



What a show!
By Club President Paul Anagnostopoulos

Our 31st Annual Model Car Exhibition has come and gone. What a show it was! We had a good crowd who brought over 300 models. Vendors plied their wares to an eager group of buyers. Raffle tickets were sold and a pile of kits disappeared from the raffle table. The judging went well and a plethora of awards were given out. Special thanks to Jim Parker for helping me do the math. Thanks, too, to members of other clubs who helped judge.

It's amazing how much preparation is required but then how fast the show goes by. We will take a break now, but next year the preparation will start anew. Our 2026 show is on October 4, same time, same place. The theme for next year is "32 Ford" in honor of our 32nd show, and the subtheme is "Long Roofs."

No one has volunteered to take over Tim Rhine's duties as co-treasurer, so I will be taking on that job. Next year we will ask again for a volunteer. Please keep in mind that I can't remember half the members' names, so I will be asking you for your name when I should already know it. No offense meant. This is one reason why someone else should do the co-treasurer's job, my friends.

We will again have our holiday party at the December meeting, complete with great camaraderie and pizza. Don't forget to bring a wrapped, sealed kit for the Yankee kit swap, if you chose to participate. It's always fun to unwrap a kit you did not buy for yourself. Note that there will be no raffle and no show 'n' tell at that meeting.

Former club President Del Paone's family has donated two models to be sent to the International Model Car Builders' Museum, now housed at the Museum of American Speed in Lincoln, Nebraska. We will be packing up the models and mailing them soon, along with a short biography. I'm glad that Del will be represented in the museum along with late CPMC member Barry Fadden.

I'm plugging along on the Revell 1962 Chevy Impala SS. I've converted it to a convertible. I'm trying to keep it simple so that I might actually finish. Take care and model hearty, mates!



Let's talk about "Judging"... I don't mean judging 100 models; I mean 200 to 300, and more. I am not talking IPMS models where they split hairs over every detail of a model as if each piece were being judged, or what color camo did they use in this war or that war, or how many rivets they used to make a boat or plane or tank. If you read enough books you'll learn they made up colors for the area they were going into with the hope they would blend in. This mentality will not work in a Car Contest.

This model car club wants to keep it simple and fair enough so those young and old builders who enter a show for the first time will stay excited long enough to enter another model car show because they can see that a color doesn't matter or the tires and wheels don't matter unless the rules specify such as in Box Art or Replica Stock, et cetera., etc.

If you only build "Box Stock" you can build fast and have a lot of fun. But if you detail something or customize something you've just opened a whole new can of worms (still fun though). You can do minimal detailing through full blown out detailing. You can be plain and simple or very intricate. The thing to always remember is to be "Neat and Clean".

Every club has its own rules for judging and when they start adding points up they always ask, "Is it neat and clean?" Those factors will mean all the difference in winning or losing.

I have built a lot of models over the past 30 plus years and have been to a lot of contests that I've both won and lost. I have met so many friends and great builders that I'm not sorry one bit for getting into the hobby again. New builders really have an edge these days and some don't even know it. Most of the goodies we now have to use were not around 30 plus years ago, and that's great. I am sure I will still learn some new stuff. Keep on modeling,

Dana Benoit

Reminder: Our annual Christmas/Holiday party will be held at the Dracut American Legion Hall on Saturday December 6th along with our monthly meeting. The club will provide the pizza and we suggest you bring along other food types (salads, desserts) or paper goods (plates, napkins, paper towels, utensils) to help support the party. As per our room rental agreement with the DAL, all drinks must be bought from the bar with no exceptions.

Paul

Kit Review: Revell '69 Camaro SS 396

By Co-Treasurer Tim Rhine

Revell kit no.85-4525, which is a 1969 Camaro SS 396 2N1 kit, was released in 2022. This seems to be the same kit that they've released other versions of in the past.

Why I like this kit is because of the supplied SS style hood and the steel wheels with dog dish hubcaps.

The kit has 129 parts molded in white with clear glass and red tail lights, four rubber tires and a few different grilles and rim options - Chevrolet rally wheels or 'steelies' with dog dish hub caps - as well. It also has the chambered exhaust system and has a great decals sheet with a few stripe options.

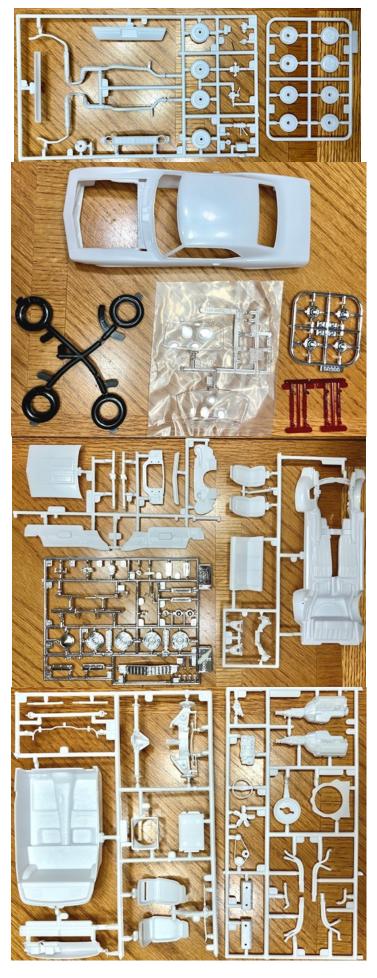
There appears to be very little to no flash on this kit.

