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We're Baaaaaaackkkkkkk!!

Yeah, Nick and I are back from the *GTO Nationals*, and had a Grrrrreat time, thank you very much! A bit of rain to deal with, but we managed. We also managed to scope out some goodies for the Goat.

And then, upon my return, I hear that I missed *Ted "Chopper" Lear's* visit. *What a bumper!!* You guys planned this, didn't ya? Not nice!

As far as this month's

rag goes, it is again a compilation of miscellaneous car stuff that I threw together at the last minute (*as usual!*). My only hope is that everyone will find something that amuses them. My fave is the Top 10 Sexiest Car list (*Matt!*).

Amazingly enough, there is no model kit review of any kind this month from MAMA member Ron Hamilton. Horror of horrors! Musta been either a slow month

for new releases, or a busy month getting stuff built, Ron! Just kiddin'!

The raffle raised **\$42.00**, and the door box contributed **\$92.00**.

Kudos to the following raffle donors: **Ron Bradley, Brad, Ed Brown, Ron Hamilton, Ray Wickline, and Replicas & Miniatures Company of MD, and Model Car Garage. Thanks, y'all!**

Well, What're ya waitin' fer?! Dig in! 🍽️

2006 Meeting Schedule

Meetings are scheduled for the third Saturday of the month (*unless noted otherwise*). Do **NOT** assume meeting dates—confirm them with a club officer!

- 🔊 January 21st
- 🔊 February 18th
- 🔊 March 18th
- 🔊 April 15th
- 🔊 May 20th
- 🔊 June 17th
- 🔊 July 15th
- 🔊 August 19th
- 🔊 September 16th
- 🔊 October 21st
- 🔊 November 18th
- 🔊 December 16th

NOTE!

Inclement weather phone number: (301) 474-5255. ☔

Another crash involving an Enzo gang, this time in Millard County, Utah, forty miles south of Delta on Highway 257.

UHP troopers had closed the road to other traffic for the state's first road rally, that was organized as a charity fund-raiser.

Thirty-two drivers paid five-thousand bucks each to take the wheel of

expensive, fast cars in the **Utah Fast Pass Road Rally**.

The Ferrari was the only car involved in the crash, and will probably be a total loss.

The driver was in-



jured but is expected to survive. The race started at Miller Motorsports Park in Tooele.

Meanwhile, on the **one-off Ferrari** front, **Pininfarina** will unveil a custom Ferrari Enzo at Pebble Beach concours. Pininfarina has confirmed that it will unveil its second custom Ferrari at the Pebble Beach Con-

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This 'n That

More Bad News! Benny Parsons, NASCAR champ in 1973, is **battling Cancer!** Parsons, 65, had experienced difficulty breathing and, after consulting with physicians, was informed by his family doctor, Dr. Scott Moss of Charlotte, that he has the disease. His treatment regimen starts immediately. We're praying for ya, Benny... **Camaro a Go for '09.** In possibly one of the worst-kept

secrets, GM announced that the Camaro would hit production in late-2008, and be on sale in

showrooms in early 2009. There should be a choice of V-6 or V-8 engines in order to reach their unofficial production number of 100,000 units to be profitable. No word on whether or not a convertible will be part of the mix. So, any of you guys who didn't snap up one of the 150,000+ Mustangs, you may be able to get a Camaro, or maybe even a Challenger... **Chopper Stamps!**

The U.S. Postal Service officially unveiled their set of four commemorative motorcycle postage stamps recently. The unveiling, which took place in Sturgis, South Dakota, revealed four motorcycles that capture the history of American

motorcycling. You'll have to wait until August 7th to get these stamps. They'll first go on sale at the 66th Annual Sturgis Motorcycle Rally, and then go on sale nationwide the following day. Three of the stamps feature digital illustrations of a 1918 Cleveland, 1940 Indian Four and a 1965 Harley-Davidson Electra-Glide that are modeled after motorcycles in existence today. The fourth stamp shows a circa 1970 chopper, a computer generated stamp image created by the stamp



artist in consultation with professional chopper builders. The illustrations were created by Steve Buchanan of Winsted, CT, based on existing restored motorcycles,

reference photographs, and consultation with owners and experts... **Imports Outsold Domestics?!** It has finally happened. In what is sure to be a psychological blow to Detroit, foreign-based auto brands have surpassed traditional domestic brands in U.S. retail sales, according to the latest vehicle registration data from R.L. Polk & Co. Through May, 52.9 percent of the new vehicles registered by purchasers were import brands, up from 49.0 percent a year earlier. If the trend holds, this will be the

first year that import brands generate the majority of U.S. retail sales... **Seven-Speed Porsche?** Patent documents filed by Porsche in

