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MODEL CAR BRIEFS

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Meeting's theme:

LIARS Latest Works of Art...

The LIARS BOARD HAS CANCELLED THE 2021 LIARS MODEL CAR CHALLENGE DUE TO: COVID 19, FREEPORT REC CENTER & LIARS volunteers CONSIDERATIONS, and THE DEGREE to which VENDORS, SPECTATORS & Contest ENTRANTS SUPPORT ...



Next month we start our 31st year as a Club; let's hope that we all stay healthy during this COVID-19 crisis and that we can all attain some measure of prosperity. Then perhaps we can build a new Club display...

MCB Contributors: Steve Blake, Lenny "The Rev" Cromwell, Paul "Hammer" Drago, Ernie & Pat Vecchio

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The LONG ISLAND AUTO REPLICAS SOCIETY (L.I.A.R.S.) Model Car Briefs is dedicated to bringing you the best and most up to date information about our great hobby of model building

Keep Building, Keep Improving, Push the Envelop (in memory of Skip)

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Hello Everyone

As we arrive in September, hope everyone had an enjoyable summer.

These last two weeks I have been painting people and scale food.

I finally found someone who understands scale inches!!

My granddaughter got interested and painted her first figure. No help from me, she did a very good job. She also helped prime pizza's, bread and potato chips.

I haven't painted any cars as I have been very busy with people

So I have two diorama's and two food trucks to consume me right. I have my two "T's" back now and have been going out just about every night cruising!!

That's it for now. Remember the food pantry. See you at the meeting.

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Some Words from the Editor At Large



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August is normally our 1:1 vehicle display. Related pictures would appear in the Sept. MCB. This year, we're highlighting our leaders! **Let's now checkout Rich's latest builds...**



What is ...or are these? Well they are part of Rich's envisioned dioramas...



Dumpster





Now to some interesting models from our August meeting...but first, let's congratulate our leader with his 1:1 rides as shown on Pg.1!



Albert was captured by Hammer building...

Have you noticed the continuing content/size reduction of e.g., what use to be a pound of coffee?

WARNING! Could this happen to our hobby as a result of on going inflation?

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Greg Hunt latest builds



Will discussing his techniques...



Then there were future Gems



Lenny displayed



Richie Rich ...



Paul wants a model of this Jeep – is one avail?



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First Impressions

POWER. STYLE. BEAUTY. GRACE
CELEBRATING THE DISTINCTIVE HERITAGE OF THE AUTOMOBILE.

Since it is time to escape reality, let's proceed to your reading room...

- One item on the Sept 2021 agenda is to consider continuing the 1st Thursday Virtual mtg. each month...over to the membership to decide.
- Another agenda item is to consider Dr. V's LIMTC car club offer to participate &/or utilize part of their monthly (2nd Thursday) mtg. room for LIARS to hold an extra get together...it's free! Speaking of which, LIARS are invited to attend/display models @ the LIMTC Oct. 14 mtg (8PM) Hobby Night.

Ernie was a hit - since he again gave away lots of goodies for free – but still wouldn't share his drink!



Here's Ernie...

Hello, fellow LIARS members. A bad weather forecast caused me, my brother and a friend to cancel our annual Labor Day Sunday trip up to Lebanon Valley Dragway for the "Musclepalooza" muscle car show and drag races in upstate NY. Too risky... a 25% chance of morning rain increasing to 40-50% by mid afternoon does not make for a good day of drag racing. Three hours driving each way is too far to go with odds like those! I did instead spend Sunday morning making some nice scores at the Bellmore flea market - my usual slot car and model kit variety, of course. A cool find was a like new condition Miller High Life "Champagne of Bottled Beers" Pilsner glass for a mere 4 bucks! Something to help in enjoying those tall neck cold ones at home while watching the tube! □ LIARS VP and friend Paul Drago met me at the flea market for his first look at the event, just a bit after 9 am. He looked around for a while, and then headed for home. After a nice brunch at the Mediterranean Diner with a few other friends (right there in town on Bedford Ave.), I was home watching Formula1, NASCAR, and drag racing on TV for the rest of the afternoon and evening. After all, I had to try out my new beer glass!