I have built a few different versions of this kit and it builds very well. Add a few aftermarket parts and it comes to life.

I highly recommend this kit.

Tim





My road trip to Lime Rock Park in Connecticut

By Guil Rosa

For many years I've wanted to go to a racetrack and see the cars speeding from the stands. I did that a few times by going to New Hampshire Motor Speedway in Loudon for Nascar, Nascar Trucks and IndyCar. But there are two tracks relatively not too far from here that I wanted to go visit: Lime Rock Park in Lakeville, Connecticut and Watkins Glen International in NY.

Finally, the opportunity arrived on the weekend of Labor Day, and I headed to Lakeville, CT, a three hour drive from NH. My plan was to go on Sunday for the Car Concours, but I had to work that day so I decided instead to go on Saturday for the races. I arrived at the track a little before 10:30am; it was very easy to get there, there was no traffic, and it was easy to find a parking space.

I went straight to the paddock area, mostly ignoring all the racing that was already happening on the track. It was a great experience! I had the opportunity to get close and take photos of many cars, race cars and motorcycles. I was feeling like a kid in a candy store. I took more than 600 photos and recorded a few videos. You can see a few of the photos with this article.

If you ever have the opportunity to attend the Lime Rock Historical Festival during Labor Day weekend; do it. It is a great place to be for car nuts like us. Next year they will bring the Historical Trans-Am cars back so don't miss this chance to see Camaro, Dodge, Mustang, and many more muscle cars from 60's and 70's racing.

Guil





Show Review: PatCon 2025

By Co-Treasurer Tim Rhine

IPMS Patriot Scale Modelers chapter held their annual model contest on Sunday September 28th at the American Heritage Museum in Hudson MA.

It was a great show, as always, and there were over 600 models on display. There was every genre you could think of; something for everyone. They had a 'make and take' event for the kids and it looked like it was a great success.

This year they added a food truck and I did not hear any complaints about the food. Myself and five others guys headed to the center of town and ate at a Subway. It was fun and a lot of laughs.

We had some Classic Plastic members in attendance but not as many as there usually have been. As always our club did very well in the awards. Here they are along with awards won listed in parentheses: Ru Crummett (1 award), Linda Crummett (1 award), Tim Rhine (4 awards), Jason Hanscom (1 award), Paul Paradis (5 awards), Nick Arvanities (2 awards), Jamie Denson (1 award), Mac Johnston (3 awards), Bart Navarro, John Davison (and Grandson Bentley), Marcos Nanita and club friend Jodi Doyle (6 awards).

The only real issue of the day was with the automotive judging: No gloves on and models held up over their head.

I heard of a few complaints of broken models after the show and this is the one area they need to work on for 2026.

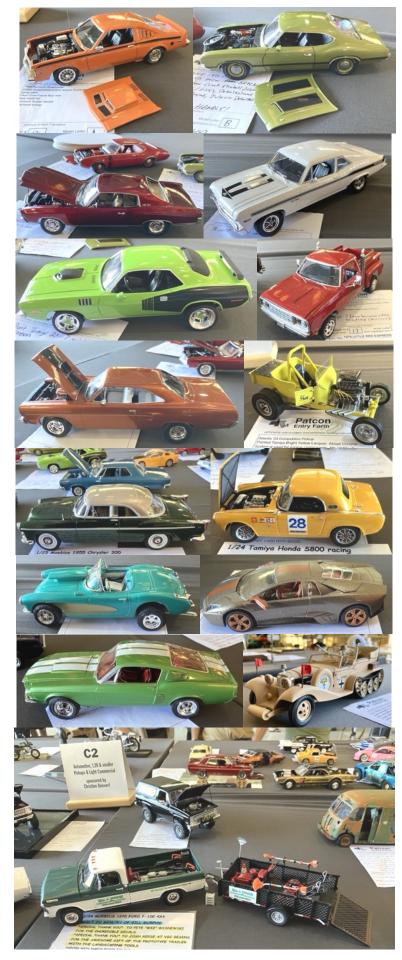
I completely understand models being picked up for judging and have absolutely no problem with that (we do it at our show) but there is no need to have it more than a few inches off the table. Over your head is unacceptable.

Also, we sponsored a class at their show and they spelled our club name incorrectly (Classic Plastics...) on their class info sheet. We'll need to remind them of the correct spelling for our sponsorship next year.

Overall it was a great day with friends and fellow modelers. The guys and gals put on a great family fun show each year and the venue is awesome.

Tim







Classic Plastic Model Club origins By Dana Benoit

I started reading everything that Tim wrote to help inform members of the things he continually does month after month. What he wrote reminds me of how big this club has grown since I started it soooo many years ago. Boy...life sure was simpler then. When you are a small club things seem easier to do. I am reminded of how we got started in Dwayne's living room. What to do, where to do them and how to draw interest. We started with club promos. We did them in malls with hobby stores and at the Boston World of Wheels show.

