

Rules for The Mid Michigan Model Makers Box Build-All Types Class.

In an effort to promote our hobby and increase participation, the 4M Club is going to add a new class called Box Build to our annual contest in 2014. In the past we have offered this as a category in the automotive class but will now have it as a standalone class open to all types of models such as planes, ships, military, auto, excreta. By making this a standalone class we will be able to have a best of class award and if interest is good, we'll split the class and offer best of category medals also.

The goal of the class is three fold;

1. To give the new modeler or the person returning to the hobby, or the person who has limited time to work on a project, a class where they can display and compete with similar modelers.
2. To encourage the learning and development of good basic modeling techniques and skills.
3. To ensure that at the 4M Club show, modelers of all skill levels have a place where they feel welcomed, can compete and receive recognition for their efforts, and most of all have fun.

To these ends judging for this class will be done on a "Quality of Build" criteria only. The factors will be;

1. Fit and alignment of parts.
2. Flash removal, seam filling and paint prep.
3. Quality of paint work.
4. Application of Decals.
5. Overall neatness.

The rules for the class are as follows;

1. All models for box build, will limited to the parts supplied in the kit as packaged by the manufacture.
2. No cast resin, photo etched or other aftermarket parts are allowed unless included in kit.
3. The only aftermarket items allowed are paints and paint washes, metal foil and replacement decals. Masking tape seat belts and aircraft rigging and antenna wires as shown in the instructions, are also allowed, but will only be judged on quality of build criteria.
4. Die cast kits as well as resin, wood and vacuform kits are allowed as long as they comply with all other rules.
5. The model kits instructions must be displayed next to the model so judges may check for correct parts.

Again for our first year the models will be judged as one class but if there is enough interest, in the future we will break the class into categories by type, and offer category medals as well.

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