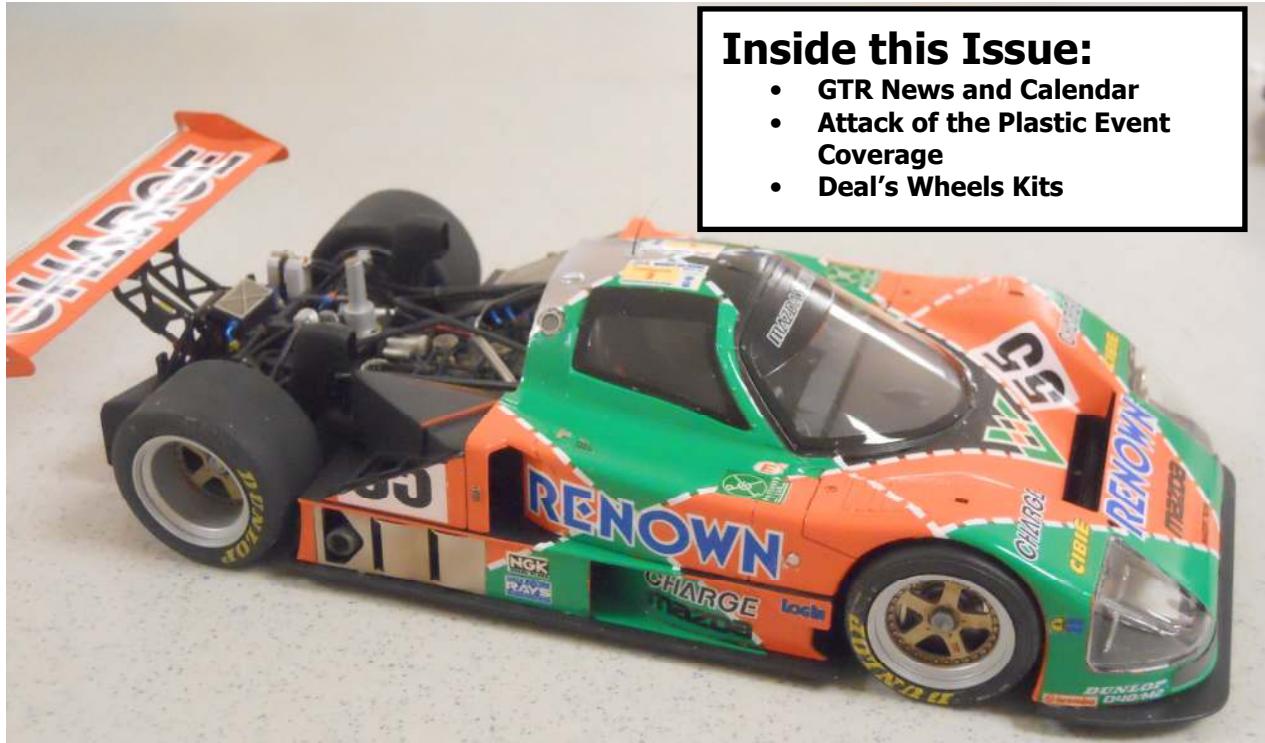




GTR Newsletter August 2012

The Newsletter of IPMS Grand Touring and Racing Auto Modelers



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2002/2003 IPMS/USA Region 5 Chapter of the Year
2007 and 2008 IPMS/USA Region 5 Newsletter of the Year
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GTR Mailbag



by Chuck Herrmann

REAL WORLD

Ferrari F70

This photo of what very well might be a development mule for the next primo Ferrari — likely to be called the F70—was supposed to be in the last issue but was inadvertently deleted.



So here it is! autoweek.com

Woman watched NASCAR with deceased man for over a year

from Yahoo.com Sports

Many of us like watching races in the company of other NASCAR fans, but Linda Chase of Jackson, Mich., might have taken that just a bit too far.

For the past 10 years, she lived together with Charles Zigler. And when Zigler passed away, they continued to live and watch NASCAR together for approximately 18 months until authorities found Zigler's body on Friday.