It is important to mention that we needed a spokesperson to represent this club and that person was me. I spoke with mall managers, store owners and car show promoters. I also spoke to table rental companies in order to coordinate dates and details. I got store owners to donate kits for a raffle and Scale Auto Magazine sent some back issues of their magazine. The members put on the most professional display ever seen and we did it more than once. Each time was better than before.

Next, we took a big step and planned a show. We needed a place and time. Promoting it was tricky. We didn't have any money yet. My sons would go to the Billerica Boys & Girls Club after school until I could pick them up after work. I noticed a huge gymnasium they had and made a pitch to the club: I would come in every week for a year for a how-to session and supply the kits if they allowed us the use of their

gym for one day for free. We would bring in Billerica Access television and a food truck for the event. They agreed and now I had to somehow get some model kits to do this.

I made the same pitch to the marketing managers at AMT, Revell Monogram, Pyro Models and Scale Auto. The pitch to the model companies worked great. They sent cars, planes and boats and they were mostly snap kits. Someone donated some odorless glue for the older kids to use. Everything went into a locker and when a kid wanted to build anything and be a part of the After School Model Club he or she would go to the locker and pick out one kit and I would help build it with them.

The local newspaper had fun covering this new phase of the Billerica Boys & Girls Club After School Model Club.

Enough about me, let's talk about the members who stepped up and started making this club as great as it is today and the hobby stores that believed in us. First, let's name some of the stores that donated stuff. Eric Fuch's, Hobby Emporium, Modelers Junction, Triple A Hobbies, Hobby Town and Sparetime Hobbies, Scale Auto Magazine. Yup...I pitched to them all and they did not disappoint.

Now, to name the guys involved. This will be easy because there were only a handful of us at the time. Dwayne, Art, Joe and Little Joe, Ron, Eddie, Steve, Bob, myself; and a few others I am sure I missed.

Now I could go on and on about how this club grew over the years and how in our first year we helped a club member's family get through the holiday season without him. With just a few of us we scraped together enough money for food and toys, and some heat, too, for their apartment until they got assistance from the State. If any of you want to know more about that episode of this club just ask any of the old timers. Going over what I wrote may sound like I am tooting my own horn, but you have gotten this far so read on. Starting this club was something I believed in. I had no idea it would take off like it did... "who'da thought ---Model Cars!!" When you believe in an idea there is a certain amount of love you put in and not knowing how much that may or many not come from it. I felt it was a gamble worth taking.

Now...let's talk about Tim and how he feels about this club. There are a lot of similarities between Tim and I, and a few others before him. Tim's passion level for this club is right up there. I know what he's feeling like because as the founder of this club it really hurt me to step down. He is not going to be gone permanently, he needs a little break. While he is gone, we all have to ask ourselves "Is there ANYTHING that I can do along the way to help this club stay successful?"

Please...when you have a thought bring it up at a meeting and we'll talk it out. It could be something we've tried in the past that worked and forgot about it or something we wanted to try and forgot about it. This IS how we stay as good as we are. If you really believe, you must know this club is only a reflection of its members and that is YOU. Please remember this when talking to non-members.

As our dear friend Del Paone always said, "Buona Fortuna", whatever that means, I Love You Guys!
Dana

Classic Plastic Show 2025

By Co-Treasurer Tim Rhine

Well it's hard to believe that another show has come and gone! Boy time is flying...

The day started at 6:00 am with a bunch of members who were there hoping to sit around and talk with only a few small tasks accomplish. I was told the hall would be all set up and ready to go, but, NOPE! We all ran around like nuts to get it done because at 6:30 am our vendors were already showing up to set their stuff up for the day. As a group we all pitched in and got it all done

I can say that when the Classic Plastic boys and girls need to get something done everyone steps up to pitch in. I thank you all for your hard work; no one said no they just put their head down and made it happen.

We've had requests for extra seating from some of our guests from past shows. We had over 100 chairs this year (I counted them) as we wanted everyone to enjoy the day and have a place to sit and rest. After all, it's a long day when you get there early and go home late (we're not getting any younger). I did not hear any complaints. Did anyone hear any?

Only one trophy was labeled wrong. It said 'in memory of Dave Perkins' (sorry Dave, my bad). It became a fun joke throughout the day. Here's hoping we never have to have that award for real, ever.

The food truck was very good; at least I think so. The prices seemed very reasonable and the selection was good. Did any one have any issues? Thank you to Linda and Ru for hooking us up with the food truck. Hopefully he'll be back next year.

The raffle table did really well again this year. Thank you to all the guys working the table; even Peter Patalano showed up for a bit. It was really good to see him and a huge hug was warranted for my friend.

We got the new shirts (some of you have yours) and cool yellow plastic bags with our logo on them for guests to put their goodies in. The bags were a donation from Art Paquin to the club. The rest of the shirts will be distributed at the November meeting if you did not get yours at the show.

