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### 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



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

## Let's Hit Those Workshops!

Falls is here, with Winter not far behind. A good time of year to retire to those dungeon (basement?) workshops to get busy on next year's crop of projects!

I'd like to say it was a pretty well attended meeting last month, but I'd be lyin' if I said that, as I missed yet another meeting this year for a family function. Don't know what's wrong with me! I'm sure you guys got along OK without me

(as long as you had a newsletter, right?)

As far as this month's issue goes, it should come as no surprise that a few MAMA's BoyZ are getting' some recognition. First off is **Irv Arter**, doin' the Toledo thing. Then, we have **Rich** and young **Dave Wilson** makin' an appearance on the latest Model King project (refer to page 6). **Congrats guys!**

The raffle raised

**\$84.00**, while the door box kicked in an additional **\$84.00 (Whoa!)**.

Kudos to the raffle donors, who shall remain nameless, as I was not privy to that info. Y'all know who you are—thanks!! I guess nobody saved me a piece of cake either—Geez! 🍰



## Revell set to rescue Airfix models?

A German firm is set to fly in to save model-maker **Airfix**, famous for its plastic kit replicas of Spitfires, Hurricanes and Lancaster bombers.

Hobby firm **Revell** recently revealed its interest in making a move for Airfix, whose future was put into doubt last month after its Hull-based parent company Humbrol went into ad-

ministration.

Revell would also not rule out moves for other Humbrol assets.

The news that the future of Airfix was in doubt was greeted by an outpouring of nostalgia for the plastic kits of well-known aircraft which enjoyed their heyday in the 1960s and 1970s.

Revell, which makes

Kick-O-Mania footballers, yesterday announced a restructuring.

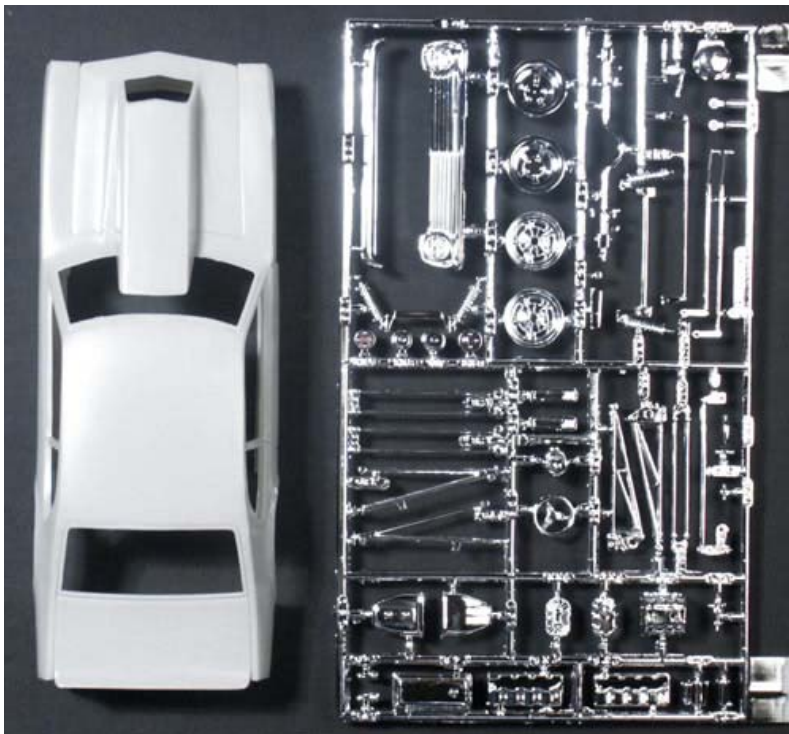
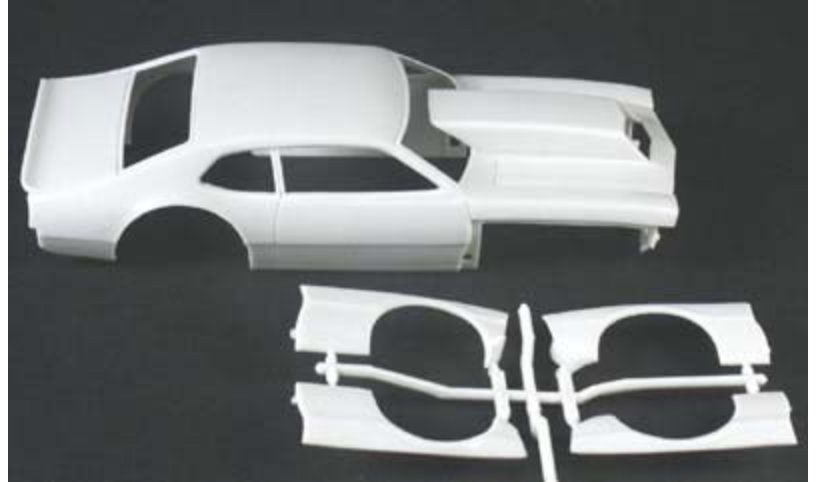
Its European businesses have been bought out by the management team and split from its North American businesses which it said puts it in a better position to make potential acquisitions, such as Humbrol assets.

