



GTR Newsletter

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The Newsletter of IPMS/Grand Touring
and Racing Auto Modelers

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The new Penske Porsche ALMS/LeMans LMP2

GTR Auto Modelers

2002/2003 IPMS/USA Region 5 Chapter of the Year

2005 Meetings: Every 3rd Saturday @ 7:00 p.m.

Location alternates between member's homes and the Fountains of Crystal Lake

Next GTR Meeting: November 19, 2005

Fountains of Crystal Lake

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GTR MAILBox

by Chuck Herrmann

Industry News

At the iHobby Expo in Los Angeles last month, Accurate Miniatures announced they will release two new kits of the Shelby 289 Cobra November 2006. Kit 24-5000 is the FIA 289 Cobra; 24-5001 is the USRRC Cobra. They also showed pictures of a BMW M1, but I have no further details.

And the previously announced reissues of their Grand Sport Corvette are scheduled to be in stores sometime in the 4th quarter of 2005, so be watching.

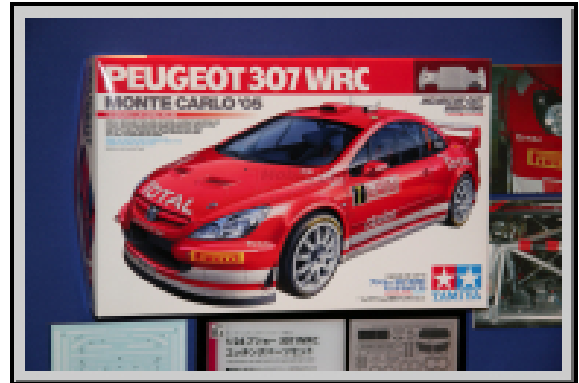
The recent Tokyo Hobby Show saw several announcements. Trumpter will issue a kit of a LaFrance fire pumper in 1/25.



Fujimi will have kits of the new Mini from the movie "The Italian Job"



Tamiya will have a new kit of the Peugeot 307 WRC rally racer (kit 24285) and a set of photo etch and detail parts for it (12607).



Revell Germany will do a 1/24 kit of the Ferrari F2005 F1 race car.



For more details see the Hobby Link Japan website www.hlj.com.

Also, I have heard rumors Tamiya will do a kit of the Ferrari F40GT Italian GT Champion, hopefully a full race version? And Fujimi will do a kit of the new Ferrari F340

From Revell-Monogram, we should see the 66 Penske Corvette racer kit in December.



See the Events calendar for details and for all the events I know of.

Real World

Hummer To Sponsor Team Dakar USA



From www.autoracingdaily.com

HUMMER Division and Robby Gordon Motorsports have joined together to take on the Dakar Rally, widely considered to be the most grueling off-road race in the world due to its brutal terrain and extreme environmental conditions. Gordon will lead his Team Dakar USA from behind the wheel of a HUMMER H3 race truck. His relationship with HUMMER will also include driving an H3 in the 2006 Baja 1000 and Baja 500 desert races.

Gordon's H3 will consist of an H3 body paired with a specially developed chassis featuring a suspension designed by him and his Off-Road team. The H3 will be a tube-chassis vehicle similar to Trophy Trucks races in the famed Baja 1000, except that it will have a fully enclosed air-conditioned cockpit, including windshield and side windows. It will be powered by a production-based General Motors V8 engine.

Newsletters

Since last time, we have received newsletters from: IPMS/Lakes Region Scale Modelers, IPMS/Seattle, AMG Milwaukee, IPMS/C.A.R.S. in Miniature, IPMS/Bong Chapter, Rockford Wheels in Scale (RWIS) Winnebago Auto Modelers (WAM) and Lake Michigan Model Car Club. Also I have received a newsletter from the Maryland Automotive Modelers Association (MAMA) club.

Copies of all these will be available for viewing at the next meeting.

Events:

I have started adding some 2006 modeling events. Big local news is that the Milwaukee NNL in April will be moving to a new location this year.

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GTR Update

The November meeting of GTR will be at the Fountains of Crystal Lake.

We have received our IPMS/USA Chapter renewal paperwork, I will be submitting this month. Members, please make sure I have your most recent address and IPMS/USA status. We need at least five national IPMS members to renew our charter, so if you have lapsed please consider renewing. If you are not an IPMS/USA member, I encourage you to join the largest national modeling organization in the country. Let me know if you do, or see the IPMS/USA website at:

www.ipmsusa.org

The deadline for getting articles, reviews, etc. in the next (November, 2005) issue of the newsletter is October 30. Submissions are ***desperately*** needed.

October GTR Meeting

The October GTR meeting was 10/15/05 at The Fountains of Crystal Lake. Turnout was very light. Hopefully we can get more members to attend this month.

