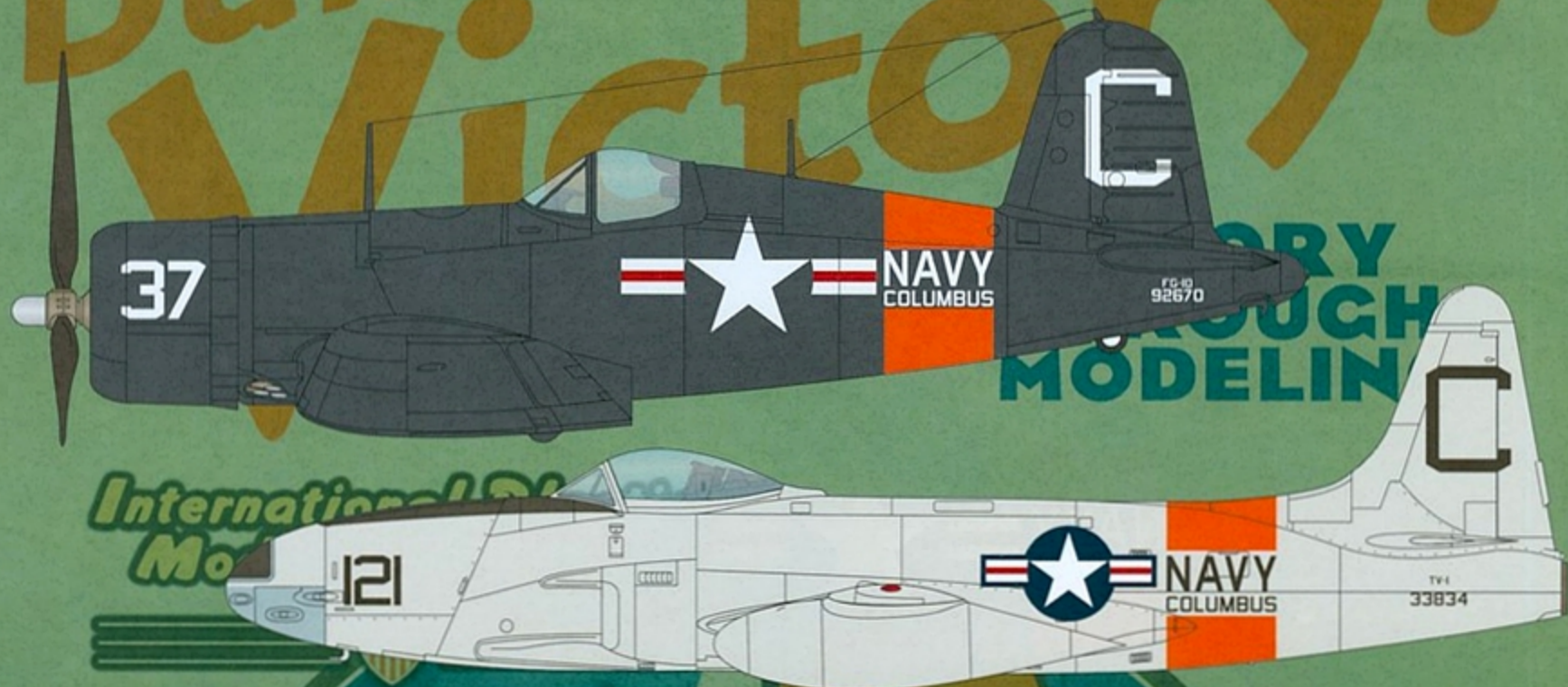




# 2015 IPMS/USA National Convention

*Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker Chapter/Columbus, Ohio*



### Columbus IPMS

#### Eddie Rickenbacker Chapter

The IPMS Columbus Chapter was named in honor of Columbus, Ohio native Eddie Rickenbacker, the United States' ranking ace in World War I. Chartered in 1965, IPMS Columbus is a strong, active chapter which hosted the 1973 National Convention, and numerous Region 4 Regionals. Most recently we hosted the 1997 IPMS/USA National Convention, the 2000 Region 4 Convention and the 2009 IPMS/USA National Convention.

We have approximately 50 members, with widely ranging interests and skills, and we welcome new members.