We'll let the Jackson Citizen Patriot take it from here:

Zigler, known as Charlie, died naturally, Linda Chase said. "He just fell asleep." She kept him in his chair after he died, keeping him dressed and cleaned. His body did not stink, she said. She would talk to him and watch NASCAR races on television with him.

Jackson officials believe that Zigler, who would have been 67 or 68, died around Christmas of 2010. That was 18 months ago. When Zigler's family members went to check on him after not hearing from him for a while, they went to the police, who found Zigler's body in his chair.

Chase kept Zigler's body around for more than NASCAR races, however. She's admitted to cashing his social security checks, saying "I'm probably going to prison." She's currently being investigated. When family members, with whom Zigler did not have a close relationship, tried to contact him, Chase would tell them that he was gone. She told the paper that "It's not that I'm

heartless. It's just that after so many bad things happen to you, I don't know. I didn't want to be alone. He was the only guy who was ever nice to me."

So, next time you have friends over for a race, check on them every once in a while. Yeah, they could be just taking a nap because it's Pocono, but you never know.

Some feedback comments:

- "Weekend at Bernie's" meets "Talladega Nights".
- i always felt like NASCAR could bore you to death...now its confirmed

INDUSTRY NEWS

New Kits & Stuff

New Mini Contryman

1/24 Mini Cooper S Countryman All4 by Hasegawa – Curbside kit.



We await a WRC version?

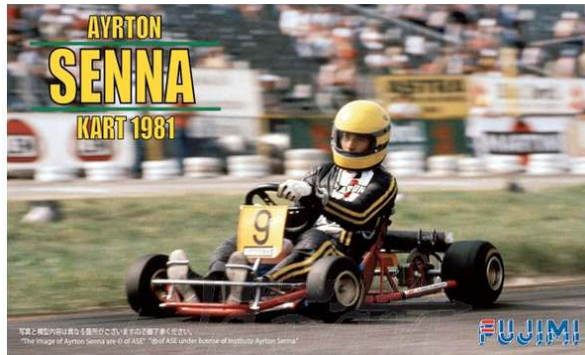
1/24 Audi R18 Winner Le Mans 2011 by Profil 24

This item is a racing car model kit assembled from parts made of resin, white metal, photo-etched metal and possibly other materials.



Profil 24's multi-media kits feature sharply cast resin bodies and other parts, plus cast metal, machined metal, and photo-etched metal parts. Also includes rubber tires, clear resin, vacuum-formed plastic parts, and decals. Instructions are in French and English and feature color photos.

Senna's Go Karts



1/20 Ayrton Senna Kart 1981 by Fujimi



1/20 Ayrton Senna Kart 1993 by Fujimi

The kit has been reproduced in a complete new mold 1/20 scale the two years 1981 and 1993.

With driver figure of Senna! (Prefabricated Unpainted)

Round 2 AMT Releases

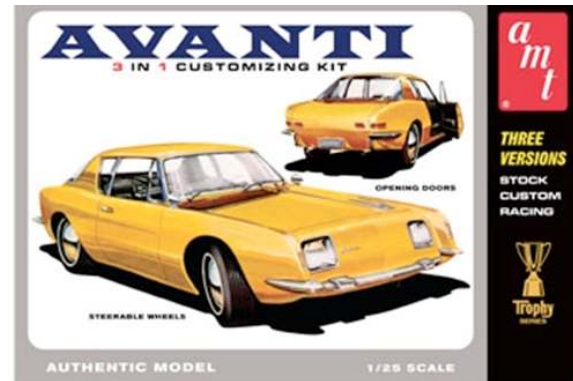
AMTRONIC Reissued



AMT AMTronic 1:25 Scale SKU: AMT755

This retro futuristic classic is an original inside and out! It's packed with cool features! Wheels turn, doors open, clear and green window option, lenticular "Solar Panel" and more than 150 parts all come in a Retro Deluxe vintage reproduction package. A FREE full color display backdrop for this amazing kit is included.

