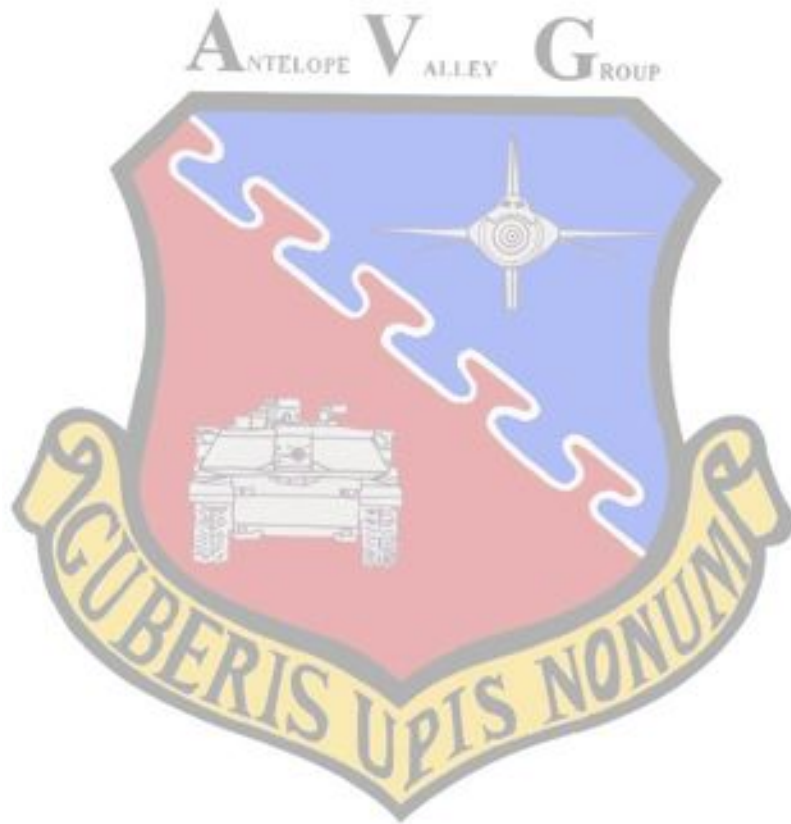


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Club News and Business

NEXT MEETING April 16, 2016, 1:00 PM AT ROSAMOND LIBRARY

General Meeting Notes:

First, many thanks to Jim for taking the meeting notes in my absence. We had several visitors at the March meeting, two new prospective members, Marco Porres and Tom Martin, and a club member from long ago, Rollin Sublett. Rollin has been doing some serious building – a 1:1 scale F-16 cockpit for use as a simulator.

Jim discussed contest business, including a proposal to use a registration system similar to IPMS Orange county, and gave a contest report on ValleyCon, which was held at the Peterson auto museum this year.

New Treasurer Niilo has instituted a monthly Treasurer's Report and briefed the club. He also discussed updating the list of the club's model kit assets. There was also a discussion of signature authority for the club bank account.

In-Club Contests

This is the month for our first in-club contest, "If It Floats..." Subject is anything that floats on water (insert Monty Python joke here). Hope to see a good turn out!

Member Bios

We will start the club member biography feature this meeting. I have a questionnaire form, and I'll select some lucky individual at the meeting as the first subject. Bio will run in next month's newsletter.

Project Build Meeting

Following the success of the club build meeting in February, May will be the next "work on your project" meeting. There will be minimal business discussion and most of the time will be devoted to working on your latest project.