The Eddie Rickenbacker Chapter of the International Plastic Modeler's Society started in Columbus, Ohio in 1961, which predates the formal IPMS organization. It was just a bunch of modelers who got together at the home of Len and Marlene Dotson.

We formally joined IPMS USA in 1965, the year after their founding in 1964, and we continue to be a proud chapter of this organization.

The same year, the few people in the club (approximately 10) held the IPMS/USA National Convention at the Sheraton Hotel in downtown Columbus. The club continued to thrive, with our local show being held at The White House Bank Building on N. High Street in Worthington, Ohio. By 1981, our show had grown large enough that we needed a bigger location. We had the benefit of Ron Bell working at Capital University, where we moved for a stay of 24 years. At this time, Ron Bell started the Fly By newsletter as a communication tool between club officers. This grew into a monthly publication for all of our members, and is now distributed electronically through e-mail. Our meeting places were at locations all around Central Ohio, including OSU Airport hangars, the party house at Bexley Village, the YMCA on Karl Road and Hilliard Community Center, before settling into a semi-permanent location of the basement of the old COSI (Center of Science and Industry) building. It was at this location where we held our first local show, in February 1973.

The club continued to thrive and held a second National Convention in 1997 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in downtown Columbus, and a third one in 2009. After the 1997 Convention, the club donated all the raffle proceeds to The American Leukemia Society in remembrance of the son of one of our members. The club also donated \$3,000 to the Air Force Museum to thank them for their assistance with the open cockpit night and the Robin Olds presentation. Additionally, we have hosted Region 4 conventions, the most recent being in 2004.

A big change happened in 2005 when we moved our local show, now named Blizzcon, (due to a fierce blizzard we had, which nearly forced the cancellation of our show) to the Aladdin Shrine Event & Conference Center. We celebrated our 41st anniversary of this local show in 2014 and would welcome you to Columbus to attend our local show.

The Eddie Rickenbacker Chapter welcome you to the 2015 IPMS National Convention. We're happy to be your host and look forward to all of you having a great time!



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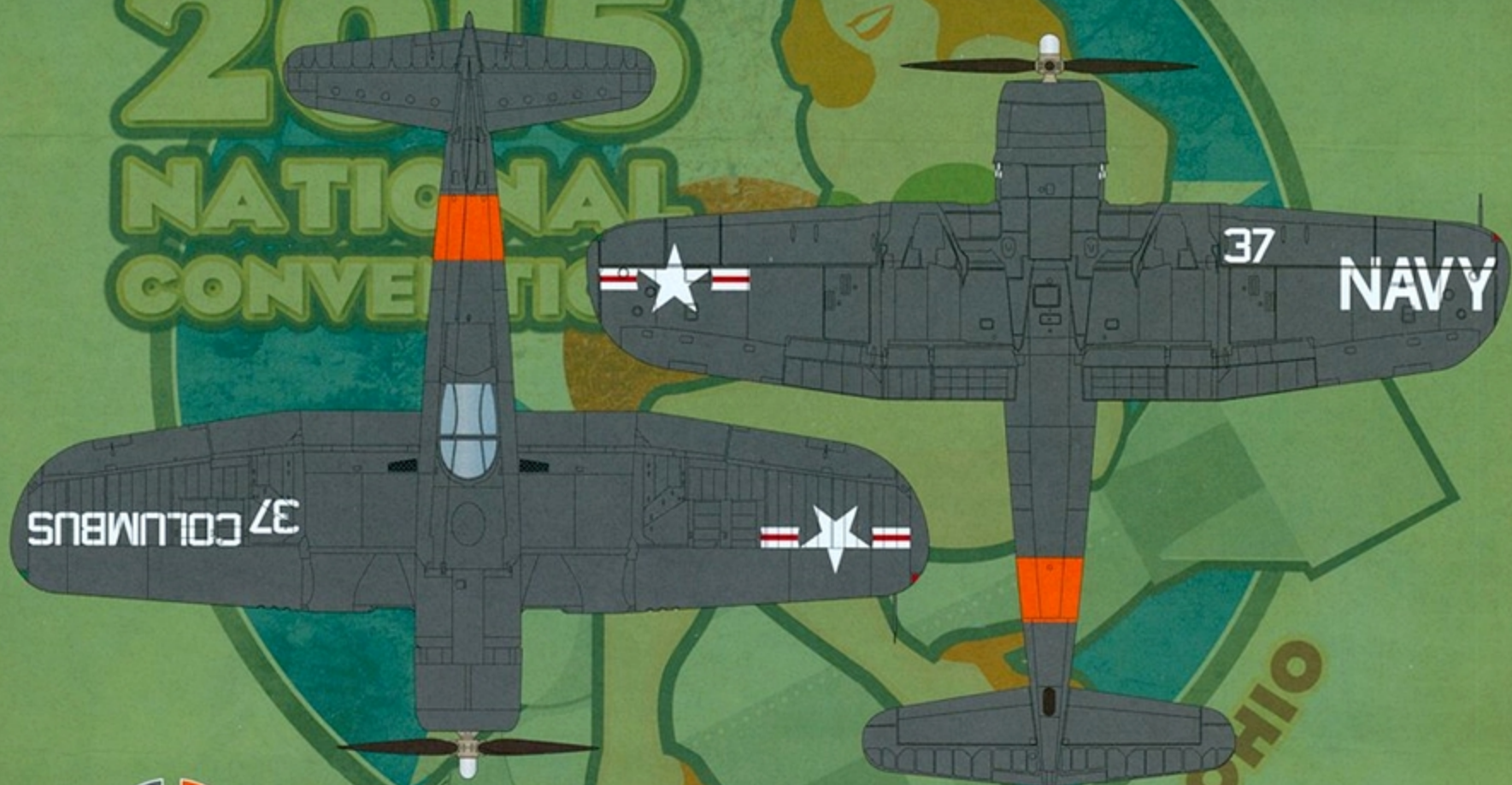
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FS12197	2022	NA	NA	NA