We had the President from Patriot Scale Modelers club (George Lellios) come to our show this year. He volunteered to help with the judging. They put on a fantastic show known as PatCon. George wanted to learn about the car world and helped judge the new Gundam class that I am hoping will continue to grow each year. We even added a Gundam kit to the raffle kits (thanks for the donation Joe Angers!). George also worked with Mac Johnston on car judging. He seemed to enjoy it and soaked up the knowledge he gained.

As you may know, there was an issue I had at the PatCon show with judges handling models. George and I had a fantastic conversation about it and both left with a new respect and understanding. Communication is so key when something happens. Next time I will handle it in a much better way than I did. I apologize to all the members in the Patriot Scale

Modelers club if I offended anybody at their show.

We had around 335 entries this year and all were incredible builds. This year we had the judges wear white cotton gloves to help treat all the builds with a little more respect. A huge thank you to all that helped in the judging process, it's a hard job and seems to get harder each passing year.

The awards went over well and fairly quick. Dave Perkins made the announcements and I handed them out. Our super roving photographer (world famous Guil Rosa) took the photos. We'll need to look at the 17 and Under class again as there were no entries again this year; very sad.

At the end of the day, everyone again pitched in and cleaned up and we were gone fairly quickly. There was only one 'tragedy' as Dave Perkins model carrier broke on the way out and all his builds hit the pavement in the parking lot. Maybe this is what the misprinted award was foreshadowing. I am truly sorry Dave but I am happy it was the models and not you!

Thank you to all the incredible members, vendors, builders, entrants and spectators at the 2025 show. I hope to see you all next year; Lawrence Elks Hall, October 4th 2026 Until then happy building and be safe, Tim

















	Classi	c Plast	ic Model Club 2025 Mode	I Car Exhibition Winners List
Class	Name	Place	Winner	Entry
	Light Duty	1	Jodi Doyle	70 Ford F100 4X4
3	Trucks	3	Tim Rhine Steve Norsek	70 Ford F100 with Trailer
	Heavy	1	Steve Robillard	66 Chevy Suburban Cinderelli's Coach 1976 International
4	Commercial	2	Bob Gagne	Paystar 5000
	Vehicles	3	Scott Ryder	Ford Louisville Dump Truck
	Documented	1	Tim Rhine	1962 Corvette
5	Replica	2	Rich Mazzarella	1985 Chevy Blazer
	Emergency &	3	Paul Paradis Charles Rowley	Dodge Little Red Wagon 1970 International Pumper
6	Municipal Vehicles	2	Tim Rhine	1971 Plymouth GTX 440
		3	Rich Mazzarella	2017 Camaro SS
7	Motorcycles	1	Ru Crummett	Kenny Roberts YZF500
		2	Ru Crummett	Honda Trail 70
8	Large Scale	3	Speed Davidowicz Vince LoBosco	1947 Harley Davidson '45' 1958 Ferrari Testsrossa
		2	Bob McPherson	Tamiya F-1
		3	Todd Ryan	1957 Gasser
9	Small Scale	1	Jim Rondos	Monogram Ultimates 289 Cobra
		2	Ru Crummett	Daihatsu Midget
		3	Ru Crummett	Testor Saleen S281
10	Foreign & Exotic	2	Jodi Doyle Jeff Johnston	Fiat Abarth 695 SS Nissan Skyliner 2000 GT-R
		3	Del Gonzalez	Toyota Carolla AE86
	Boy Stools	1	Gary Westfall	Plymouth Prowler
11	Box Stock - Street Legal	2	Tim Rhine	1955 Chrysler 300
		3	Glen Powers	65 Chevy Impala
40	Box Stock -	1	Dwayne Benoit	Bootlegger '67 Chevelle
12	Competition	3	Del Gonzalez Tim Rhine	Ford Motorsports IMSA Mustang 1995 Monte Carlo Race Car
		1	Jeff Johnston	67 Mustang GT 500
13	Factory Stock	2	Jeff Johnston	69 Camaro Convertible
		3	Jeff Johnston	66 Chevy Nova SS
14	Day 2	1	Nick Arvanities	1970 Hemi 'Cuda
		3	Tim Rhine Nathan Walker	62 Corvette Roadster 70 Chevy Monte Carlo SS
15	Show Rods	1	Mark Tucker	29 A Roadster
		2	John Person	Tom Daniels Pie Wagon
		3	Rick Hanmore	MonkeeMobile
16	Customs	1	Gary Westfall	71 Ford Ranger
		2	Mark Tucker	Pink Panther Trio
17	Street Rods	3	Mark Tucker Gary Westfall	50 Ford Convertible 39 Chevy Sedan Delivery Rat Rod
		2	Mark Tucker	26 Model T Sedan
		3	Mark Tucker	41 Plymouth
	Street Machines	1	Tim Rhine	1964 GTO
18		2	Nick Arvanities	1969 Camaro
		3	Nick Arvanities Paul Paradis	1969 Holden Falcon Ole Blue
19	Competition Non-Drag	2	Jodi Doyle	JR Salvino's '76 Petty Charger
		3	Larry Blanchet	62 Shelby Cobra 289
	Competition Drag Theme Class:	1	Doug Estabrook	1968 Dodge Dart
20		2	John Person	1966 Mustang
-		3	Nick Arvanities Tim Rhine	2021 Dodge Charger 1956 Nomad set with Trailer
21	75 years of Tri-	2	Jodi Doyle	1956 Nomad Modern Hot Rod
	Five Chevies	3	John Person	56 Chevy
	Sub-Theme:	1	Gary Westfall	1959 Cadillac Eldorado
22	Gone in 60 seconds	3	Tim Rhine Paul Paradis	1959 Cadillac (Madeleine) 1966 Shelby Cobra (Ashley)
	Shelf Models,	1	Larry Blanchet	Porsche 911 GTI
23	Competition Vehicles	2	Jason Hanscom	Bone Crusher
		3	John Person	63 Corvette
24	Shelf Models, Street Legal Vehicles	1	Ed daRosa	1969 Cobra Jet
		3	John Person Del Gonzalez	53 Studebaker Fox Body Mustang
		1	Michel (Mike) Roy	Rickshawbago
25	Miscellaneous	2	George Lellios	Destriod Spartan
		3	Michel (Mike) Roy	Huey's Hot Rod
26	Curbside	1	Jodi Doyle	1961 Ford Galaxie
		2	Ed Arrajj	1957 Ford Ranchero
\vdash		3	Vince LoBosco Gerry Lodge	1968 GTO The George Inn
27	Diorama	2	Marc Palanye	Trader Sam
	**	3	Marc Palanye	Bunker Clear
	Club Challenge: Cars from 1963	1	Gary Westfall	Chevy Impala
28		3	Nate Bemis	Watson Race Car
\vdash	Military	1	Linda Crummett Charles Rowley	VW Bug 1943 325 Fire Pumper
29		2	Charles Rowley	1943 Didge Ambulance
lacksquare		3	Mac Johnston	Christie 8 inch SPG
30	Gundam	2	Patrick Powers Linda Crummett	Zaku II F Type Strike Freedom Gundam
30		3	Tim Rhine	Zaku II High Mobility
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Here I go again...By Club Secretary Mike Siesicki

