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December newsletter brings you three new MPM Production releases, re-issued kit and also new Fly Company releases. As usually, at the end of this newsletter you'll find info about future releases and discontinued kits.

December new releases:

#### SH32042 Polikarpov i-16 "Chinese & Japanese Marking" 1/32

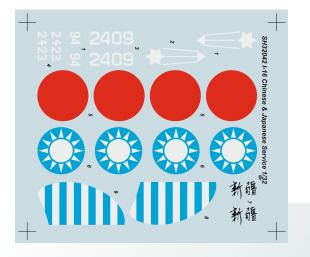
Polikarpov I-16 was one of very successful 1930s monoplane fighters equipped with retractable undercarriage. The

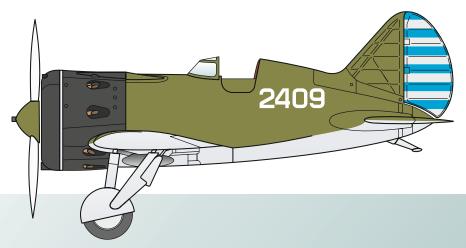
production of the first of many subsequent versions had started in 1934. I-16 participated in many conflicts in Europe and Asia since the Spanish Civil War to the Second World War. They were still in use even in 1944 on Eastern Front. Soviet Union offered it "volunteers" and aircraft during Sino-Japanese Conflict as a part of help to China. I-16s were delivered in significant numbers among the other aircraft delivered to China. The combat deployment took part in 1938. Both Soviet and Chinese pilots used them. China used I-16s till 1942 when they were no chance against

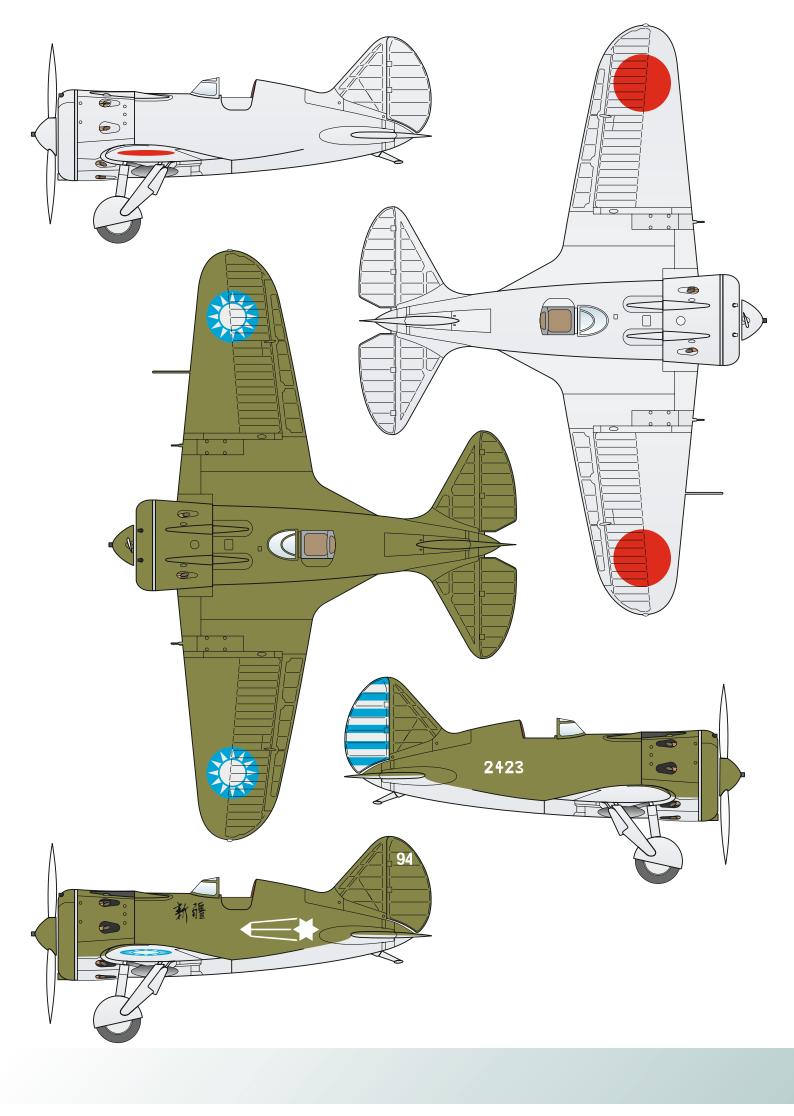


modern A6M2 Zeroes. Japanese happened to seize one I-16 during Nomonhan conflict and they subsequently tested it in Japanese mainland.

