



Off to the Grand Opening!

By Club President
Paul Anagnostopoulos

By the time you read this, I will have traveled to Lincoln, Nebraska, for the grand opening of the International Model Car Builders' Museum annex at the Museum of American Speed (MAS).

The grand opening includes tours, a ribbon cutting ceremony, and an NNL-style model show. We are also restarting the Hall of Fame, last seen in *Scale Auto*. The festivities start on July 23 and last for three days.

I am a member of the advisory board to MAS, helping them organize, catalog, and acquire new items for the museum. Prior to that, I was on the steering committee that searched for a new home for the museum and discovered MAS. They have been enthusiastic in their acceptance of the collection and instrumental in moving it from Utah to Nebraska.

The MAS Advisory Board includes Mark S. Gustavson, Randy Derr, Tim Kolankiewicz, Giovanna and Doug Whyte, Dale Horner, Bob Jernigan, yours truly, and others. We have been meeting monthly by Zoom since February 2024. MAS first showed interest in July 2024 and signed a letter of intent in December 2024.

Look for a big article in the next newsletter with my impressions of the grand opening, along with some photos of the car model area and some 1:1 cars in the museum. I'm sure all the model magazines will also carry articles. Meanwhile, keep on modelin'!

Paul



Sad news

By Art Paquin

As we're getting older this is an inevitable aspect of life. As a club we've been relatively lucky in that we've 'only' had this happen a few times over the existence of our club. Sadly, it's happened again, this time to two former club members and one current club member.

Scott Ridley was a master modeler and member of our club from 2004 thru 2022. Upon the death of his mother, Scott moved from Maine to Alabama; close to former club members Ken and Barb Denza. Once there Scott joined the ACME model club in that area and excelled at his craft – 1/43rd scale masterpieces. Scott loved sharing his modeling knowledge with all who asked and was a very generous soul. Scott passed away unexpectedly in mid-April.

Kevin 'Jigger' Jeglinski was an on and off member of our club from the early 1990s thru the 20-teens but his real passion was Slot Cars and Slot Car racing. Jigger was a true comedian and a fun guy to be around.

While a member Jigger made several Road Warrior trips with us to model shows in Quebec and throughout New England. I recall one road trip where Jigger and I attended a Montreal Canadiens game while the other guys went out clubbing. Wouldn't you know it – they had a kiss-cam feed on their Jumbo-Tron so Jigger repeatedly tried to kiss me so we'd be on the Jumbo-Tron! After a long illness Jigger passed away peacefully on April 30, 2026.

Andrew Koerner was a current member of the club. Joining in September 2018, Andrew lived in the Taunton MA area. Health challenges and distance made it difficult for him to regularly attend club meetings but when he did he enjoyed being with other club members. Andrew passed suddenly on April 27, 2026 at the age of 58.

Rest in peace men – you will be remembered fondly by those who've known you. Please join me in honoring these three men by thinking of them kindly as you read this.

Art



Scott Ridley



Kevin 'Jigger' Jeglinski



Andrew Koerner



Kit Review: Revell '85 GMC High Roller 4X4

By Tim Rhine

Here is my review of the Tamiya Toyota Celica GT-FOUR 1993 Monte-Carlo rally winner.

The kit is molded in white and gray and includes five (5) rubber tires, crystal clear glass, and a huge decal sheet (this is the hardest part of the kit).

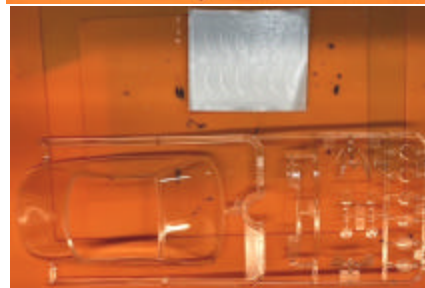
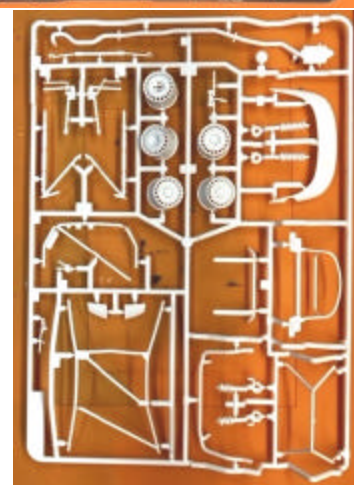
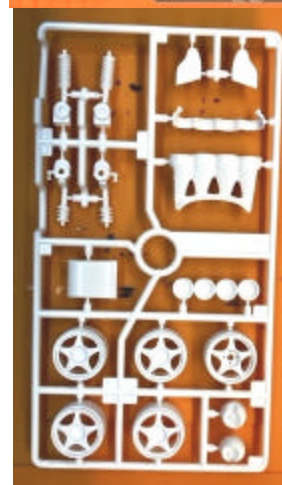
It is very well detailed and that's what you expect from a Tamiya kit. The body needs very little clean up. This kit was originally released in 1993, but a few things were added to make the rally car version.