For those who may not know me, allow me to introduce myself. My name is Michael Siesicki and I am the new Club Secretary. This is a position I held when I was a previous member of this Club. I re-joined the Club a couple of years ago as a basic member with no aspirations of having an office of any kind. I originally held this office when the former Club Secretary Barry Fadden (Mr. Prestigious) passed away. Some of you may know Barry and some may not. My job is to record the minutes of our Club Meetings accurately and to assist Club Officers when needed. Oh, and to build models! Mike



August 2025: We had 29 members and one guest attend the meeting in person, and one Zoom attendee. Items discussed were:

Contest 2025 – we discussed the myriad of items associated with the show including judging teams, hall status, food truck, who will do what on show day, etc.

Contest 2026 – we decided that our 2026 show will be held on Sunday, October 4, 2026

Toy Drive – to date we've collected \$1790. Today Bob Gagne donated \$500 to the Toy Drive – Thanks Bob! **Upcoming shows** – We discussed the upcoming PatCon, GraniteCon and BayCon shows. Many club members plan to attend each event. All are well done shows.

Club shirts – We hope to have the new club shirts at the September meeting

Kit donations:

Dave Perkins - two (2) sealed kits
Dave McGibbon - three (3) sealed kits
Paul Anagnostopoulos - six (6) sealed kits
Paul Yergeau - one (1) open kit
Joe Baril - one (1) sealed kit
Guil Rosa – Fourteen (14) open NASCAR kits
Nate Bemis - one (1) sealed kit
Andy Tenore - one (1) sealed kit

Raffle Winners:

Bob Gagne - MPC 1972 Chevrolet ramp truck
Eddie Arrajj - AMT 1977 Ford Pinto
Joe Baril - AMT 1940 Coca-Cola Ford Coupe
Dave McGibbon - Revell 2005 Chevrolet Corvette
Mac Johnston - AMT 1971 Ford Mustang
Andy Tenore - AMT 1969 Chevrolet Chevelle SS 396
Bob Gagne - AMT 1970 Chevrolet Chevelle SS
Dave Perkins - Revell VW Bug
Dwayne Benoit - AMT 1964 Chevrolet Impala
Special raffle: Mac Johnston donated a Dremel complete tool
kit. \$40.00 was collected and added to the Toy Drive Fund
Thank you Mac!