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On September 11th I will be traveling to a slot car show at the Quakertown Flea Market Mall in Pennsylvania, for which I have been preparing merchandise the last few months. My slot car road trip buddy Bob "Mr. Aurora" Beers and I will be leaving Massapequa Park at about 4 am that day, doing the show, and returning home that evening. We've got 24 feet of selling space between the two of us. Last April we both did great business in the same area of PA, so we're looking forward to another good result. Yeah, I know guys, more slot car news...

Relating to our MODEL car club, I've been seeing some of the guys that I usually round up for vendor tables at our Model Car Challenge. I explained our situation, the fact that the other model car shows in the area have cancelled their events as well, etc. They were disappointed but understanding at the same time. Let's hope we can get the wheels back on all of our favorite shows for next year!

Hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable Labor Day holiday. Cool down the drinks and fire up the BBQs! See ya all on Thursday the 16th. -- Ernie

Moving on...

The Devil's in the Details Pt 8

By Steve "Big Daddy" Blake



Well as promised, I have finished the Vette. What it represents is a car I almost bought back in '84. Back then it was just 10 grand!

The kit was Monograms 1/24 Collector Edition. I built it to be a '81.



The kit had some awful molded in side pipes. Cut them off and cobbled an exhaust system out of a set of old MPC and old AMT pipes. (I know, I know, There aren't any cats...Oh well)



I had accidentally broken off one of the hood pivot pins. Some brass rod from Micro-Mark came to my rescue.



Bending the appropriate shape and size then cementing it in with some epoxy.



The car had one of those Midland CB radios in it so I put one inside and scratched an antenna. Mounted on the roof like the "Bandit Bird"



License plate frames from Model car Garage and a Florida plate on the back, finish the piece.



So, here we have the car I wish I had bought.

Next month I'll go on with the vinyl top to my '65 GTO. (OPPS - Dr. V included 65 GTO article in last month's MCB)

So keep the creative juices flowing, "stay safe and by all means don't catch the STUPIDS" (quoting Rob Carson) "Big Daddy"

MODEL STUFF

By Lenny Cromwell

When you've been building models as long as I have you tend to take some things for granted. Back in the late seventies Monogram came out with their 1953 Chevy Bel Air kit and I built one as soon as I could get my hands on one. At the time I thought "this is a pretty cool kit" and I haven't built another one in the subsequent four decades. I just never really gave it a second thought. Well, a couple of years back I put up a hand and bought one at our club auction, I did this mostly just so someone (me) would actually bid on something. After looking at it kicking around my basement for a couple of year I decided to build it just so I could throw out the box. It is an original issue from way back in the day and I gotta tell ya that my original assessment still holds - this is a cool kit. It's typical Monogram from that period with stout molding, 1/24th scale, bright chrome, fairly simple construction, and proportions that are a little bit off in some areas. But when it's put together it makes a fairly striking impression. I don't know why it took me forty years to build another and you may have seen it if you were at last month's meeting.

Another kit that I built many, many years ago and just sort of forgot about is the AMT 289 Cobra. I've recently built another one and boy is this a nice little model. This kit has a separate tube chassis

with very detailed front and rear suspension assemblies. The engine is a nice little Ford small block with a fair amount of detail. The body proportions look to be spot on and this kit features opening hood and trunk lid as well as sharply engraved badges and emblems. This latest issue comes with some very nice Halibrand wheels that I just had to use. Hooking up the radiator hoses and steering linkages can be challenging as under hood access is limited, but it can be done. Hopefully it won't be another forty years before I build another one. If like me you've been taking these kits for granted, be assured they're worth revisiting.

I've been using Bare Metal Foil since I first heard about it in the late seventies and I just assumed it would always be the great product that it always had been. At first it was just called Chrome and it was a great product. Then they came out with Ultra Bright Chrome which was too bright and difficult to cut but it was OK because they still made the regular Chrome. After a while they came out with New Improved Chrome which was the same as the regular Chrome so all was still right with the world. Then a few months ago the New Improved Chrome was no longer available at the hobby store, instead they had a new version which was once again called Chrome. This product blew chunks as it was too thick and difficult to cut with the added bonus of having very poor adhesive qualities, it didn't stick where it was put. I read somewhere that the company had changed vendors which led to the poor quality. The last time I was at the hobby store they had some of the New Improved Chrome again but I don't know if they fixed the problem or if it was leftover stock. I hope the New Improved Chrome will continue to be available because I have been taking it for granted that it would always be there.

