



### Party On, Comrades!

By Club President Paul Anagnostopoulos

On December 3rd, the Classic Plastic Model Club held its approximately 30th annual Christmas holiday party.

This year we arranged it at our usual meeting place, the Dracut American Legion. We had just a bit of business to deal with. We also had some giveaways and kit sales, along with show 'n' tell. But the big event was pizza!

At the last minute I increased the pizza order from 10 to 11 large pizzas. When all was said and done, I think we had maybe two slices left over. And the highly anticipated Great Veggie Pizza Revolt never materialized. We also enjoyed some fine desserts provided by our members and friends.

Thanks to all and best wishes for a fantastic 2023. How can it not be an improvement over the past year?

I would have more to say if it were not for having to finish up a large book project before disappearing on our highly anticipated beach trip. My goal was to turn 70 on the beach sipping rum drinks. It appears that nothing can thwart that plan now. (Editor's note: I hope he's not flying on Southwest Airlines.)

Paul



### 2022 Christmas Toy Drive

by Joe Baril and Tammy Baril



The Classic Plastic Model Club 2022 Toy Drive was a great success. Due to the diligent efforts of Tammy Baril we were able to turn our \$2250 fund into over \$3000 worth of toys.

Because of your generosity and with much hard work we were able to donate 184 toys to the Toys for Local Children charity organization in time for Christmas 2022 distribution.

We'd like to thank the many club members who gave generously to the 2022 CPMC Toy Drive. Without your donations we would not be able to provide toys to those less fortunate. For 2023 we're hoping you continue to keep those donations coming in and appreciate everything you donate.

Thanks,  
Joe and Tammy Baril



**Reminder:** Our meetings are now held at the Dracut American Legion Hall located at 574 Broadway Road (Rte 113) in Dracut MA in the downstairs hall (parking and entrance are located in the rear of the building).



# Christmas Party 2022

by Tim Rhine

Hello fellow members. On December 3<sup>rd</sup> we had our annual club Christmas Party but this year it was a little different.

For a few years before the pandemic we had a nice buffet style dinner at Lenzie's in Dracut MA, all paid for by our club. With the world being in such a mess the last few years due to Covid, the club has not generated enough revenue, due to no in-person meetings and cancelled Model Exhibitions, to continue with this type of event.

So this year we went back to our 'roots' and had our party on meeting day at the Dracut American Legion meeting hall with the club buying pizza for everyone and fellow club members bringing in all kinds of desserts to go with the pizza. As always, close family members are always welcome at our Christmas Party...and it was a good day. We did a 'Yankee swap' event and it was good fun with a great turn out. The trading of kits after the gifts were opened made it even more fun. Everyone seemed to have a great time.

Unfortunately, there was one special gift some of the attendees received and that was a bout with Covid! I think eight party attendees got that wonderful gift, me included. But if you are going to get it, why not with friends; right?

Overall it was a fun day and I really enjoyed it. If you were there, I hope you did as well.

Thank you to all the members for all the things you do throughout the year to make this club so great!

Happy New Year and be safe, Tim





### Why do you build what you build?

by Jason Hanscom

Why do you build what you build? Do you like NASCAR? How about big rigs? What inspired your love for building whatever style of model you build?

For me, I enjoy building a little bit of everything, but classic drag cars are my favorite. When I was a little kid my parents would bring me with them to my uncle's house for their weekly cribbage game. With no other kids to play with at the time I'd go down to the basement where my uncle kept his Hot Rod magazine, model car magazines and of course, his model kits! He was very 'big' into drag racing at the time. Can you guess what all his built models were? You guessed it - Drag cars!

Looking at all those magazines and model cars affected me for life! His models were so detailed with sewing thread plug wires and fuel lines. All that cool drag car stuff like racing slicks and wheelie bars fascinated me. It ignited a passion and that passion is why I started building models.

Fast forward to the present day and I still love building drag cars, but I've also discovered NASCAR models and muscle cars, both old and new. Oh, and how could I forget big rigs?

I think everyone has a favorite building subject and a story why to go along with it. I'd love to hear your story!

Until next time, have fun at the bench!

Jason



## Ed's Car Corner:

Richard Petty's 1964 Plymouth Belvedere  
(Kit Number AMT989, Skill Level – 2)

by Ed Doering

Most of us who build race car models are familiar with the name Richard Petty, the all-time greatest of Nascar drivers, with multiple Daytona 500 wins, and his being a multi-time winner of Nascar's Grand National Championship, along with his 200 Nascar wins – 'The King'!

We might also know that thru-out Petty's career he drove Mopar products, to include Plymouth & Dodge. The Pettys began their serious relationship with Chrysler Corp. in 1960, racing the famed 'shark fin' 1960 Plymouth. By 1963, Chrysler had the 426 Max Wedge motor, but the Pettys were still 'down' on horsepower versus the Ford 427 engine, as well as Pontiac's 421 Super Duty motor. The Ford motor, equipped with a 4-barrel carb, was putting out 410 horses, while the Pontiac was rated at 405. The Plymouth 426 Wedge, with a single 4-barrel, only produced 385 horses. Despite the handicap in horsepower, Richard Petty finished second to Joe Weatherly in the final 1963 Nascar points championship.

Chrysler took notice of Richard's second place finish in the 1963 Nascar championship, and decided to up the ante. Pontiac had dropped out of Nascar racing in the middle of the 1963 season, so that left only the might of the Ford Motor Co. to be dealt with.

Chrysler had developed the hemispherical combustion chamber motor, known as the 'Hemi', in the 1950s and the Carl Kiekhaefer 'Hemi' equipped 1955 and 1956 Chryslers ruled Nascar racing in the mid-1950s.

So, in 1964, Chrysler developed a new version of their 'Hemi' motor, armed with 426 cubic inches, and putting out 405 horsepower, on one 4-barrel carb. The Pettys got one of these motors, and the now aerodynamic 1964 Belvedere body, and let Maurice Petty work his 'magic' on the 426 'Hemi'.

With the potent new 426 'Hemi', Richard Petty went on to win the 1964 Daytona 500. In fact, 'Hemi Power' swept the top three finishes in that historic 1964 Daytona 500, as well as taking Richard Petty to the 1964 Nascar Grand National Championship. It seemed like nothing could stop the brutal power of the 426 'Hemi'.