Show-N-Tell: August winner was Mike Freitas

Mike Freitas – Moebius Dodge box stock except for the rims, Tamiya Metallic Blue

Mike Freitas – AMT 1953 Ford F-100 3D printed 312 engine from Dave Perkins, tires from Monogram '40 Ford, lowered front and rear springs, Tamiya paints

Tim Rhine – Tamiya Fiat 695

Tim Rhine – Monogram '65 Mustang 2+2

Tim Rhine – Aoshima Toyota pickup, built for the 48 hour group build

Linda Crummett – Testors P51 Mustang in 1/72nd scale, white primer with TS16 Yellow tail and TS17 Gloss Aluminum body, my first airplane build

Linda Crummett – Testors Corvette Z06 in 1/32rd scale, built as a curbside, pink primer, TS95 Metallic Red and a Black interior

Dave Perkins – chrome from Spotlight Hobbies

Dave Perkins – '63 Plymouth Fury, finish is Bahama Breeze Dave Perkins – NuNu Volvo, in process, about 75% done Paul Zerbe (visitor from Australia) – DDA Collectibles Ford Falcon (Aussie Kit), 3D Ford Cleveland engine, Alteredworks 3D chassis, 3D wheel/tires, SMS Brandywine lacquer, 2K clear Paul Zerbe - DDA Collectibles Holden Torana LJ (Aussie kit), Barra six cylinder 3D Turbo engine, modified chassis, painted SMS Pink (factory color) and 2K cleared

Paul Zerbe – Revell '69 Camaro 3D body kit, 3D wheels, 3D engine, painted SMS Hugger Orange lacquer and 2K cleared Nick Arvanites – Revell '67 Camaro, built as a street/strip car, fully detailed and wired engine, 3D tires and rims, scratch built exhaust system, 3D mufflers, 3D steering rack/pinion, finish is MCW Butternut Yellow

Nick Arvanites – Revell '69 Camaro built as a drag car, doors and trunk cut open, 3D chassis, 3D tires and rims, 3D engine that is wired and plumbed, interior fully wired and detailed, trunk detailed, finish is Tropical Glitz Luscious Orange lacquer with 2K clear

Mac Johnston – Fowler B6 Steam Tractor (in progress), 3D print of British Tractor, added steering chains, winch rope, corrected rear wheel mountings

Andy Tenore – '55 Chevy, a model I built 53 years ago…that's the only thing special about it [⊕]

Jim Parker – MPC Wacky Races Mean Machine, Dick Dastardly and Muttly creatively painted

Dana Benoit – '51 Buick

Dwayne Benoit – Revell Jungle Jim's Vega Funny Car built out of the box, body color is True Blue Pearl, Slixx decals

Dwayne Benoit – Motown Missile Barracuda 'Phantom' Funny Car built out of the box, Slixx decals, painted to look like Don Carlton's Pro-Stock car

Dwayne Benoit – Revell Speed Equipment World '74 Vega Funny Car built out of the box, Aluma Yellow Pearl finish **Dwayne Benoit** – Revell Eastern Raider Pinto Funny Car built out of the box, body color is Butterscotch

Mike Siesicki – Revell '32 Ford 5-Window Coupe, painted Tamiya Lime Green

Mike Siesicki – Monogram '32 Ford

Mike Siesicki – Revell '30 Ford Model A Hot Rod, painted Tamiya French Blue

Mike Siesicki – Revell '29 Ford Model A Hot Rod, painted Duli-Color Blue Metallic

Mike Siesicki – Revell '30 Ford Model A Hot Rod, painted Tamiya Metallic Red

Show-N-Tell photos from the August meeting:



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Sept 2025: We had 25 members and one guest attend the meeting in person but we were 'Zoom-less' so nobody tuned into the meeting on-line. Items discussed were:

Contest 2025 – We continued our show to-do list review discussion including judging teams criteria review, hall layout, awards update, show day setup, etc. We'll need all to go well so our show goes off successfully.

Contest 2026 - We decided that our Theme and Sub-Theme subjects for 2026 show will be:

Theme – '32 Ford in honor of our 32nd show Sub-Theme – 'Long Roof' vehicles (not SUVs)

Tim Rhine succession list – As most know, Tim has decided leave the club and we'll need to divide up the tasks he performs and seek volunteers. To-date we have broken this up into the following tasks and have had some volunteers step up to help:

Club Secretary – Mike Siesicki volunteered **Kit-master** – Nate Bemis volunteered

Meeting-master – Paul A volunteered

Co-Treasurer – volunteer still needed

Thank you to those who volunteered to help out **Toy Drive** – to date we've collected \$2431

Club shirts – Unfortunately the club shirts were not ready yet and we hope to have them at the October meeting.

Kit donations:

Tim Rhine - one (1) sealed kit Dave McGibbon - one (1) sealed kit

Raffle Winners:

John Edge – AMT '65 Ford Galaxie

Rich Arakelian – Revell F150 Lightning

Mike Woods - AMT Piranha Man from U.N.C.L.E car

Ru Crummett – Revell Firebird T/A

Mike Siesicki- AMT Charger R/T

Mac Johnston – AMT '68 Shelby GT500

Gary Westfall - Lindberg Coronado Speed Boat

Show-N-Tell: September winner was Gary Westfall

Gary Westfall – AMT '63 Impala, my first entry in Jason's Blue Ox Model Shop Street Machine group build, Texas 3D Customs supercharged 571 engine upgraded with twin Holley 1150 Dominators; scratch built fuel lines, plug wires and linkages; wheel and tires by Texas 3D Customs (I tried their 3D printed rubber tires for the first time and they are good but not quite up to 3D resin quality just yet. Remote controlled lighting is scratch built as is the exterior gauge cluster and it all runs off a single 3 volt #123 battery seated in a custom hidden battery box. Inspiration taken from full scale '60s Nova I saw at Adirondack Nationals last year.