The "WHITE MODEL" Revisited by Paul "Hammer" Drago

Some time ago I wrote an article about building a "white model". In review, this is what I made when I was new to the hobby. I would build a model right out of the box, with no regard to paint or detailing. Many of the kits back then were molded in white, Hence the "white model" moniker was born. Of course there was the characteristic over-use of model cement resulting in oozing parts,

finger prints, and glue hair: but heck, it was usually completed the same day it was purchased.

The irony here, and perhaps a bit of Karma has to do with a recent AMT reissue, and the nice weather we are experiencing, post Hurricane Ida.

One of my earliest memories is building an AMT kit outside on the picnic table. The weather was perfect reminiscent of recent days. A friend stopped by and I was quick to show him the featured "twin Judson superchargers" build option. That kit turned out to be the AMT 1964 Cutlass convertible. (by the way, the Hardtop version was just reissued!)

Now some 56 years later, I have a chance to re create that wonderful day. The weather is beautiful. I have a picnic table with an umbrella, so WHAT THE HECK! Now I'm debating to build the model "white" or typical of my now 50 plus years experience? All I know is opportunities like this don't happen often, let alone in a lifetime.

I'm sure many of my fellow modelers have their own memories of early builds, and perhaps stories of building a white model too. What's your story? Have fun and enjoy the hobby! Paul

Post note: the project will be a series of 1964 Oldsmobiles: convertible Stock, and racing versions. An Altered wheelbase A/FX open roadster version (AMT streaker) and the hardtop painted and detailed as the car my dad owned.

Paul also provided an article about the Dead Man's Curve car show that he attended last weekend.





Next is a Hard Top Cobra variant!



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Now let's return to LIARS bus candidates...well
Dr.V has been patient...Please consider this combo



or perhaps ...



Then there is a 48 Studebaker...



Or perhaps stretch our leader's T...



While you're considering the above let's explore
Why Ralph Lauren's \$40+ Million Bugatti Is Worth Every Penny



There are only two Bugatti Type 57SC Atlantics in the world. The one from 1936 changed hands for \$40 million three years ago, while the 1938 example belonging to Ralph Lauren's collection just won the [Concorso d'Eleganze Villa d'Este](#).

It's a beautiful car, but perhaps not \$40 million beautiful. Then again in that rarefied air, you're not paying for value, but for exclusivity. Still, anything above a million dollars for a car is could/should be considered ridiculous.

But that black Bugatti is still ... You see, the Atlantic is not just a car, but a monument to pre-war Europe. It's one of the last great things mankind produced before everybody switched to building tanks. It's also the pinnacle of the Bugatti family's contribution to the twentieth century and the automotive industry. It's a significant piece of history and it is basically art deco on four wheels.



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It's also a ghost we can touch – or have a model rendition (which also is expensive!)

When Jean Bugatti's *Aérolithe* concept debuted in Paris in 1935, the public didn't get it. It was made out of a light but flammable magnesium alloy called [Elektron](#), therefore the body panels were riveted externally. Under that was a new chassis (T57) and a new double overhead-cam engine, making the *Aérolithe* the most advanced car of its time. Still, it was too much to take in. Ettore Bugatti was disappointed, and the *Aérolithe* disappeared soon after. It remains a great mystery where it went. It could be the casualty of war or be scrapped for parts. Ettore Bugatti could have hidden it forever. He was that sort of a person.

That's why it's even more astonishing that the *Aérolithe* was recreated not long ago using original parts and materials, having only 15 photographs to start with. What a job it was!

But back to the thirties. After the *Aérolithe* show car, Bugatti only produced four supercharged Atlantic coupes using aluminum instead of magnesium while keeping the rivets. Powered by supercharged 3,257 cc inline-8 engines, these 170+ horsepower cars could do north of 120 mph. In 1936.



