



NEWSLETTER

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WANT ADS

If any club members have something they would like to sell or are looking for a particular model related item, drop me an email.

WANTED: Revell/Monogram 1/12 scale Camaro body molded in white. Will purchase or trade for older body molded in orange.
Contact Don Stadick at dstadick@yahoo.com or see me at the meeting.



Club Calendar

June 17-19, 2011

Back to the 50's
MN State Fairgrounds - Model Contest

June 25, 2011

Meeting, Edina-
Library, 1:00 P.M.
Rally Car Theme

July 16, 2011

Meeting, Edina-
Library, 1:00 P.M.
F1/ Grand Prix
Theme



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Welcome to the June newsletter. Boy, it's a busy time, isn't it? With all the model and real car shows, it feels like every weekend is booked. I barely have time to build . . . oh wait, I don't have time to build! I have four new projects I started on the bench and even though I wanted to build a nice simple model or two, each and every one has body work, turned or cast-resin parts, and custom paint. I just can't seem to build anything straight out of the box anymore.

Due to the busy schedule, please remember that the June meeting has been pushed back one week to Saturday, June 25th at the Edina Library. The theme for the on-the-table is Rally Cars. I am currently unsure of my schedule, so Clint may be running this meeting. Be kind to him.

I'm writing this just after concluding the NNL North. While the numbers were down this year in the area of number of models and vendors, I believe that the quality was stepped up. The number of outstanding models on the tables was great. I had a few minutes in between duties to walk around, view the models, and mingle with the patrons and vendors. It was a great time. Thank you to all the RPM members who took the time on a beautiful day to join us. My personal opinion is that the NNL should be moved into May to avoid many of the conflicts we hit this year and others, but that is up for discussion and will be decided by the appropriate counsel in the future.

The day before the NNL, I had a chance to go to the Mopars in the Park, which is a great annual car show out in Farmington at the Dakota Country Fairgrounds. This year, Don Prudhomme was one of the guests, along with Roland Leong, Akron Arlen Vanke, and many others from drag racing legend. It was also a great place to get some excellent reference photos for the Mopar engines I'm working on.

The following day (which competed with our NNL), was the All Ford show out at Apple Valley Ford. I didn't even realize this was going on until I heard from Chris Batson, who decided to attend the show instead of our NNL, mainly due to the nice weather. Yes, he is now on my list. That explains all the Mustangs that were lined up at Perkins as I drove into the NNL.

Coming up on June 17-19 is the Back to the Fifties car show, which we have all mentioned ad-nauseam. I will be enjoying the car show on Friday with my family, but will be at the model booth a lot on Saturday, followed by the swap on Sunday. I have anywhere up to 20 models to bring, depending on my mood that day. I am comfortable that it will be secure in the Grandstand and we shouldn't need to worry about anything. Judging will be handled on Saturday evening (between 4-6), but the models must be present on Sunday if you wish to take home a prize. When bringing in models, ask for a free admittance coupon for Sunday to return and gather your builds.

The website is still being rebuilt and Clint has added a new photo option for the NNL pictures he took in the upper-right corner of the website. Check it out when you have a chance. I believe he is also working on getting a frame that would automatically rotate pictures at a set interval. That would be a great addition.

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer, but still has some time to build on the rainy evenings.

Thanks,

Don



On the Table by Mark Rollie

May's meeting saw a strong turnout of members but not so much on the table. Could it have been the keen anticipation of playing "Jeopardy" had members boning up on trivia instead of building? Could it have been the days leading up to that Saturday actually contained decent weather, perfect for yard work and household projects, that didn't include spraying that final coat of Testors? Members saving their best & brightest work for a debut at NNL North instead? All of the above?

But no matter, here is what May had to offer. First up were two projects of mine, with the '30 Ford Model A Touring Coupe built to enter the Revell National contest. This car (originally the Monogram Red Chariot) goes together very well when considering its age, mainly needing some parts cleanup. Body paint was done with Plastikote Universal Black, Testors White Lightning, and Testors Gloss Black. Upholstery was done with Testors Fabric Tan.

Next to that was my AMT '69 Ford Torino Cobra modified stock car, a project started nearly 2 years ago and just now finished. I can't even remember the brand of paint used for the orange! Might have been Testors Hugger Orange. Decals were from the kit and parts box, and overall a lot of fun to put together.

Torben Rothgeb gave shock & awe with bringing something not NASCAR ... a ProTouring car diorama, of which he made the base himself for the Starter kit Mercedes 190 on it.

Erik Zabel brought in a collection of cars for the express purpose of having them photographed inside Clint William's remodeled photo booth.

Along with the photo booth, Clint brought in a Revell C5 Corvette, which had a hood from an older Vette model as he robbed the hood vents from the C5 for a Viper project. A curbside project, the pink finish was done with the help of his daughter.

Bill Johanneck brought in a mini-fleet of 4 cars, the first being a '66 Mercury with a 427 hi-rise; next a '70 Chevy that was a restored glue-bomb; then a Monogram '59 Chevy that Bill received from a friend unfinished and then Bill completed; and last a Ford Fairlane that was a swap meet purchase with parts missing, and eventually finished with replacement parts including Cobra valve covers.

Jim Mulligan added another motorcycle to his long list of cycle builds, this one a Tamiya Ducati, built with photo-etched parts, using his own rivets, modifying the chain by drilling out the NUBS (this article rated G) on the chain, and finishing it all up with Painters Touch Apple Red.

Jim Johnson brought in a couple of the Revell '32 Ford Sedan Deliveries, one stock height body and the 2nd a chop-top resin conversion for comparison.

And ending up this month's program with the answer "This is the followup automobile kit from this company after their GT40" we will go with Jim Allen's "What is the Trumpeter Ford Falcon?" Jim brought in the new kit, unassembled, for everyone to give it a parts & package inspection. And that ends the final round and this month On The Table!





NNL North by Bob Maderich II

Another year and another successful NNL. This was our 13th year for the show and it seems to get better every year. We had a slight drop off in the model count, (252) but the quality was very high. We put \$1700.00 in the NNL account, so the show will be on a sound financial footing for the near future. The raffle was a great success, and thanks to all who donated kits to it. The vendors were down a bit from last year, noticeably missing Steve Kohler and his 8 tables of goodies. Hopefully, he will be back next year.

So, pat yourselves on the back, we put on a great show and have plenty to be proud of. Note especially the visitors that return every year and the new people that thought the world of the show. Here's a list of the winners:

Best Street Machine (MCCM award to honor Dave Kohler) went to Rod Maskiw for his '55 Chevy Cameo

Best Bootlegger car (annual MCCM award) went to Mike Tinucci for his '40 Ford

Best Road car (Presented by the Winnipeg Model car club) went to Jim Kampmann for his '32 Ford

Best Competition Vehicle (RPM award) went to Mike Dowd for his Dodge Stratus Pro Stock

Best Junior went to Andy Rocheford for his very well done Midget racer.

And the Top Ten are:

Rod Maskiw-'68 Dodge Dart

Kirby Hughes-Jaguar XK-120 drag car

Bob Hood-'57 Ford custom

Mike Dowd-69 Dodge Daytona Charger

Jim Kampmann-'32 Ford 5 Window coupe

Jim Mulligan-Cobra Daytona Coupe

Jim Allen '66 Chevy Impala

John Seffl-'56 Ford

Dennis Ezmerlian-2011 Aston Martin

Bob Halliday-'71 Plymouth Duster