The I-16 kit contains four sprues with plastic parts allowing to build I-16 typ 10 or 17, injected windshield, resin and photoetched parts. Decals included offer three machines in Chinese markings and one Japanese aircraft.







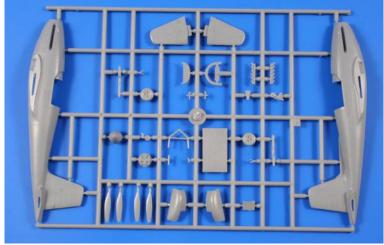
After the end of World War 2 British Air Ministry issued specifications calling for advanced two-seat trainer aircraft that should replace the obsolete US Harvards (Texan) in both RAF and FAA service. The original specifications called for turbo-prop engine but later amendment in specifications called for using Merlin engine. The competition was won by Baulton&Paul Company with their Balliol/ Sea Balliol aircraft. Balliol T.2 was produced for RAF. This version was also exported to Sri Lanka (Ceylon). Version T.21 with naval equipment, arrestor hook and foldable wings was produced for FAA. Balliol was interesting machine with laminar wing profile; pilots were seating side by side under huge canopy. Balliols/ Sea Balliols served until the beginning of 1960s when they were replaced by jet machines.

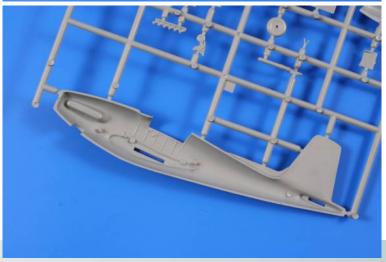
#### SH72234 Boulton&Paul Balliol T.2 1/72

The kit of the land version contains two sprues with grey plastic parts, injected canopy, detailed resin and photoetched parts. Decals included offer markings for 4 RAF trainers including one that sported race numbers.





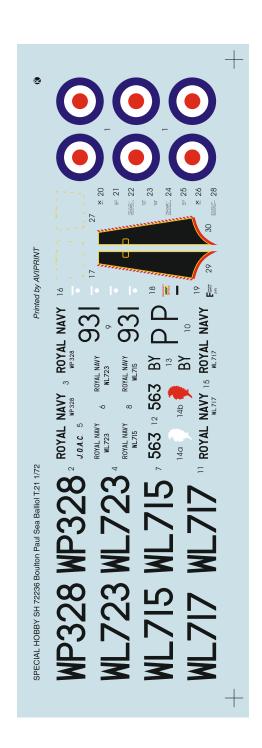


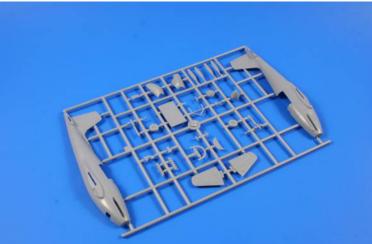


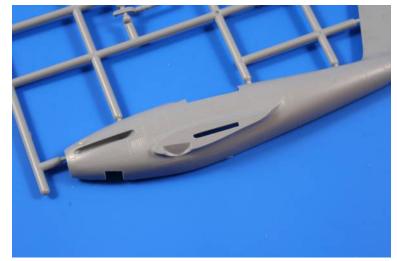
### SH72236 Boulton&Paul Sea Balliol T.21 1/72

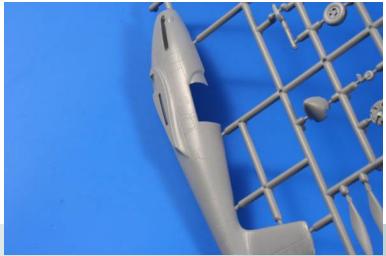
The kit of the FAA version contains same fuselage sprue as in SH72234 kit. The wing sprue is different allowing building Sea Balliol with folded or straightened wings. The kit also contains injected canopy, detailed resin and photo-etched parts. Decals included offer markings for 4 FAA trainers.