In 1997, Lindberg decided to produce a model kit based on Petty's 1964 Belvedere, and the 'Hemi' motor. That original Lindberg kit is kit number 72164.

That kit existed up to 2009, when Lindberg, in collaboration with Model King, re-issued the kit, but with Paul Goldsmith #25 decals. The Goldsmith kit was kit number 11264.

Recently, AMT acquired the molds for this original Lindberg kit, and the kit is now available as AMT kit number AMT 989.

Let's explore one of these great re-issued kits.

The kit comes in the usual square box. Upon lifting the cover off the box, we arrive with a typical instruction sheet, which folds out to reveal all the assembly blocks to complete this kit.

There are 19 assembly blocks, to include the final block which is a guide for decal placement.

A small listing in block 19 includes the paints needed, and their codes thru-out the building process. All the paints are available thru local hobby outlets, but I'd pick up some metal tone paints to complement the metal colors required.

We all know the Petty cars were painted in the famous 'Petty Blue' livery. To replicate this color using spray paint, use Tamiya TS-23 Light Blue. For those wishing to use bottle paint and an airbrush, Model Master makes a French Blue, which is close to the Petty color.

The Petty car was nearly all 'Petty Blue', to include just about everything on the car – body and frame, interior, roll cage, even the motor. That's a lot of blue. While building the car with all that blue, is correct, I have often noted that color contrasts make a model really stand out. I believe that no more than 3 colors should be used on race cars, excluding the metal shades. The eye processes color quickly, and the less the eye has to deal with, the better. Thus, I'd paint the 426 motor with 'Hemi Orange', and maybe get some grey going on upon the frame, and possibly the interior.

If you can find the Goldsmith kit, that car's predominantly red, but again...get some other colors going if building that kit.

Next...the original Lindberg Petty kit has less than desirable decals, and the Model King/Lindberg Goldsmith kit's decals are poor as well. Not up to Cartograph standard.

By simply going to either Mike's Decals, or Southern Motorsports Hobbies at their respective Internet sites, you can get far better Cartograph quality decals to replicate other Nascar and USAC 1964 Plymouths, to include the second place 1964 Daytona 500 finisher behind Petty – Jimmy Pardue's car, and decals for the great driver from Racine, Wisconsin – Norm Nelson. The sheet of Pardue decals includes markings for both the #54 white Burton-Robinson car, as well as the red #54 Ray Nichols built car. Tragically, Pardue died in the red car, while testing tires for Goodyear, late in 1964.

As usual, assembly starts with building up the 426 'Hemi' motor, which I'd paint 'Hemi Orange', with black valve covers. To achieve a sort of wrinkle finish on the black valve covers, use Metalizer Non-buffing Gunmetal, it works great for a wrinkle finish.

The two halves of the motor block and transmission are attached, as well as adding the oil pan, heads, and valve covers, which can easily be drilled out for plug wiring, using a pre-wired ignition/distributor from Model Empire. 'Hemi' plug wires were usually blue on the race version 'Hemi'.

In block 2, we add the intake manifold, carb, coil, alternator, fan, pulley assembly, and distributor. Use various Metalizers on these parts for a more eye-catching motor.

In step 3, the racing exhaust headers are glued up. One must take care to place these headers correctly onto the engine, so that later on your exhaust dumps will mate well.

In block 4, the torsion bars, K-member, transmission cross member, and spindles are attached, along with the front stabilizer bar. Be sure to get the spindles on straight up and

down, and equally level, so that your tire/wheel assembly will place the tires flat on your work table.

In block 5, the completed engine is placed into the one-piece frame, and the exhaust dumps are added. The ends of the dumps can be drilled out for a better appearance.

In block 6, the Dana rear axle, and leaf springs are glued up. Note that there is a left and right rear spring, and be sure to get the springs on correctly, so that the rear end assembly will fit correctly onto the rear of the frame, and so your rear wheel/tire assembly sits flat on your work table.

In block 7, the gas tank cover, drive shaft, shocks, and completed rear end assembly gets glued to the frame.

In block 8, the radiator wall, radiator and upper hose are all attached.

It is critical in block 9 that the two inner fender well pieces get attached at the correct angle to the firewall, so that once the body is placed over the frame, the inner fender wells, will mate well with the inside of the body, leaving no gaps. So, go slowly, checking your alignment while the glue is still soft, so you can properly align things. The battery, air cleaner, which you can either glue to the motor or leave it off to show motor detail, is placed onto the engine, and the brake master cylinder is fitted to the firewall.

Block 10 concerns adding the seat, shoulder harness and lap belts, seat bolster, shift lever, and fire bottle. I'd use a better fire bottle from one of the modern Monogram or AMT stock car kits. The one given in the kit is just too small.

We construct the roll cage in block 11, and in block 12, the dash, with gauge panel, and steering wheel are built. Sixx stock car decal sheets (available at Model Empire) have gauge decals on them, which will add more detail to the instrument panel.

In block 13, the two door panels, completed dash, roll cage and foot pedals get attached. Be sure to use the non-upholstered sides of the door panels, and detail paint the window cranks etc.

In block 14, we deal with the windshield, rear window, and side windows. Be sure to use glue for clear parts.

We now deal with adding parts to the body in block 15. The headlight covers are placed into the grille. The front bumper, upper grille bar, and door handles get attached. However, I'd leave the door handles to the very last step after decals are applied, to insure they don't pop off while decaling, or handling the body to place it onto the completed chassis. The completed interior bucket is also glued to the frame in this block.

In block 16, the hood and hood hinges are added. You can elect to leave the hood on or off for showing motor bay details.

In block 17, the rear window hold-down straps are added, along with the rear panel, tail light covers, and rear bumper... however, I'd glue the rear panel to the body before painting the body, to assure even paint coverage.

Block 18 concerns building and adding the 4 wheels and tires. That leaves block 19; to finish this model, and decal placement. There is a bag with all the clear parts in it, as well as rubber-like tires, and six trees of finely cast white parts - all flash free.

The frame is a separate piece, as is the one piece body, which is flash free, and has minimal mold seams which clean up well.

