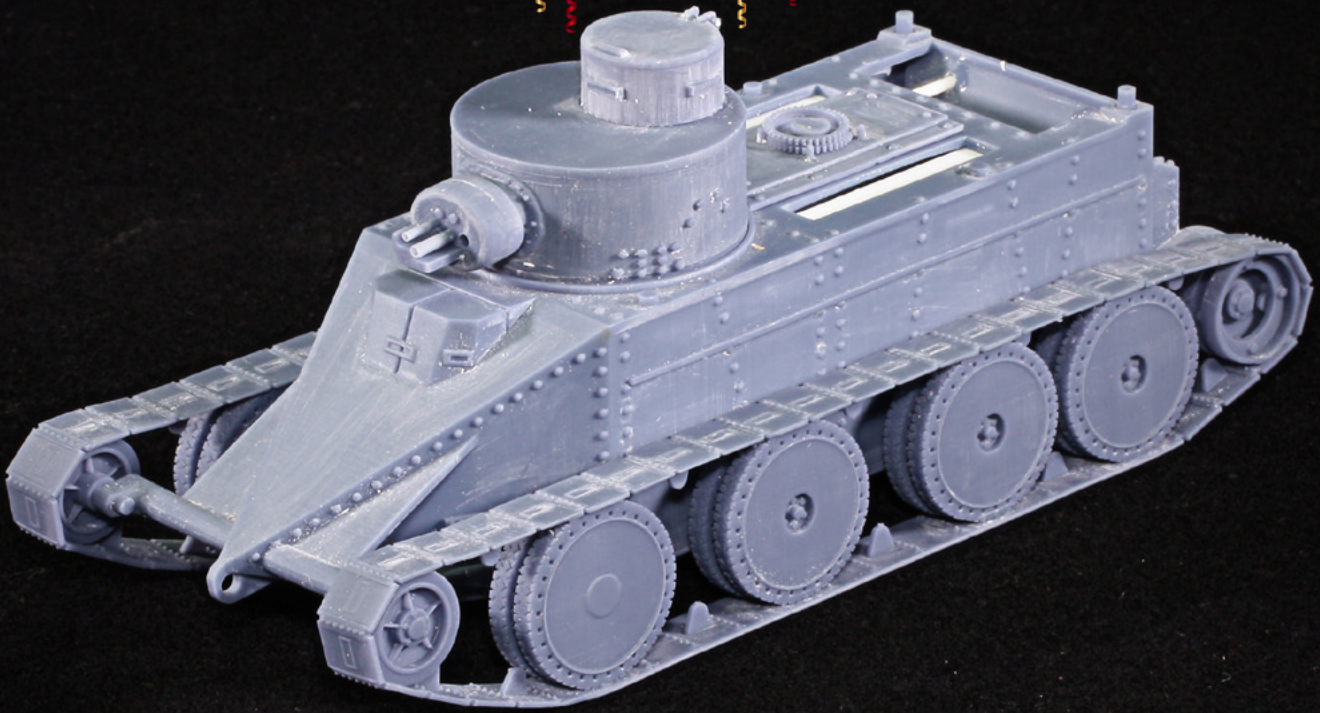


Vargas Scale Models US M2A1
in 1:35 scale
by Mike Petty

Mike upgraded the pioneer tools and antenna base with resin parts from Formations. The ground-mount .30 cal MG was added from parts spares and detailed with lead foil. Second Armored

Division markings from Decal Maniacs were substituted for the kit ones, but the white was not opaque enough and was touched up by hand. The Olive Drab is shade #25 from Mission Models.