Today, two cars remain. The first is at the [Mullin Automotive Museum](#) in California, with the following history:

It was delivered to Lord Victor Rothschild in England on September 2, 1936. Three years later, in 1939, Mr. Rothschild had the Bugatti factory install a Roots supercharger from a Type 55 engine,

upgrading the model to a Type 57SC. Having blown up the engine, he nevertheless kept the car in storage in England until 1941, when he sold it to his countryman Mr. T.P. Tunnard Moore. Mr. Moore and Robert Arbuthnot, a sometime racer at Brooklands, were partners at High Speed Motors of London. At some point, Mr. Moore sold the car to Arbuthnot, who in turn sold it in to Rodney Clarke of Continental Cars, Ltd., in 1944. A year later, Mr. Clarke sold the Type 57SC to Mr. Robert Oliver, a wealthy American doing duty in France as a member of the US Army Medical Corps. In August 1946, Mr. Oliver had 57374 shipped to the United States, where he received it in New York and proceeded to drive it home to Los Angeles. In 1953, Mr. Oliver shipped the car back to the Bugatti factory, where its engine was completely rebuilt and the correct Type 57SC supercharger and hydraulic brakes were installed. Following Mr. Oliver's passing the Atlantic was sold in 1971 through public auction to Dr. Peter Williamson who paid an unprecedented \$59,000. Following refurbishment, the car was shown at Pebble Beach in 2003 and won "Best in Show". In 2010 the Williamson family sold the Atlantic to a buyer from whom the car is graciously on loan.

The other one belongs to Ralph Lauren, has a number plate, and sounds like this:

It's absolutely irrelevant what price tag you put on a machine like this. Sure, Ralph Lauren could sell it with a massive profit. But that doesn't seem to interest him. Instead, he occasionally lets us see it on the move, showing us what the best of Bugatti sounds like.

That's the most pleasant history lesson you could ever dream of...well there are our models...

Have you noticed that model car collections are being offered for sale on 1:1 automobile for sale &/or auction sites? One collection recently sold for \$4200. Here's the sale's listing...

https://bringatrailer.com/listing/model-car-collection-2/?utm_source=dm&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=2021-08-14



This collection of model vehicles was assembled by the previous owner over the course of multiple years and features approximately 200 examples of road and racing cars, many of which are said to have been scratch-built. The diecast and resin vehicles range in scale from 1:43 to 1:12 and depict cars from Ferrari, Porsche, Alfa Romeo, Chevrolet, Nissan, Jaguar, Lotus, and others. This collection was acquired by the seller approximately 20 years ago and is now offered at no reserve in San Diego, California, with a box of damaged models and other components.



The collection features multiple examples of reportedly scratch-built 1:43-scale vehicles that

were commissioned by the previous owner. Vehicles range from vintage Formula One racers to Group C endurance cars and comprise models from Ferrari, Porsche, Jaguar, Toyota, Nissan, Mercedes-Benz, Chevrolet, and Alfa Romeo. The collection is said to have spent many years in storage and most of the cars are in need of cleaning, with some missing wheels, spoilers, and other components. A 1:14-scale liquor decanter in the shape of a Porsche 935 is included, along with a box of model parts.



A selection of 1:18-scale examples of the Porsche 917 are shown above and include a "Langheck" version in Martini livery.



A 1:18-scale depiction of the Group 4 Ferrari Daytona raced by Paul Newman in the 1977 24 Hours of Daytona can be seen above. Additional photos are provided in the gallery below.



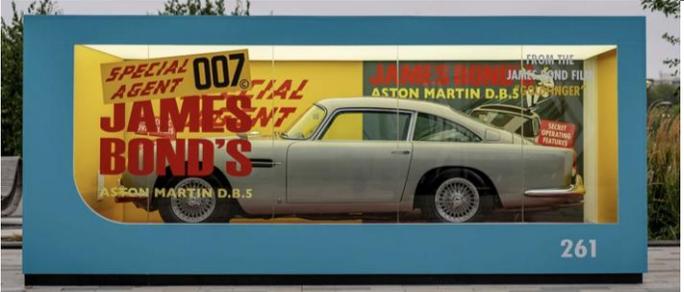
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The largest model in the collection is this 1:12-scale Revell Ferrari 250 GTO finished in a green and a yellow nose and featuring an opening hood, doors, and removable front air duct covers.