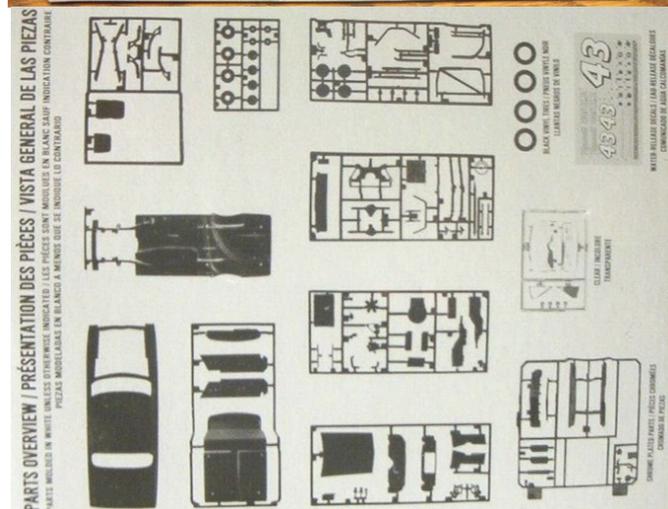
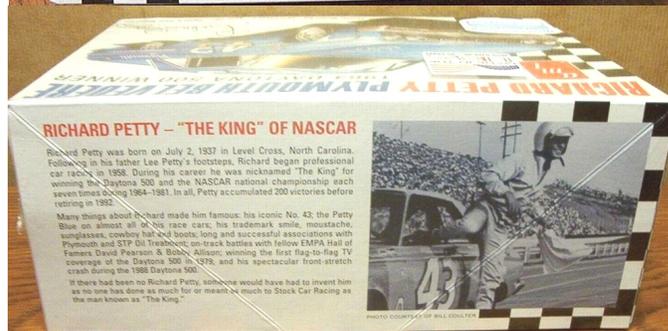
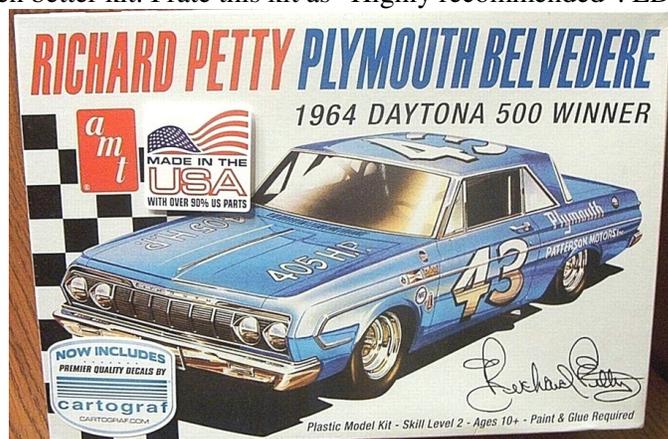
This kit can easily be built by a child, with adult help. You do not have to go looking for after market parts, everything you need to build a correct 1960s era Nascar racer comes in this kit.

The Petty 1964 'Hemi' Plymouth launched Richard Petty to begin an amazing career. The kit is an historic piece of Nascar racing history, and for those wishing to build an easy Petty car, this is the best and easiest kit to build.

I rate the kit a perfect 10, especially since AMT has now included Cartograph decals. Whether you choose to build the Petty, Goldsmith, Pardue, or Norm Nelson car, you'll come away with many happy hours building this kit.

Some years ago, I built the #3 Norm Nelson 1964 car for the Racine Museum. You can view my model in a special display on the racing history of Racine's Norm Nelson, in this museum.

Fit is spot-on thru-out the kit - very easy to assemble. So, grab this kit by all means. Lindberg, and Model King started with a great kit, and now that AMT has acquired the molds, you get an even better kit. I rate this kit as "Highly recommended". ED





# GraniteCon 2022 Contest review

by Tim Rhine

On October 16<sup>th</sup> the Granite State Modelers club held their 29<sup>th</sup> annual model show in Manchester, NH, and it was another fantastic show put on by those guys and gals.

The show was packed with models and had everything from planes - tanks- trucks and cars. As is customary during their last few shows, all automotive classes had a separate show room, which is nice as it spreads everything out so the hall doesn't seem so cramped

There were about 100 or so cars/trucks entered in the show. It was great to see so many outstanding builds on the tables.

There were a few complaints about the judging but I have never been to a show that there was not some complaining. I'm sure their club will make some adjustments to make their show even better next year.

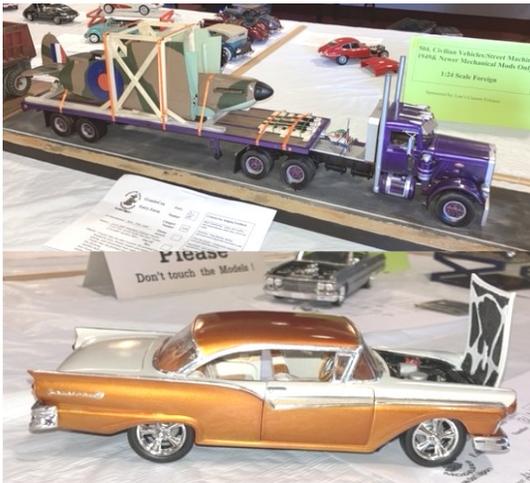
As always, Classic Plastic Model Club members were there to support our friends in the Granite State Modelers club, with the following members attending: (If I missed you I'm sorry.) Tim Rhine (5 awards), Mike "Doc" Freitas, Dave Perkins (4 awards), Mac Johnston (who is also the president of the GSM club) (1 award), Dana Benoit (2 awards), Jason and Heather Hanscom, John Davison and his grandson Bentley (1 award), Pat Wilkins (1 award), Donny Lewis (1 award), Moto Maguire and Marcos Nanita Fernandez.

Overall it was another fun day out with fellow club members and friends. This was the last show for 2022.

So until next year, happy building and remember...always build for you, it's your model so build it your way.

Be safe, Tim







## The Best-in-Show Trophy!

by Guil Rosa

Hi all, I hope when you read this article, you had ‘survived’ all the year-end holidays. Happy New Year!