2016 Meeting Schedule

| Primary | Activities | Refreshments | Demo | Review |
|---------|--|-----------------|------|--------|
| 16 Jan | Member Dues Collected | Rich R. / John | | |
| 20 Feb | | Rich M. / Robby | | |
| 19 Mar | | Luis / Niilo | | |
| 16 Apr | In Club Contest "If It Floats..." | Rick / Jim | | |
| 21 May | Project build meeting | Mike / Tracy | | |
| 18 June | | | | |
| 16 July | In Club Contest "Shelf of Doom" | | | |
| 20 Aug | | | | |
| 17 Sept | | | | |
| 15 Oct | Judge's Clinic | | | |
| 5 Nov | 2016 Desert Classic | | | |
| 19 Nov | 2017 Club Officer Nominations | | | |
| 17 Dec | Christmas Potluck Gift Exchange 2017 Officer Elections | Everyone! | | |

The Tool Crib

If you have a cool tool, bring it and share the info with the club!

Club Demos

Let me know if you'd like to do a demo for the club and I'll highlight it in the newsletter.

Member Show and Tell



Name:

Jim Abercromby

Time To Build:

Still in progress

Kit & Scale:

Pegaso Crusader XIII Century

54mm

Aftermarket Items:

None

Paints Used:

Vallejo and Andrea

Comments:



Name:

Tom Hamel

Time To Build:

1 month each

Kit & Scale:

Tamiya German Marder II's

1/35th scale

Aftermarket Items:

None

Paints Used:

Tamiya and Model Master

Comments:

Easy build for any level of modeler,
highly recommended.



Name:

Luis Toledo

Time To Build:

72 hours

Kit & Scale:

Academy M1126 Stryker

1/72nd scale

Aftermarket Items:

None

Paints Used:

Vallejo

Comments:

Great little Kit! Would recommend it for any level of builder.



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| Name: | Garrett Cote |
| Time To Build: | 4 to 5 hours |
| Kit & Scale: | Bandai MFB-P02 Astray Red Frame Gundam (Perfect Grade) 1/60 th scale |
| Aftermarket Items: | None |
| Paints Used: | None (molded in color) |
| Comments: | Easy build, interesting to note the sprues are molded in multiple colors on the same sprue |



Name:

Niilo Lund

Time To Build:

72 hours over 2 months

Kit & Scale:

Aurora XB-70

1/144th scale

Aftermarket Items:

None

Paints Used:

Tamiya rattle can primer, white and IJN gray, Testors flat black and metallic silver

Comments:

Kit is vintage 1962



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|--------------------|---|
| Name: | Mike Otis |
| Time To Build: | 2 weeks |
| Kit & Scale: | Whippet Medium tank 1/35 th scale |
| Aftermarket Items: | None |
| Paints Used: | Model Master Green Drab, with other colors for accent and weathering |
| Comments: | Markings for Russian White Army from Russian Civil War. Great Kit-went together well. |

Calendar

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|------------|---|---|
| 5/7/2016 | Best of the West VegasCon2016 | Orleans Hotel and Casino 4500 West Tropicana Ave., Las Vegas, NV |
| 7/10/2016 | Kit Collectors Exposition and Show | UFCW Local 324 Union Hall 8530 Stanton Ave., Buena Park, CA |
| 8/3/2016 | IPMS/USA National Convention | Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center 1101 Lincoln St., Columbia, SC |
| 9/10/2016 | High Rollers 17 th Annual Invitational Contest | Desert Heights Elementary School 13948 Mt. Bismark St., Reno, NV |
| 9/10/2016 | Red-Con 2016 | Orleans Hotel and Casino 4500 West Tropicana Ave., Las Vegas, NV |
| 9/25/2016 | TriCity 12 "The Battle of Britain" | Milpitas Community Center 457 E. Calaveras Blvd., Milpitas, CA |
| 10/8/2016 | OrangeCon 2016 (Regional) | The Pavilion at the University Conference Center Cal State Fullerton 800 N. State College Blvd., Fullerton, CA |
| 11/5/2016 | Desert Classic XX IPMS Antelope Valley Group | Antelope Valley College Cafeteria 4041 W. Avenue K Lancaster, CA |
| 11/13/2016 | Kit Collectors Exposition and Show | UFCW Local 324 Union Hall 8530 Stanton Ave., Buena Park, CA |