

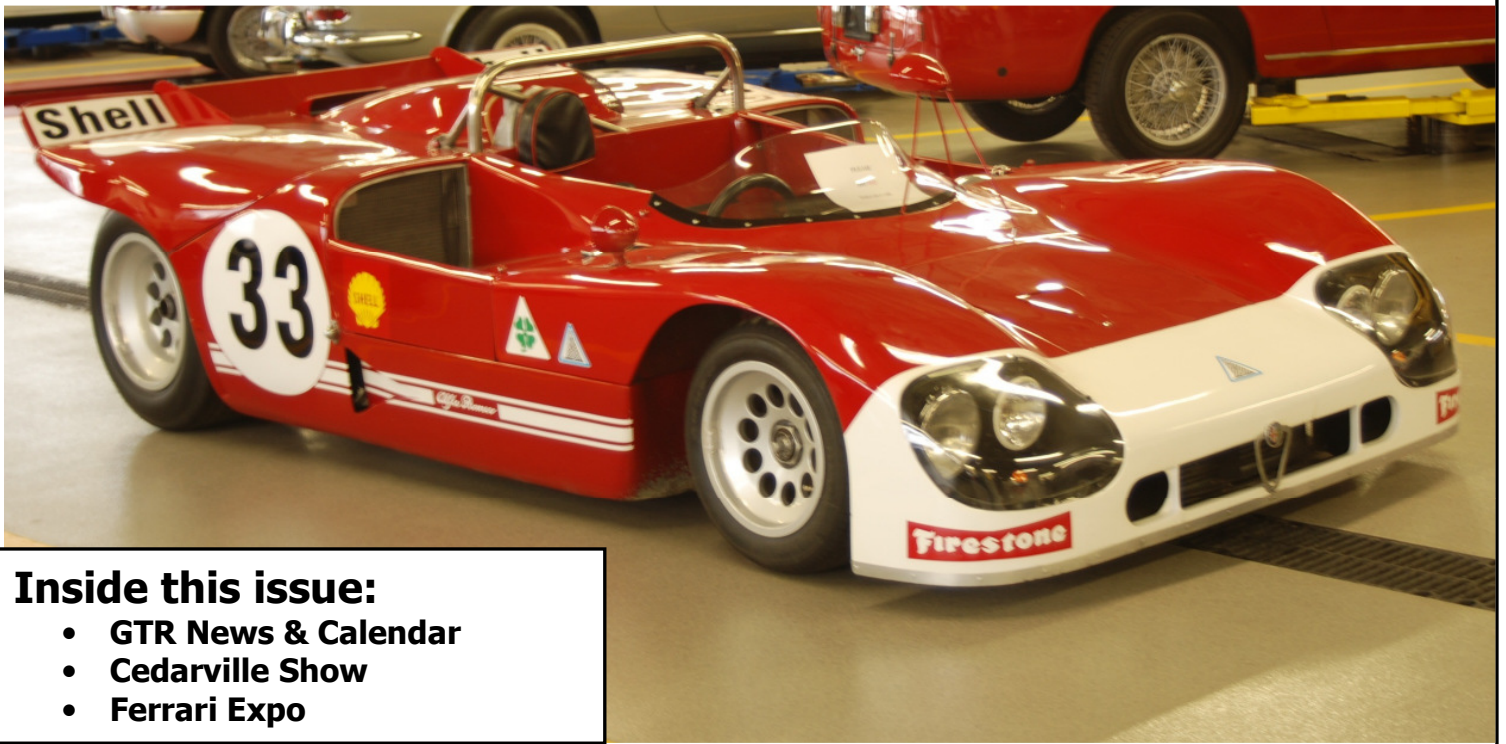


GTR

Newsletter

April 2014

GTR's 15th Anniversary 1999-2014



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GTR Auto Modelers

Based in the Chicago, IL Northwest Suburbs
2002/2003 IPMS/USA Region 5 Chapter of the Year
2007 and 2008 IPMS/USA Region 5 Newsletter of the Year
2014 Meetings: Every 1st Saturday @ 7:00 p.m.