GTR Classifieds:

Want to trade a Tamiya Ferrari 360 Spider for a Ferrari 360 Modena. Contact:
Les Whitfield - twhitfield@hotmail.com

IPMS USA
International Plastic Modelers Society

National Conventions:

August 2-5, 2006 Kansas City, MO

August 22-25, 2007 Anaheim, CA

2008 – TBA – East Region location

Ferrari 612 Scaglietti

in 1/24 by Revell AG



Subject: Ferrari 612 Scaglietti
Manufacturer: Revell AG (Germany)
Kit Number: 07364 Scale: 1/24

Model details

Scale	1:24
Release date	02/2005
No. of parts	122
Length	204 mm
Skill Level	3

Original details

Type description	sports car
Year/Period	2004
Origin	I
Engine capacity	540 bhp
Engine	V12-engine
Displacement	6 litre
Speed	321 kph

Model-Details:

- Separate movable bonnet
- Detailed interior with authentic dashboard and structurally detailed seats
- Very detailed, multi-piece 12-cylinder engine
- True-to-original reproduction of wheels and brakes, steerable front axle, finely detailed wheel suspension
- Detailed chassis
- Instructions and authentic decals for a blue or a silver car

Kit Description: The new 2 + 2 seater from Ferrari was shown to the public for the first time anywhere in the world at the Detroit Motor Show in January 2004. The name of this deluxe sports coupe with an unusually roomy interior pays tribute to Sergio Scaglietti who built Ferrari bodies for many years. As usual the design is by Pininfarina. It recalls the shape and in particular the side recesses and large front grille of the Ferrari 375 Mille Miglia. Under the bonnet of this front-wheel drive 540 bhp 612 Scaglietti there is a 6-litre, 12-cylinder engine (= 612) that accelerates it from 0 to 100 kph in just 4.4 seconds. It can sprint from 0 to 200 in kph in only 15.5 seconds and has a top speed of 321 kph. The gear lever is a paddle shift on the steering wheel but it can also be changed over to fully-automatic mode at the touch of a button.



First Look

by Chuck Herrmann

There have been several recent kit releases of new Ferraris. This 612 Scaglietti by Revell AG is molded in white, with chrome wheels and trim. It is a full detail kit, with a complete 16 piece engine and chassis. The rubber tires have no sidewall markings. The decal sheet has nine sets of license plates, to allow you to model a car from several different countries (but no USA).



GTR Event Calendar

2005

November 12 23rd Annual Butch O'Hare Show
Lakeview Jr HS
Darrien, IL
John wendt jwendt001@aol.com
<http://home.att.net/~b-ohare/>

December 4 Tri-State Collectors Classic Toy Show
Tinley Park HS, Tinley Park, IL
Jim Welytok 262-246-7171
unievents@aol.com
(formerly Hillside)
www.uniqueeventsshow.com

December 11 Milwaukee Miniature Miniature Motors Swap Meet
Waukesha County Expo Center, Waukesha, WI
Joan Dun 262-646-4114

2006

December 31 – January 15 Dakar Rally 2006
Lisbon, Portugal to Dakar, Senegal

January 29 7th Annual Classic Plastic Model Contest and Swap Meet
Hosted by Rockford Wheels in Scale
Ken Rock Community Center, Rockford IL
Dan Myers dfmyers@aeroinc.net

January 28-29 Rolex 24 Hours
Daytona International Speedway, Daytona FL F
Rolex Grand American Series

January 4 Hope It Don't Snow Show
IPMS/Zumbro Valley
Stewartville Civic Center Stewartville, MN
Ed St. Denis edwardstdenis@msn.com

February 19 NASCAR Daytona 500
Daytona International Speedway, Daytona FL

February 24-25 IPMS/Pathfinders
Radisson Inn Madison, WI
Michael Rechlicz 608-845-7699

February 26 Illinois Plastic Kit and Toy Show
With model car contest hosted by Lake Michigan Model Car Club
DuPage County Fairgrounds Wheaton, IL
630-993-0883

March 18 Mobil1 Twelve Hours of Sebring
Sebring, Florida American LeMans Series

March 18 LOCON 2006 IPMS/Ft Crook
Mid America Center Council Bluffs, IA
Mike Cavel mcavel@tconl.com

March 18 11th Annual Show
IPMS/Mad City Modelers
Radisson Inn Madison, WI
Jim turek jjtmodel@yahoo.com

March 25 IPMS/Quad Cities
Holiday Inn Convention Center Davenport, IA
Glen Broman grbroman@aol.com

March 25-26 Mall Show/Toy & Farm Expo
IPMS/South Central Modelers
Fairmont Mall Fairmont, MN
Dan Bauer cinderjoe@hotmail.com

April 15? Milwaukee NNL
Excellence Center Waukesha, WI
More details to come

April 22 IPMS Plastic Surgeons
Valley Church West Des Moines, IA
Greg Matge gmgha@mchsi.com

May 6 IPMS/Duneland
Willowcreek Middle School
Portage, IN
Ron Fraser rsf2020@comcast.com

? = event or date not yet confirmed as of this printing



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