

SSCC DISPATCHES

THE SIXTH SCALE COLLECTORS CLUB NEWSLETTER



SHOW REPORT...

SSCC Ohio Goes to FINDLEY VEHICLE SHOW...

Several members of the SSCC took their 1:6th vehicles to the Findley Military Show once again this year. The Findley show is put on by the Ohio Motor Pool each year. In attendance this year were Hammer Six, Panzer Commander, Viaad, and Blackjack. Hammer Six showed off his beautiful Marder III as well as his Panther and Hetzer.

Blackjack did a nice job with a diorama depicting the modern war in Afghanistan with Hummers and Helicopters. Panzer Commander represented some WWII Americans with his M20 armored car and Armored Jeep, both extremely nice pieces. And Viaad rounded it out with some more exceptional German armor. Nice job guys. Pictures are by Blackjack and you can see a lot more of the show in his section of DISPATCHES. -PM

MAY MEETING

IT was a great night for a meeting, we had a good crowd and there was plenty to see as well.

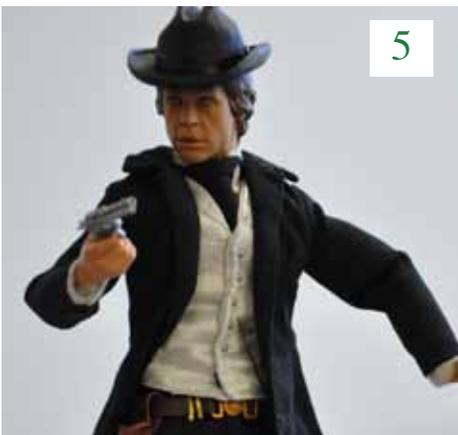
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WAGONS HO!

A look at the progress on Point Man's 19th Century wagon and cavalry project.

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A look at the MAY CLUB MEETING

We had a great crowd at the May meeting and there was plenty to see, though I must admit, I think the cowboy theme had a slight edge in terms of quantity. We start out with a motorcycle unit from Panzer Commander (1). I never get tired of seeing PC's motorcycles. They are really awesome looking and his troops are always right on when it comes to authenticity. (2) Three cowpokes that I brought. I picked these up from Cory at the JoeCon. They were custom done by Grant of Newline Miniatures and feature Newline outfits and his custom painted faces. (3,4,5) Dr. Zorkon provided a western diorama with the aftermath of a shootout. The figures and outfits looked great and I really liked the use of a Luke Skywalker figure to present a "gunfighter" that actually looked a little surprized at the outcome. (6) A vignette of a saloon doorway that was done by myself. The



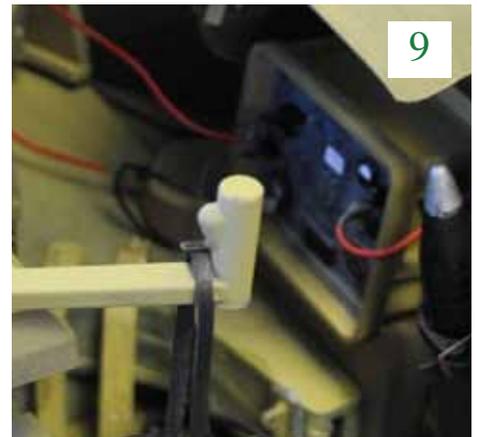
boardwalk and saloon front were all done from stripwood, painted and weathered. The cowboy is my U.S. Marshall figure and features custom double rig holsters and a kitbashed 1887 Winchester 10 gauge. Whole project took about 20 hours and cost around \$20.



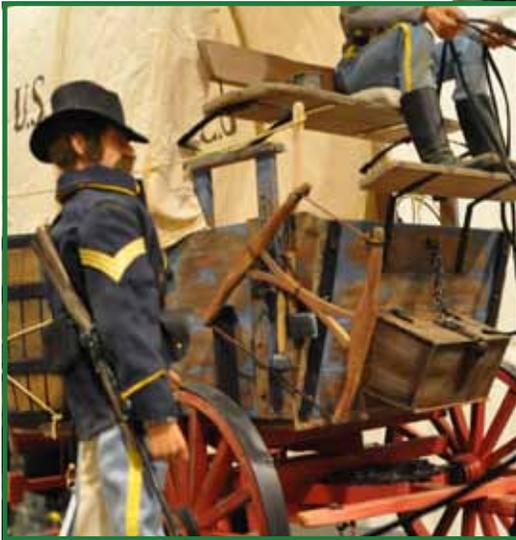
(7,8,9,12) Hammer Six's beautiful Marder III. This thing is just an amazing piece. The amount of detail on this baby just blows you away. When Hammer Six got this SPG it was in bad shape from shipping. He repaired all the damage, replaced the gun and then

did a tremendous job of detailing it. There is beautiful detailing all over the entire vehicle, but the fighting compartment is just incredible. There is all kinds of radio gear and the stowage bins for the shells are beautifully done. My pictures just do not do it justice. You really need to see it up close and personal to get a real sense of how much time and effort went into this thing. I am sure he will have it at Ft. Thomas in November, you will want to be there just for this vehicle alone. (10) One of our younger members, Molly, did this really nice looking Zeltban shelter, a subject that you don't see very often. It really looks great with her mid-war troops. Finally, another figure (11) from Dr. Zorkon, the comic book character, Jonas Hex from DC Comics/ DC Direct. I don't know anything about the comic, but I do know that this is one really cool looking figure. I liked it so much I bought it off of him at the end of the meeting.

Well, that's a look at the May meeting, hope to see you all at the next one in June. - PM



WAGONS HO! PART III



by Point Man

Last month my wagon was pretty much done, but I didn't have a team to pull it. Well, actually I had half a team. I had one Dragon Mule. I managed to get my hands on another one. Yes, they are a matched set of fragile polystone, but just thought the mule looked so much better than using a couple of mismatched steeds. I really didn't show them close up, but the trickiest part of this last bit of the project was making the harnesses that the team use to pull the wagon. I had some pictures of harnesses to use as reference, though I did a little freelancing here and there as well. The harnesses are all made of various widths of black leather, with a couple of pieces of tan, which are supposed to represent pads. Most of my time was spent figuring out the first one. The second one was easy because I had all the measurements from the first one. The finished supply wagon completes

Without a doubt, the covered wagon is the most interesting project I have ever done. It was nice to do something really different.

phase one of my Cavalry project. I still have a couple of troopers to finish and three more horses to do. This involves any changes I might make to the horses, painting and creating saddles and accessories for each one. I had hoped to have it completed by the June meeting, but real life is going to make it impossible to complete phase two. I will be posting a few more pics of the wagon on DISPATCHES. - PM