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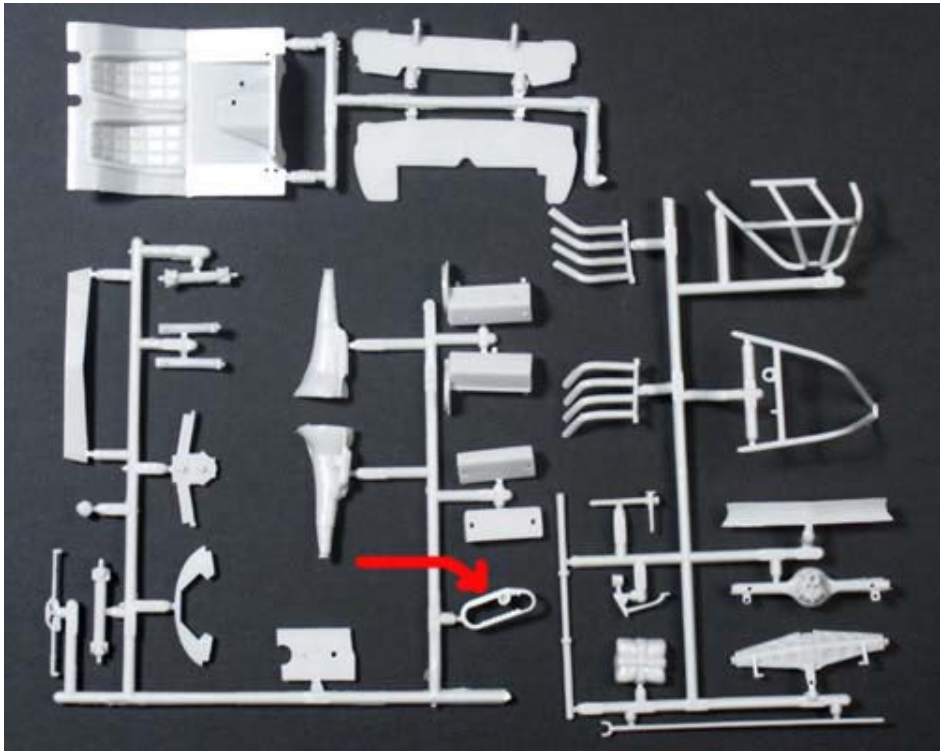
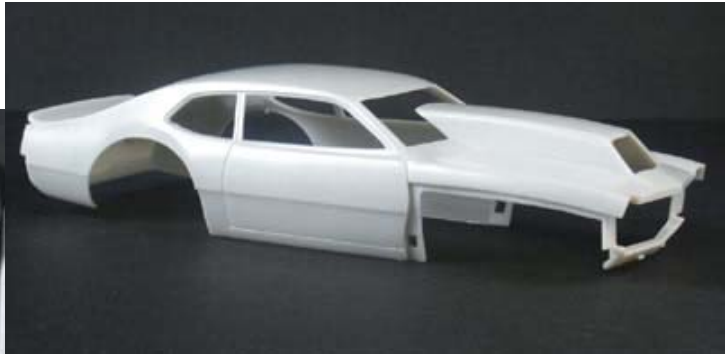
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# Multi-Maverick Photos!