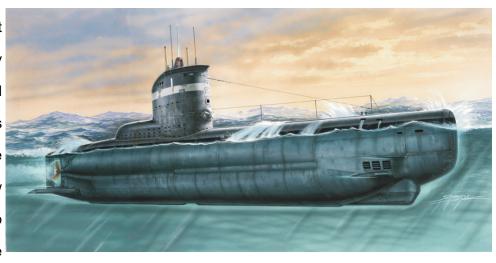






## **SN 72001 U boot typ XXIII 1/72**

U boot typ XXIII was one of the last submarine types deployed to war by Germans. It was the so-called coastal type. It was equipped with two torpedoes and 14 crewmembers. Submarine Type XXIIIs were designed with respect to low radar profile. That's why the last two sunken ships are credited to submarine



Type XXIIIs. The design of this submarine was so advanced that it served as pattern for 1950s Bundesmarine designs of Hai and Hecht submarines. The kit of this submarine was long time sold out but we re-issued it in limited number. The fastest orders will have the priority to the other ones. The kit contains two sprues with plastic parts, resin and photo-





# Future releases issued for the beginning of the new year:

Supermarine Seafire Mk.XV 1/48 in two different box versions:

SH48116 1/48 Seafire F Mk.XV "Far East Service"



SH72232 1/72 FF-1 "US Navy Two Seater Fighter"



A094 1/32 Bloch MB.152C1 "Red&Yellow Stripes"



SH48125 1/48 Seafire F Mk.XV "Aéronavale Service"



SH72238 1/72 CC&F Goblin Mk.I "Canadian Last Biplane Fighter"

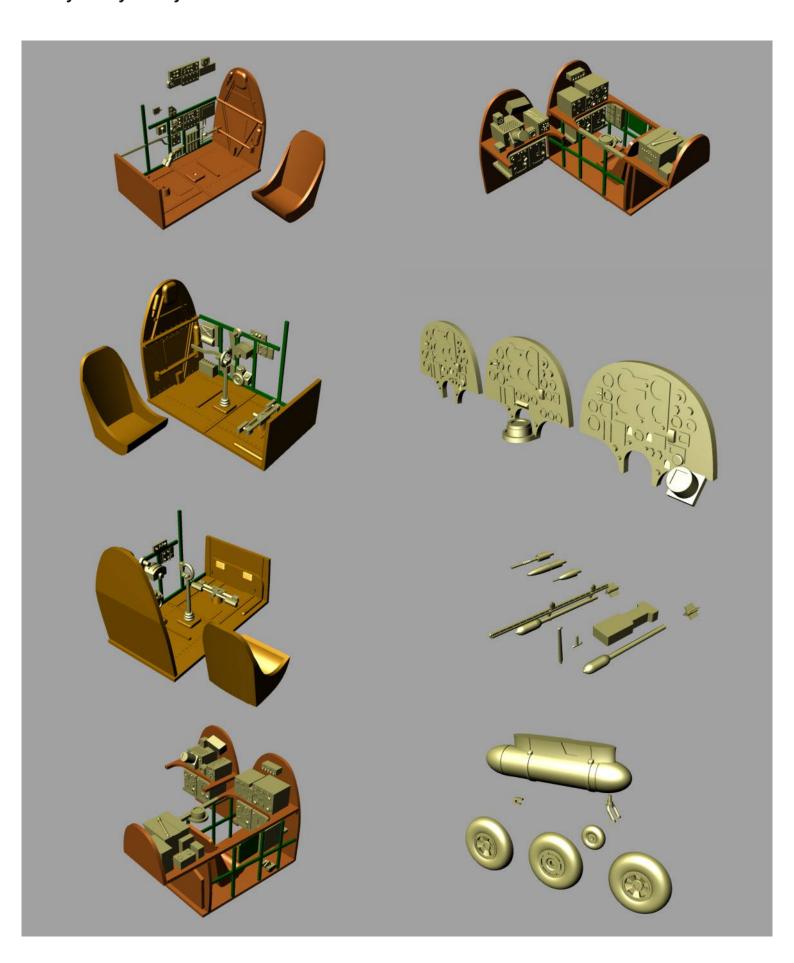


A054 Breguet Br 695AB.2



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# Fairey Firefly Family in 1/48 scale:





SH72206 TT-1 Pinto "US Navy Trainer"





SH72220 TT-1 Pinto "Civilian Service"





SH72241 1/72 Vickers Spanish Vildebeest "Float Version"





