

## From the Editor

To all the veterans in the club and to all our veterans around the world, your editor wishes to say thank you for your service and happy Veterans Day.

This month I've included some pictures that I took at the Ni River Middle School in Spotsylvania County, VA, of the aircraft models the club donated to the school library. David Hefner, the school's librarian, also plans to host an after-school Make & Take in early December. And starting on 16 November, I'll be working with the 6<sup>th</sup> grade art classes on a project to build 1:72 scale WWII dioramas (thanks to Ken LaSala for the generous discount he gave the school on the figures and scenery materials we'll be using for this project). Watch for my articles on these efforts in the January newsletter.

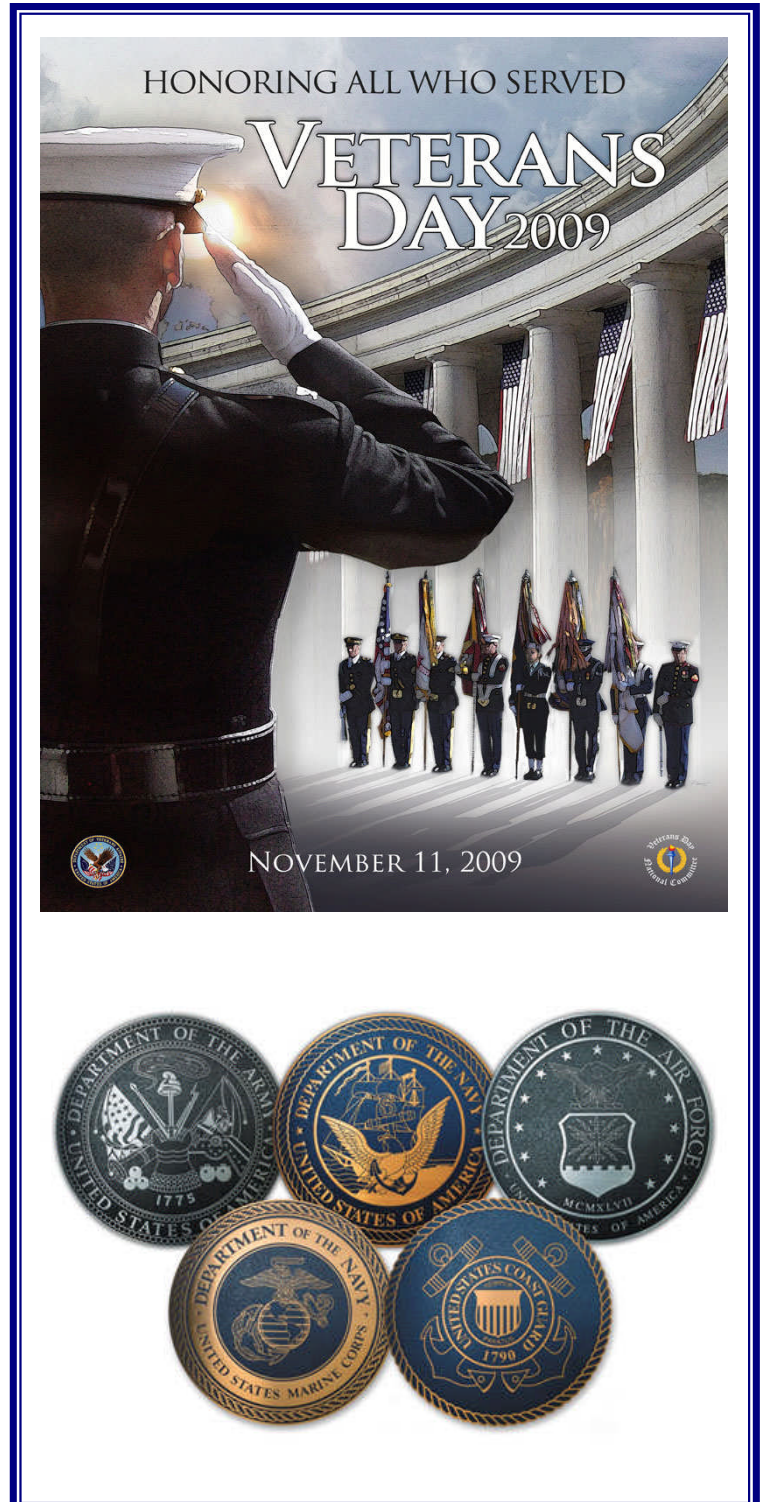
This month's modeling articles are for our ship builders and figure modelers. An interesting note is that an aircraft launched from an I-19 class submarine conducted the only attack by enemy aircraft directly on the United States mainland.

