Arizona IPMS, Your Hosts for the 2010 IPMS National Convention

The Arizona Organizing Committee for the IPMS/USA 2010 National Convention is made up of members from all the IPMS chapters in the state, including a very large percentage of the people who put on the very successful 2004 convention. Those chapters are IPMS Phoenix/Craig Hewitt, Northern Arizona Scale Modelers (NASM) from Flagstaff, the Lt. Ernest A. Love Chapter from Prescott, IPMS Tucson, and the newest chapter, the Sonoran Desert Model Builders, also from Tucson. We also have volunteers from several other modeling organizations in the state, bringing with them a wide viewpoint on this hobby of ours.

NASM is a few years old with a core group of modelers whose names you would surely recognize, were we to tell you. They meet casually once a month to talk modeling.

The Lt. E.A. Love chapter from Prescott is also a relatively young chapter with some modelers who have been around the scene for a while, along with some newer, talented modelers. This chapter meets at the Prescott airport in an informal setting to participate in demos, workshops, audio/visual presentations and yak about models.

IPMS Phoenix can trace its lineage to the late 70s and the Arizona Historical Modelers Society that put on the 1983 show. The chapter is named for well-respected member (and Corsair fanatic) Craig Hewitt. A relatively large club, with an average attendance of about 60 modelers building aircraft, armor, ships, sci-fi, figures, and cars, they meet monthly at the American Legion Post 1 to talk about new releases, discuss club business, have demos and talks by guests, and hold a monthly contest. They also sponsor the annual Modelzona contest, with entrants from all over the Southwest.

IPMS Tucson has also been around since the 1970s, with some of the original members still around. They gather monthly at the Fraternal Order of Police lodge in Tucson, where they have plenty of room to work on models, chat, and enjoy good company. They plan to hold an annual swap meet and contest every February.

The newest chapter in Arizona is the Sonoran Desert Model Builders of Tucson. They were inspired by the works and attitude of the late Raleigh Williams. They, as are all the other modeling organizations in Arizona, are dedicated to sharing their knowledge and talent with all who are interested in the hobby of scale model building.

So, from all of us, to all of you, thanks for coming. This is a great opportunity to see some incredible modeling and learn new skills and techniques. We are proud to offer you these decals which honor the men and women who worked on and trained in the old "blunt-nosed, bent-winged bug-sucker" as well as the men and women who took the Apaches of the Arizona National Guard to war in Afghanistan. Welcome to our home.

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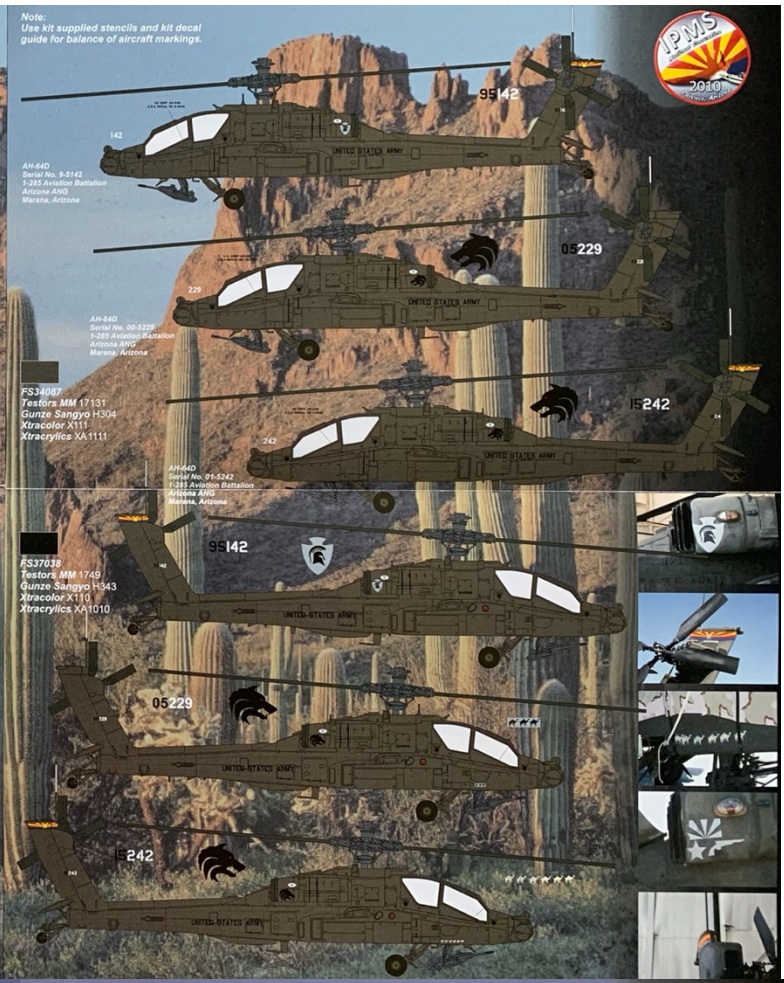

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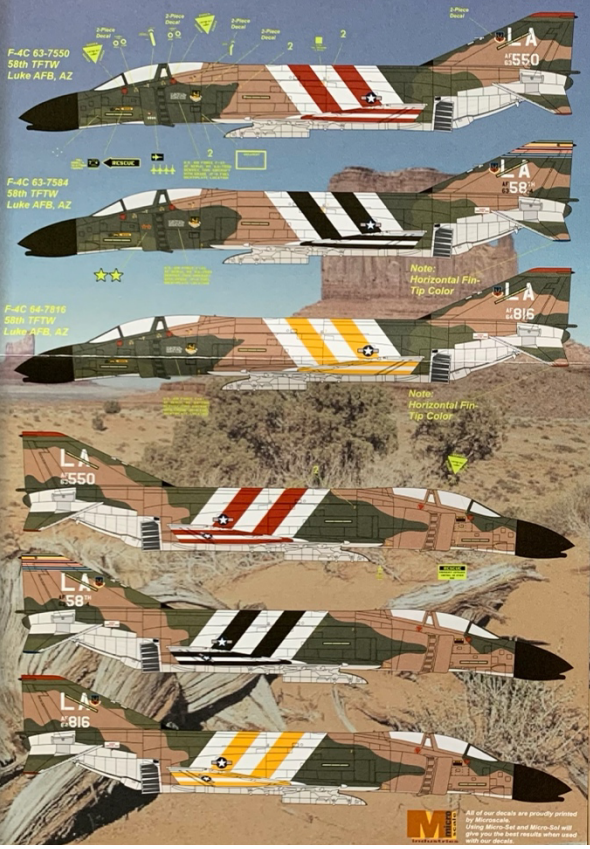

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AH-64D Apaches from the 1-285 Aviation Battalion, Arizona Army National Guard, stationed at Marana, Arizona. These aircraft are marked as they were when they returned from duty in Afghanistan. There are three Apache companies in the Battalion. They are:

- Alpha Co. Archers (Arrow head with Spartan head)
- Bravo Co. Big Iron (Arizona Flag in shape of state with)
- Charlie Co Lobos (Wolf Head)

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