I want to talk about the ‘Best in Show Trophy’. No, it has nothing to do with the hardware that Paul Paradis rightly won at our 2022 Show. It is about five guys who had accepted the challenge to build a model kit that, for most of them, was not in their ‘comfort zone’.

In 2022 our club had the official Challenge class carried over from the 2020 and 2021 pandemic cancelled shows. So, I thought it would be a good idea to create a new one, though not an official challenge, to be presented at the 2022 Show and without the ‘weight’ of building to win a trophy.

The subject I choose was the Honda RA272 F1 from the 1965 Formula 1 Season. Both Tamiya and Hasegawa have kitted this subject, respectively, in 1/20 and 1/24 scale. Which kit to use and the amount of detailing, or the lack thereof, was up to the builder to decide. There were only three rules for the challenge: First and most importantly: have fun! Secondly, to be ready for the 2022 Classic Plastic Show and lastly, to be ‘display only’ so as to not to enter to win a trophy.

During the months preceding our Show, this little group had fun, exchanged their experiences and knowledge in between them at meetings and on-line. That is what makes ‘the Best in Show’ title of this article. There is nothing more satisfying than all the experiences these five guys shared during the time that we took from start to finish our little Honda F1. And to finish it up in great style, our Master Photographer, Pete the ‘Wiz’, gathered them together for a few group photos that you can appreciate, with one shown below.

I want to thank all who accepted the challenge! It was a very pleasant experience and I hope we can do it again in the future, maybe with more people joining us.



The 2023 official Club Challenge class subject will be anything ‘Lamborghini’ in any scale and with any level of detailing. I did some quick research and put together an Excel file (screen shot at right, sorry it is an ‘eye chart’) of some of the Lamborghini model kits on the market and some older ones, including pre-painted and snap model kits. Maybe you have one or more of them in your stash. Again, any scale and level of detailing will be welcome! The goal here is to have fun and share it with the Club.

My entry will be the Testors/Italeri 1/24 scale Lamborghini Countach. I’m looking forward to seeing what other guys will pick to build. Lamborghini is very well represented in the model kit form; I am sure you will find something that will appeal to you.

Thanks!  
Guil

| SCALE | KIT MAKER      | KIT #     | DESCRIPTION                                      |
|-------|----------------|-----------|--|
| 1/32  | Aoshima        | 63491     | Aventador S Snap-kit (molded in Blue)            |
| 1/32  | Aoshima        | 63484     | Aventador S Snap-kit (molded in Green)           |
| 1/32  | Aoshima        | 63477     | Aventador S Snap-kit (molded in Red)             |
| 1/32  | Aoshima        | 63460     | Aventador S Snap-kit (molded in Yellow)          |
| 1/32  | Aoshima        | 63453     | Aventador S Snap-kit (molded in White)           |
| 1/32  | Revell US      | 1753      | Countach   |
| 1/32  | Testors        | TE630017N | Gallardo   |
| 1/32  | Airfix         | AIRJ6019  | Aventador  |
| 1/43  | Doyusha        | 2360      | Urus   |
| 1/43  | Doyusha        | XQ43SC-1  | Reventon   |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 59913     | LB Works Lamborghini Aventador (Version 2)       |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 64467     | 1999 Diablo GTR                                  |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 63835     | 1976 Wolf Countach (Version 2)                   |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 59890     | LB Works Lamborghini Aventador (Version 1)       |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 63743     | 2010 Murcielago R-SV                             |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 63361     | 1975 Wolf Countach (Version 1)                   |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 59906     | LB Works Huracan (Version 2)                     |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 59883     | LB Works Huracan (Version 1)                     |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 62210     | 2010 Sesto Elemento                              |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 62043     | 2017 Huracan Performance                         |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 61213     | 2014 Aventador Pirelli Edition                   |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 61206     | 2015 Aventador SV                                |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 59821     | 2013 Aventador 50th Anniversary                  |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 59456     | 1985 Countach 5000QV                             |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 59012     | 2009 Murcielago SV                               |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 58992     | 1999 Diablo GT                                   |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 58640     | 2011 Aventador                                   |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 58664     | 2012 Aventador Roadster                          |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 58466     | 2014 Huracan                                     |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 58046     | 1974 Countach LP400                              |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 62036     | 2011 Aventador (Pre-Painted Green)               |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 620029    | 2011 Aventador (Pre-Painted Gun Metal)           |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 602012    | 2011 Aventador (Pre-Painted Orange)              |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 56004     | Huracan Performance                              |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 10693     | Diablo GTR                                       |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 5120      | Aventador LP750-4 SV                             |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 1050      | Diablo GT  |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 1376      | Huracan LP610-4                                  |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 10730     | Sesto Elemento                                   |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 11546     | 1988 Countach 5000QV                             |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 11522     | Aventador LP750-4 50th Anniversary               |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 7143      | Murcielago R-SV 2011 GT1 Zolder #38 (Racing car) |
| 1/24  | Aoshima        | 7136      | Murcielago R-SV 2010 GT1 Spa #25 (Racing car)    |
| 1/24  | Arii           | 205235    | 1983 Countach LP500S                             |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 126562    | Countach LP500S                                  |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 126791    | Diablo /4WD VT Blackstar                         |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 125923    | Veneno (with engine)                             |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 125640    | Aventador Biancorosso                            |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 125589    | Aventador DX                                     |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 123974    | Aventador  |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 126920    | Countach LP500R                                  |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 12263     | Gallardo SE                                      |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 122137    | Gallardo   |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 121963    | Murcielago                                       |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 126845    | Countach 5000S                                   |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 170640    | Countach LP400 Hama Black Panther                |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 126579    | Countach 25th Anniversary                        |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 126555    | Countach 5000 Quattrovalvole                     |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 126548    | Countach LP400                                   |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 126340    | Diablo SV MY99 (with window frame masking)       |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 125978    | Veneno DX  |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 125596    | Reventon   |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 123790    | Gallardo DX (with PE parts)                      |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 122328    | Gallardo Polizia                                 |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 12184     | Countach 5000S Monaco GP Pace Car                |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 6224      | Art Rain-X Countach JGTC                         |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 124469    | Koenig Diablo                                    |
| 1/24  | Fujimi         | 124780    | Koenig Countach 5000                             |
| 1/24  | Hasegawa       | 20567     | Miura P400 1968 Hockenheimring                   |
| 1/24  | Hasegawa       | 21114     | Jota SVR   |
| 1/24  | Hasegawa       | 21213     | Miura P400 SV                                    |
| 1/24  | Hasegawa       | 20511     | Miura P400 SV (with detail up set)               |
| 1/24  | Hasegawa       | 20472     | Jota SVR (with Italian girl figure)              |
| 1/24  | Hasegawa       | 20439     | Miura P400 SV (with detail up set)               |
| 1/24  | Hasegawa       | 20423     | Miura P400 SV (with Italian girl figure)         |
| 1/24  | Hasegawa       | 20319     | Miura P400 SV Chassis #5030                      |
| 1/24  | Hasegawa       | 20278     | Miura P400 SV Chassis #4846                      |
| 1/24  | Italeri        | IT3649    | Jota SVJ   |
| 1/24  | Italeri        | PIT003    | Diablo (Japanese Special Edition)                |
| 1/24  | Italeri        | PIT002    | Countach 25th Anniversary                        |
| 1/24  | Italeri        | PIT001    | Countach LP5000 Quattrovalvole (Japanese S Ed.)  |
| 1/24  | Italeri        | IT3686    | Miura  |
| 1/24  | Italeri        | IT72002   | Miura  |
| 1/24  | Italeri        | IT3683    | Countach 5000                                    |
| 1/24  | Italeri        | IT3685    | Diablo   |
| 1/24  | Italeri        | IT3684    | Countach 25th Anniversary                        |
| 1/24  | Monogram       | 889       | Diablo VT  |
| 1/24  | Revell Germany | 7066      | Diablo   |
| 1/24  | Revell US      | 4948      | Countach LP500 S                                 |
| 1/24  | Revell US      | 1966      | Diablo VT Roadster (Snap-kit)                    |
| 1/24  | Tamiya         | 25192     | Countach LP500 S                                 |
| 1/24  | Tamiya         | 25419     | Countach LP500 S                                 |
| 1/24  | Tamiya         | 24306     | Countach LP500 S                                 |
| 1/24  | Tamiya         | 24305     | Countach LP400                                   |
| 1/20  | Fujimi         | 9030      | Jota   |
| 1/20  | Fujimi         | 9012      | Miura  |
| 1/20  | Fujimi         | 9016      | Countach LP500 S                                 |
| 1/16  | Fujimi         | 101750    | Miura  |
| 1/16  | Fujimi         | 10155     | Countach 25th Anniversary                        |
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# Kit Review: Monogram '55 Chevy Bel Air Street Machine

