



**MINUTES OF THE JUNE 2008 MEETING (# 402)  
OF THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE OF THE  
INTERNATIONAL PLASTIC MODELLERS SOCIETY  
OF CANADA**

<b>MEMBERS</b>	<b>POSITION</b>	<b>ATTENDANCE</b>
Jamie Leggo	National Director	P
Sid Arnold	Random Thoughts Editor	P
Gary Barling	Chapter Liaison	A
John MacDonald	Treasurer	P
Steve Sauvé	Secretary / Webmaster	P
Randy Lutz	Back Issues/Special Products Distribution	P
Bob Migliardi	Graphic Artist / Advisor	P
Kevin Smith	Marketing	P

The meeting was called to order at 2000 hrs, 03 June 2008, at the home of Jamie Leggo.

Item	<b>Old Business-National Director</b>	Action by:
1.1	It's been a while between meetings, but it's fairly slow period for activity.	Info
1.2	Jamie's redoubling of his efforts to resolve the PayPal account issue has not yet borne fruit. He vowed to redouble his previous redoubling for the next meeting	Info
	<b>New Business-National Director</b>	
2.1	Nothing significant to report, other than the quadrupling of his original effort for the PayPal issue.	Jamie Leggo
	<b>RT Editor</b>	
3.1	Sid is gathering material for RT 30/5&6, which will be a double issue of 48 pages to finish off the Vol 30 year and showcase a larger RT format. It will have Pt. 2 of the Luchs article, and a Spitfire TR.9 article, and other items yet to be gathered.	Info
3.2	Sid estimates that we will have RT 30/5&6 at the proof-reading stage within two weeks.	Sid Arnold
3.3	For RT 31/1, outgoing Editor Sid announced that "we have squat". Incoming Editor Steve was somewhat "nay impressed".	Info
3.4	It was again discussed that we search through older RT issues for classic articles that can be re-vamped, updated, and revisited for re-publication to a newer generation of members.	All Exec Members

3.5	It is hoped that the first major article for RT 31/1 can be a resurrection of a great old article on the RCN Sea Fury. Since a number of new kits and accessories have hit the market since then (we believe that the old 1/72 Frog kit was the only way to go back in 1971)	Info
3.6	Sid will continue on as the Armour Editor. An Aircraft Editor has not yet been identified, nor have any other SMEs for other areas of modelling.	Info
<b>Treasurer</b>		
4.1	Despite the reduction in membership numbers, we are in a very comfortable financial position.	Info
4.2	John strongly suggested that we take some of the surplus funds and plough them back into the membership. See Special Projects for discussion.	Info
4.3	John again asked how soon Steve would be ready to transfer our website to a new ISP. Steve still didn't have a good answer for that one.	Steve Sauvé
<b>Membership/Circulation</b>		
5.1	With the last batch of renewals sent out (total unknown), we lost 21 members and gained 9 new ones.	Info
5.2	A discussion ensued about the downward trend and it was generally agreed that the membership losses can most likely be blamed on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the impact of Internet and modelling forums available to many modellers today, and</li> <li>• the irregularity of the RT publishing schedule.</li> </ul>	Info
5.3	With him being in the best position to see what the Charter Chapters are up to, it was thought that Gary Barling might be in the best position to keep his eyes on the Chapter resources to help source potential articles for RT. Assuming he is good with the idea, this will be kicked around some more and put into action. See what happens when you miss the meetings?	Gary Barling
<b>Marketing</b>		
6.1	Kevin has graciously accepted Marketing portfolio. We are hoping to use this position as a way to reach out to potential new members.	Kevin Smith
	Kevin will take on coordination of advertising management.	Kevin Smith
<b>Chapter Liaison</b>		
7.1	The usual selection of Chapter e-magazines was received and sent out.	Info
7.2	There's been a change of command in two chapters. Gary's contact list is updated and awaiting publication on the web page.	Info Steve Sauvé

7.3	Nothing further has been heard from the chap in Thunder Bay who indicated an interest in starting a chapter a few months ago.	Info
7.4	No one's storming the castle keep right now, and all seems quiet on the Eastern Front.	Info
<b>Webmaster</b>		
8.1	Nothing to report.	Info
<b>Secretary</b>		
9.1	Nothing to report.	Info
<b>Back Issues</b>		
10.1	A total of 21 back issues and eight decals have been sold since the last Exec meeting.	Info
10.2	Randy also noted that a bunch of really old exchange material was cleaned out of the archives and disposed of.	Info
<b>Special Projects</b>		
11.1	Per John's suggestion under 4.3, we are now going to take a serious look at putting out a 'freebie' decal sheet for the active membership with the publication of RT 31/1. The primary subjects will be 404 Sqn Beaufighters and Mosquitos in (1/72 and 1/48) from the article that will be in that issue.	Steve
11.2	Depending on the article submission and production schedule, other RT 31/1 subjects may be able to be added to the decal sheet.	Info
11.3	The decal sheet is planned solely as a 'free issue' to our current membership. No extras are being printed for later sale; this sheet will likely be nearly unobtainable in arrears by people wanting to do so by conventional means.	Info

The meeting ended at 2100 hrs. The next meeting will be held at the home of Steve Sauvé on a date TBA in July.

Steve Sauvé  
 Secretary  
 IPMS Canada  
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