

PAT'S WORLD OF WHEELS.

Greetings fellow modelers,

I do hope everyone had a good holiday season in spite of the virus.

This month I am going to change things up a bit. I will be talking about car and truck models, but as some of you already know, I have affection for model trains as well. I also am going to be getting back into the radio control hobby once the weather breaks.

The First item of discussion is two models that a friend of mine gave me last month.

The models were a 1964 Thunderbird and a 1964 Corvette Stingray. The manufacturer was a company called Palmer Plastics Inc. There were based in Brooklyn N.Y.

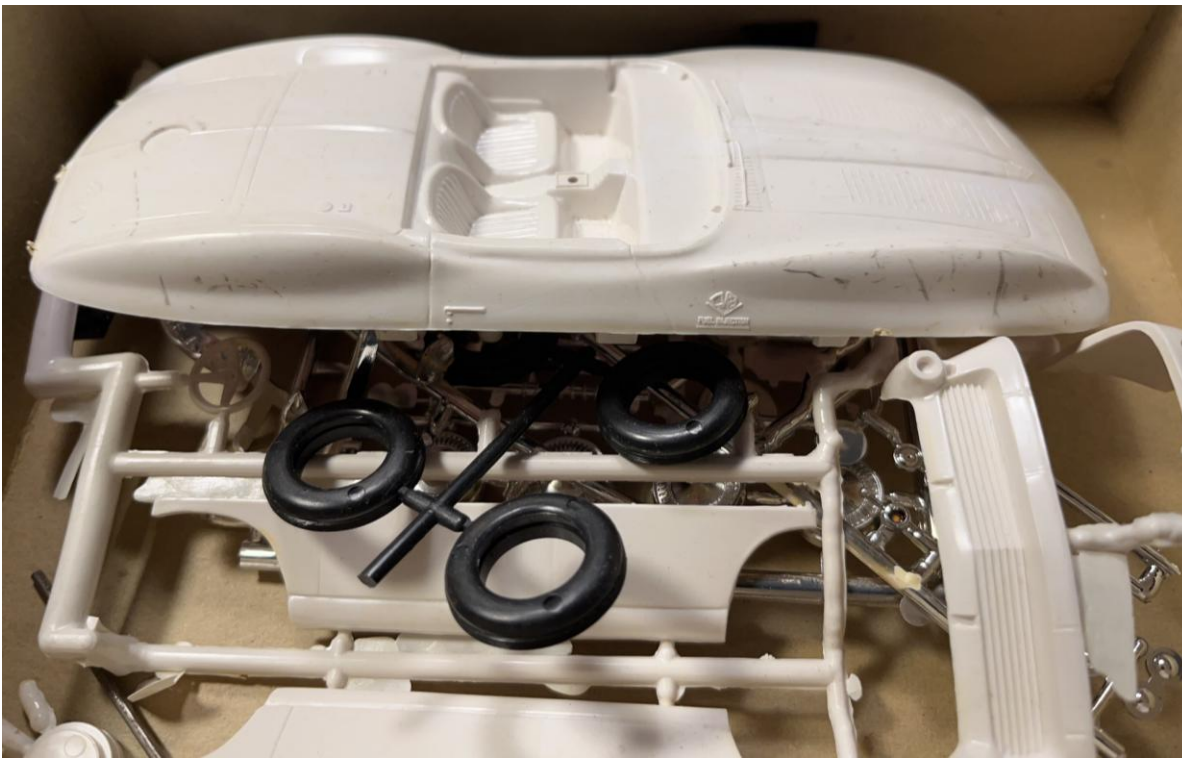
Yes I said Brooklyn as in the USA. That was before we gave our country away to our adversaries. I am sorry that I regressed on said topic.

As you can see from the attached photos they were crude models that had four pieces to each body. They could not compare to the AMT kits of the day. I will keep them in my stash and see what happens in the future. I may sell them. The asking price will be \$100.00 for each. If you purchase the two kits I will gladly take \$250.00. I will sit here and wait patiently for you all to stop laughing. I just had to say this, to make a point of the prices they are asking on Ebay for the old discontinued kits. I know that I am guilty of purchasing some of these kits.

I feel that the memories that these kits give me is kind of worth the price.







I have not been building models as of late. I decided to work on my HO layout. This hobby has come a long, long way from the days of the Tyco trains, Back then you could purchase a locomotive for around ten dollars. They went forward and backwards and had a little headlight in the front. Well technology stepped in. Now most of the manufacturers have locomotives that operate on DCC. DCC stands for Digital Command Control. This takes the place of the old transformer that we all used back in the day. The power is sent from the track to a computer chip in the locomotive. The operator holds a hand held device which can control many functions besides direction. The microprocessor has many sounds embedded which duplicate the sounds of the real locomotive including speech from the motorman and conductor. Of course the price is way over ten dollars that we used to pay. But hey for the hours of enjoyment that it gives, it is worth it.

Now to the layout pictures...We'll start with an overview as you come down the basement stairs then expand...







I received my first Lionel train set when I was five years old. It was love at first sight. I built my first AMT kit when I was eleven years old. I will soon be seventy five and I am still in love with model cars and model trains. I still get the rush when I am building and creating.

As you can see from some of the pictures that I have included, my layout is starting to take shape. My town is called **VECCHIO VILLE**. I let my imagination take over and see where it takes me.

I am going to get back to building models and taking time to work on my train layout. I will be giving you updates every month. I feel that both hobbies tie in to each other. Both require a ton of patience and a ton of time.

At my age and being retired I am so blessed to still be able to donate time to the two hobbies that I consider old friends.

Well hope you enjoyed this little article. Oh I would like to thank our friend Bill Murray for stepping up and organizing the club's Christmas party. Please do not forget our next meeting on Thursday January 20th 2022. Have your dues of \$30.00 ready.

Thank you for your time and participation in the LIARS CLUB.

GOD BLESS THE USA. Pat Vecchio.