Avanti 50th Anniversary



AMT 1963 Studebaker Avanti 1:25 Scale Model Kit

Studebaker's most famous and stylish design is 50 years old! AMT reintroduces the Avanti model kit. The 3 in 1 customizing kit features dozens of upgrades and a 16 page EXCLUSIVE archive booklet!

AMT Firestone Deluxe Champion Tire Pack 1:25 scale

The second serving of AMT's classic Tire-Pack reissues is here...the classic Firestone "Deluxe Champion" stock tire set. This venerable tire has been retooled a couple of times over the years, as it's used in so many kits. The earliest 1/25 replica of this tire became dubbed the "Trophy Series" tire, as it was generic without any sidewall lettering. Later retools saw Firestone lettering added and changes in the style and accuracy of the tread pattern. AMT's new incarnation of the tire has improved detail, featuring an accurate tread pattern, engraved Firestone lettering as well as the "F" crest and associated "Gum Dipped" lettering.



8 pad printed Firestone "Deluxe Champion" vinyl tires. Wide and narrow whitewall styles included. Blackwall side with engraved and pad printed Firestone markings.

AIRFIX OLYMPIC Torch

Being British, Airfix is an official sponsor of the 2012 London Olympics. They are offering a Die Cast Mini Olympic Torch in 1:5 scale – 9.99 euro.



EVENTS

The fifth annual GTR Summer NNL is this weekend, August 5, 2012!

And in the real world, the American LeMans Series comes to Road America on August 18, the nearest these sports racing cars will be to the GTR home area.

See the events calendar for details for all of the events that I know of. If any readers wish their events or any other events of interest to GTR listed send the information along to me.

2012 GTR Summer NNL

The fifth annual GTR Summer NNL is this weekend, August 5, 2012. The format and location will be the same as prior shows. The theme will be Dirt: Off Road Vehicles, anything designed or modified to be operated off the pavement. Such as dune buggies, rally racers, dirt track sprints, midgets and stockers, construction equipment and more. We will again have a sub theme, this time it will be commemorating 50 Years of the Daytona 24 Hours race, any subject that was or is eligible to compete in the event. We are still accepting trophy package sponsorships (\$35 per trophy) as well as donations for our raffle. Most trophies have been sold, contact either Steve Jahnke or Chuck Herrmann to see what classes are still available. See address and telephone info on the cover page. All sponsorships and donations will be acknowledged on the trophies and in all our event coverage and signage.

See our ad page for all the details!



GTR Update

The next regular meeting will be Saturday, August 4th, at the Algonquin Township Building. Since this is the day before our GTR Summer NNL we will hold the regular meeting then set up the room for the next day's show. That will make things easier on Sunday morning.

Until we firm up any alternate plans or events, the regular monthly meetings will meet at the Township. The September meeting will be September 1st.

Any member who wants to bring up other ideas or suggestions for future meetings or activities, do so either at the meeting or contact me.

We plan on doing a club calendar for 2013, details for getting pictures of members models will be worked out.

GTR will again be participating in the Meadowdale Motorsports and Memories event on Sep 15 at Raceway Woods in Carpentersville. Details to follow.

Past issues of the GTR newsletters are available on line.

Go to www.carsandracingstuff.com, then click on Newsletters, find GTR and our newsletters are archived back to 2004. Thanks to Bill Crittenden for storing our newsletters on his site.

2012 GTR Club Project

If during this year GTR members build a model that fits the Summer NNL themes (Dirt: Off Road and 24 Hours of Daytona: Sports Racing cars) and present it (or via an emailed photo) at a club meeting or event before the GTR Summer NNL you will get your club dues of \$15 refunded. We have had several members who have turned in projects, there is one month left to meet the deadline!

July GTR Meeting

The regular July 2012 GTR meeting was held at the Algonquin Township Office on July 7. We thought that the holiday weekend would limit

attendance but it was a full house! For the brief business portion of the meeting we did the treasury report and the mailbag, and then we discussed the upcoming GTR Summer NNL. Then it was on to Show & Tell.

Joel Peters: Revell 1/8 32 Ford kit, which he is donating to the GTR Summer NNL raffle – thanks Joel!