Location alternates between member's homes and the Algonquin Township Building

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by **Chuck Herrmann**
INDUSTRY NEWS.
Meng Ford Pick up



At the recent Nuremburg Toy Fair, Chinese company Meng, known for their military model kits, announced they will start doing automotive subjects. This 1/24 scale Ford F-350 Super Duty plastic model kit replicates the 2008-10 model years of this muscle truck. The engine bay is fully represented. Two options of the wheel hubs and side steps are provided. A movable tailgate and a bed extender are included. Realistic metal plated parts are provided for the engine grille and wheel hubs. Metal reflective mirror film is provided for the rear view mirrors. Length: 277mm Width: 112mm”

These should be available in April or May. One potential problem with sales is the price - MSRP \$76.95!!!!



ICM Model Ts

The Russian military model maker ICM has announced two all new car kits. Previously they had upscaled several military “soft skins” kit from 1/35 to 1/24. Now they will do a 1910 Ford Model T Touring and a 1912 Ford Model T Roadster as all new tooling kits. I haven’t seen a release date or price yet. Usually these classic subjects are not the biggest sellers but we will see. There

also may be some aftermarket stuff to do conversions or hot rods.



REAL WORLD

Martini Colors Return to F1



The beautifully iconic Martini colors have returned to Grand Prix racing in 2014, as sponsor for the Williams FW36-Mercedes and drivers Felipe Massa and Valterie Bottas.

New Porsche 919 for LeMans



The newest Porsche LeMans contender, the 919, was officially announced. It is powered by a V-four petrol engine that generates more than 500 horsepower, a lithium-ion power pack, and an electric motor to meet the latest rules and strict energy efficiency requirements.



At the final official test day for the World Endurance Championship the new Porsche was quickest, so hopefully it can shake up this year's WEC and LeMans.



MEDIA

Sebring 12 Hours TV Coverage

After some generally disappointing results in viewing the Daytona 24 Hour TUDOR (still getting used to that name!) sports car race (what is FOX Sports2?, also spotty on line coverage) Sebring was much better. After taping the start as I was out (yes, on VCR still but hey it still works) the rest was live on line on IMSA.com. This time it was the same announcers as on TV.

EVENTS

The Milwaukee NNL 22 will be April 12 at the usual venue. The Theme, as at lots of shows this year, is 50 Years of the Ford Mustang.

GTR will have our display table at the show.

And the Waukesha Swap traditionally the next day will go on as planned.

See the events calendar for details for all of the events that I know of. If any readers wish their events or any other events of interest to GTR listed send the information along to me

IPMS USA

International Plastic Modelers Society

IPMS News



GTR is a local chapter in Region 5, of IPMS/USA, which is celebrating its 50th year in 2013. Local chapters need five active national IPMS/USA members to remain an IPMS chapter. For 2014, we have been successfully renewed as an IPMS chapter, we had enough National IPMS members but we always can use some more. So we urge those who have lapsed to renew their IPMS/USA membership, or if you have never been a member enroll now! Details can be found at their web site, www.ipmsusa.org.

The 2014 IPMS/USA National Convention website is now up, link to it through the IPMS/USA page.

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GTR Update

2014 7th Annual GTR Summer NNL

GTR will again host our annual Summer NNL, on Sunday August 3, 2014 at the traditional location, the Algonquin Township Center. The theme will be 50 Years of Pony Cars

The next regular meeting will be Saturday, March 1 at the Algonquin Township Building.

The 2014 GTR Club Calendar is available! Cost will be \$10 to GTR members, order your calendars from Steve or Chuck. We have a few left but they are printed on demand so we can get as many as we need.

Future regular monthly meetings will meet at the Algonquin Township Building. Any member who wants to bring up other ideas or suggestions for future meetings or activities, do so either at the meeting or contact me.

