# IX. Convention Special Theme Awards

2021 Very Best of the West Theme Award: Aces and Eights; Any aircraft commanded by an Ace; or any model with an ace or eight on/in it; or any model with eight things on it In Memoriam, Matt Sherwood

"Final Briefing," Torpedo 8 at Midway — Jim Triola, O'Fallon, Missouri

## IX. Convention Special Theme Awards

Area 51 and Other Non-existent Places; Any craft or machine (real, theoretical, or suspected) flown or operated at Area 51, Nellis AFB, Creech AFB, Tonopah Bomb Range, or NNSA and other non-existent places

Sponsored by John's Models

B-1B — Chris Derks, Alexandria, Virginia

## IX. Convention Special Theme Awards

USAF Thunderbirds - Past, Present, and Future; USAF Thunderbird aircraft flown in the past, present, or theoretical future

In Memoriam, Major S. Del Bagno, USAF

"We Rode the Thunder" — Chris Derks, Alexandria, Virginia

## IX. Convention Special Theme Awards

Sand vs. Desert War Machines; Any real machine or vehicle (tracked, wheeled, or towed) that fought, worked, or was used in any desert and battled nature and sand

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Panzerbefehlswagen III-H — Mark Ford, Port Angeles, Washington

# IX. Convention Special Theme Awards

Shelby; Anything related to Shelby Automotive (real vehicles)

In Memoriam, Matt Sherwood

427 Shelby Cobra — Bruce Tanaka, Reno, Nevada

## **Special Interest Awards**

Michael C. Fritz Award; Excellence in Modeling World War I Aircraft

Sponsored by IPMS Spruce Goose

Gotha UWD — Dennis Davison, Longmont, Colorado

#### Special Interest Awards

Whizzer White Memorial Award; Navy / Marine Attack Aircraft

Sponsored by Skyhawk Association

SBD-3 Dauntless, VS-6 — Rod Bettencourt, Clovis, California

### Special Interest Awards

400th Anniversary of the Mayflower; Entry most clearly depicting some aspect of the Mayflower event Sponsored by The Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Arizona Mayflower — David Carlton, Georgetown, Texas

**Special Interest Awards** 

Best AFV Club Model

Sponsored by Merit International

Type VIIB U-boat — Dave Osborne, Lyman, Maine

**Special Interest Awards** 

Best Hong Kong Model

Sponsored by Merit International

B-17F "Old Faithful" — Craig Brown, Glendale, Arizona

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Best Rye Field Model
Sponsored by Merit International
T-34/85 Group Entry — John Bonanni, Mars, Pennsylvania

Special Interest Awards
Best Aggressor/Adversary Aircraft
In Memoriam, Nick "Scooter" Hamilton
F-5E, VFC-13 'Fighting Saints' — Richard Van Zandt, Olive Branch, Mississippi

Special Interest Awards
The Jack Morris Award; Best Korean War US or Allied Aircraft
Sponsored by The Jack Morris Family
F-86F-25 — Bob Windus, Lake Oswego, Oregon

Best of Class Awards Tom Kolk Best Junior Model Sponsored by IPMS / West Michigan - Grand Rapids, Michigan F4F-3 Wildcat — Oliver Lomeli, Salinas, California

Best of Class Awards
Best Use of IPMS Convention Special Decals
Sponsored by IPMS / USA Past Presidents
P-47D Thunderbolt — Benjamin Pada, Jr., San Jose, California

Best of Class Awards Ken Robert Best Aircraft Sponsored by Iwata Scale Modelers CH-54A Skycrane — Randy Rothhaar, Las Vegas, Nevada

Best of Class Awards Art Gerber Best Military Vehicle Sponsored by Plastic Model Mojo Podcast P-40 Long Track Radar — Jim Wechsler, Laguna Niguel, California

Best of Class Awards
Best Figure
Sponsored by The Bolshevik Brothers
Neophyte Miniaturist — Joe Fleming, Sun Lakes, Arizona

Best of Class Awards
Best Ship
Sponsored by IPMS Director of Local Chapters
USS Currituck, WWII Seaplane Tender — David Straub, Albuquerque, New Mexico

Best of Class Awards
Best Automotive
Sponsored by IPMS / Centennial Chapter - Colorado Springs, Colorado
1909 International Harvester Autowagon — Ben Guenther, Grinnell, Iowa

Best of Class Awards
Best Space / Science Fiction Vehicle
Sponsored by IPMS / Oregon Mid-Valley Modelers - Lebanon, Oregon
Lunar Module — David Carlton, Georgetown, Texas

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Best of Class Awards
Best Diorama
Sponsored by IPMS / Oklahoma Historical Modelers Society - Norman, Oklahoma
"I told you we were too heavy!" — Gerald Takahashi, Discovery Bay, California

Best of Class Awards
Best Miscellaneous
Sponsored by IPMS / Roanoke Valley - Roanoke, Virginia
1969 Camaro 'Harrier Jet-Car' — Jay Coburn, Las Vegas, Nevada

Best of Class Awards
Popular Best of Show
Sponsored by IPMS / USA
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Best of Class Awards George Lee Judges' Grand Award Sponsored by IPMS / USA CH-54A Skycrane — Randy Rothhaar, Las Vegas, Nevada