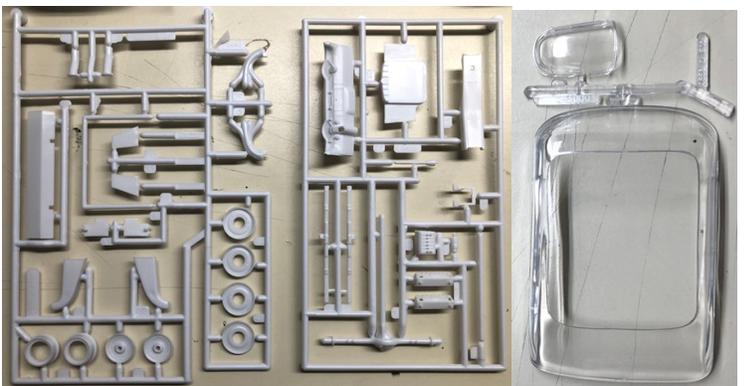
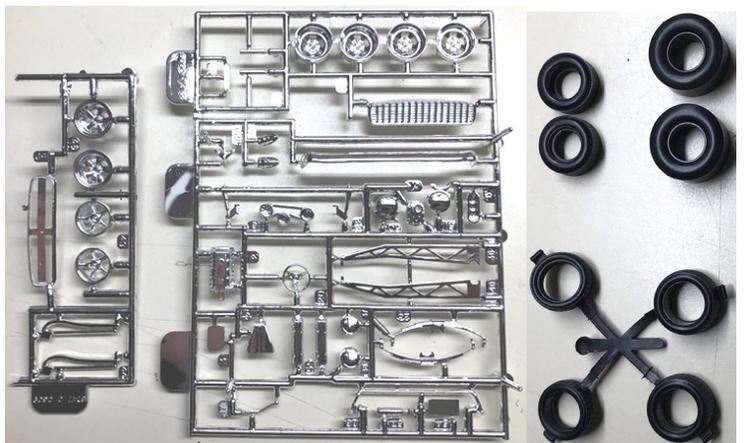
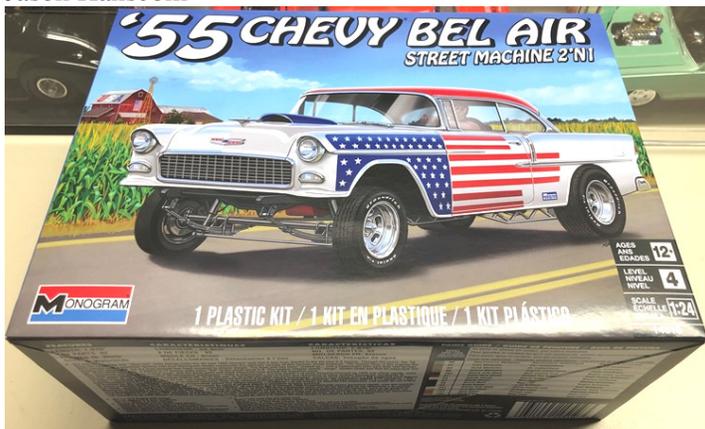
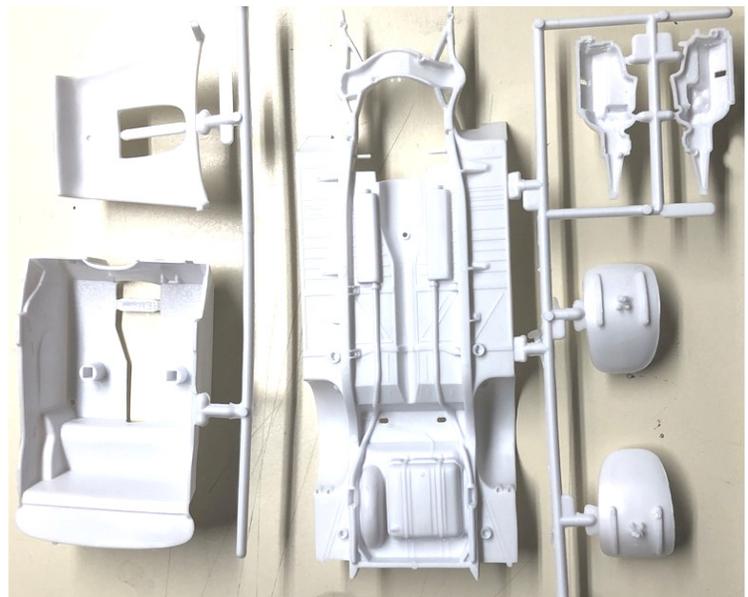
by Jason Hanscom