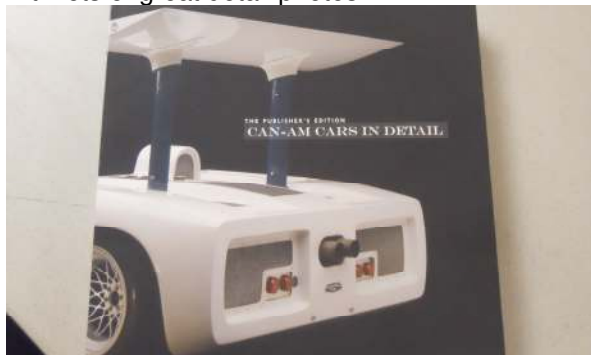
Ed Sexton: Model Factory Hiro resin kit of the Lotus 49 E1 racer.



Gerry Pacquette: Mini Exotics resin kit of the Lola T70 MkII.



Larry Fulhorst: Can-Am Cars in Detail book with lots of great detail photos



Dave Edgecomb: Profil 24 resin kit of an early

Porsche 917....



and two Fujimi Ferrari kits in progress, a GTO and a Testa Rossa with the HRM detail kits.



Doug Fisher: Tamiya Mazda 767B, almost complete with lots of details – also see cover photo.



Steve Jahnke: Tamiya BMW 630 built up.



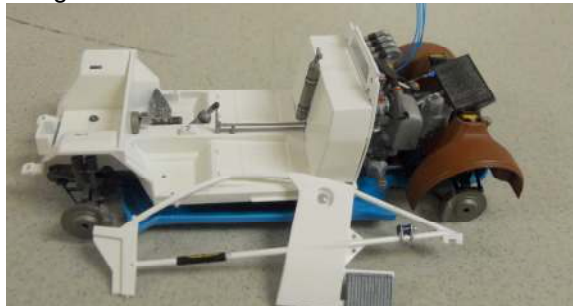
Chuck Herrmann: recent buys – a Palmer 1963 Corvair kit, partially built...



and an MPC 1/20 McLaren Mk8D in a bag.



Two off road projects for our NNL, the Tamiya Peugeot 405 Dakar racer...



and a Revell Baja bug.



And finally, a built Hasegawa VW 1963 VW bus in Red, White and Blue for July.



GTR Classifieds

For Sale: Complete set of *Car Modeler*, May 1990 through September 1998, in four original *Car Modeler* binders.

Complete set of *Scale Auto Enthusiast* (*Scale Auto* starting January 2002), May 1979 through December 2011, in original *Scale Auto Enthusiast* and *Scale Auto* binders:

Contact: Ronald Spanraft, (847) 548-2635, rmgs13@yahoo.com

Wanted: Photos of the Lotus 56 STP Turbine Car as raced in USAC road races in 1968, especially Riverside. Cars #40 (Pollard) and #60 (Leonard/Andretti). Need cars in road race trim, I have plenty of photos from Indy.

Chuck Herrmann gtrchab@yahoo.com

ATTACK of the PLASTIC

by Chuck Herrmann

The 4th annual Attack of the Plastic Model Contest and Swap tool place on Sunday, July 8 in Delavan, WI. This year the venue changed from downtown Delevan to the Lake Lawn Lodge Resort.



I don't have a model count but there were a lot of models on the tables, and the race car class was overflowing its space. There were awards for the top three in each class. And there were over forty tables for vendors.

On the grounds of the resort that day there was also a large real car show, in a great setting along the shores of Lake Delavan.

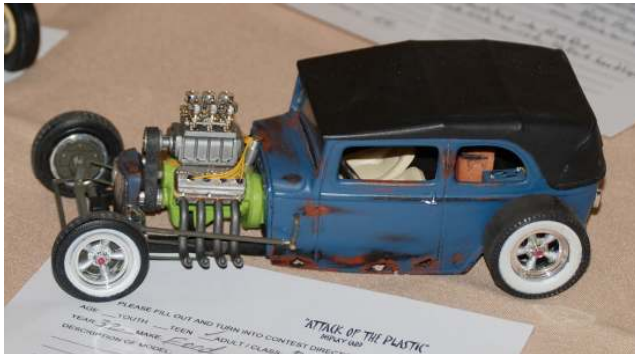


It was a nice sunny day, traffic was actually backed up getting into the event. Vegas above

and Corvairs below.