I am about halfway through with my build. The chassis is complete and weathered. As I mention in parentheses above, the hardest part of this kit is applying the decals - they are not for the faint of heart! I have already ruined two sets so I'm going to go in a different direction with my build.

I do recommend this kit you will enjoy it.

Until the next review, happy building and be safe.

Tim





Spring Thaw Show 2026

By Linda Crummett

This show was held at the Willowdale Fire Company Hall on April 19th in Chadwicks NY. (Utica area)

Ru and I liked this show so much last year we decided to go again this year. We hit rain all the way to the venue. As soon as we parked it turned into snow flakes. Luckily they did not stick and the ride home was dry.

The show charged \$10 to enter an unlimited amount of models. When you enter, they give you some sanding sticks and a door prize ticket. We were very lucky and both of us won a door prize. We got to pick from a variety of items, mainly model kits. Ru chose the Alaskan Hauler and I chose a tank.

The models are displayed in the Firehouse garage beside the fire engines. They set aside a couple of bays to set up the tables. The tables were full but not crowded - we guessed 200-250 models. The quality of the builds was amazing. We saw many of the same builders that we see when we go to Fulton NY for their show in November.

There is a large meeting hall when you first walk in and that is where the vendors were set up. There were a lot of vendors and a great selection of kits. Prices ranged from \$5 kits to those that were quite pricey. There were many rare kits as well as recent ones, along with people selling aftermarket wheels, various parts and paints a lot of big rigs, race cars of all varieties and custom cars. One model in particular that I found unique was one with fake fur attached to it, to make the model look like a dog. He also made a face on the front.

Ru won a 'Justin's Choice' award for his International Scout. This is similar to our Members choice award. Justin was one of three people putting on the show.

We met up with Randy Catudal, who made the long trek out as well. We also saw some vendors who are friends and we got to enjoy some good socializing.

The icing on the cake so to speak was an ice cream shop right down the street, where we enjoyed ice cream cones with some friends after the show.

They've set the date for next year as Sunday, April 18, 2027. You might want to think about going, as it's a great show and worth the ride out.

Here are a few photos from the event.

Enjoy, Linda





NNL East 2026

By Tim Rhine

NNL East number 38 was held on Sunday April 26th and, as always, it did not disappoint.

We got there at about 7:15am and it was cold and windy, about 40-ish. At 8:45am it started pouring rain and they kindly opened the doors early to help keep us all from getting soaked.

As always, registering was easy and they even had a table for registration set up the night before at the host hotel to make the process even easier.

The show had its normal layout - two rooms for vendors and the two basketball courts used for models on display.

Without a doubt there was something for everyone in the vendor area - kits, parts, decals, and even diecast for sale.

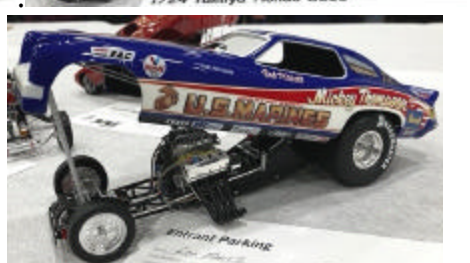
Classic Plastic member Gary Westfall won a theme award for the third year in a row. Huge congratulations go out to Gary!

But, as usual, the day went by in a blur. It was another great weekend with friends and I hope to go again next year.

Here are a few photos for those who could not make the show.

If you have not been I highly recommend you go at least one time as this should be considered a bucket list event for any modeler.