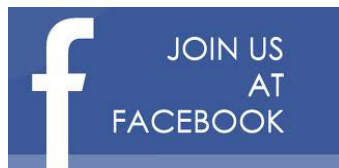
GTR Classifieds:

Wanted: Wheels and tires for Tamiya 1/24 Porsche 961 kit.

Wanted: Rear window "glass" for the Monogram Porsche 924 kit.

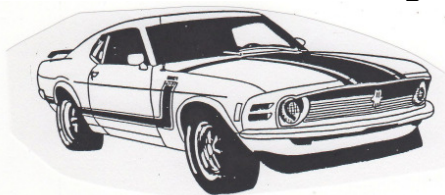
Contact Chuck Herrmann at gtrchab@yahoo.com

GTR is on Facebook



GTR now has a Facebook page. Check it out and join up! We now have over 95 friends.

2014 GTR Club Project



The 2014 GTR Club Project will again reflect the GTR Summer NNL theme, which is 50 Years of Pony Cars. Finish a Pony Car between now and the NNL in August, bring it to a meeting, the NNL or send a photo to me and your 2014 dues will be refunded!

So get building! Let's get more built project models this year!

Happy Birthday GTR! Fifteen Years, 1999-2014

March Meeting

The March regular meeting was held Saturday, March 1 at the Algonquin Township Building. Like the past two meetings, we experienced severe winter weather which held down attendance. But this time only three members braved the elements and made it. So there was no real business conducted. We did show what we had brought and hung around for about an hour. Here are pictures of some of the stuff on the tables.

George Pritzen: an in progress diecast kit, the Testors/Lincoln Mint Dodge Daytona



Dave Edgecomb: Several kits Including a Revell Germany 2012 DTM BMW,



and a Spark 1/43 diecast of the 1969 Daytona 24 Hours Winning Penske Lola



Chuck Herrmann: Finds at the recent Wheaton swap meet. A box stock built up of the Monogram rear engine Scarab, along with



a Lanard pull toy of an Alfa Romeo Barchetta.

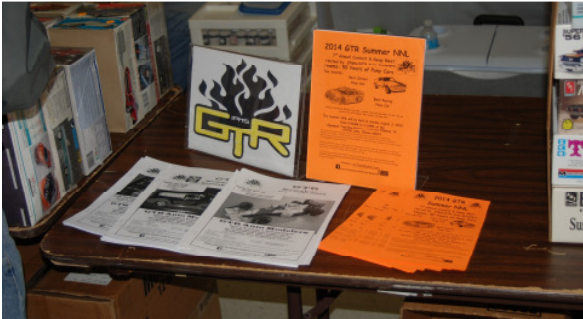


And finally a \$3 glue bomb, the old Aurora Ferrari 250 GTO ready for disassembly and rebuilding.



Cedarville Show 2014

This year's Cedarville Toy Show and Model Car Contest was held Sunday March 9 at the traditional venue. Finally the winter weather was decent, actually sunny and not too cold! That helped the usual good attendance, full vendor rooms and decent turnout for the model contest.



GTR was there with tables in the vendor room. Several guys were selling stuff; it was good to hang with our "GTR West" buddy Mark Hendrickson!



There was the usual large amount of vendors selling stuff in several rooms.



The contest tables were not quite a full as prior years but there were a lot of nice models on display.



Phantom Penske 53 Vette

Cedarville Show Photos



Revell's 57 Ford kit,



Rat rod



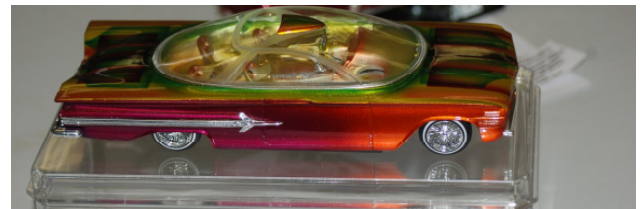
Nice VW Bus



Nice shop trucks.



Fiats



The Contest Theme was Movie and TV cars.



