



November 2018



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“RPM is a club created for the building and enjoyment of race car and sports car scale models”

November 17 – RPM Meeting/ **Club Contest**

December 15 – RPM Meeting/ **Gift Exchange**

Club Contest: Models must have been completed since last November. Classes are:

- Competition – All closed course competition vehicles (excluding Motorcycles)
- Straight line - All straight line competition vehicles (excluding Motorcycles)
- Non Competition – Factory Stock/Street Machine
- Custom/Street Rod
- Out of Box – No aftermarket parts allowed – must include instructions
- Motorcycle – All motorcycle's
- Torben Challenge 2.0 – Stalled projects that were voted on earlier in the year
- 80's Racing Vehicles
- Out of Closet – Non Automotive: Aircraft, Armor, Ships, etc – **New this Year!**

\$35 Hub gift card awarded to 1 winner in each class, along with the fabulous “Boot Award” for the best Torben 2.0 winner!

We will be at the Southdale Library for November's meeting!

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*President's
Message*

Hi folks. Fall is officially over and winter is coming... Motorhome, boat, and motorcycles are all put to bed for the year. Let the binge eating, staying in the house, and building models season begin! The October meeting went well with the swap meet, and there were quite a few new faces there. Which, as you know makes me happy to be a part of a growing and vibrant club. There are so many awesome builders with great talents in so many diverse areas of modeling that have been kind enough to share their tips and techniques with each other here. I want to tell you all thank you for that, and for making it a great club that I am blessed to be a part of. I really do enjoy the time that I get to spend with you guys and soak up information, as well as inspiration & ideas. There were also quite a few members included in the Scale Auto magazine coverage of the NNL North this past May. So congratulations, and kudos to all those that were featured in the coverage! This months meeting (Saturday November 17th) as well as the December meeting will be held at the Southdale library in Bloomington again. <https://www.hclub.org/southdale> It is the club contest this month, so have all of your best builds from the last year ready to bring as well as your themed builds (Torben challenge V/2.0 : 80's racing vehicles). We will also be discussing the monthly themes for next years monthly themes, so bring your ideas as well. I hope to see you all there.

Tom

On The Table....



Welcome to the October "On the Table"

Since it was the swap month, there were not a lot of models on the table, but they were of excellent quality.

- **Bob Halliday** brought his 1/48 Citroen Traction Avant that he built from the Tamiya kit. He did it as a captured German vehicle and weathered it appropriately.
- **Tyler Halliday** gave us a little jewel, his '67' Plymouth Barracuda in 1/43 scale.
- **Tom Finch** finished the 2017 Ferrari F-1 car that he built from the Tamiya kit, in Kimi markings nonetheless! Also, he had the Porsche tractor in Gulf colors, that is the 3rd tractor I have seen! On top of all this was his 1/35 "Her Majesty's Estafette" a very cool resin, and white metal kit. A set of Suzuki 250 dirt bike wheels that he is re-lacing finished off his stash of models for this month.



Bob Halliday



Tyler Halliday



Tom Finch

- **Nick Amburgey** wowed us with his McLaren F-1 GTR that he built from the Aoshima kit. All these colors were painted on, no decals.
- **Bill Read** had his in progress Foose '49' Cadillac on the table. It had a very nice suede finish.
- **Dean Kuitunen** finished his '49' Ford drag car, it also was his White Elephant
- **Bob Maderich II** gave us his Quaker State Steve Kinser Sprint car. Built box stock, he added a seat belt.
- **Erik Zabel** finished his White Elephant, which was a 1/24 scale Ferrari 189 Grand Prix car from the Hasegawa kit.
- **Steve Burguetski** had a Porsche Cayman that he painted with Splash colors. He built this for a friend of his. Also, from Steve was his engine for a 1/16 scale Ferrari F-40.



Dean Kuitunen



Steve Burguetski



Erik Zabel



Nick Amburgey



Bob Maderich II



Deep Thoughts by Scott Harviuex....