Main markings are included in this set. Utilize stencil markings from kit decals where applicable.



### British Vehicle D-Day Markings

The British used a system of numbers and symbols to identify the unit assignment of a vehicle. First off, the vehicle would carry the emblem of it's parent unit, be it a division, Corp or Army. Then it might have the badge of a particular brigade. This was more common in armoured units than others. Then there would be a colored square, with the color indicating the arm of service, such as armour, artillery, recce, et. There would be white numbers in this square. Those numbers were keyed to the senior, next senior and then junior regiments. These were determined by the "seniority" of the regiment in the history of the British Army and never changed. So if you knew the three regiments in a given brigade of armour, you would know which would have a red square with a 51 and which would have a 52 or 53, that is if you knew the seniority system. These sequences were changed during the war. The ones shown here are for 1944. Finally, in armoured units, there was a system of geometric shapes, the type and color of which indicated what troop and squadron to which a vehicle belonged.

One note on markings for Royal Artillery vehicles. Their tactical sign was a blue field with an inset red square at one of the four corners. The corner the square was located in designated what battery the vehicle was from. Upper left - 1st Battery, lower left - 2nd Battery, lower right - 3rd Battery, upper right - 4th battery.

Two other common marks were the vehicles' serial number, which consisted of a letter indicating the vehicle type ("T" for a "Tank", "M" for car, etc.) and then the vehicles serial number, and a yellow circle with a black number in it indicating what types of bridges the vehicle could safely cross.

On vehicles used on D-day, you might also find landing craft designations chalked on the sides of vehicle. The Royal Marine Centaurs also had a system of marks around their turrets indicating degrees. These vehicles were meant to supply fire support for the Special Service units and the degrees were to be used when firing on an unseen target.

And finally, vehicles acquired names. In armoured units these were usually keyed to the squadron's designation, thus tanks in "A" squadron would have names that began with the letter "A", while those in "C" squadron would begin with a "C". However, this was not a requirement of the system and was honored almost as much in the breach as it was in observance and depended greatly on the unit's commanding officer.

Where these markings were applied had a generally accepted pattern. The arm-of-service flashes (the colored squares with numbers in them) were carried on the front-right and rear-right hull/bumper of the unit's vehicles. The divisional/brigade badge was carried on the front-left and rear-left. The bridge classification badge was either painted somewhere on the front of the vehicle or possible carried as a separate plate mounted on a fender or such. Vehicle serial numbers were found basically anywhere they would fit, usually on the sides of vehicles or the bonnets (hoods) of lorries (trucks).