This kit is a reissue of the '55 Chevy Street Machine kit from 1975. This new release includes parts from the 1970 Badman kit, making it a 2'n'1. It's a 1:24 scale, level 4, kit containing 92 parts. It comes with an all new decal sheet, street tires and drag tires.

This is a great kit for beginners, or someone getting back into the hobby, due to the relatively low part count. The parts have minimal flash and look to be crisp and clean. That being said, it's a low detail kit. You'll find the engine has most parts molded in and is split in half. So expect a seam in the oil pan. The glass is clear and in one piece. The decal sheet is excellent.

The body in my kit had no flash and crisp lines, however, I did notice some defects. This may not be the case with each kit, but just in case, be ready to do some body work if needed. Until next time, have fun at the bench.

Jason Hanscom





# Kit Review: Revell '71 Olds 442 W-30 by Tim Rhine

The 1971 Olds 442 W-30 kit (Kit no.14511; it retails for \$36.95) is a new release from Revell for 2022. It is rated as a skill level 5 build. Recently Revell has been issuing some nice all-new kits, with this being one of them.

Total parts are 139 molded in white with four no-name rubber tires, red clear for the tail lights and clear window glass

The kit can only be built as a '71 442 W-30 out of the box. Of course, you can build it any way your imagination fancies using some aftermarket parts, but there are a few options:

- A choice of a 4-speed or automatic transmission
- A choice of consoles
- Two different rear end housings and differential covers
- A choice of pedals for the 4-speed or automatic

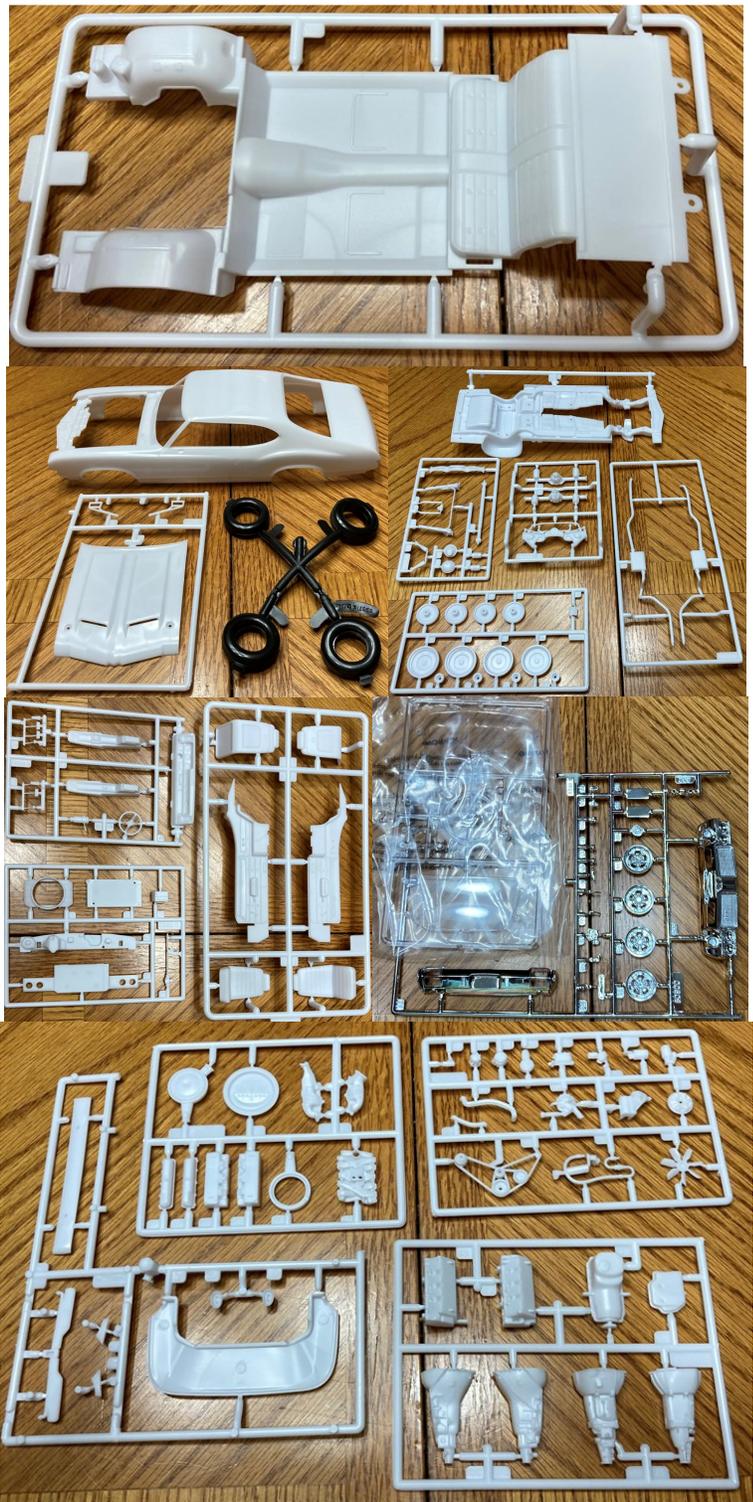
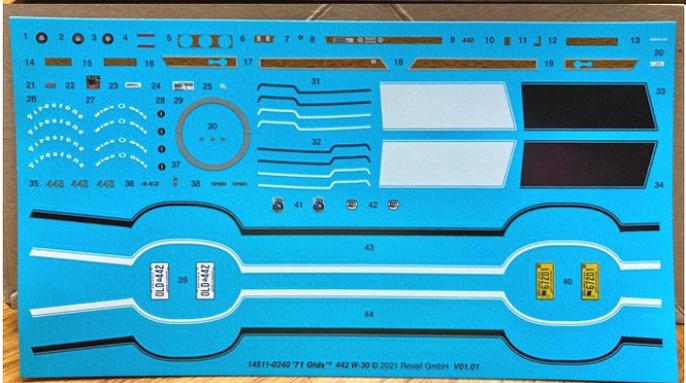
The decals are fantastic; bright and clear with a few options for stripes (black or white) included.