Greetings Gents,

Today, I would like to talk about 1/18 diecast cars! Now I know what you are thinking, "WHAT! WERE A MODEL CLUB WE DON'T COLLECT DIE CASTS!" Well, what I mean is, building diecasts or I should say rebuilding them or just adding detail. It's unbelievable how many cars are made in 1/18 diecast form. A number far beyond the number of plastic kits offered in 1/24-25. For rebuilding, you're going to want to avoid the high-end types like CMC. They cost hundreds of dollars and are so nice that they need no improvement. I am referring to the cheap ones made by Maisto, Ertl American Muscle, Signature, Bburago, and many many more. For instance, Signature makes a 1947 Delahaye 135m....do you think you will ever see that in a 1/25 plastic kit?? How about a 1937 Horch 930V Limo? Ricko makes one and it's less than \$40! Also, there is a plethora of 1/18 diecasts in the \$20 to \$30 range for the Bugatti Veyron (which is no longer made and nobody did a kit of in 1/24-25). Furthermore, I can't think of a single Muscle Car from the 1960s that is not offered in 1/18 diecast form.

Alright, you got your Maisto diecast, you paid \$19.99 and with shipping you got \$30 invested. Most come apart by only removing screws from the chassis underneath and if not, you can just pop the rivets. And when you re-attach, you can just use glue. If you don't like the paint, you can strip it with just about anything....even Zip Strip because your working with metal here. Also, your paint can be the "hottest" lacquer available and it won't hurt the body. The rest of the car is usually plastic so for that you will have to paint accordingly. For adding detail, the first order of business is tightening the hinges because all have opening doors and hood and usually trunk too. Engines look accurate but no wiring or plumbing so you can add that with relative ease because of size. Same thing with interior: add any scratch built details from random stuff or from Michaels or try making your own from 1/25 parts. 1/16 scale plastic models are so close that nobody would notice if you used some of those kit parts. Wiring, interior cloth or flocking can be had in so many sizes so that will not be a problem. If the car's chrome does not look good to you, one can strip and re-paint it with Alclad. A polishing kit will make the glass look 10 times better and exhaust built of scratch piping or solder will add a lot, and blacking out the front grille can be the finishing touch!

So now you're done! And you have a beautiful replica of your first 1/1 car you owned, your dad drove while you were growing up that you never were able to find a kit of! And not just a replica but a giant replica that will really stand out as a center piece in your collection display. (Which reminds me that there are also a ton of manufacturers that make those acrylic (1/18) single model cases, if that's how you wish to display it.) Thanks for reading!

There will be no RPM member profile this month. I did get confirmation from two members to finish out the year, but have gotten nothing from them.

That's it for this month!

Scott





Reminder:

Please remember to bring your cash for the RPM display shelves if you had said you wanted one. Clint should have them at the meeting this month!

Torben Challenge Projects..... to be completed!

| RPM 2018 TORBEN CHALLENGE 2.0 | |
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| Name | Model/Kit |
| Bob Halliday | Petty 1964 Plymouth Stock Car |
| Bob Knudsen | Ferrari 550 |
| Bob Maderich | BMW 635 CSI |
| Cameron Jamison | Porsche 935 |
| Chad Truss | 1932 Ford Coupe |
| Clint Williams | Elvis Speedway 1967 Charger |
| Don Stadick | 1933 Willys Gasser |
| Don Stauffer | KK Midget |
| Erik Zabel | Opel Bus |
| Jim Allen | V W Polo R Rallye Car |
| Jim Kampmann | V W Sedan Delivery |
| Mark Jacques | Peugeot 206 WRC |
| Nick Amburgey | 1950 Chevy Belair |
| Scott Glastein | Hod Rod |
| Steve Helfman | 1969 Ford Mustang |
| Tom Finch | Estafette |
| Torben Rothbeb | Tim Flock 1955 Chrysler 300 Stock Car |
| Tyler Halliday | Hairy Canary 1966 Valiant |

Good Luck to everyone!!

2018 Club Themes



Here is the list of monthly themes for 2018!

January- Weathered Vehicles



February- Cars that raced at Daytona. (The 500 or the 24 Hours event)



March- Rally cars



April- The club auction



May- Retired/or Deceased racers

June- cars that ran at the 24 Hours of LeMans

July- the oldest completed model you have in your collection



August- 1960's Drag cars



Revised September- Out of the Closet

Revised October- Swap Meet

November- The Club contest



December- The annual model kit gift exchange