One other detail worth mentioning is that troops not assigned to a particular division or brigade might be deemed Corps or Army troops. These vehicles arm of service flash would have a white bar across the top for Army vehicles and the bottom for Corps troops.

Beyond this, there were also diagonal white bars, Army and Army group markings and various other symbols in this complicated and arcane system, but the basics explained above should allow the modeler to mark the vast majority of the British vehicles present on June 6, 1944.

Like all such intricate systems, this one often went astray. With units being transferred in and out, vehicles being damaged, repaired and repainted, or replaced stowage blocking views and commanders having individual preferences, many variations can be found, but the basics are usually there.

The modeler can use these decals and the below listing to mark almost any British vehicle used on D-Day. While the Bridge Class circle is provided, the class number and vehicle serial numbers and any names the modeler wishes to apply need to be created from separate alpha-numeric decal or rub-on sheets.

## Gold Beach

Unit ( <i>Alternate Unit Names are in Italics</i> )	Tactical Symbol
50th Infantry Div. ( <i>Northumbrian</i> )	Black 40
61st Recon Rgt.	Green over Blue 41
69th Inf. Bgd.	Red 81
5th Btn. East Yorkshire Rgt. (Duke of A11 Own)	Red 55
6th Btn. Green Howards ( <i>Alexandra Princess of Wales' Own Yorkshire Rgt.</i> )	Red 56
7th Btn, Green Howards ( <i>Alexandra Princess of Wales 'Own Yorkshire Rgt.</i> )	Red 57
151st Inf. Bgd.	Green 87
6th Btn. Durham Light Inf.	Green 60
8th Btn . Durham Light Inf.	Green 61
9th Btn. Durham Light Inf.	Green 62
231st Inf. Bgd.	Brown 94
2nd Btn. Devonshire Rgt.	Brown 67
1st Btn. Dorsetshire Rgt.	Brown 68
1st Btn. Hampshire Rgt.	Brown 69
74th Field Rgt. Royal Artillery	Red and Blue 42
90th Field Rgt. Royal Artillery	Red and Blue 43
124th Field Rgt. Royal Artillery	Red and Blue 44
102nd Anti-tank Rgt.	Red and Blue 46
1st Royal Marine Armoured Support Rgt. (95mm Centaurs)	Blue/Red/Blue 1
8th Armoured Bgd.	Red 993
4/7th Royal Dragoon Guards	Red 994
24th Lancers	Red 995
Nottinghamshire Yeomanry ( <i>Sherwood Rangers Yeomanry</i> )	Red 996

## Juno Beach

Unit ( <i>Alternate Unit Names are in Italics</i> )	Tactical Symbol
3rd Canadian Infantry Div.	Black 40
7th Canadian Inf. Bgd.	Red 81
1st Btn. Regina Rifle Rgt.	Red 55
1st Btn. Royal Winnipeg Rifles Rgt.	Red 56
1st Btn. Canadian Scottish Rgt.	Red 57
8th Canadian Inf. Bgd.	Green 87
1st Btn. North Shore ( <i>New Brunswick</i> ) Rgt.	Green 60
1st Btn. Queen's Own Rifles of Canada	Green 61
1sst Btn. Le Regiment de la Chaudiere	Green 62
9th Canadian Inf. Bgd.	Brown 94
1st Btn. Highland Light Inf. of Canada	Brown 67
1st Btn. Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry Highlanders	Brown 68
1st Btn. North Nova Scotia Highlanders	Brown 69
12th Field Rgt. Royal Canadian Artillery	Red and Blue 42
13th Field Rgt. Royal Canadian Artillery	Red and Blue 43
14th Field Rgt. Royal Canadian Artillery	Red and Blue 44
3rd Anti-Tank Artillery Rgt.	Red and Blue 46
2nd Royal Marine Armoured Support Rgt. (95mm Centaurs)	Blue/Red/Blue 2
2nd Canadian Armoured Bgd.	Red 993
6th Armoured Rgt. ( <i>1st Hussars</i> )	Red 994
10th Armoured Rgt. ( <i>Fort Garry Horse</i> )	Red 995
27th Armoured Rgt. ( <i>Sherbrooke Fusiliers Rgt.</i> )	Red 996
No. 46 Commando	Red over Black 93
No. 48 (Royal Marine) Commando	Red over Black 94