Germany indicate the company is preparing a **seven-speed double-clutch gearbox** for use in everything from the Boxster to the 911 to the Carrera GT-based mid-engined GT1 race car. Porsche had hoped to complete work on its sequential manual gearbox in time for this summer's introduction of the 997-based 911 Turbo, but that car initially arrives with a Tiptronic automatic or a six-speed manual. No word on when Porsche plans to introduce the new transmission... **iPod Cars?**

GM, Ford, and Mazda Motor Corp. are teaming up with Apple Computers Inc. to enable people to **link their iPods to vehicle audio systems** on most 2007 models. The move means that more than 70 percent of all 2007 model-year U.S. vehicles will be able to link with iPods, Apple said in a press release. The automakers will provide a cable that will link iPods with a vehicle's audio system. The link allows people to use the vehicle audio controls to choose songs on the iPod. The link also charges the iPod's battery. GM will offer the feature, known as a personal audio link, as a dealer-installed option on all 2007 models in the fourth quarter of this year, a GM spokesperson said. The first vehicle to offer the link will be the 2007 HHR in October. However, there will be a charge for the link (*didn't think it wuz gonna be free, didja?!).* GM said it would offer the link at dealerships for less than \$160 plus installation as early as October for some car models, said the spokesperson. Mazda's entire 2007 lineup, along with most other Ford vehicles, will offer the

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feature as a dealer-installed option as well. The Ford accessory, called TripTunes Advanced, will cost about \$200 plus recommended dealer installation, a Ford spokesperson said...**Rocket**

Power?! German tuner **Brabus** calls its latest creation the *Rocket*, and one look at its numbers tells why. After recording **225.18 mph**

on the high-speed Nardo, Italy, test track, the Mercedes CLS-based Rocket blasted into record books earlier this year as the

world's fastest street-legal sedan. Power comes from a twin-turbo V12 bored to 6.2 liters and fit with forged pistons and hotter cams. Combined with intake and exhaust manifold tuning, large custom turbochargers and a reprogrammed electronic control unit, the mill yields **730 hp** and 973 lb-ft of torque, though torque is electronically limited to only 811 lb-ft. A modified five-speed automatic transmission and a locking diff shuttle power to the rear wheels. Further mods include a height-adjustable suspension, 19-inch wheels and ceramic front discs with 12-piston calipers. The Rocket spent considerable time in a wind tunnel forming the exterior for optimal airflow. The result is this monster runs from **0 to 124 mph** in just **10.5 seconds**. Speed



costs—to the tune of **\$444,000...No Rental Required!** Ford dealers will get a retail version of the **Shelby GT-H**—the 325-horsepower Hertz Mustang rent-a-racer announced at the New York auto show in April. The retail car will be called the **Shelby GT** and will be available for the 2007 model year. Volume numbers for the new Shelby



GT haven't been finalized, but Ford plans to distribute at least a few thousand, a Ford source said. The **Shelby GT** will be avail-

able in black or white paint with silver stripes. It will have similar features to the Hertz Mustang including hood pins and special side scoops. The cars will be finished at Carroll Shelby's shop in Las Vegas, the Ford source said. That shop is making 500 units of the 2006 Shelby GT-H for Hertz. **Start savin' now... Making a Splash!** Frank M. Rinderknecht, boss of the Swiss design company Rinspeed,

has been gracing the floor of the annual Geneva Motor Show for years with his company's often strange and outrageous creations. This week he piloted one of them, an amphibious vehicle called the **Splash**, to a **Guinness Book World Record** for his English Channel crossing from the British port of Dover to the French town of Sangatte in a time of 193 minutes, 47 seconds. "It was like a giant slalom on an alpine mogul piste. The only difference was that it was not flexible poles we had to get round but enormous tankers and container vessels," said Rinderknecht. A hard hit by a wave in the first third of the cross-

ing damaged the vessel and slowed his crossing. "But to give up was not an option, the cross and get to France was the determined goal," he said. The Rinspeed Splash was first unveiled in concept form at the 2004 Geneva



show. Unlike most amphibious

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Take That, Miata! (Sorry, Walt!!)