Here gang, for your enjoyment, are some photos of the new limited edition Multi-Maverick that has just been released. You can get 'em from Ron Bradley! And, no, I ain't getting' paid fer sayin' that, either!! 🗑️



# Multi-Mav (contd)





## This 'n That

*New Stuff* (and this comes ahead of the annual trade show later this month!!). What would you say if I told ya that RC2 (AMT, by any other name!) was going to come out with a '70 Cuda, '07 Mustang, '71 Cyclone Spoiler, '07 Challenger, '68 Coronet hardtop, and Arnie Beswick "The Judge" '69 GTO funny car (whoa!!), '29 Ford Woody/Pickup, an updated '69 Camaro, '53 Ford Pickup Flip-Nose, '86 El Camino, '65 GTO, '60 Vette, '82 MPC Bronco "Saddle Tramp" plus snap versions of a '94 Sonoma and '75 Blazer. As far as Revell goes, a '48 Ford convert, '67 Vette coupe, '30 Ford Woody street rod, '91 Firebird, Porsche Slant Nose, Ferrari Super America, AAR Cuda, '41 Chevy Pickup, '66 El Camino, ZZZZZZ-28 Deal's Wheels Camaro caricature, '55 Chevy Pro Sportsman, several of the "Large" series contemporary customs from last year, '65 Chevelle SS396 Z-16, Baldwin Motion '69 Camaro 427, and the star of the show...a chopped '49 Merc custom! It's supposedly true, if ya believe Tom Carter of the *Hobby Heaven message board*. And there may be more yet to follow, as I'm writing this on Day One of the trade show. Guess we'll know for sure by later this month...*More Plastic*. Also coming is a Ferrari 599, 512bb, 512bbi, 365 GT4bb, and a Porsche Cayman. Tamiya is finally going to do the Enzo FXX, and Studio 27 is coming out with photoetch for Revell's Vette C6-

R. This also from the HHMB. Get yer orders in now...*Revell of Germany to buy Airfix?! See the story elsewhere in this newsletter...Bye!*

*Bye!* Look elsewhere in this newsletter for a list of *discontinued items from RC2...*

### Model King Strikes

*Again!* Here's the latest new kit announcement from Dave Burket. It's a double kit of the old *Lindberg dirt modified cars* (which haven't been available since '67, from what I understand)

...*Condolences*. "Flash" Gordon & Ann Mineo of Rockwall Texas passed away September 2, 2006, as the result of a boating accident on Lake Texoma. Gordon, 61, a professional racecar driver and businessman, was born June 19, 1945, in Detroit MI to Joseph and Lorraine Mineo...*RIP Ford GT*.

When Ford Motor Co. ended production of the 505-hp GT on Sept. 21, the total production figure of the \$150,000 two-seater ended up to be 4,038. The *Shelby Mustang GT 500* takes over as Ford's performance flagship...

*Good News!* According to jayski.com, Benny Parsons, who has battled lung cancer this summer, got some great news recently. Doctors say they are



confident that recent chest scans show no sign of a tumor. Benny will undergo a follow-up scan in the coming months, however recent chemotherapy and radiation treatments apparently have eradicated the malignant mass...*New*

*'Toy?'* Toyota will have booths, demo vehicles and exhibits at NASCAR races, including Busch and Craftsman races, Pro bass-fishing tournaments, Country-western concerts, State fairs, Motocross races and motorcycle shows, and 84 Lumber stores as part of its 2007 Tundra launch: Guess they are serious about goin' after this market with their new truck, planning on spending \$100+ million...*Plug-In Mitsubishi to US*. Mitsubishi Motors Corp. plans to sell a small electric car in the US. The vehicle, powered by a lithium-ion battery, will be launched first in Japan. A hybrid version of the car also might be available. Mitsubishi has been testing hybrid and electric cars in Japan. In January, it unveiled a hybrid concept at the Detroit auto show. The Concept-CT MIEV is smaller than the Lancer. It has four doors, all-wheel drive and a 1.1-liter gasoline engine. Each wheel has its own electric motor. The electric motors provide awd without a traditional transmission, thus cutting weight. Lithium-ion batteries store twice the energy of similarly sized nickel-metal hydride batteries...

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**COT!?** Kevin Harvick's Richard Childress Racing No. 29 NASCAR Nextel Cup "Car of Tomorrow" Shell/Pennzoil Chevrolet Monte Carlo SS. RCR's GM Goodwrench sponsorship is being replaced by a multi-year primary sponsorship with Shell/Pennzoil in 2007. (Photos by Dorsey Patrick/GM Racing)...**Serious Accident.** Richard Hammond, a presenter for the BBC's "Top Gear" automobile television series, has improved to a stable condition after being involved in a car accident which saw him being airlifted to hospital. The 36-year-old television presenter was filming for the program at an unused airfield in York, central England, when the accident happened at about 5:45 pm local time, and was airlifted to a hospital in nearby Leeds. He was involved in a high-speed car crash while filming an apparent attempt to break Britain's land speed record in what was described as a 'rocket powered dragster' that traveled at speeds close to 300 miles per hour. The current British land speed record is 300.3 miles per



hour, held by Colin Fallows, who set the record in 2000. A former firefighter at the scene said the accident had happened on the last attempt of the day, which saw the car veer to the right, triggering the deployment of one of the parachutes. The car, however, went onto the grass, and spun over and over before eventually resting upside down and dug in to the grass, Dave Ogden of Event Fire Services said. Hammond was cut free, placed in a neck brace and onto a stretcher before an air ambulance arrived to take him to hospital. Hope he's OK...

