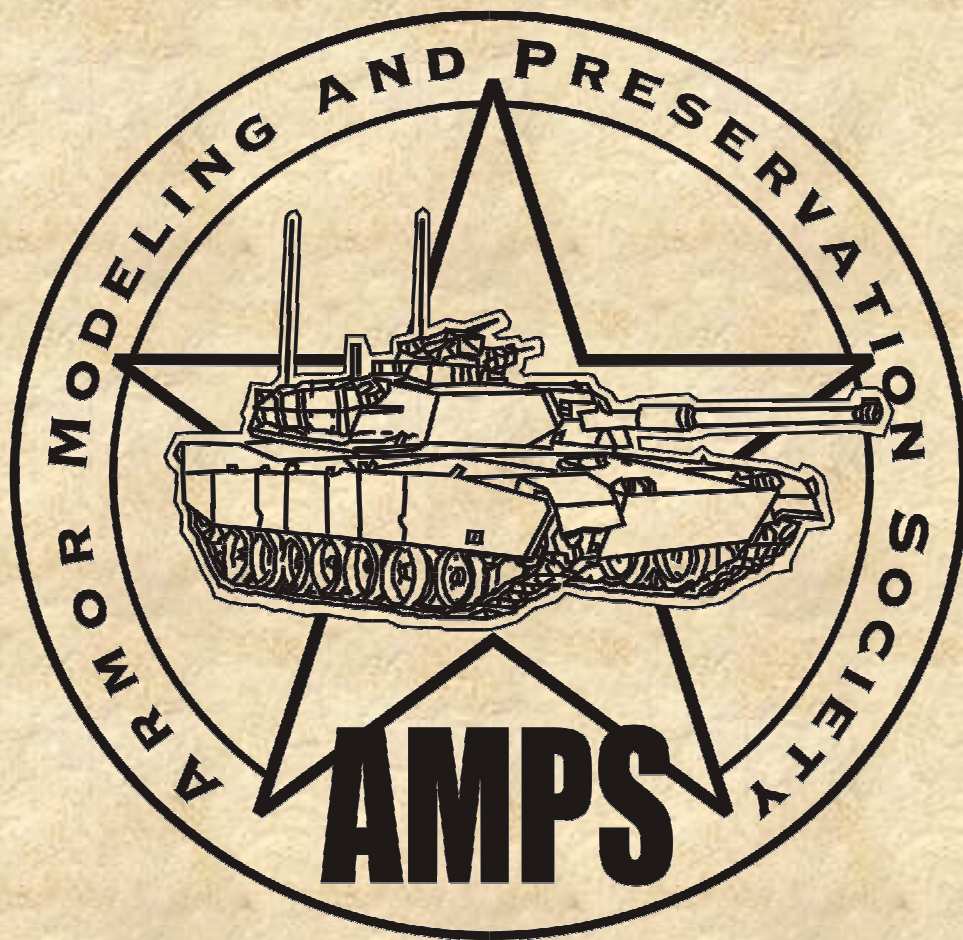




ARMOR BITS

May 2023

Newsletter of the ChicagoLand Armor Builders Society





Welcome to the latest edition of the newsletter.

Well, April was another great meeting in the books! 12 members were present.

Also in two weeks the AMPS International contest will be going on in Harrisburg Pa. I will try to send pictures to our Facebook page and we will have coverage in next months newsletter for those who could not attend.

Remember that next year we will be hosting the International contest in South Bend Ind, just 1-1/2 hours away, so start working on

those entries!

Later in the newsletter there is info on a Garage “Flood” sale at Dan Tsconcek’s house. Plenty of great deals!

Sorry but this month's issue will be “lighter” than usual as I’ve been getting ready for the contest in Pa.

I hope you enjoy this edition of the Newsletter and I hope to see you on Saturday May 13th!

Cheers

Stan

Our next meeting is scheduled for **10am May 13th @ the Cantigny Education Bldg.** tram service will be available.

APRIL '23 MEETING NOTES

- **Welcome –**
- Treasure's report
- 2023 Meeting list – We will return here to the Ed building next month. Stay tuned for further dates.
- Dan Tsoncek has offered to donate some of his figures and dioramas to the club. Once I have a list, we will decide how to proceed. I'm thinking of a meeting auction as well as some type of an "online" auction so everyone has a chance no matter their location?