Then there is...

Aston Martin reveals \$3.5 million full-size James Bond 007 Corgi 'toy' car

The classic car is featured in "No Time to Die"



The [silver coupe](#) is sitting in a replica of the diecast toy's transparent box and will be displayed outside London's Battersea Power Station through October 1.

The car is much more than a scaled-up plaything, however. It's a fully-functioning reproduction of the film car that was built as part of a [continuation series](#) [Aston Martin](#) [launched last year](#) and equipped with a working smokescreen, deployable bulletproof shield, revolving number plates and simulated reciprocating machine guns that deploy from the corner lights, but do not fire, among other features.



To summarize you can start with a 1:1 or model...

Back to Our Roots

By Pat Vecchio

Hello fellow modelers,

I do hope you are all doing well. This month I would like to present to you all the very first AMT kit that I painted with a rattle can. I started building models in 1958 and they were brush painted. They did not look that bad, but improvement was needed.



In the summer of 1959 I went to my local hobby store and purchased this model of a 1959 Ford convertible. I said to myself hey what the heck let me try to use a spray can and see how it goes. Well I went to my local hardware store and purchased a can of white paint and a can of red paint. I went home and went into my garage to practice how to use the paint from the can. I was told that I needed to prime the body so what I did was use flat white from a bottle and brushed it on.



After it fully dried I started painting the body, I let it dry for a few days and when I picked it up I saw it was dry and the gloss was very nice. I then

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proceeded to paint the interior. Over the years my modeling skills improved and i since added the red molding and bare metal foil to further enhance the finished model..



I have been building models every since and to this day I still enjoy it very much.

Please do not forget the meeting next Thursday, Sept 16 at 7pm. Thank you for reading this article and God bless America. Pat Vecchio

WHAT'S NEW

If you can afford it, MENG latest...

1966 Ford GT40 Mk II Race Car
1/24 Meng Models



Dr. V is still waiting for a C8 model kit... Hopefully a Bronco kit will be released. In the interim there is a new diecast.



2021 Ford Bronco Badlands 2-Door (Blue) 1/24 Maisto
Maisto
\$23.95 \$20.36
(You save \$3.59)

Quantity:
1

Part of the Atlantis lineup for 2022!

By: Old Dragger



Atlantis IPMS news!

Umpteen NEW kits from Atlantis, NEW kits from Revell, Try 72 Olds 442, Parts pack hot rods and drag cars, Jag and Porsches, plus the New Parts Pack Keeler Kustoms cars will have two engine options in each kit. Not just drag cars, T and T C cab hot rods, Revell has 71 Olds 442 test shots, revised 69 Camaro, 66 Chevelle, 57 Chevies. Do crapped "Rat Roadster" or whatever it was, 32 Ford with Duvall windshield and other kool parts

We'll have to wait till November for:



Contest Cars 2021

Item #VT-SAC211101-C



For the first time ever, this highly anticipated special issue will feature 350+ photos of amazing models from both in-person and virtual shows, including Southern Nationals,>NNL West, and more!

This product is eligible for FREE SHIPPING (US Only)!

Revell is to release a Bronco Half Cab with dune buggy/trailer

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Dedicated to all who lost their lives that day. First responders who were at ground zero that day are still dying from breathing all that toxic dust. This native New Yorker still feels the sting all these years later. " Never Forget" [Len Colombo](#) (downloaded from Spotlight H.)

Len Feinberg & The Central Pennsylvania Model Car Club proudly present the:

Super September Showdown

#21

Model Contest & Vendor Show!
21 Class Trophies, PLUS Best in Show!

2021 Theme

Military Themed Cars & Trucks!



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September 12th, 2021 / 9AM- 2PM

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Please limit your entries to 10 per class per person.
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Antique Car Drag Race

FREE! Sunday, September 12
11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Join us as legal drag racing returns to Long Island!!! We will step back in time and recreate hot rod history. Vintage Flathead powered hot rods and racers duke it out.

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