Gary Westfall - Aoshima Liberty Walk Lamborghini Huracan, my second entry in Jason's Blue Ox Model Shop Street machine build. Built about 90% box stock with the exception of the lighting; modified rear lip spoiler into a raised wing, added steer-able wheels to the kit's fully adjustable ride height and camber; 100 individual SMD lights in Nano or Pico size are packed into this build; 42 for the DRL's, four for the gauges, two for the license plate and 52 for the sliver-thin tails lights! All lights run off a single 3 volt #123 battery seated in a custom made hidden battery box; remote control switch is by Evans Designs, SMD lights sourced from Amazon

David McGibbon – Tamiya Porsche GT3 RS, photo etch parts by ZoomOn, interior and carbon decals from SK decals and Hiroboy, finish is Splash Paints Speed Yellow

John Edge- Revell 1985 Olds 442/FE3-X, wired engine,

Testors Extreme Blazing Black, 2K Clear

Mike Freitas- AMT Ford F-150 Lightning, building box stock, Tamiya Pure Red with Clear

Dwayne Benoit – Revell '32 Highboy Primer Rod, fully detailed Dwayne Benoit – AMT '78 Chevy Vega Pro-Stock, fully detailed

Dwayne Benoit – AMT '70½ Camaro, fully detailed

Mike Siesicki – Tamiya Jeep Grand Cherokee LTD V8 built box stock

Mike Siesicki – Revell Ford Bronco, added chrome air cleaner and wheel covers

Mike Siesicki - Revell of Germany Land Rover Series III LWB built box stock

Mike Siesicki – AMT Lincoln Continental built box stock Shawn Kelley – AMT Altered Wheel Base Chevelle Drag Car in primer

Nate Bemis – MPC 970-12 Ramchargers (and Transport Truck) Hobby Store Hemi phantom Blue Max front engine dragster, Revell chrome, aftermarket parachute and bicycle wheels; all engine details from craft and hobby stores (no aftermarket detail parts), Tamiya TS-50 Mica Blue

${\bf Show\text{-}N\text{-}Tell\ photos\ from\ September\ meeting:}$



Oct. 2025: We had 21 members and one guest attend the meeting in person, and three Zoom attendees. Items discussed were:

Contest 2025 – We continued our show to-do list review discussion including judging teams criteria review, hall layout, awards update, show day setup, etc.

Jim Parker will assist Paul A with judging points counting and winner determination

We have six (6) teams of two (2) judges ready to go and Paul A reviewed our judging criteria with all

We had a request for more chairs at the show and will do

Toy Drive – to date we've collected \$2456

Club shirts – Paul Yergeau has the shirts but could not make the meeting so, unfortunately, the club shirts will be handed out later

Kit donations:

Dave Perkins - one (1) open kit Paul A – one (1) open kit and one (1) sealed kit

Raffle Winners:

Gary Westfall – Lamborghini

Mike Siesicki – 2022 Corvette

Bob Gagne – Dodge Ram

Mike Freitas – 1956 Ford

Rich Arakelian – Chevy Pickup

John Davison – Corvette Classic Cruiser

Dave Perkins - '58 Chevy Impala

Show-N-Tell: October winner was Bob Gagne

Ernest Emerson – Monogram #15 Wrangler T-Bird built out of the box

Will Emerson – Infiniti Hot Rod; Infiniti Dragster converted to a Hot Rod, scratch built frame and modified 25 Model T interior, added Fire-Dome Hemi, painted Testors Purplelicious Gary Westfall – SMD LED Lighting example to help foster a how-to discussion

Mike Siesicki – Revell 1963 Chevrolet Impala SS, added dual antennas, custom wheels and tires, chrome on engine, painted Dupli-Color Light Metallic Blue

Mike Siesicki – Moebius 1972 Ford F100 Sport Custom, built as a 'Day 2' truck with dual exhaust, trailer hitch, Pegasus Hell's and Holli's wheels and tires, Tu-tone paint is Dupli-Color Pearl Forest Green and Tamiya Light Gun Metal

Mike Siesicki – Moebius 1971 Ford F100 Ranger XLT built box stock with a Tu-tone paint scheme of Model Master Competition Orange and Tamiya White

Bob Gagne – Paystar 5000 Tractor and Tri-axle Lowbed Trailer with a Cat D8H Dozer as the load; Tractor started as the dump truck kit, Dozer painted authentic Cat Yellow, added custom ROPS cab, exhaust stack and engine side covers on Dozer

Show-N-Tell photos from October meeting:















Our Toy Drive Christmas 2025 shopping season

By Joe and Tammy Baril



Hi everyone. It's that time of the year, one of my favorite times of the year, to start shopping for toys for our annual Toy Drive donation. Tammy and I will soon be heading out to local stores searching for toy bargains.