See later in the newsletter for info about the Garage Sale in MAY!

- New business?
- Butch OHare club will again have a contest/vendor kit sale this year on
Nov 4 2023 at the DFupage County Fairgrounds.

- **SHOW & Tell**



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TRACK LINKS

Books

FLOOD SALE

KITS

Saturday... May 20th 9 to 3 pm

110 Verne Circle Barrington, Illinois 60010

Figures

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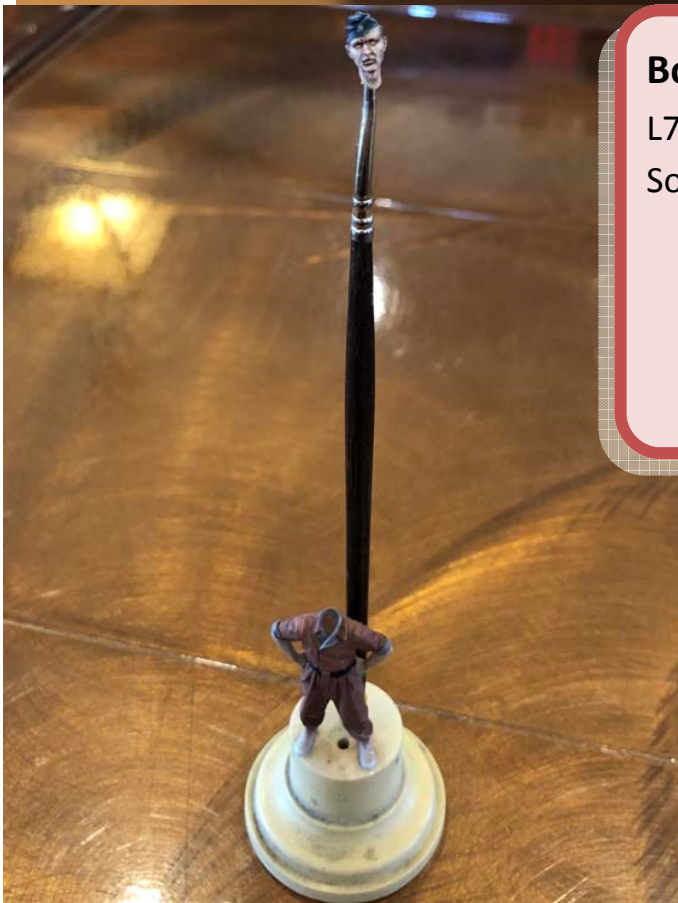
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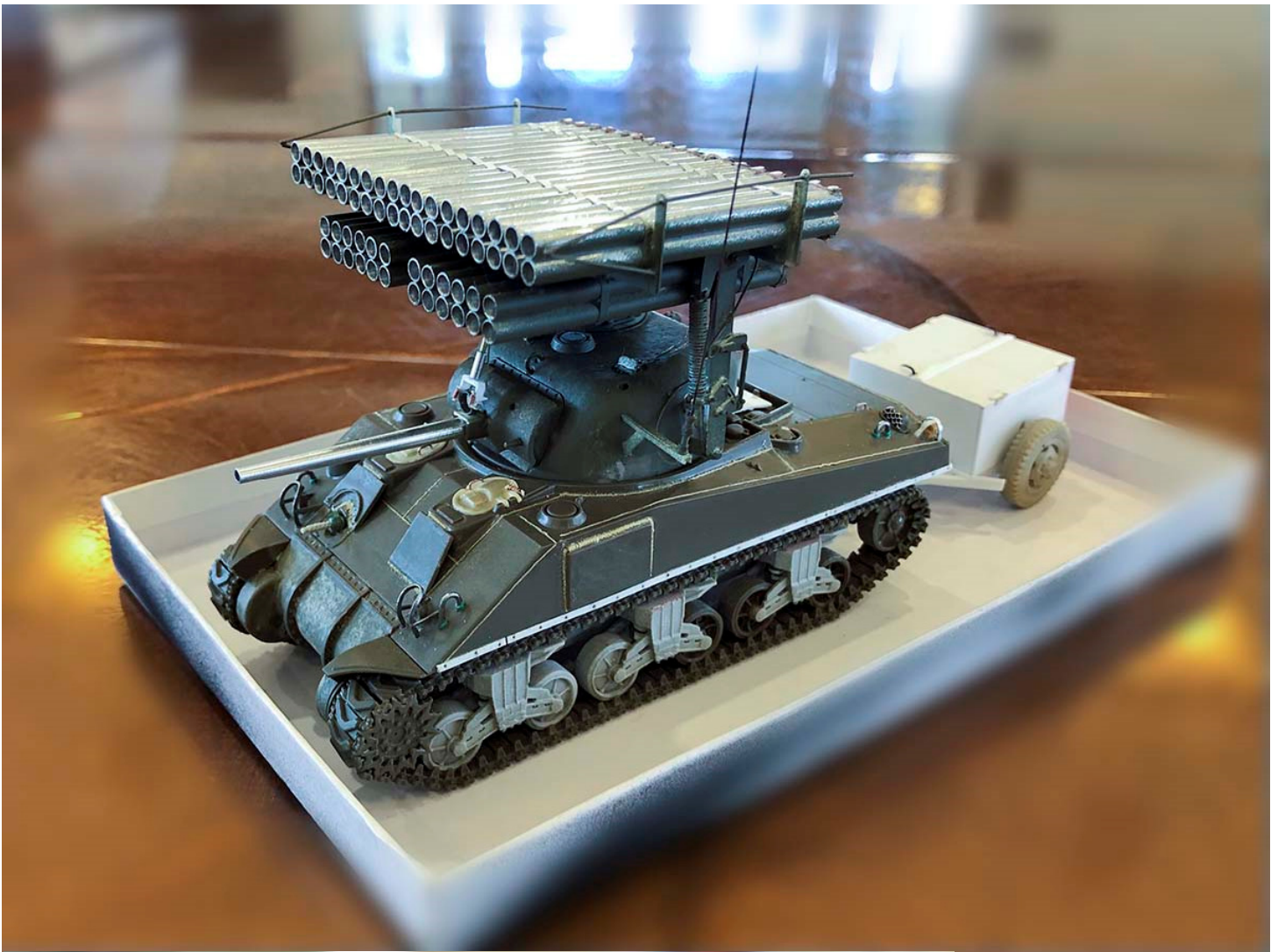
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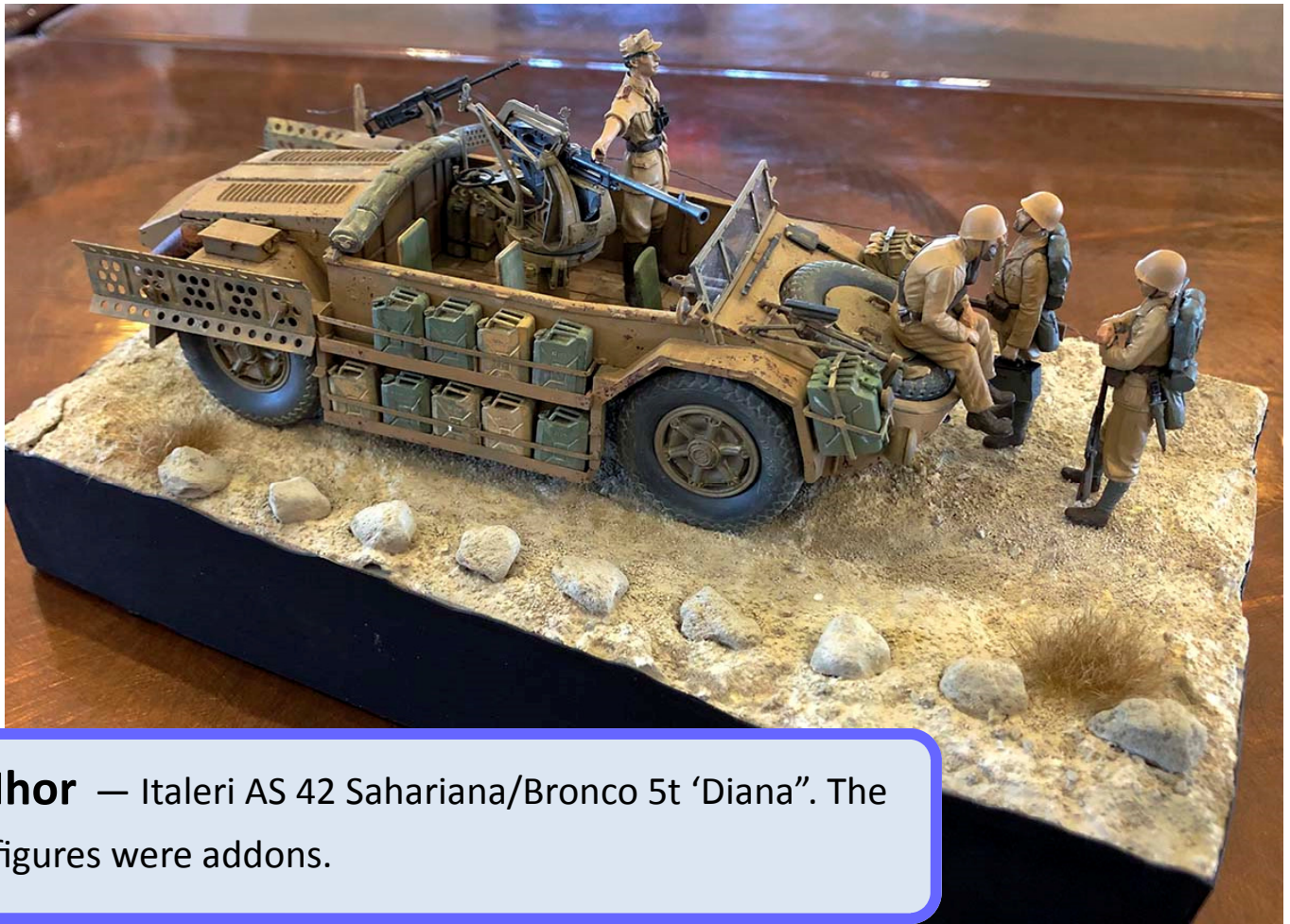
Ron Damratowski