I know there are a lot of club members who have been looking forward to this kit coming out. They will not be disappointed.

The only issue I have with the recent Revell kits is they put the tires in the same bag as the body. I found that my kit body has a melt mark on the roof from a tire that will need to be fixed. Other than that I recommend this kit as I believe it will build nicely into a beautiful model.

I can't wait to see what everyone does with this kit. Until the next review, be safe.

Tim





## Meeting Minutes

November and December 2022

by Club Secretary Pat Wilkins

**Nov 2022:** We had 28 members and two guests attend the meeting in person along with three 'Zoom' attendees.

Items discussed at this meeting were:

### Contest 2023 – Discussed and decided items:

- Vendor table fees increased to \$40 per table
- Limit raffle kits to 60 awarded along with 5 large kits
- Replace trophies with plaques for all 'Best-of' awards except the Best-in-Show award
- Eliminate the 'Junior Best in Show' and upgrade the '17 and under' first place award to a larger award
- No fourth place awards will be given out
- Theme class to be 'Nova Again'
- Sub-Theme class to be 'Behold the Olds'
- Club Challenge decided by 2022 winner Guil Rosa will be anything Lamborghini any scale, any way you like
- Toy Drive** – Joe and Tammy are beginning shopping
- Christmas Party** – Paul A to order 12 pizzas, attendees to bring dessert items, must buy drinks from the hall bar
- Membership Dues 2023** – The club decided to raise dues to \$50 per person with Paul A covering the first \$5 of each renewal meaning each renewal or new member need only pay \$45 to renew or join in 2023

### Kit donations:

- Paul Anagnostopoulos - (1) sealed, (1) open
- Eddie Arrajj - (1) sealed
- Nate Bemis - (1) sealed kit
- John Davison - (6) sealed kits (for 2022 show raffle)

### Raffle Winners:

- Mike Freitas - Peterbilt Wrecker
- Joe Angers - Revell Porsche 918 Spyder
- Paul Anagnostopoulos - AMT '34 Ford Pickup
- Moto Maguire - Coca Cola Willys Pickup
- Bart Navarro - Monogram '55 Chevy convertible
- Dave Perkins - '65 Chevelle SS
- Special raffle - Ru Crummett grabbed Tim's bag!

**Show-N-Tell:** Winner was Jason Hanscom with his AMT Racer's Wedge build (he took a Mustang kit as a prize)

**Dave Perkins** - Aoshima Pagani built box stock finished in Tamiya Pearl Yellow

**Dave Perkins** - Audi GTP Provence Moulage in 1/43rd scale finished in Gulf Oil paint scheme

**Dave Perkins** – Coca Cola Porsche

**Bart Navarro** - '49 Ford Coupe 'The Gas Man', wired distributor, painted with nail polish that was cut with lacquer thinner and applied with an air brush, out-of-the-box decals applied

**Bart Navarro** - Revell '41 Willys Gasser, wired distributor, painted with nail polish that was cut with lacquer thinner and applied with an air brush, out-of-the-box decals applied

**Jason Hanscom** - AMT Racers Wedge converted to a single rear axle unit, engine is from Revell '29 Ford Roadster, wired engine bay, added hood scoop molded in

**Jason Hanscom** - Atlantis MoonEyes Dragster built box stock save for wiring

**Jason Hanscom** - Aoshima High Rider Toyota 4Runner built box stock, finished with Testors Extreme Lacquer

**Guil Rosa** – Monogram '55 Chevy Bel Air Convertible

**Tim Rhine** - Monogram '39 Chevy built with many aftermarket parts, Z-man wheels, finished in Rose Red

**Tim Rhine** - Aoshima Toyota 4Runner built curbside

**Dana Benoit** - '69 Cougar which has been modified to incorporate a '67 Mustang roof

**Dana Benoit** - '49 Ford Pro-Mod

### Show-N-Tell photos from November meeting:



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**Dec 2022:** We had 25 members, four guests and four Zoom attendees. Items discussed at this meeting were:

**Christmas Party** – We ordered pizza from a local place and members brought plenty of goodies so we had our party during our meeting

**'71 Olds 442 W-30 kits** – The club bought, at wholesale, a case of this new kit and are offering them at cost to members in support of the Olds Theme in the 2023 show

**Kit donations:**

Paul Anagnostopoulos - (2) new kits

Club bought (4) new kits

Jan Fadden - (2) new kits

Dave Perkins - (2) new kits

Three large scale kits already donated for the show:

Dave Perkins - Atlantis Jungle Jim Funny Car

Dave Perkins - Ladder Fire Truck

Paul A. - Revell Auto Transport Trailer

**Raffle Winners-**

Paul A. – Revell '37 Ford Pickup

Mike Freitas – Nissan Sunny Truck

Eric Jacobs – AMT 61 Impala Hardtop

Bill Aliferis. – Amt Surf Shark Cadillac

Dana Benoit– 98 Firebird Ram-Air

John Ellis – Jolly Green Gasser

Tim Rhine – Transport Trailer

Pat Wilkins. – Special Raffle prize: Cord unbuilt with extra Cord parts and smoke paint