## Sword Beach

Unit ( <i>Alternate Unit Names are in Italics</i> )	Tactical Symbol
3rd Infantry Div. ( <i>The Iron Division</i> )	Black 40
3rd Recce Rgt. ( <i>Northumberland Fusiliers</i> )	Green over Blue 41
8th Ind. Bgd.	Red 81
1st Btn. Suffolk Rgt	Red 55
2nd Btn. East Yorkshire Rgt.	Red 56
1st Btn. South Lancashire Rgt.	Red 57
9th Inf. Bgd.	Green 87
2nd Btn. Lincolnshire Rgt.	Green 60
1st Btn. Kings Own Scottish Borderers	Green 61
2nd Btn. Royal Ulster Rifles	Green 62
185th Inf. Bgd.	Brown 94
2nd Btn. Royal Warwickshire Rgt.	Brown 67
1st Btn. Royal Norfolk Rgt.	Brown 68
2nd Btn. King's Shropshire Light Inf. Rgt.	Brown 69
7th Field Rgt. Royal Artillery	Red and Blue 42
33rd Field Rgt. Royal Artillery	Red and Blue 43
76th Field Rgt. Royal Artillery	Red and Blue 44
20th Anti-Tank Artillery Rgt.	Red and Blue 46
5th Royal Marine Independent Armoured Support Battery	Blue/Red/Blue 5
27th Armoured Bgd.	Red 993
13/18th Royal Hussars ( <i>Queen Mary's Own</i> )	Red 994
1st East Riding Yeomanry	Red 995
The Staffordshire Yeomanry ( <i>Queen's Own Royal Rgt.</i> )	Red 996
No. 41 (Royal Marine) Commando	Red over Black 92
1st Special Service Bgd.	Red 81
No. 3 Commando	Red 55
No. 4 Commando	Red 56
No. 6 Commando	Red 57
No. 10 (Inter-Allied) Commando	Red 58
No. 45 (Royal Marine) Commando	Red 59
<i>(Notes in parentheses are equipment, Drop Zone or Beach assignments)</i>	
6th Airborne Div.	Black 40
6th Airborne Armoured Recon Rgt. (Tetrachs) (North of Ranville)	Green over Blue 41
3rd Para Bgd.	Red 81
8th Para Btn. ( <i>Midland Counties</i> ) (Dives River northern bridges)	Red 55
9th Para Btn. ( <i>Eastern and Home Counties</i> ) (Merville Gun Battery)	Red 56
1st Canadian Para Btns (Dives river bridges)	Red 57
3rd Airlanding Anti-Tank Battery	Red and Blue 47
5th Para Bgd. (All at Ranville)	Green 87
7th Para Btn. ( <i>Light Infantry</i> )	Green 60
12th Para Btn. ( <i>Yorkshire</i> )	Green 61
13th Para Btn. ( <i>Lancashire</i> )	Green 62
4th Airlanding Anti-Tank Battery	Red and Blue 47
6th Air Landing Bgd.	Brown 94
12th Btn Devonshire Rgt. (A Co.- North of Ranville, rest over Sword)	Brown 67
2nd Btn Oxs and Bucks Rgt. (D Co.-"Pegasus Bridges", rest-Saint Aubin d'Arquenay)	Brown 68
1st Btn Royal Ulster Rifles (North of Ranville)	Brown 69
53rd Worcestershire Yeomanry Airlanding Lgt Rgt.(211 Battery only, Ranville)	Red and Blue 46
79th Armoured Div.	Black 40
1st Assault Bgd.	Cobalt Blue 1232
5th Assault Rgt. (AVREs) (77th & 79th Sqds-Sword, 25th & 80th Sqds. Juno)	Cobalt Blue 1233
6th Assault Rgt. (AVREs) (80th & 81st Sqds.-Gold)	Cobalt Blue 1234
30th Armoured Bgd.	Red 50
22nd Dragoons (Sherman Crabs) (A Sqd.-Sword Beach, B Sqd.-Juno)	Red 51
1st Lothians and Border Horse (Sherman Crabs)	Red 52
2nd County of London Yeomanry ( <i>Westminster Dragoons</i> )(Sherman Crabs)(B & C Sqds-Gold)	Red 53