— Tamiya Tiran4 “the Beast” from the movie (vintage build). Ron put in a great deal of work to turn the kit into a replica of the movie version.



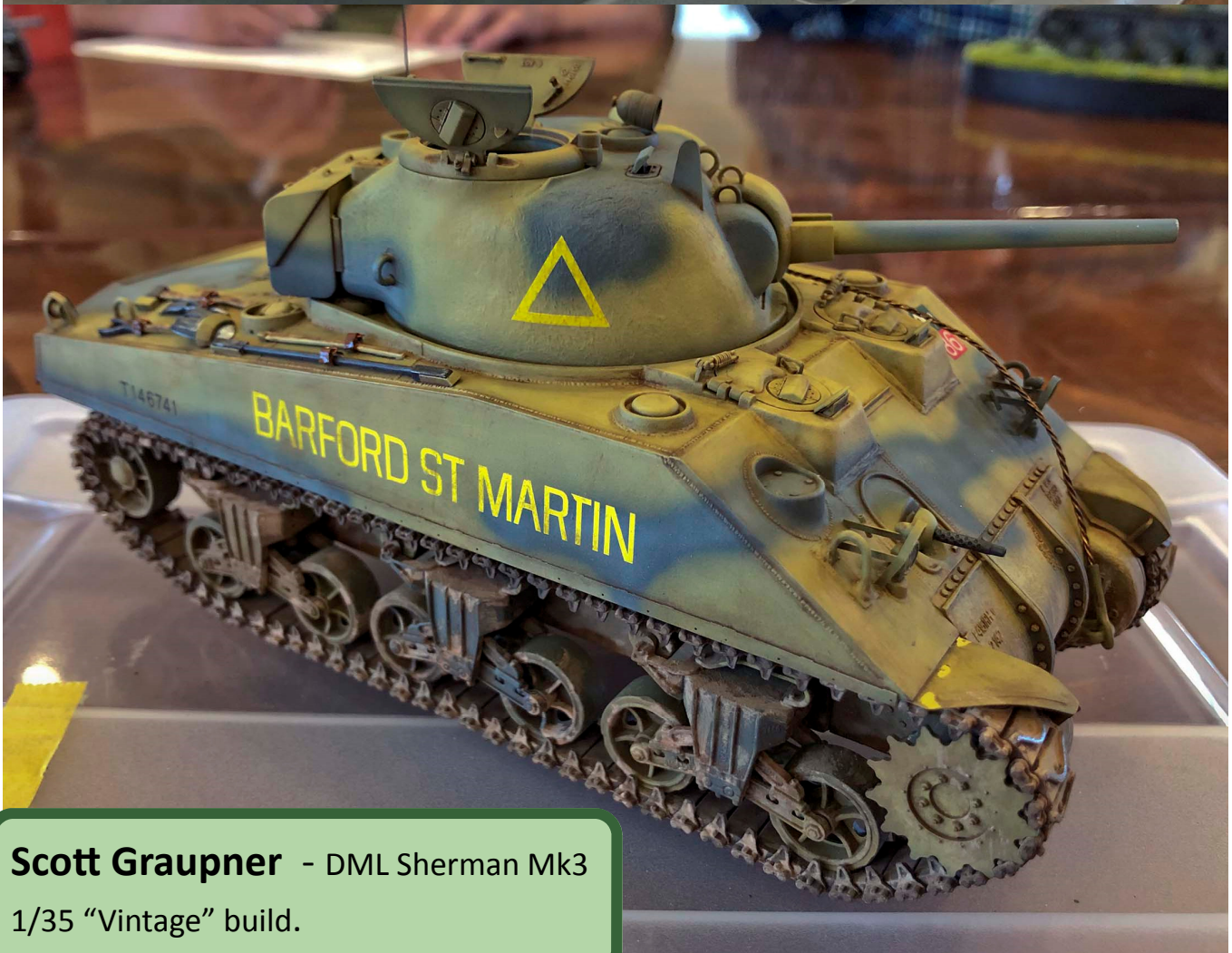
Victor — Tamiya 1/48 scratch-built Calliope/M8.

