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Revell 1/181 B-36
by Frank Cuden

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For many of you, first it was the 1/72nd scale Monogram B-36 and then came the Hobbycraft 1/144th scale kits. Before that, way before that, Revell issued a 1/181 scale B-36 and when a friend of a friend of mine said I could get this one for \$7.50, I

decided to try to make something of it. This is what it looked like when I received it a couple of months ago, and I understand the kit is now going for something over \$100, un-built, and in its original box. I have a scheme in mind for it and as of this time, I'm finishing up the seam filling and priming. The old Revell plastic is quite brittle and I had to do a lot of sanding to remove the embossed areas that

showed where the decals should go - exactly! So far, I've added a few things and scratched the landing gear legs as the kit originally came without them - some of you may remember that old kit. Its a long road to hoe but so far, so good.

As a post script, when I was about 11 years old, we were living on my Grandfather's farm

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TCAH This Month

The monthly meeting will be held August 11, at Fleming Field, South St. Paul, beginning at 12:30 pm. Vendor baiting will begin about 12:00, so come early.



From the Prez
by Bernie Kugel

Summer is more than halfway over and my White Elephant kits are saying "Build me!". Hope we are all getting our kits done for November.

We are gearing up for NordicCon at the end of September. Our club is sponsoring 4 special awards: Best Natural Metal Finish, Best Warsaw Pact, Best Ground Attack, and Best Commonwealth.

Merrill Anderson is once again sponsoring:
Best WWI Aircraft,
Best Floatplane/Seaplane,
and Best Bomber.

And the Dave Heuffmeier Memorial award is Best Stuka.

Until next month,

Model on



Airline Chatter
by Terry Love

The Farnborough Air Show is the world's leading and oldest air show. It is held every other year. This is the location that Boeing and Airbus, among others, announce orders. They following orders were announced at this airshow —

Boeing took orders for 673 airliners valued at \$98.4 Billion.

Airbus took orders for 431 airliners valued at \$68 Billion.

Some of the known orders were as follows —

Jet Airways ordered 75 Boeing 737—800s valued at \$8.8 Billion.

United Airlines ordered 4 more Boeing 787 Dreamliners valued at \$1.1 Billion.

GOL Airlines of Brazil, ordered 45 Boeing 737—800s. GOL now has 135 Boeing 737—800s on order.

Goshawk Aviation, a leasing company, ordered 20 Boeing

737—600s valued at \$2.3 Billion. Goshawk also ordered 20 Airbus A—320s valued at \$2.2 Billion.

Tarom, the airline of Romania, ordered 5 Boeing 737—800s valued at \$586 Million.

Qatar Airways ordered 5 more Boeing 777 freighters valued at \$1.7 Billion. Qatar now operates 13 Boeing 777 freighters and 2 Boeing 747-800 freighters.

DHL Express ordered 14 Boeing 777 freighters valued at \$4.7 Billion.

Jackson Square Aviation, a leasing company, ordered 30 Boeing 737—800s valued at \$3.5 Billion.

Golden Falcon Aviation ordered 25 Airbus A—320s valued at \$2.7 Billion.

Vistara Airlines of India, ordered 13 Airbus A—320s valued at \$1.43 Billion.

Saturn Air of Oman, ordered 5 Airbus A—320s valued at

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\$664 Million.

StarLux Airlines of Taiwan, China ordered 17 Airbus A350s valued at \$6 Billion.

Viva Aerobus, a Mexican airline, ordered 80 Airbus A—320s valued at \$10 Billion.

Uganda Airlines ordered 2 Airbus A—330s valued at \$561 Million.



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in Northern Illinois. One day, I heard a rumble coming from the West and I still remember the flights of 3, that totaled 9 B-36's, coming over the farm house at about 5,000 feet. They were the early models and they didn't have the jet engines on them at that time. For an 11-year old kid, it was quite exciting to see and hear them as I did that day. To this day, I still remember the sound they all made, so what better way to re-ignite my interest in the B-36, but to make one of my own. Yes, mine will be without the jet engines as well. Stay tuned.....



Treasurer's Report
by Dennis Strand

During these summer months, TCAH has had very little financial activity. Recently the club had to restock a supply of membership cards to be used in next year's membership drive and order a box of checks for our bank account. \$30.00 was also paid to Roll Models to cover gift certificates. Expenses for this month are \$88.08, giving us a bank account total of \$5225.64 at this time.



On The Table—July 2018

Modeler	Kit	Manufacturer	Scale
Erik Zable	B-24H "Hook Em Cow"	Minicraft	1/72
Erik Zable	MiG-15 bis	Tamiya	1/48
Don Stauffer	P&W Wasp R-1280	Williams Bros	1/8
Bob Maderich	DeHavilland DH-88	SBS	1/72
Bob Maderich	A6M2 Zero	Tamiya	1/72
Bruce McClain	Panther Aust A	Dragon	1/35
Steve Erickson	P-51D	Meng	1/48
Steve Erickson	MXV-7 Okha	Hawk	1/48
Scott Harvieux	Tiger I	Academy	1/35

Directions to the Club Meeting Location

Where: South St. Paul Municipal Airport, a.k.a. Fleming Field, located on the southern extremity of South St. Paul, south of 1-494, west of Concord Street and East of Highway 52.

If coming from the western Twin Cities going east on 494:

- Exit at the 7th and 5th Avenue exit (Exit No.65)
- Turn right (South) on 7th Ave and go approximately .6 miles to a 4-way Stop sign. This is South Street W. To your left there will be a McDonald's; to your right front there will be a Walgreen's.
- Turn left (East) at the 4-way Stop onto
- South Street W and go approximately .6 miles. Along the way you will encounter three more Stop signs—the third Stop sign (Henry Avenue) will be a "T" intersection. At the "T" intersection on your left will be homes and on your right softball fields.
- Turn right (south) onto Henry Ave. and go approximately .2

- miles toward the Fleming Field airport terminal building.

If coming from east Twin Cities on westbound 494:

- Exit at the 7th and 5th Avenue exit (Exit No.65)
- Turn left (South) on 7th Ave and go approximately .6 miles to a 4-way Stop sign. This is South Street W. To your left front there will be a small strip mall; to your right there will be an Amoco station.
- Turn left (East) at the 4-way Stop onto
- South Street W and go approximately .4 miles. Along the way you will encounter two more Stop signs—the third Stop sign (Henry Avenue) will be a "T" intersection. At the "T" intersection on your left will be homes and on your right softball fields.
- Turn right (south) onto Henry Ave. and go approximately .2 miles toward the Fleming Field airport terminal building

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The group is open to aviation enthusiasts from teenagers on up who are interested in aviation modeling, photography, collecting, art and writing.

The Twin Cities Aero Historians (TCAH) meet the second Saturday of every month at 1:00pm.

See above for the new meeting locations and directions.

Mail Newsletter material and address changes to the treasurer.