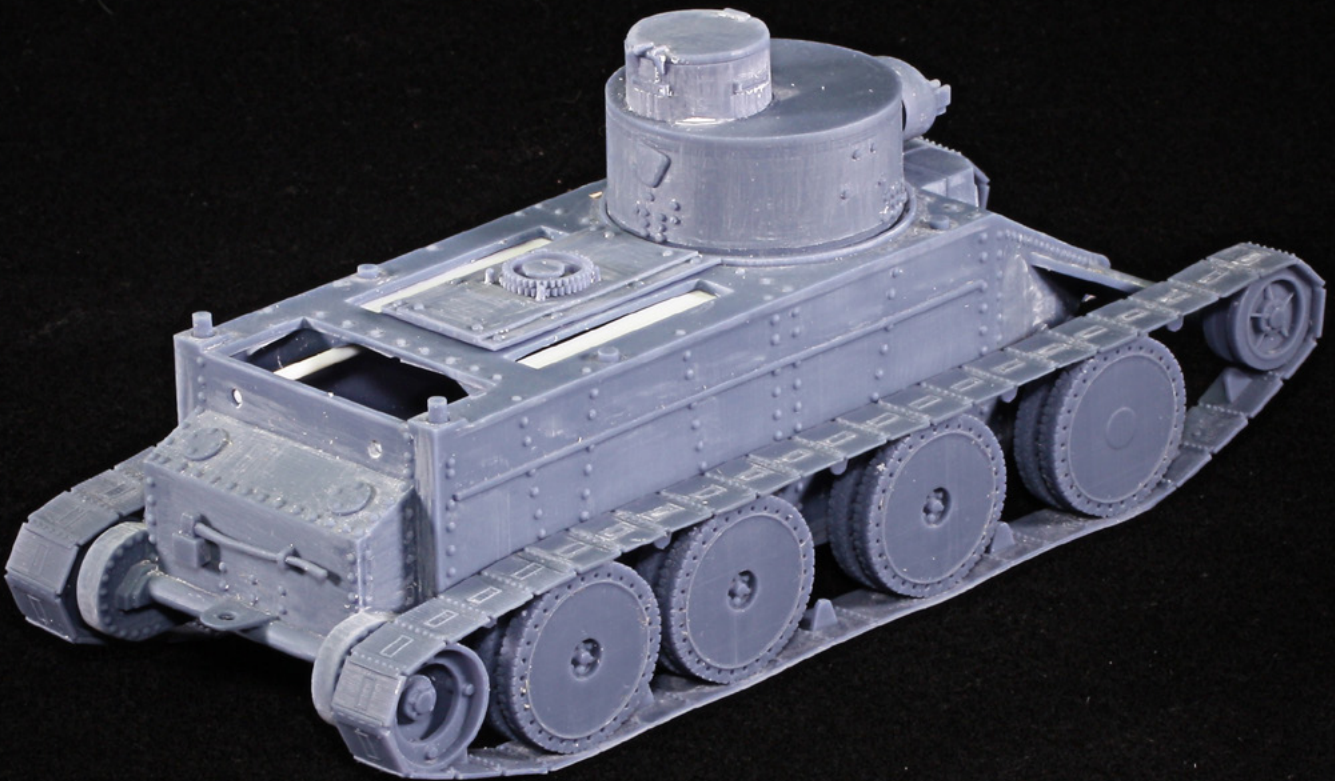




Vargas Scale Models US Christie M1931
in 1:35 scale
by Mike Petty

The voids below the engine deck were filled with styrene and exhaust pipe ends added because they would be visible through the grill. The 3D layering lines were difficult

to remove in some areas, particularly the turret.