Another “Great” work still in pro-



Ihor — Italeri AS 42 Sahariana/Bronco 5t 'Diana'. The figures were addons.





Scott Graupner - DML Sherman Mk3
1/35 "Vintage" build.

Bill Horn — KV1 Trumpeter





Mike Kinowski - 1/35 Opel Maultier with 105mm Howitzer

Mike Kinowski

VikingChieftan







The Last Round



At the meeting Scott brought in a sample of rope from a model ship building supply that is perfect for use as a scale tow cable. I offered to do a group purchase.

Update: When I tried to place an order, several sizes had limited quantities. I contacted the company about how to order more, but received no reply at first. Then the web site went down for maintenance. After a subsequent message, the owner replied that he had been ill and hoped to restock supplies soon (he makes the rope) and that the web store should be up around May 1st.

I am checking the web site daily, and will place our order ASAP. If you no longer are interested please let me know quickly. I must apologize for the delay—Stan





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Big Ideas About Miniatures
& Modeling



Small Subjects is a podcast devoted to discussing big topics in the worlds of scale modeling, diorama-building, and sculpting and painting miniature figures, as well as presenting interviews with some of the top artists in the field, including every era, and ranging from historical to fantasy subjects.

The latest episode features : Tools (And Other Stuff) That We CAN Live Without

<http://www.boxdioramas.com/smallsubjects>



Don't forget about the **Zoom call reminiscence** up on the club web page in 3 parts for ease of viewing; <http://www.amps-chicago.org/PhotosMeetings.htm>



For a meeting by meeting description go here:

<http://www.amps-chicago.org/News.htm>

For a simple list of photos try this:

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AMPS ChicagoLand

On September 8, 2007, 11 people met for the first time in Pat Keenan's living room, creating AMPS-ChicagoLand. Since that day, AMPS ChicagoLand has been an active chapter in the Armor Modeling and Preservation Society (AMPS) with members from Southern Wisconsin, throughout Illinois to Northwest Indiana. We specialize in all eras, scales and aspects of building military ground vehicle models.



These subjects include tracked vehicles, wheeled vehicles, artillery and figures. Our members consist of novice to master level, so all are welcome in our fun and inviting environment.

The AMPS – ChicagoLand Chapter's philosophy is that having a good time and enjoying oneself while engaging in the military modeling hobby is of paramount importance. This means we do NOT take the hobby or ourselves too seriously and its members are expected to "play nice with others". There's just no drama.

For more information about AMPS ChicagoLand, please visit our website at www.amps-chicago.org

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