Be safe, Tim





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By Linda Crummett

Linda





RTS Expo show 2026

By Club Historian Joe Baril

The 2026 edition of the RTS Expo, held on Sunday May 17th, returned to the Taunton Conference Center.

The 2026 show was actually pretty good and quite well attended. The guy who brought the 1/3rd scale tank was hilarious. Here are a few pictures from the event.

Thanks,
Joe





Don't forget to donate to the Christmas Toy Drive fund at each meeting.
All donations go to a very worthy cause.



Meeting Minutes

May thru July 2026

By Club Secretary Mike Siesicki

May 2026: We had 23 members and two Zoomers attend. Items discussed were:

Contest 2026 – We were actively seeking sponsorship donations across all classes. MCV Products donated
Recent Shows– We discussed the recently held DowneastCon (Sanford, ME), Spring Thaw (Chadwicks, NY) and NNL East #38 (Parsippany, NJ) shows
Ex Members– We discussed the recent untimely passing of former members Scott Ridley and Jigger Jeglinski
Toy Drive – Joe reported we're at \$1845 to-date.

Kit donations: None this meeting

Raffle Winners:

John Davison – Morris Mini Cooper Rallye
 Dave McGibbon – Revell Hellcat
 Bob Gagne – AMT Ranchero Custom
 Jeff Elliott – Ferrari
 Bob Gagne – AMT DeWalt Taurus
 Bart Navarro – AMT '32 Ford
 Dave Perkins – AMT '67 Shelby GT
 John Edge – Revell Porsche 911

Show-N-Tell: May winner was **Paul Paradis**

Paul Alphabet – CaDA Mercedes AMG GT3– 1/8th scale Brick Model kit with 5466 parts...yee-haw!

Mike Siesicki – ERTL International Scout SSII built box stock

Mike Siesicki – Lindberg 1964 Dodge 330 built as a Day 2 racer, installed hood scoops from Polar Lights 1964 Dodge Coronet 500, wired engine, parts box wheels and tires

Mike Siesicki – Monogram 1969 Ford Torino Talledaga, a rebuild done a few years ago, Pegasus wheels and tires, painted dark blue metallic

Paul Paradis – 359 Peterbilt that is fully detailed with full electrical, fuel, air and hydraulic systems

Mac Johnston – WW2 Japanese 'dozer built out of the box

Mac Johnston – WW2 Diamond T dump truck, cut off hood to fold open, added carb and linkage, drilled exhaust, added fuel tank supports, headlight guards, headlamp lens, wipers

Guil Rosa – Tamiya 1/24 scale Nissan R89C, engine bay detailed, paints are Tamiya, Zero Paints and Alclad II metallics, Scale Motorsport Carbon Fiber decal set, Studio27 decal set and photo-etch parts

Nate Bemis – Competition Resins 1978 Corvette Funny Car in progress build currently mounted on a chassis from a previous build

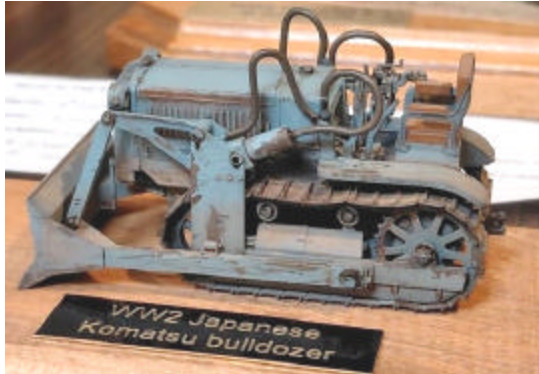
Dana Benoit – '62 Pontiac Tempest Funny Car made from parts box pieces

Jim Rondos – 1962 Dodge "Revellion", original body and chassis, MCV Products Hemi engine, added a driver, Moon fuel tank, hinged body and hood, plumbed and wired. Painted Scale Finishes Lemon Twist with Lime Light fade

Jim Rondos – 1963 Pontiac Tempest Funny Car, added air breathers, injector stack covers, wired engine, photo-etch hood pins. Paint is Testors Fiery Orange lacquer with Model Master Clear enamel over all

Show-N-Tell photos from the May meeting:





June 2026: We had 20 members; one Zoomer and one guest (Gerry Lodge) attend. Items discussed were:

Contest 2026 – We discussed show assignments and vendor table donations received to-date (14)

Recent Shows – We discussed the RTS Expo (Taunton, MA) and Can-Am Con (Williston, VT) shows

Toy Drive – Joe reported having \$1965 for the Toy Drive

Linda Crummett – Thank you for bringing cookies!

