



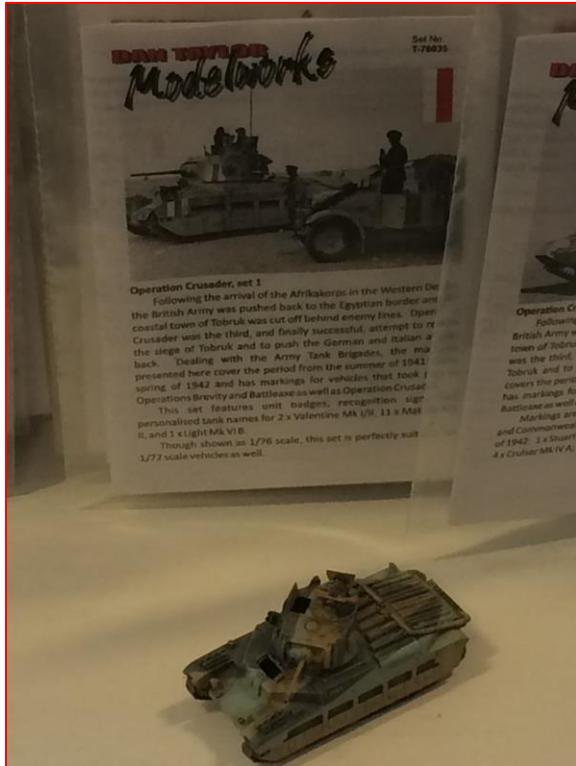
The London Plastic Modeling Show was held on Saturday December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016. I had a chance to see the whole show while I was in the UK on business. They had 2 floors at the Islington Design Center. The lower floor was for club displays and model shops to set up their stands. The upper floor had primarily all the events; there was a resin casting class and the show field. A couple clubs I spoke to in detail were Hornchurch, Barnet, Southeast Essex, and Southeast London.

Several of the clubs had displays on the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of armor. The best was a group of 8 guys who did 100 years of British armor. They had a similar setup to what we did at the American Legion, setting up the same tank in multiple scales so that people could see the proportions of each.



My personal favorite was the Panzer 38T by MJR Models & Hobbies. The model was done in a winter scheme with snow created by decanting hairspray and mixing it with baking soda before sprinkling it over the model with a coffee stick. Then ice was added down the corners of the tank where water might run with Deluxe Glue "N" Glaze.





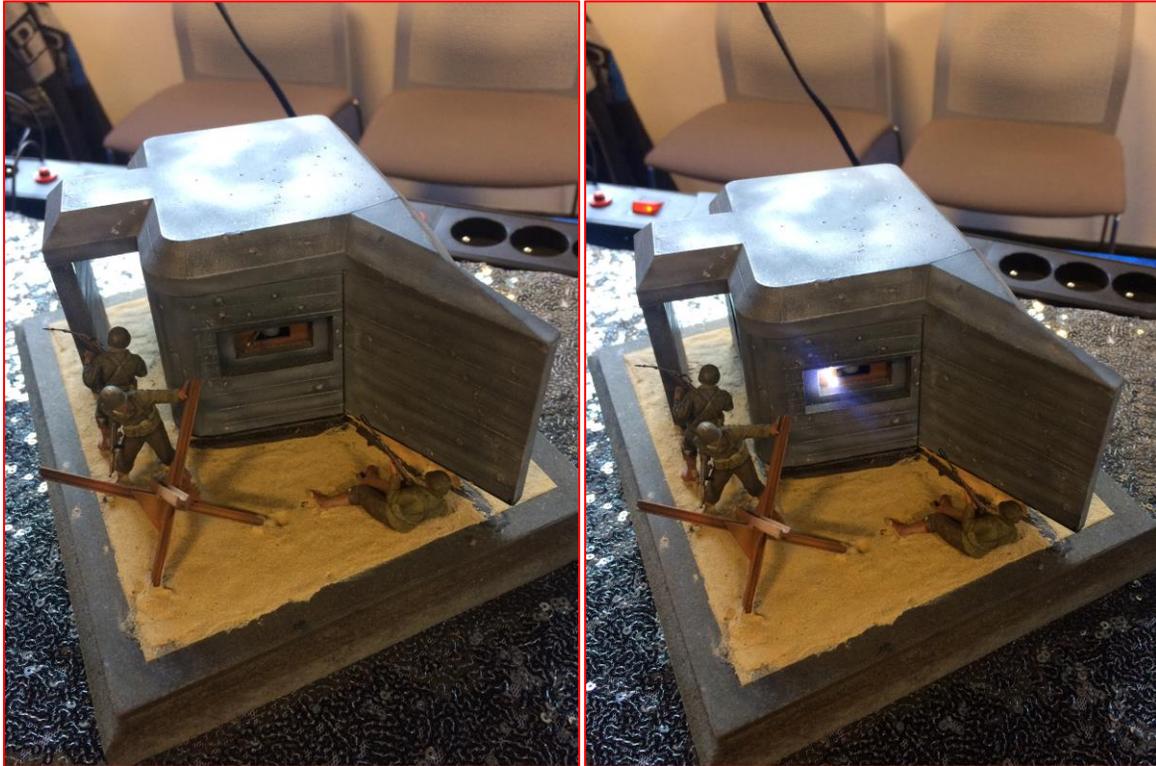
Dan Taylor Modelworks had a large corner of the vendor area set up with 1/72 & 1/76 scale PE. The level of detail to his sets was really impressive. Possibly in 2017 he will have PE for the WWI tanks. The landing craft he had were the most unique element given that I don't think many manufacturers produce these.



Darkstar Miniatures was showing off a technique that appeared to me to be "grayscale". Check out the busts they had on display to see how it gives almost a 4<sup>th</sup> dimension of depth to a model. They were very impressive in person.



Another unique booth was Magic Scale Modeling from Belgium. They were showing off LED lighting with controls. From simple lights to machine guns firing to full aircraft landing systems with the correct flashing landing lights. I bought a simple set to do afterburners on a future build. Look for these late in 2017 sometime.



In the show field I found that dioramas seemed to be extremely popular in England. Probably half of the models there were in a diorama rather than just shown on their own. I've included all the gold winners here. You can see all the models using my photobucket link:

[http://s1168.photobucket.com/user/Chris\\_Vandegriff/library/London%20PMS%202016](http://s1168.photobucket.com/user/Chris_Vandegriff/library/London%20PMS%202016)