Great patina on a 50 Chevy pickup
Model Photos:



Rat Rod



Citroen 2CV beach rod!



Ron Fellows ALMS Corvette



Dirt track modified stock car



32 Ford Custom.

It was a good model show, well attended in a nice venue. The setting was very nice, the weather perfect, after the show my wife and I hung around and enjoyed a nice dinner in a lakeside restaurant.

IPMS-USA

International Plastic Modelers Society

IPMS News

GTR is a local chapter of IPMS/USA, in Region 5. Local chapters need five active national IPMS/USA members to remain an IPMS chapter. We urge those who have lapsed to renew their IPMS/USA membership, or if you have never been a member enroll now! Details can be found at their web site, www.ipmsusa.org, or see me for membership forms.

This year's IPMS/USA National Convention and Contest will take place August 8 thru 11 in Orlando Florida— GTR is proud to sponsor a trophy package this year, category 524: Competition Closed Wheel 1/31 to 1/20 scale.

The 2013 Region 5 IPMS/USA Regional Contest and Convention will be held in Madison, WI.

IPMS USA

International Plastic Modelers Society

2012 Nationals: Aug 8-11 Orlando, FL

www.ipms2012.org

2013 Region 5 Madison, WI

2013 Nationals: Loveland, CO



McLapper Mk. V8" Can't Am Racer with Spoiler

By Ed Wahl

*Reprinted from The August 2012
IPMS/Will-Cook Newsletter*

The "McLapper" was one of a series of "Deal's Wheels" produced by Revell 40 years ago. Some interesting information about these kits was provided by Thomas Graham in his *Remembering Revell Model Kits, Revised and Expanded 2nd Edition*.

"All these kits, except two, were developed by Dave Deal himself. Instruction sheets feature a Deal cartoon and story line directions by Deal's artist friend Don Mackie. Early editions had "Good-Boot" tires with a Playboy Bunny emblem on them. This was removed from later issues to avoid controversy. If you didn't want to build the model with the driver's head, you could use the substitute steering wheel part."

Will-Cook Ed's note: I did not ever notice this on my original issue kits. I did find one kit, the Go-Mad Nomad, with the Playboy Bunny emblem on the Good-Boot tires, and it showed on the original box art. All the others had the politically correct (even in 1971) Good-Boot tires with the emblem removed. Looking carefully at the box art, I discovered small black patches had been added to cover up the emblems on the tires. I wonder if a Playboy Bunny emblem adds to the value of the kit on the collector market, because none of the recent reissues of some of these kits under the Old School banner will have them.

All these kits were in the series:

H-1351 Bug Bomb/Bug Out

H-1352 Glitter Bug

H-1353 ZZZZZZ-28

H-1354 Stink Ray

H-1355 '57 cHEVY

H-1356 Swine Hunt (a German Armored Car)

H-1357 Trans Um Tirebird

H-1359 McLapper Mk. V8

H-1361 Baja Humbug

H-1362 Van (Mercedes surf van with two boards on top)

H-1363 Ferd Phony Car

H-1364 Go-Mad Nomad

H-1365 Super Spurt

If you ever find any of these original kits, they used to be worth up to \$100 each. The recent reissues, however, may have decreased the value somewhat. They are fun to build, and they go together quickly. They are molded in color, but beware of fit problems.

2012 GTR Summer NNL 5th Annual Contest & Swap Meet

Hosted by: IPMS/GTR

Theme: **DIRT-Off Road**



Sub-Theme: 50 Years
of the Daytona 24 Hours
Sports Car Racing



Attention Automotive Modelers; we have a summer show and swap meet for you! You are invited to our GTR Summer NNL contest and swap meet.