Paul Anagnostopoulos – He announced that he would generously match all May, June and July meeting Toy Drive donations.

Kit donations: Thank you to all!

Paul Alphabet – one (1) sealed kit

Eddie Arrajj – one (1) sealed kit

Guil Rosa – one (1) sealed kit

Raffle Winners:

Dana Benoit – AMT '60 Corvette

Ed Arrajj – AMT '97 Ford Explorer

Guil Rosa – Revell '92 Corvette ZR1

Bob Gagne – AMT '64 Ford Falcon

Gerry Lodge – Monogram '32 Ford

Randy Catudal – Revell '29 Ford Model A

Linda Crummett – AMT 2004 GTO

Show-N-Tell: June winner was **Marcos Nanita Fernandez**

Gary Westfall – 1960 Nomad “NH Madness”, built for 2026 NNL East web theme class, LSX engine with an Edelbrock Cross Ram, Texas 3D sourced 2021 Dodge Charger interior and front suspension, Texas 3D wheels and Iceman audio equipment, fully lighted, scratch built board and rack

Gerry Lodge – 1937 Ford, paid \$15 on Etsy

Marcos Fernandez – Revell '32 Ford, inspired by Del Paone dual engine dragster, scratch built chassis still in the ‘thinking’ process

Marcos Fernandez – Screaming Eagle Funny Car, Flash Point Resins body, Revell Funny Car chassis donor, all detailed up

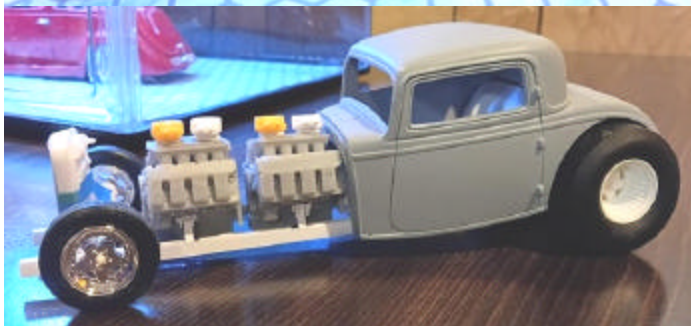
Mike Siesicki – Revell 1968 Volkswagen Beetle built box stock and painted with Tamiya French Blue with a white interior

Mike Siesicki – AMT Ford F100 and trailer, on truck I’ve added trim rings to the wheels, a floor shifter and extra gauges. On the trailer I’ve added custom wheels. Two tone paint with Tamiya Metallic Red and Tamiya Pearl White. So far this truck has had a rough life.

Joe Baril – Jo-Han '68 Chrysler 300 beater

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Show-N-Tell photos from the June meeting

July 2026: We had 19 members and one Zoomer attend. Items discussed were:

Contest 2026 – The following was decided:

1. We reviewed what remains for show sponsorships
2. We reviewed the show assignments list and asked for show day volunteers for specific tasks
3. John Davison reports 15 vendor tables have been taken and that he will limit us to 30 vendor tables

2026 Christmas Party– we verified that all members wish to repeat having our party on Saturday, December 5th and that ordering pizza was still acceptable

Toy Drive – Joe reported \$2090 collected up to this meeting. **Bob Gagne** generously donated \$1000 to the Toy Drive – Thank you Bob!

Kit donations: 31 kits donated but no names were provided – Thank you to all who donated!