Recording the fastest lap for the fourth Northeast Division national race this season, a **Pontiac Solstice** scored its **second victory of the year** in Sports Car Club of America (SCCA) Showroom Stock B (SSB) class with a win at Lime Rock Park in Lakeville, Conn. on July 30.

Debuting in SSB for 2006 and competing in the NYR July National, the Solstice was race-prepped by Phoenix Performance and driven by 18-year-old amateur driver Andrew Aquilante.

Aquilante set the pole during qualifying for the first time this season, and battled a Mazda Miata driven by Jim Ocuto the entire race before pulling away on lap 26 for his second win at Lime Rock this year.

The race also featured a second Solstice driven by GM quality engineer Alan Yankielun, which finished fourth.

“As evidenced by this race, Pontiac Solstice is becoming a car of choice for SSB competitors,” said John Heinrich of GM Performance Division. “In only three months, the number of Solstices competing nationally in SSB has jumped from one to four, and we expect two more cars to start racing very soon.”

In five national SSB races this season driving the Solstice, Aquilante has set the fastest lap in all but one race and has finished no lower than fourth, including two wins at Lime Rock. At Nelson Ledges in Garrettsville, Ohio on May 28, the Solstice’s fastest lap set a new track record for SSB class.

Aquilante also currently leads the driver points standings in the Northeast Division of SSB, and will next race the team’s Solstice in the Tri-August Double National at Pocono International Raceway in Long Pond, Penn. on Aug. 5 and 6.

The Solstices are all equipped with the Z0K Club Sport regular production order option package, which is designed for the weekend racer and currently available to order through any Pontiac dealership.

Developed by GM Performance Division, the Club Sport package features the standard five-speed manual transmission along with antilock brakes (ABS), a limited-slip differential, an improved power steering cooler and FE3 suspension. The FE3 suspension will be standard on the upcoming 2007 Pontiac Solstice GXP. No other options are available when ordering the Club Sport Solstice, but some components and safety equipment are required by SCCA to make it track ready, including a hardtop, racing tires, higher friction brake pads, roll-over, seatbelts, etc. Aquilante is the 2004 Northeast Division Rookie of the Year and 2005 Philadelphia Region Driver of the Year. He is also the two-time defending Northeast Division Touring 1 (T1) champion for 2004 and 2005 driving a Corvette C5 Z06. 🏆



Condolences

Big John Mazmanian, a racer and car builder who towered over the “Gasser wars” era of Southern California drag racing, has died at age 80. Mazmanian died July 21 at a Mission Viejo hospital, granddaughter Jackie Sukiasian told The Associated Press. The cause of death was complications from leukemia. Thanks for the memories, “Big!” 🏆



Domestic Truckin'!

Here we have two production vehicles from the General, and a concept from the gang over at D-C. Check 'em out.

Out to Launch

GM's upcoming full-size trucks are the company's most important new vehicles in years.

GM is introducing its next-gen full size pickup trucks, the '07 Chevrolet Silverado and GMC Sierra, two trucks that could help lead the General out of its financial doldrums. GM says they have been redesigned from top to bottom: new exterior and interior designs, engines and chassis.

They come in three cab styles, three cargo box lengths and several suspensions setups. GM hopes the range gives customers more choice when trying to suit their needs, particularly with the heavy duty models.

The Silverado and Sierra light-duty models will arrive in the fourth quarter of '06. Sierra Denali and Silverado and Sierra heavy duty models will be available in the first quarter of '07. The heavy duty trucks offer more powerful gas and diesel engines. The

new pickups are sleeker and more aerodynamic, including a 57-degree windshield angle designed to reduce wind noise and improve fuel economy. Toler-

ances between panels are greatly reduced - including a 50-percent reduction in the space between the cab and cargo box. A new cargo-management system is also available: Three rails that run the length of the box

sides and the forward box wall are secured with high-strength anchors and, unlike competitors' systems, incorporate upper/lower tracks. Four adjustable tie-downs are included with each system and can be located anywhere on the tracks, each rated for a load point of 500 pounds.