The Summer NNL will be held on Sunday August 5th 2011 from 9:30AM to 2:00PM at the Algonquin Township Building, 3702 US Highway 14, Crystal Lake, Illinois 60014

For the out-of-towners, there are tons of local accommodations from Days Inn to Holiday Inn. Admission to the show is a measly 5 bucks; you can enter as many models on the tables as you like (no additional charge) and we will serve a pizza lunch (again, no additional charge, soda extra; sorry had to draw a line somewhere) to all show entrants.

Did we mention that there is a swap meet too? There will be a free "trunk sale" swap meet in our spacious parking lot, vendors and show goers are encouraged to open their trunks and sell-sell-sell rain or shine. Vendor set-up starts at 8:30AM. Also we raffle off some nice prizes.

Our NNL style contest bestows "Best Of" awards as mandated by popular vote as determined by show attendees, official judging and nit-picking is strictly forbidden, praise and admiration from fellow modelers strongly encouraged.

Classes:

Competition Open Wheel	All scales	F1, Indy, Drag, etc
Competition Closed Wheel	All scales	NASCAR, LeMans/IMSA, Can-Am, Drag
Street	All scales	Street legal - Muscle Cars, Sports/Exotics, Tuners, beaters, factory stock
Custom	All scales	Modified custom vehicles
Commercial	All scales	Trucks, Taxis, Police, Ambulance and Emergency
Motorcycles	All scales	All types
Curbside	All scales, all types	Hood closed, judged as displayed, includes slammers
Out of the Box	All scales, all types	No modifications to the kit except filler, paint, decals and foil
Theme: Dirt Off Road	All scales, all types	Anything designed or modified to be operated off the pavement. Dune Buggies, Rally racers, dirt racers, etc.
50 Years of the Daytona 24 Hours	All scales, all types	Any sports racing cars that were eligible to compete at the Daytona 24 Hours
People's Choice	Any model in the contest.	

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GTR Event Calendar

August 5 5th Annual GTR Summer NNL
Theme: DIRT (Off Road)
Subtheme: 24 Hours of Daytona
Algonquin Township Building Crystal Lake, IL
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Aug 8-11 IPMS National Convention
Disney World, Orlando, FL
www.ipms2012.org

August 18 Road America ALMS
Elkhart Lake, WI

Sep15 Meadowdale Motorsports and Memories
Raceway Woods Carpentersville, IL
www.mirpa.org

Sep29 Nordic Con Contest and Swap
IPMS/Twin Cities Aero Historians
Productivity Inc Plymouth, MN
John Ross plasticmodeler@yahoo.com

Sep 23 60th IL Plastic Kit & Toy Show
DuPage County Fairgrounds, Wheaton IL
(630) 969-1847
Email: pthpowerinc@aol.com.

Oct 6 NNL 33
Sylvania Exhibit Center Toledo OH
Email to osplenn@aol.com

Oct 7 Toledo Collectors Toy Fair
Sylvania Exhibit Center Toledo OH
www.oldtoylandshows.com

Oct 20 IPMS Glue Crew Contest & Swap
Howard Johnson's, Wausau WI
Joseph Drew 715-842-0173

Oct 21 Countryside Collectors Classic Show
Park Place of Countryside
Countryside, Illinois 60525
www.uniqueeventsshows.com

November 4 Scale Auto Hobby & Toy Show
American Serb Hall Milwaukee, WI
www.uniqueeventsshows.com

November 18 (hopefully...) US Grand Prix
Circuit of the Americas
Austin TX

Dec 2 Tinley Park Annual Holiday Toy Show
Tinley Park High School, Tinley Park IL
www.uniqueeventsshows.com

Dec9 Milwaukee Miniature Motors Autumn Show
County Expo Center, Waukesha, WI
Contact Joan Dunn (262) 646-4114 (Voicemail)
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<http://www.milwaukeeeminaturemotors.com/ihtml/mainframe.ihtml>



Grand Am Sports Car Racing made its debut at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway on July 27.

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Next GTR Meeting: August 4, 2012

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