November is election month for the club's officers. Next month's newsletter will contain the results of that election. In the meantime, everyone have a very happy Thanksgiving.

Tim Barb

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## Ni River Middle School Library Display

The club recently donated a number of aircraft models to the Ni River Middle School in Spotsylvania County. David Hefner, the librarian at the school, has displayed the models all around the library. During a recent visit to the school, I took the following pictures of the display.





# Japanese Navy I-19 Submarine

## AFV Club 1:350 scale

Source: [www.hyperscale.com](http://www.hyperscale.com)



Reviewed by Cookie Sewell

### Summary

<b>Catalogue Number and Description</b>	AFV Club 1/350 scale Kit No. 73506; Japanese Navy I-19 Submarine
<b>Contents &amp; Media</b>	111 parts (72 in grey styrene, 31 etched brass, 7 clear styrene, 1 in dull red styrene)
<b>Scale:</b>	1/350
<b>Price:</b>	<b>Not known at this time</b>
<b>Review Type:</b>	First Look
<b>Advantages:</b>	First kit of this vessel in this scale; several options for construction; complete “Glen” aircraft nicely done
<b>Disadvantages:</b>	Some etched brass parts very tiny with minuscule “footprint”
<b>Conclusion:</b>	Great for all IJN fans

### First Look

Most people and only dedicated historians are aware of the fact that in September 1942 the only attack by enemy aircraft directly on the United States mainland took place when a Yokosuka E14Y1 light floatplane and its crew of two dropped two light incendiary bombs on a forest in Oregon. Unfortunately the Japanese never realized how wet this area of the US actually could be, no massive forest fires were started, and as a result nobody knew about the attack until after the war. But it was a singular achievement.

The Japanese were the only country to actually ship and use powered aircraft from submarines during World War II, and the E14Y1 was the most numerous of those aircraft with over 125 built. Tiny (wingspan of roughly 10 meters, 9 meters long, and a loaded weight of only 1500 kilograms) but reliable, the E14Y1 was standard equipment for Japanese Type "A" (I-15 to I-35) and Type "B" (I-9 to I-11) submarines.

The Type B1 submarine (of which the I-19 was arguably the most successful) was a very large and powerful machine for its time, carrying 17 torpedoes and a 140mm (5.5") deck gun plus an E14Y1 scout aircraft. Starting in 1937 20 of these vessels were built. As noted the greatest success took place on 15 September 1942 when I-19 fired a spread of six torpedoes which resulted in sinking the carrier USS Wasp, the destroyer USS O'Brien, and damaging the battleship USS North Carolina.

AFV Club has now released a 1/350 scale kit of this submarine class, and it is quite an impressive kit. Approximately 31.5 cm in length, it comes with a complete lower hull and also the pressure hull (like the German Type VII U-boats did). It provides some odd features such as a moveable rudder if the lower hull is used, but it also comes with a nicely done E14Y1 "Glen" made from clear styrene and consisting of 16 parts (less if you skip the etched brass details) to include the two 52 kg incendiary bombs!

The hangar appears to offer the option of being opened or closed and there are even more brass details for deckside. An aircraft handling crane is included as well as bridge details and railings. A rangefinder for the deck gun is provided on top of the sail as are all controls.

The directions are picture-type but descriptions are provided in Japanese, English and Chinese.

Two decal sheets are provided, one for the I-19 and one for the E14Y1. Although only in Japanese a small broadside also describes the work these submarines carried out and shows them with aircraft, radio antennas and handling cranes erected, and one with "Kaiten" midget submarines on deck.

Overall this is an impressive little model and if nothing else shows the huge difference in concepts between the German and Japanese submarines.