The interiors are designed to be quieter and more spacious and refined. Legroom, headroom and hip room have increased. The recline angle and fore/aft travel of the front seat has been increased and power adjustable pedals are available. The fourth-gen of the legendary small-block is the power behind GM's all-new full-size trucks. Horsepower is and torque are up, and they will have Active Fuel Management (AFM) and variable valve timing (VVT),

as well as a FlexFuel engine. GM says highway fuel economy for models equipped with the 5.3L V8 now are estimated at more than 20 mpg for both 2WD and 4WD models. Engines range in size from the 4.3-liter, 195 hp V6, to the 6.0-liter, 367 hp V8.

American-Style Ridgeline

The **Dodge Rampage** is a truck for nontraditional truck buyers, an idea already taken advantage of by the Honda Ridgeline. Though it is a styling and parts exercise at this point, if the Honda ever becomes the truck of the masses, at least Dodge will have some precedent.

The Dakota-sized truck features a Chevy Avalanche-style midgate with flat-folding passenger and rear benchseats, plus a cargo bed that not only extends, but acts as a ramp as well.

Dodge says the shapes and fabrics of the Rampage's spacious interior are influenced by dirt bikes and athletic gear. It's possible Rampage's shifterless push-button gearbox and floating center stack will see application in future products. The stack pulls out and pivots left and right for easy access to the nav and audio features.

A 5.7-liter Hemi powers Rampage's front wheels. Yes, front wheels. But remember: It is aimed at the nontraditional truck buyer. Should the truck ever hit the market, Dodge says it will offer all-wheel drive. 🚚



Top Gear's 10 Sexiest Cars!

It may be slow and stumpy, but the *Fiat 500* has a "wholesomeness" that makes it the *sexiest car in the world* (!).

That's according to a survey of the world's sexiest cars by *British magazine Top Gear*.

The Fiat 500 driver is the sort of person who "doesn't have to try," Top Gear editor James May said.

"Our No. 1 sexiest car, the

Fiat 500, advertises nothing about its owner, except that it's someone who doesn't need to try. So you look, and you know. You would, wouldn't you?"



The Fiat 500 beat the Aston Martin DBS and Maserati Quattroporte into first place.

"Everyone, from strapping blokes to fainting flowers of womanhood, looks sexually charged behind its wheel," the

magazine said.

"It works irrespective of age, beauty, wealth and position; even a nun in a 500 seems to telegraph a faint tingle of the procreative urge."

In Sydney in the '70s the car was known as the Fiat Bambino, while in Europe as the Cinquacento (*500 in Italian*).

Top Gear's top 10 sexiest cars:

1. Fiat 500
2. Aston Martin DBS
3. Maserati Quattroporte
4. Chevrolet Camaro
5. Citroen C6
6. Lincoln Continental
7. Bentley Continental S1 Fastback
8. BMW M1
9. Rolls-Royce Phantom
10. Sally the Porsche 911 Carrera (from the Pixar film *Cars*) 🏆

Blast From the Past, and...



“Did I Do That?!”

A man who said he bought a device that let him *change traffic lights* from red to green has received a \$50 ticket on suspicion of interfering with a traffic signal. Jason Niccum of Longmont told the Daily Times-Call that the device, which he bought on eBay for \$100, helped him cut his time driving to work. “I guess in the two years I had it, that thing paid for itself,” he told the newspaper Wednesday. Niccum was cited March 29 after police said they found him using a strobe-like device to change traffic signals. “I’m always running late,” police quoted Niccum as saying in an

incident report. The device, called an *Opticon*, is similar to what firefighters use to change lights when they respond to emergencies. It emits an infrared pulse that receivers on the traffic lights pick up. Niccum was cited after city traffic engineers who noticed repeated traffic-light disruptions on certain intersections spotted a white Ford pickup passing by whenever the light patterns were disrupted. City traffic engineer Joe Olson said traffic engineers plan to update the city’s Opticon system this year to block unauthorized light-changing signals.