**Show-N-Tell:** Winner was Dave Perkins for his Cord Hot Rod (he took a Sunbeam Tiger as his prize)

**Dana Benoit** - '49 Merc in-process

**Dana Benoit** - Chevy in-process

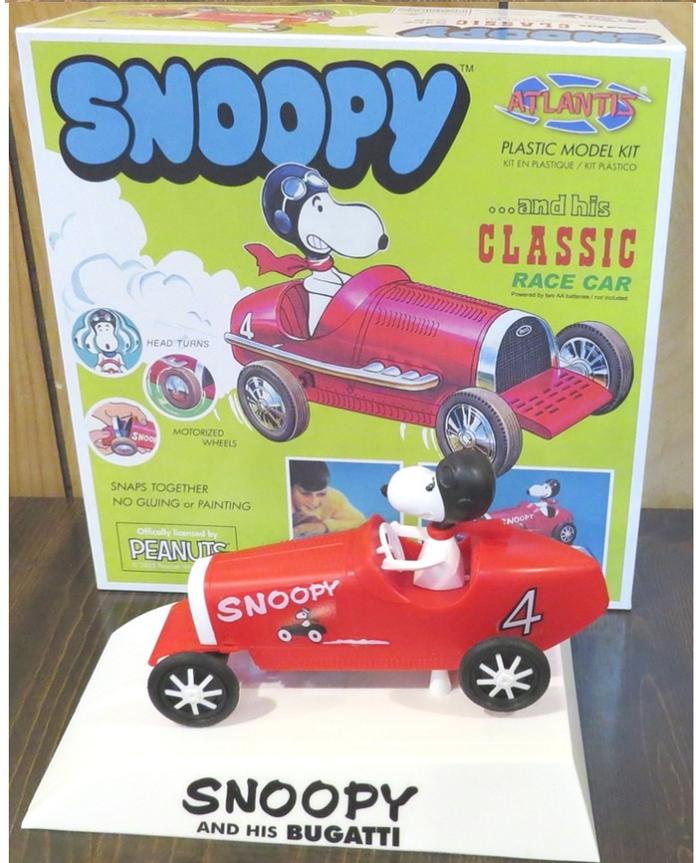
**Dana Benoit** - Chrome paint markers for discussion

**Tim Rhine** - Peterbuilt Dump Truck in process

**Eric Jacobs** - box stock Snoopy and his Bugatti Racer

**Bill Aliferis** - AMT Pro Shop '57 pro-mod'd out, custom under carriage, interior, seats, wheels, wiring, wheelie bar...just about everything was customized except the '57 body and the paint

**Show-N-Tell photos for December meeting:**





## 2022 year in review

by Tim Rhine

Hello fellow members. I can't believe another year has gone by; where does the time go?

First, I wish everyone a happy, healthy and safe new year!

2022 was a lot better than 2021. We resumed going to model cars shows again. I think I went to six shows this year and enjoyed everyone of them. It's always a great day out with fellow members and friends. Although I still think our Classic Plastic show is the best of the year (just my opinion).

Speaking of the Classic Plastic show, we had our show for the first time in three years and it was a great success. Thank you to everyone for your hard work to make it awesome as always.

Also, 2023 will have the first NNL for almost three years. I think we are all looking forward to that show; hope to see you there.

We now have a full year under our belt with our new meeting hall and I think I speak for everyone by saying the new hall is fantastic! We have already signed the contract for all of 2023 with the Dracut American Legion, so we are good for another year. A huge shout out to Art Paquin for getting us a great new meeting place. I love our meetings; it is always a fun day with friends. The Zoom meeting app makes them even better allowing us to see our long distance friends.

2023 shows signs of some completely new kits coming out so that is exciting. Also, some re-pops of kits that have been long forgotten, which is great for the nostalgic builder.

Over all 2022 was a lot better than 2021 so we have a lot to be thankful for. We didn't lose any members this year and that is always great news, but we will never forget our lost members.

I'm looking forward to seeing all the outstanding builds you folks will bring to show and tell and model shows. I know there were many incredible builds from everyone in 2022 so my guess is 2023 will see much of the same.

Thanks for letting me be part of this incredible group of people; I think I've got it MAID.



Be safe, happy building and Happy New Year!  
Tim



## Comments from the Editor

by Newsletter Editor Art Paquin

Thank you Guil Rosa, Tim Rhine, Paul Anagnostopoulos, Linda Follensbee, Pat Wilkins, Jason Hanscom and guest columnist Ed Doering for your inputs and efforts which help us produce this newsletter issue. It is much appreciated.

The next deadline for newsletter article submission is **Friday, April 21st, 2023** with a scheduled distribution date of Saturday, May 6th, 2023. Submission of articles, pictures and comments are much appreciated.

Hobby shop directory: If you know of a hobby store not listed below and wish to have it added to our list please let me know. To help keep the hobby alive we need to help keep local hobby stores alive.

Thanks, Art

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- Feb 4, 2023** – Sat. – Club meeting at Dracut American Legion hall (lower hall), and broadcast via Zoom, 1 PM
- Mar 4, 2023** – Sat. – Club meeting at Dracut American Legion hall (lower hall), and broadcast via Zoom, 1 PM
- Mar 26, 2023** – Sun – Wings & Wheels Modelers ValleyCon32 show in Chicopee, MA
- Apr 1, 2023** – Sat. – Club meeting at Dracut American Legion hall (lower hall), and broadcast via Zoom, 1 PM
- Apr 16, 2023** – Sun. – DowneastCon in Sanford, ME
- Apr 22, 2023** – Sat. – NNL East in Wayne, NJ
- May 4-7, 2023** – Thur.-Sun. – GSL-XXVIII Greater Salt Lake International Scale Vehicle Championship and Convention – their 40<sup>th</sup> and final show!
- May 6, 2023** – Sat. – Club meeting at Dracut American Legion hall (lower hall), and broadcast via Zoom, 1 PM
- May 6, 2023** – Sat. – NorthshoreCon in Peabody, MA
- May 21, 2023** – Sun. – RTS Expo Annual Model Kit Exhibition & Market Place in Taunton, MA
- June 3, 2023** – Sat. – Club meeting at Dracut American Legion hall (lower hall), and broadcast via Zoom, 1 PM
- July 8, 2023** – Sat. – Club meeting at Dracut American Legion hall (lower hall), and broadcast via Zoom, 1 PM

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