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## **Sprue Layout:**

A 55 Pressure hull, torpedoes, controls, stand  
B 9 Sail, deck details  
C 8 Catapult, deck, details  
D 7 "Glen" floatplane in clear styrene  
M 31 Etched brass  
R 1 Vinyl cap  
– 1 Lower hull

Thanks to Miin Heng Tsueng for the review sample.

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## 1/35 US Marines - Guadalcanal 1942

Kit Number: 6379

Reviewed by Tom Moon, IPMS# 43192

(from [www.ipmsusa.org](http://www.ipmsusa.org))

MSRP: \$14.95

Website: [www.dragonmodelsusa.com](http://www.dragonmodelsusa.com)

This set is of 4 figures. The figures are Marines on patrol in the Guadalcanal operation. The first figure is a marine with a BAR, the second is Marine with the standard rifle looking up into the trees, the third is a Marine with a submachine gun, and the last is a Marine crouching with a standard rifle with bayonet in place.

These come on two sprues with 47 parts. The box art and instructions are on the back of the box and shows the figures in a completed state. This illustration by Ronald Volstad is an accurate representation of the 4 figures.



This set had very minimal flash, and no ejection pin marks. What mold lines that were there were easily removed with a sharp blade. There are no decals, and the painting instructions are just for the major items. The paint colors are coded only for Testors and Mr. Color.



I constructed them using a Tenax type of glue. This softened the plastic enough that as pressure is applied to the join some dissolved plastic will ooze out and after it hardened any excess can be cut or sanded away. I used very little filler. The fit was acceptable and little adjustment was required to get the proper poses. The bandoliers of extra ammunition was the most difficult to put together, and drape on the figure. I added lead strips for the weapon slings and the helmet straps. I painted the figures with the light green as indicated for the uniforms. I tried to add a darker green in the sweat prone areas to depict the high temperatures and humidity that was present at the time. I used oils for the heads and hands. They were finished with a coat of Dullcote and some pigments to show a little dirt.

**Conclusion** - This set is a well-done and welcome addition of figures to the Pacific theater of World War II. They would make a good set of figures accompanying a Sherman in a diorama, or just a small vignette of them on patrol.

**Highly Recommended.**

Thanks to Dragon Models USA for the review sample and IPMS/USA for the review space.



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### MEETING INFORMATION

Fairfax High School – Usually first Wednesday of the Month with notable exceptions. Please see the club website.

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### Local Clubs

Washington Armor Club – Meets 3rd Thursday of the month at Cabin John Elementary School. Contact Joe Booker at [joe.booker@aol.net](mailto:joe.booker@aol.net) for more information

IPMS Washington D.C. Chapter meets the third Tuesday of each month at 8:00 PM at Beverly Farms School, 8501 Post Oak Rd., Pomomac, MD [www.ipmsdc.org](http://www.ipmsdc.org)

National Capitol Model Soldier Society meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month in Annandale, Virginia. Contact Norbert Lustine (301) 384-4100; email: [nml4100@aol.com](mailto:nml4100@aol.com).

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### Contest Themes 2009

**Nov** - Airlifters

**Dec** – Any model of any subject that meets these two criteria:

- 1) You built it ten (10) or more years ago;
- 2) In your lifetime you must have built at least 2 models of this subject.

For example, you want to enter an F-4E Phantom in 1/72 scale that you built 12 years ago. At some point in your life, either before or after, you must have also built another model of an F-4 Phantom - it can be any scale, and any variant, built at any time.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **Ni River Middle School Make & Take**

December 9, 2009 (tentative)  
11632 Catharpin Rd  
Spotsylvania, VA 22553-3607  
(540) 785-3990

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### **Contest Winners for October 2009**

#### 1:72 Aircraft

1<sup>st</sup> – Joe Youngerman - P-51B

2<sup>nd</sup> – Collin Tatusko - P-51B

#### 1:48 Aircraft

1<sup>st</sup> – Collin Tatusko - FW190-D

2<sup>nd</sup> – Dave Milne - Spitfire Set

#### Master

1<sup>st</sup> – Mike Lepek - P-38M

2<sup>nd</sup> – Peter Espada - F9F-2

