



# Eastern Carolina Plastic Modelers

## *DownEastCon 2018*

### Raffle Donations



1 January 2018

Greetings!

**DownEastCon 2018**, The Best summertime chapter Contest in the Southeast, will be held on **July 14, 2018**. We have a new location, Havelock Tourist & Event Center, 201 Tourist Center Dr, Havelock, NC, 28532. **DownEastCon** is sponsored by Eastern Carolina Plastic Modelers, an IPMS/USA and AMPS affiliated club that provides "fellowship in plastic" for modelers across Eastern North Carolina.

As you may know, the ECPM Raffle has always been a great part of our show and we hope to do as well or better this year. Some things will remain constant, such as \$5 for 6 tickets, a free ticket for each modeler entering the contest, and winner's choice. Other things will change -- we'll no longer separate categories and grand prizes will be by Silent Auction, something that seems to be a trend these days.

The Raffle drawings will take place several times during the show, with one final drawing to clear everything out. You must be present to win. Yeah, we're doing the drawings during Judging, but since it is Winner's Choice, let a family member know what you want and manage the tickets.

Silent Auctions will start with a specified minimum bid and may have designated bid increments. Silent Auctions will end just before the last auction and you must be present to win. If the high bidder does not step forward to pay (cash or check) for the item, it'll be offered to the next, and so on. Any items unbid/unpaid items will go into the final Raffle.

Anyway, we're always happy to have donations of kits, references, hobby tools and supplies. We have always taken care to be sure each winner gets a good prize and for that reason we have some suggestions to follow for donations:

- Do unto others as you would have done unto you.
- Boxes should look sharp, not battered, broken, and stained.
- Factory sealed is preferable, but if you just had to peak, then
- All bags inside should be sealed.
- If not, then please do an inventory to be sure it is complete.
- Include your name and contact info, just in case.
- If you are adding some aftermarket, list it neatly and attach to the outside of the box.

It's OK to just bring the Raffle items to the contest, but it would be very helpful for planning if you could drop a note to our Raffle Coordinator listing what you intend to bring. It's also OK to send items along ahead of time. To save you postage, ECPM members will be happy to collect donations at any shows we attend also.

If you have any questions about the Raffle and/or donations, please contact:

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