A teenage boy accidentally set himself on fire recently after allegedly trying to siphon gas from

a firefighter’s car. Police first learned of the injury after a 17-year-old boy and a 16-year-old boy claimed that someone had thrown gas on the 17-year-old at the Common Cents service station and lit him on fire, said Lt. Rod Hauge. The boy was taken to the hospital with second- and third-degree burns on his legs. Police were called to the hospital to investigate the incident and later learned that he spilled gas on his pants while siphoning it. He then used a lighter to try to determine how wet his pants were and set himself of fire, Hauge said. Both boys have been ticketed with larceny, Hauge said.

Al and Bobby Unser, Indy

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One from the Future as Well. Hmmm?



Ferrari (contd)

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cours d'Elegance in Monterey, California. It will reportedly be called the **Ferrari P4/5**, is based on the Enzo supercar, and is destined for the garage of U.S. collector and former movie director **James Glickenhaus**.

Designed, engineered and built entirely by Pininfarina, the vehicle will compete in a new Prototype class at the concours.

Glickenhaus, 55, a former B-movie writer/director/producer-turned Wall Street fund manager (*Glickenhaus' movie credits include Maniac Cop, Frankenhooker, Slaughter of the Innocents and Timemaster*), is particularly passionate about the P3/4 (*also known as the 412 P*) and P4 models; only three of each model were produced in 1966 and '67 and he owns one of them, worth up to \$10 million.

The original Ferrari P3/4s beat the Ford GT40s at Daytona and won the constructors' sports car championship in '67, the year in which the GT40s won Le Mans.

Glickenhaus has said in various chat rooms, specifically at ferrarichat.com, that he spent over \$1 million to buy a Ferrari Enzo and about \$3 million to convert it into the custom unit.

Glickenhaus also said the P4's power remains the same as the Enzo's at 651 horsepower. Since the Enzo on which the car is based was unregistered, this new P4 gets its own VIN—allowing it to be driven on the streets of all 50 states.

According to Pininfarina, more than 200 components were specifically developed for the vehicle: from the bixenon lighting clusters

designed with a system of yellow and white LEDs to the 20-inch aluminum alloy wheels milled from the block up.

In April, at the Villa d'Este Concours d'Elegance in Como, Italy, Pininfarina unveiled another custom Ferrari, the **612 Scaglietti** based "K" it built for Peter Kalikow, president of New York Metropolitan Transportation Authority. *Must be nice, eh?! 🏠*



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car-racing siblings, were arrested recently for obstructing police officers responding to a carjacking and shooting in the Albuquerque neighborhood where they live. According to a criminal complaint, Al, 67, tried to bypass a roadblock (*ironically, on a street named after the racing family*) to get to a family property in the area

of the police action. After being ordered to stop, he exited his Excursion and began arguing with cops, saying, "You guys think you are God, don't tell me what to do." After being given "numerous opportunities to leave the scene," the complaint notes, the four-time Indianapolis 500 winner was cuffed and stuffed by a Bernalillo County sheriff's deputy. Minutes later, Bobby, 72, arrived at the roadblock and a similar confrontation unfolded. "You guys think

you are bullies, don't tell me what to do," he told officers, according to a complaint. After refusing six or seven police orders to get back into his Dodge, Bobby—a three-time winner of the Indianapolis 500—was also arrested. Amazingly, Bobby was reportedly unaware that his younger brother had been busted minutes earlier. The Unsers were separately transported to a sheriff's substation, where mug shots were taken. *"Police Brutality!" 🏠*



☞ **Aug. 6th—Summer Auto Show**, Howard County Fairgrounds, by the Chesapeake Region AACA. Info: 410-526-0587.

☞ **Aug. 12th—All-GM Car Show**, Montgomery College, Rockville Campus, by the Metro Chapter Buick Club and Capitol City Rockets Olds Club. Info: 240-686-0229.

☞ **Aug. 20th—Custom Car Show and Flea Market** at the Moose Family Center, 1911 Crain Hwy. S, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Proceeds to Benefit Moose Charities. Info: 301-346-0296 or 410-760-5944.

☞ **Aug. 26th—ATC Cruisers Annual Car Show**, at the Galena Fire Company. Info: 410-648-6998 or 410-648-9974.

☞ **Aug. 27th—10th Annual Mid-Maryland Ford Event** at Mason Dixon Dragway, 21344 National Pike. Info: 301-791-5193 or www.masondixondragway.com.

