

# GET OVER IT –IT’S JUST A PIECE OF PLASTIC!

The club members’ newsletter of

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## Editorial

Hello one and all.

This is my first stab at writing the newsletter so please be gentle with me when you read it. I cannot follow Kev’s prose abilities but hopefully it will still be readable.

Firstly a plea. I don’t want this newsletter to be about what I think or do or visit or build etc. It needs to be about you, the club members. So, if you have anything you want to say or want to tell us about a show you went too or you want to tell us about your visit to the Welsh mountains to take photo’s then please email me with the words or give them to me at the club and I will get it into print for you.

## February Meeting

The first proper meeting of this year and what a turn out! 28 members were present plus a couple of visitors made for a busy and vibrant meeting (My grandson loved the idea of “Free Tanks” as did a few of the not so younger members of the club). There was also a nice display of models on the table which Dave will go through a bit later.

Jan opened the meeting and proceeded to inform everyone that Club Fees are now due. Please pay Sonia as soon as possible as it is important for the club to know what financial footing it’s on. Remember that our sponsorship deal has come to an end this year so we need to pay the venue hire charges ourselves. It was agreed that that no increase in Club fees will be made.

The Airfix series II competition will be taking place at the next meeting so you need to be adding those finishing touches now. The models will be judged by Chris Clifford from Airfix magazine. Lists and rules are on the website.

There is also a possibility of a talk on the current Airfix Box art by (I think) John Pomb but just turn up and see what happens!!!

Kev and Mike re-iterated the dates and timings for the East Anglian Model Show.

Saturday June 25<sup>th</sup> at Ransomes. We will be setting up from 8am to 10 am and competitors and visitors alike will be entering at 10am. It is hoped to have a few added attractions outside which I believe could be a Tank and an Aircraft Cockpit – plus Mikes famous Burger Burn.

## Upcoming Shows

A few shows to mention that we hope to display at

March 12th ~ Shuttleworth Scale Model Exhibition to be held at the Shuttleworth Collection, Old Warden Aerodrome (Nr. Biggleswade) Bedfordshire SG18 9EP

May 22<sup>nd</sup> ~ The Hendon Model Show 2011 to be held at the RAF Museum, Grahame Park Way, London, NW9 5LL

June 12th ~ IPMS West Norfolk. 'Model Exhibition 2011' to be held at Downham Market Town Hall, Priory Road, Downham Market, PE38 9JS.

Space has been booked for the latter two. If anyone needs info about any of these please drop me a line.

## Other bits and pieces

Just to remind everyone, there are 5 Tuesdays in March so this month's meeting will be on **TUESDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH** (which is the FOURTH Tuesday)

We would like to say a big "Thank You" to Steve for his sterling work running the monthly competition over the last few years. His dedication to adding up all those points and creating all the stats has been above and beyond the call of duty. A difficult act to follow but I am sure Dave will rise to the occasion.

A big thank you must also go to Kev for this last year as Secretary. I hold no grudges against him for sticking this on me at all – honest.

## Milton Keynes Show (by me)

After trying to display at Milton Keynes show since the dawn of time we actually managed to get an invite this year, and it was well worth the effort. Taking place in the University it was arranged around two halls. The larger hall held the majority of clubs, the competition and about 50% of the traders, the second smaller hall held the other 50% of the traders and the remaining clubs.

We were situated along the far wall overlooking the swimming pool right beside Eric Dyke and his friends from Clacton Model Club. After setting up we did the usual rounds of the show and looked to see where we could spend our money, except for Dom whose thought process went something like this! "OK, that's the table set up, now where is the nearest Pub". I must admit that the pub we did end up in was right beside the Grand Union Canal and was rather pleasant (even if the food was not quite as substantial as was needed).

Back at the venue Kev set everyone a task of looking for an ESCI Tiger II kit in 1/72. Sadly we all failed but it was fun and we got to look at every second hand kit that was there. I had to lie my head off when I got back home – the wife now thinks a Tamiya Spitfire costs £2, Vallejo paints cost 50p each and Squadron Sanding sticks are given away as free samples (Guys, don't do it – the hole you dig for yourself just gets bigger and bigger)

Needless to say it was a great day out and the time just flew past and I am sure we will be turning up again next year.

## .....and finally

I need to update our contact lists. To that end I will be bringing along a fist full of sheets that I need everyone to fill in and give back to me. I know it is a pain but we need only do this once so please assist me in this

thanks for reading but don't forget I need your input as well, the more the merrier.

Below you will find pic's of the models on the table and I've no doubt the odd deserved comment.

See you on March 22<sup>nd</sup>

Kelvin

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