Raffle Winners:

Victor Doucet – Hasegawa Mini Cooper
 Peter Patalano – Monogram '55 Ford Pickup
 Bob Gagne – Revell Jeff Burton NASCAR
 Paul A – AMT Shelby GT350
 Mike Siesicki – AMT '70 Camaro Z-28
 Bob Gagne – Revell '39 Chevy
 Mike Siesicki – AMT '69 Mustang
 Nate Bemis – Revell '68 Mustang
 Linda Crummett – Revell Pontiac Fiero
 Ed Arrajj – Lindberg '53 Ford

Show-N-Tell: July winner was **Dave Perkins**

Dave Perkins – Hasegawa Ferrari Testa Rossa work in progress

Dave Perkins – Revell 1/32nd Mercedes SSK built box stock

Dave Perkins – 1/43rd Porsche built from parts given him by Scott Ridley

Dave Perkins – Corvette Racer, nose and tail cut off and installed resin parts, painted with colors for Singapore

Bart Navarro – 1963 Chevy Impala built box stock, interior finished in Kaleido White and craft paint green, exterior finished in Kaleido paint

Linda Crummett – Italeri Statue of Liberty painted with Vallejo Green Sky for statue and Desert Armour for the base. Tamiya weathering powders used extensively throughout. Hand made for the 250th birthday of The United States of America

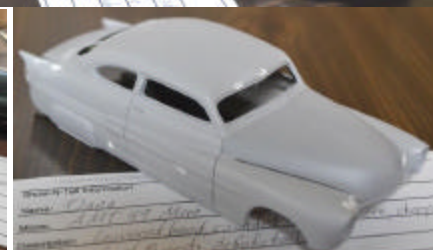
Mike Siesicki – Italeri Volvo 760 which was rebuilt and painted Duplicolor Green Pearl

Mike Siesicki – Tamiya Volvo Turbo Estate Wagon painted Tamiya Pure Red. Volvos Baby!

Dana Benoit – AMT '50 Olds Fastback, roof from the AMT '51 Chevy Fleetline, dual Frenched antennas, and scratch-built visor and vent visors

Dana Benoit – AMT '49 Merc, louvered hood, rounded corners, chopped roof, cantered B-posts, DeSoto tail lights

Show-N-Tell photos from the July meeting:





Comments from the Editor

By Newsletter Editor Art Paquin

Thanks Linda Crummett, Guil Rosa, Tim Rhine, Joe Baril, Jeff Elliott, Paul Anagnostopoulos and Mike Siesicki for your inputs and efforts which helped us produce this newsletter issue.

The next deadline for newsletter article submission is **Friday, October 16, 2026** with a scheduled distribution date of Saturday, November 1, 2026. Submission of articles, pictures and comments are welcomed and much appreciated. Thanks,
Art

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COMING EVENTS

Sep 12, 2026 – Sat. – Club meeting at Dracut American Legion hall (lower hall), and broadcast via Zoom, 1 PM

Sep 27, 2026 – Sun. – PatCon show in Hudson MA

Oct 3, 2026 – Sat. – Club meeting at Dracut American Legion hall (lower hall), and broadcast via Zoom, 1 PM

Oct 4, 2025 – Sun. – our CPMC Model Exhibition #32 held at the Lawrence MA Elks Hall from 8am-4pm

Oct 18, 2026 – Sun. – GraniteCon33 show in Weare NH

Oct 24, 2026 – Sat. – Hudson Valley Model Show in Poughkeepsie NY

Nov 1, 2026 – Sun. – BayCon show in Franklin MA

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

Nov 22, 2026 – Sun. – Fulton Model Car & Truck show in Chadwicks NY. Theme: 60 years of the Ford Bronco

Dec 5, 2026 – Sat. – Club meeting and Holiday Party at Dracut American Legion hall (lower hall), and broadcast via Zoom, 1 PM

Jan 9, 2027 – Sat. – Club meeting at Dracut American Legion hall (lower hall), and broadcast via Zoom, 1 PM

Feb 6, 2027 – Sat. – Club meeting at Dracut American Legion hall (lower hall), and broadcast via Zoom, 1 PM

Mar 6, 2027 – Sat. – Club meeting at Dracut American Legion hall (lower hall), and broadcast via Zoom, 1 PM

2026 Events information

Presents

www.ipmspatriot.org/patcon

9 AM - 5 PM
SUNDAY
27
SEPTEMBER

568 MAIN STREET
HUDSON, MA 01749

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Sunday, October 18, 2026 9AM to 4PM

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Weare Middle School, Rt. 114 Weare, New Hampshire

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BayCon
2026

Location
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Franklin, MA 02038

Sunday, November 1, 2026
9:00am-5:00pm