The newer Revell Germany Trabant kit.



Large scale Jaguar with lots of details.



Ferrari Expo 2014

The annual Chicago Chapter of the Ferrari Club of America Ferrari Expo took place Saturday March 22 at Continental Auto Sport in Hinsdale, IL. Mild weather saw some nice 1/1 cars come, the vendor tables looked all sold and there were some nice models on display in the contest.

The Vendor Area



Unfortunately no samples!



GTR had some tables for members and for hanging out.

The Contest



Vintage F1 Vanwall



Carrera Panamericana Ferrari





Large Scale Contest Winner



1/43 Scale Class Winner



An old UMI vacuform body!!!



The Real Things

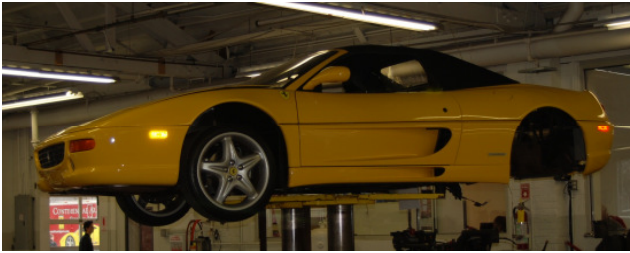


1/24 Class Winner





Sunbeam Tiger



Ferrari FF



Not everything was Italian. Porsche Panamera,



Nissan GT-R above, Lotus Europa below.



Ferrari 400



Alfa Heaven

The star of the 1/1 cars on display was this Alfa Romeo Tipo 33 race car. Great to see it close up.





GTR Event Calendar

April 12 Milwaukee NNL 22
Hosted by Auto Modelers Group
Theme: Semi Trailers, Pick Ups & Lite Commercial
Sub Theme: 50 Years of the Ford Mustang
Excellence Center, Waukesha, WI
scottiekl@charter.net

Apr 13 Milwaukee Miniature Motors Show,
Waukesha County Expo Center, Waukesha, WI
Call (262) 646-4114 (Voicemail) or email
jdunn07@centurytel.net
<http://www.milwaukeeeminaturemotors.com>

May 3 HCMA Contest & Swap
Knights of Columbus Hall, Indianapolis IN
Theme: 60 Years of Mustangs
indyhmca@hotmail.com

May 18 NNL North Show and Swap
Knights of Columbus Hall Bloomington MN
Bod Maderich 612-423-2985
www.rpmodelclub.com

May 10 Indy Grand Prix – IndyCars
May 25 Indy 500

June 14-15 24 Hours of LeMans, France



July 12 NIMCON III
Hosted by IPMS/Lakes Region
McHenry County College, Crystal Lake IL
lakesregionmodelers.com/NIMCON

July 13 Attack of the Plastic
Lake Lawn Lodge, Delavan WI
Rick Allan 262-728-5003

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August 3 GTR SUMMER NNL 7
Theme: 50 Years of Pony Cars
Algonquin Township Building
Crystal Lake, IL
www.gtrchab@yahoo.com

Aug 6-9 IPMS/USA National Convention
Hampton VA
www.ipmsusa.org

Aug 10 TUDOR SportsCars Championship
Road America, Elkhart Lake, WI

Sep. 28 64th Illinois Plastic Kit and Toy Show
DuPage County Fairgrounds, Wheaton IL
Past Time Hobbies 630-969-1847

Oct 1-4 iHobby Expo
Schaumburg Convention Center, Schaumburg IL
www.ihobbyexpo.com

Oct 11-12 Toledo Swap & NNL

Oct 18 2014 IPMS Region 5 Convention hosted
by IPMS/West Central Missouri
Kansas City, MO

Nov 2 Scale Auto Hobby & Toy Show
Serb Hall, Milwaukee WI
www.uniqueeventsshows.com

Dec 7 Tinley Park Annual Holiday Toy Show
Tinley Park High School, Tinley Park, IL
www.uniqueeventsshows.com

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