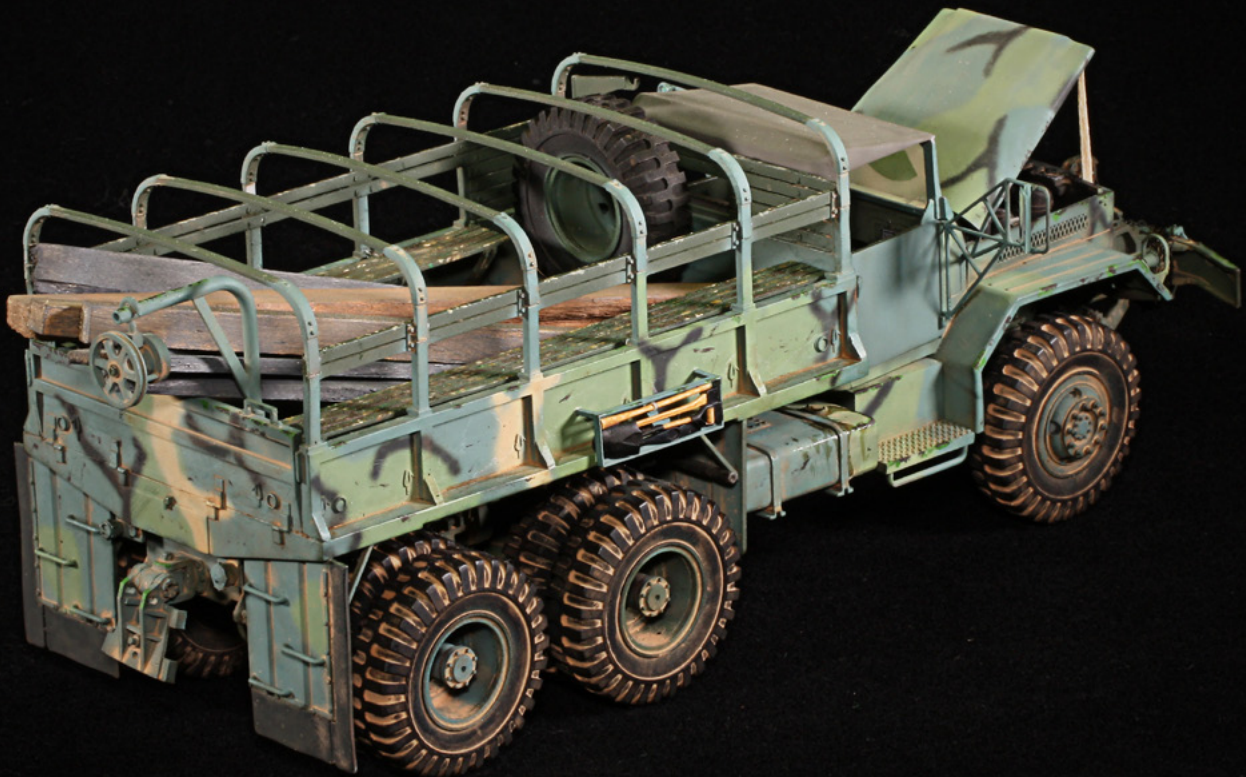




Hobby Link US M125 10-ton 6x6
in 1:35 scale
by Glen Martin

The biggest obstacle to overcome was the frame warping, which defied attempts to straighten by using hot water. Eventually, the frame was cut in five places to allow leveling. 3D layering marks were prominent on the tires, hood and canvas cabin cover.

The windshield part was too thick and replaced with clear acetate from product packaging. The bed was chipped with various colors to simulate wear. Spiderwire braided fishing line was wrapped around the winch spool.





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

[Abteilung 502](#)
[AK-Interactive](#)
[Alliance ModelWorks](#)
[AMMO of Mig Jimenez](#)
[Archer Fine Transfers](#)
[Armand Bayardi](#)
[Badger Airbrush](#)
[Bolddivision](#)
[Copper State Models](#)
[D-Day Miniature Studio](#)
[DN Models](#)
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[Elefant Corporation](#)
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[GasPatch Models](#)
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[Heavy Hobby](#)
[Live Resin](#)
[Maus Werx](#)
[Mission Models Paints](#)
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[Squadron Hobbies](#)
[Star Decals](#)
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[Track48](#)
[Valkyrie Miniature](#)
[Woodland Scenics](#)

Miscellaneous

[paintRack](#) (mobile app for Android)
[Scale Mates](#)

Hobby Vendors

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[BNA Model World](#)
[Central Tools](#)
[Dick Blick Art Materials](#)
[Frontline Model Kits & Hobbies](#)
[Gundam Planet](#)
[Hobby Easy](#)
[Hobby Search](#)
[HobbyLink Japan](#)
[HobbyWorld-USA](#)
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