☞ **Sept. 2nd—2nd Annual Car Show for Cars, Trucks and Motorcycles** at NAC Plaza, 7610 B&A Blvd, 10 a.m. 3 p.m. Info: 410-636-3035.

☞ **Sept. 9th—Annual Corvettes at Westridge**, at the Westridge Shopping Center, Route 40, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Info: 301-606-1321.

☞ **Sept. 9th—All Chevy Car Show**, sponsored by Win Kelly Chevrolet at Lincoln Tech, 9325 Snowden River Parkway, Columbia, MD, from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Biggest and best judged Chevy car show in MD. Classes for all Chevys, from the

oldest to the newest. Special classes for Camaros and other Chevy muscle cars.

☞ **Sept. 17th—14th Annual Alzheimers Assoc Benefit Car & Truck Show**, hosted by Heart of Maryland Classic Chevy Club at Frederick MVA, 1601 Bowman's Farm Road, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Show open to all makes of cars & trucks. Auction at noon of donated items including memorabilia from 75 & 80 Dragway, savings bond giveaway for registered vehicles, trophies for Top 20 vehicles, special awards, door prizes, dash plaques, moon bounce for kids, raffles, music, more! Info: call or visit our website, <http://www.hmccc.50g.com/>. Rain date Oct. 1.

☞ **Sept. 17th—All Oldsmobile Car Show** at Glen Burnie Improvement Assoc., 1st and Crain Hwy. The Oldsmobile Centennial Club. Info: 410-761-9371. Rain Date: 9/24.

☞ **Sept. 23rd—6th Annual Ford Model A/Model T Car/Truck Show** at Downtown Mall. Info: 301-724-4339.

☞ **Sept. 23rd—Roaring Run Lions Club Antique Car Show** at Roaring Run Lions Club Park, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Info: 410-526-0587. Rain Date: 9/24.

☞ **Sept. 30th—2nd Annual Memorial Car Show**, Arundel Christian Church, 615 Donaldson Ave., 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Street Survivors of Maryland. Info: 410-789-6414.

☞ **Oct. 1st—All Pontiac Car Show** at Bohn Pontiac, 1071 Baltimore Blvd., Westminster, MD, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Royal GTOs. Info: 301-249-3830 or

www.royalgtos.com. Rain or Shine.

☞ **Oct. 14th—6th Annual UPS Classic Car, Truck and Motorcycle Show**, 14841 Sweitzer Lane, Laurel, MD, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. NASCAR simulator, dyno, vendors, crafts, food, music, etc. Proceeds to benefit United Way. Info: 301-604-4579, 301-390-9085 or 301-741-3721. Rain Date: 10/15.

☞ **Oct. 15th—Car & Truck Fall Blow-Out Car Show** at Downs Park. Cars & trucks thru 1981. Dash plaques, door prizes, goody bags. Top 35 Awards. Sponsored by VCCA-Bay Country Region.

☞ **Oct. 22nd—Capitol Cadillac Fall Car Show**, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Antique and classic Cadillacs will be on display at the show. The theme will be **Eldorado Extravaganza, 1953-1966**. Info: call Henry Ruby, Show Coordinator, at 301-894-8026. Sponsored by the Potomac Region Cadillac LaSalle Club.

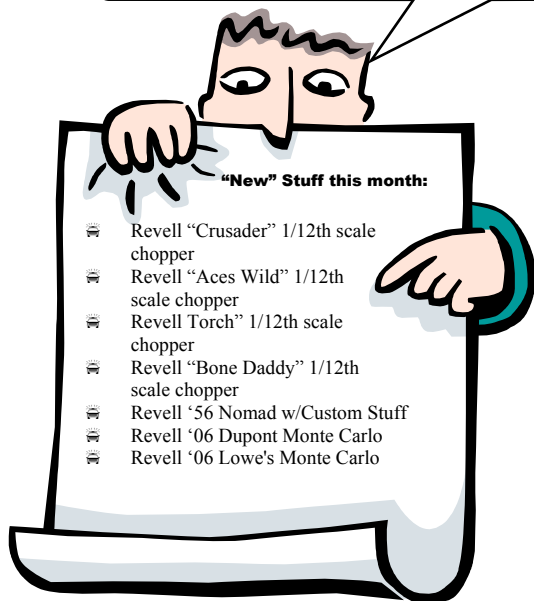
☞ **Oct. 24th—20th Annual All Buick Show** at Miller Motors, 5937 Belair Road, Baltimore, Maryland. All Buicks, including custom and modified welcome. Three awards per class, and special awards for the Sponsor's choice and longest distance traveled. Dash plaques and goodie bag for first 100 entrants. Gates open at 9:30 a.m. Awards presented at 2:30 p.m. Info: Contact Mike Lawson 6444 Leader Drive, Jacobus, PA 17407 717-428-3408, Buick8Guy@yahoo.com, or Rich Berger 410-923-3657.

