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CLUB MEETING AND EVENTS CALENDAR

JULY 2009

- 18 RPM Monthly Meeting, Edina Library 1:00 PM
Car's from the 70's theme

AUGUST 2009

- 1 RPM Tonight Chris Vick's Home - Pool party!
- 15 RPM Monthly Meeting, Edina Library 1:00 PM - Cars from the 80's
- 15 Model Show 6th Annual Model Car Show - Wells, MN

SEPTEMBER 2009

- 5 RPM Tonight Open
- 19 RPM Meeting, Edina? 1:00 PM - Swap Meet -or- Auction
- 20 Model Show 14th Annual Model Car Show - St. Peter, MN



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Welcome to the July Newsletter!

Notes from a past president. (NO, I'm not that one)

Anyway, welcome to the July newsletter and since all of our officers were gone in June, I have been nominated to post a monthly screed.

It was a beautiful day, it was Back to the 50's, so the turnout was somewhat light, but for a summer meeting it was great. Lots of good stuff on the table to look at, 60's era racing stuff being our featured theme. (Don't forget your 70's racing machines for the July meeting) We had some old members return, some guests, (notably a local armor builder, who just might dip his toe into the car world), and generally had a good time. A few issues were actually discussed, i.e. swap/raffle, some reminders given, i.e. "Torben Challenge" in November, and off we went.

Keep September 19th in mind for this years Nordicon event. The theme is "Moments in Time", which will work for any racing subject. I also need to get 2 or 3 judges to help with the cars this year. See ya in July.

Bob II

NEW KITS

By Jim Kampmann

I have observed several new kits on the shelves this month (at Hub Hobby of course!), here's what I found:

Revell '09 Challenger
Revell '30 Model A Coupe
Tamiya Porsche 956 and 962
Fujimi Mini Cooper S
AMT '06 Camaro
MPC '67 GTO
Revell Bathtub Buggy

Coming at the end of this month:
Revell '32 Five Window Coupe

Maybe we can talk one of our members into bringing his Trumpeter GT40 to the meeting (PLEASE!)

Jim



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June On-The-Table By Erik Zabel

Tim Graf started the June show off with a salt flats car driven by Chet Herbert in the early 90's. It was an in progress streamliner that features a 7' high tail fin and four 540 cubic inch Chevy motors. It was Herbert's attempt to beat the naturally aspirated record. Tim's model will be a fully scratch built curbside.



Chris Vick brought some nice funny cars. First was a 1971 MPC Blue Max kit. Other than the Slixx replacement decals it was out of the box. Chris also brought two AMT/Model King 1968 Cougar funny cars. The red car featured a scratch built factory stock hood scoop and grill which looked like they were part of the kit. Nice job on those. The second Cougar was the Fast Eddie Schartmann car with Slixx decals and new valve covers. Chris says the AMT kits are more difficult than the MPC kit.



Erik Zabel brought the recently finished Revell Mickey Thompson Challenger I. He added engine wiring, coolant lines and fuel lines. But most of his time on the kit was spent correcting the terrible fit problems. Most of the parts were ground with a dremel or carved up to get them to fit, sometimes after they were painted. Miraculously the body panels can be displayed on or off. The paint was MCW lacquer.



Torben Rothgeb brought the Monte Carlo that Bobby Allison drove in 1972. In this car Allison led in 39 consecutive races and won 10 races to finish second in the points. Torben altered the rims to be less deep and used Yesterday's decals, which he says were very nice to work with and include enough decals for three cars. He used Tamiya Italian red and gold.

Mark Rollie brought a Mickey Thompson sponsored funny car, built from a Jo-Han kit and using Gooche decals and American Satco slicks. He had to use the Gooche decals because the Slixx decals were out of scale for the kit. Boyd's True Blue Pearl was used for the exterior, with various shades of Alclad for the interior parts.



Bob Maderich brought the Alfa Romeo 8C2900 that ran at the Mille Miglia race. It is a Profil 24 French resin kit. It was built basically out of the box with MCW Alfa red. Bob said that getting all four wheels to hit the ground wasn't easy.



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On the table continued...

Andy Martin started off with his Bugatti Type 51 which he had started years ago. The kit was a Type 35 with Type 51 wheels so Andy decided to build an all-Type 51 car. The car represents the 1931 Monaco winner. Second for Andy was a resin bodied kit representing the body that was available from Mercury Body Company for Model Ts and Chevys. Andy has developed the resin body and will be making these available for sale. This car was painted with an unheard of paint called "Painter's Touch" in black and sage green. Andy's final car was a 1:43 1970 Mini rally car that was a resin built-up kit from China.

Cars for the 1960's theme:

Torben Rothgeb brought four cars, the 1969 Super Bee from Monogram painted in Testors lacquer bronze, the 1967 white David Pearson Charger, the 1967 Richard Petty car, and the 1968 David Pearson car.

Mark Rollie brought the Hurst Hairy Olds that was a box-stock build and the Warbucks Mustang funny car that was the Model King kit with parts box decals.

Erik Zabel brought two fuel altered that he built a few years ago, the Winged Express and the Pure Hell. The Winged express was built mostly out of the box with added engine details, while the Pure Hell used a resin body, wheels and fuel tank in addition to major chassis and front suspension modifications.

Bob Maderich brought a multitude of cars. First was the Don Edmunds super modified. Bob also brought the Fujimi Ford GT-40 MK II 1966 LeMans winner, the Honda RA272 that was Honda's and Goodyear's first F-1 win, a Marsh kit of the Lola 70 Dan Gurney drove to Ford's only win in the Can-Am series, the 1966 LeMans Renault from Heller, the MGB that raced at the 1966 Sebring race from Aoshima, a 1962 Chevy Super Stock using Model Car Garage parts, the 1:43 Jim Clark Lotus 33 from 1965, a Volvo BPV544 from the East African Safari that was a Tin Wizard kit (that thing was heavy for 1:43), a Jim Hall Chaparral 2F from 1967 that was a Fisher kit, and finally a Don Garlits Wynn's Jammer which featured nice Machined Aluminum Specialties wheels.

Last but not least, Hugh Heidt brought a couple of road cars from the John Mocom team that raced at Sebring in 1965, the 1965 Ferrari 250LM and the 1963 Corvette Grand Sport.

These theme meetings are great for bringing out cars that we haven't seen in a long time, or in my case, ever. Thanks, everyone for bringing these great cars.