Because of your generous donations the 2025 Toy Drive fund has over \$2500. Our plan is to spend \$2000 on toys, a small amount (about \$100) on one month of storage unit rental and roll the remaining money into the 2026 Toy Drive fund.

As always, Tammy uses her skills and techno-savvy to magically find price reductions on many toys. Last year we were able to buy toys valued at \$3000 for our \$2000 budget – quite a savings! All toys will be distributed by our partner in this effort – Toys For Local Children – a charity that shares our passion for helping children who, through no fault of their own, may receive little to nothing on Christmas day.

We'd like to thank all who have donated during 2025 and hope your generosity continues in 2026.

Thanks,

Joe and Tammy

COMING EVENTS

Nov 2, 2025 – Sun. – Bay Colony Modelers BayCon 2025 held at the Franklin Elks Hall in Franklin MA

Nov 8, 2025 – Sat. – L.I.A.R.S. Model Car Challenge 2025 held at the Freeport Rec Center in Freeport NY (Long Island) Nov 23, 2025 – Sun. – Fulton Model Car and Truck Show

held at the Volney Fire Dept Hall in Fulton NY

Dec 6, 2025 – Sat. – <u>Club meeting and Holiday Party</u> at Dracut American Legion hall (lower hall), and broadcast via Zoom, 1 PM

Jan 3, 2026 – Sat. – <u>Club meeting</u> at Dracut American Legion hall (lower hall), and broadcast via Zoom, 1 PM

Feb 7, 2026 – Sat. – Club meeting at Dracut American

Legion hall (lower hall), and broadcast via Zoom, 1 PM Mar 7, 2026 – Sat. – Club meeting at Dracut American

Legion hall (lower hall), and broadcast via Zoom, 1 PM

Legion hall (lower hall), and broadcast via Zoom, 1 PM Mar 29, 2026 – Sun. – ValleyCon show held at the Knights

Apr 4, 2026 – Sat. – <u>Club meeting</u> at Dracut American Legion hall (lower hall), and broadcast via Zoom, 1 PM

of Columbus Hall in Chicopee MA

Apr 11, 2026 – Sat. – Can-Am Con Show held at the in Williston Armory in Williston, Vt

Apr 12, 2026 – Sun. – DowneastCon Show held at the Sanford Memorial Gymnasium in Sanford ME

Apr 19, 2026 – Sun. – Spring Thaw Model Show held at the Willowvale Fire Co. Hall in Chadwicks NY

May 2, 2026 – Sat. – <u>Club meeting</u> at Dracut American Legion hall (lower hall), and broadcast via Zoom, 1 PM

Comments from the Editor

By Newsletter Editor Art Paquin

Thank you Paul Anagnostopoulos, Guil Rosa, Tim Rhine, Mike Siesicki, Joe Baril, Tammy Baril and Dana Benoit for your inputs and efforts which helped us produce this newsletter issue.

The next deadline for newsletter article submission is **Friday, December 19, 2025** with a scheduled distribution date of Saturday, January 3, 2026. Submission of articles, pictures and comments are welcomed and much appreciated. Thanks, Art

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United States

33rd Annual

Fulton Model Car and Truck Show



Sunday November 23, 2025

Volney Fire Dept. Hall 3002 State Rte 3

Fulton, New York 13069





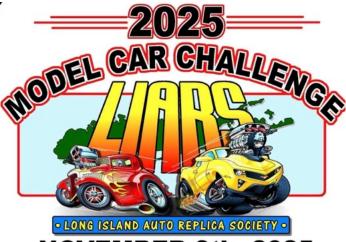


Featuring:

- This year's Special Theme "The Chrysler Hemi" Model Car and Truck Contest (see back for classes)
 Separate NNL Style Model Display Area (with Best of Award)

- Gift for all Junior modelers who enter the contest
- Model Venders selling kits and after market parts and supplies General Admission \$2.00 16 and under Free
- No admittance to the vender area until 9:00 AM (vender set up at 7:30 AM)
- All entries need to be in by 1:30 PM

For Information call Dan 315-695-2680 or email dstphillips@twcny.rr.com



130 EAST MERRICK RD. FREEPORT NY 11520 9AM TO 4PM - (AWARD CEREMONEY 3 PM)

This years theme: Any cars built with a model year ending in a "5"

WALK INS - \$5 for ADULTS CHILDREN UNDER 12 - FREE! MODEL ENTRY - \$15 (first 5 models, \$1 for each additional model)
Junior catagory - FREE!

MORE INFO (https://www.longislandautoreplicasociety.com

12th ANNUAL SPRING THAW MODEL SHOW

SCALE VEHICLES

Sunday, April 19,2026

Location:

Willowvale Fire Co. 3459 Oneida Street, Chadwicks, NY 13319

Minutes from Utica & NYS Thruway Exit 31

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

JUDGING BEGINS AT 1:00 p.m.

- > 18 CLASSES, AWARDS, DOOR PRIZES, VENDORS, and FOOD
- > ENTRY FEE \$10.00 NO LIMIT TO THE NUMBER OF ENTRIES
- > SPECTATOR ADMISSION \$5.00, CHILDREN UNDER 12 FREE

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