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MAMA's BoyZ do it in scale!



Revell "Crusader" 1/12th scale chopper
Revell "Aces Wild" 1/12th scale chopper
Revell Torch" 1/12th scale chopper
Revell "Bone Daddy" 1/12th scale chopper
Revell '56 Nomad w/Custom Stuff
Revell '06 Dupont Monte Carlo
Revell '06 Lowe's Monte Carlo

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cars that displace water like a boat, Splash skims over the water on extendable wings like a hydrofoil. To convert the concept Splash into the present offshore version, modifications were made to the wings, which were reinforced. For added stability, the molds were cut from molded polyurethane foam. Splash is powered by a 750 cc, two-cylinder Weber-Motor engine that can take the vehicle up to 50 mph. The package produces 140 hp at 7,000 rpm and generates maximum torque of 110 lb-ft at 3,500 rpm. In theory, the 22 miles or so between Dover and Sangatte should have taken just under half an hour, but according to Rinderknecht: "I

may be able to drive at that speed at home in Switzerland on Lake Zurich with no wind and the surface as smooth as glass, but not on one of the most difficult stretches of water in the world. But safety was always the prime concern." "We Swiss are not just good at making the tastiest chocolate; we can also build the fastest hydrofoil vehicle in the world—even though we're not exactly a seafaring nation" (Thanks to the *Washington Times*, *autoweek.com*, and other Internet sources for this insanity! Ya just can't make some of this up!! Thanks also to those of you in the 'Peanut Gallery' who have attempted to help me entertain y'all by sending along items for publication—I 'preciate it!) 🍷

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<http://www.mamasboyz.org/>

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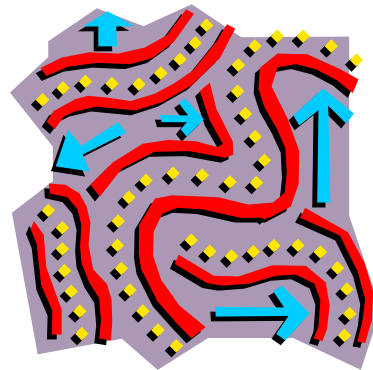
🍷 **Oct. 28th—Halloween Cruise-In and Show #13**, Kent Island VFD, Main St., Stevensville, MD, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Benefit for Kent Island Volunteer Fire Dept. Kent Island Cruisers. **Th, th, that's all for now folks! Send stuff if you know of an upcoming event, and we'll get it listed!** 🍷



Directions

From the Baltimore Beltway (RT 695): Take Exit 7, Route 295 (Baltimore-Washington Parkway) south towards Washington approx. 18 miles to Route 193 (Greenbelt Road), and exit. When on the off-ramp, stay to the right and merge right onto Southway (see below).

From the Washington Beltway (RT 495/95): Take Exit 22 north, towards Baltimore. Stay in the right lane and take the first exit onto Route 193 (Greenbelt Road). When on the off-ramp, bear to the right and take Greenbelt road west, towards College Park. Stay in the right lane and immediately after passing over the Parkway, make a right (at the light) onto Southway (read on!)



Once on Southway: Go straight to the second (2nd) STOP sign. Make a left onto Crescent road. Go to the STOP sign and make a right into the parking lot behind the Greenbelt Library. Once in parking lot, look to the right. The large, white building is the Greenbelt Community Center. Enter building using the doors near fenced tot lot. The multi-purpose room is on the second floor. There is an elevator to the left of the entrance. 🍷