**Chevy HHR Panel Truck?** Chevy is aiming the 2007

**HHR Panel** at the delivery business and auto enthusiasts, groups wanting a large canvas for business logos or to express their individuality. The two-seat HHR Panel features windowless side panels and rear cargo doors. The rear doors do not have outside handles and are

opened by a button on the instrument panel. The vehicle debuted Friday, Oct. 6, at the South Florida International Auto Show...**Let the Whining Begin!** Honda plans for Civic Type R don't include U.S. sales Honda has released official photographs of the Civic Type R three-door hatch that debuted at the Paris

Motor Show. Sales begin in Europe in 2007. American Honda officials say the company has no plans to import the pocket rocket special to the United States. But sources indicate a final decision on U.S. sales may still be subject of discussions within the company. There will be different levels of equipment available, ranging from a fully equipped car to one that even has the rear parcel shelf removed. The new Type R continues to be powered by a naturally aspirated 2.0-liter DOHC i-VTEC engine producing 198 hp at 8000 rpm, similar to the previous model which topped out at 197 hp at 7400 rpm. The revised engine is smoother and more responsive, Honda says, due to a new balance shaft and drive-



by-wire throttle (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 stuff along—I 'preciate it! Now, let's just keep it comin') 🍌





## Kudos!

Looks like another MAMA's Boy has struck Gold! This time, none other than *Irv "Arter Rake" Arter*, this time, at one of the biggest shows goin', the *Toledo NNL*! As you can see, he received the "*Best Merc*" award at the recently held Fall show. Waytogo, guy! 🏆

(Get it? The (in)famous "Arter Rake?!?" Ha! Ha!)



## Blast from the...Present? The Near Future?!

# FIREBIRD

## Match Racer

**This is another upcoming reissue from our ol' buddy, Dave Burket (a.k.a., Model King). Notice anything unusual? That looks suspiciously like Rich and Son Dave Wilson behind that 'Bird. Waytogo, you two! Thank you too, Mr. Burket! 🏆**

# Model Buffet

**Missing Link Resin** (<http://missinglinkrc.com/>) has added more 'fuel' (a.k.a. resin) to the fire, in the guise of a **'65 Pontiac Bonneville convertible**. According to their website, it was only released in promo form back in 1965. Now, their transkit will allow you to build your own version, with the recent release of the RC2 '65 Bonneville hardtop. Refer to the awesome pics of the completed model, built by **Todd Sargis**. The transkit will set you back \$54.00 (not including S + H or the RC2 Bonnie). They are also gonna release a **'65 Lincoln 4-door hardtop** (no pics).

**Model Car World** (<http://ourworld.cs.com/mcwautofinishes/>) seems to be adding stuff to their excellent line of paint and resin daily. I apologize if these aren't new, so get over it, OK (*Jus' kiddin'!*)?!

We start off with a **'66 Chevelle 300 2dr. Sedan** (CHE-66, \$34.95) in 1/25th scale, that includes stock body, hood, seats, grill, bumpers, wheels & hubcaps, & vacuformed glass. It uses the Lindberg '66 Chevelle SS as a donor.

Now we move on to the race cars, starting off with a 1/25th scale '73/'74 Pro Stock Duster (DUS-73, \$31.95). It includes stock body, race interior w/cage,



hood & scoop, grill, taillights, & bumpers, and uses the RC2 '75 Duster (really a Dart Sport) kit for engine, chassis & glass (*Slixx has Sox & Martin and Fred Cady has Mopar Missile decals for this car*).

Next up is a couple of the neater new kits from Dave—a **'60 Lark hardtop**

(LAR-60ht, \$44.95), and a **'60 Lark 2dr. sedan** (LAR-60sd, \$44.95), both in 1/25th scale.

Both are complete cars, w/promo-style bodies, '62 kit chassis and interior, vacuformed glass, and wheels and tires (no engine); and probably the neatest of 'em all is the **"Flintstone Flyer Too"** that includes a body, grill, bumpers, & vacuformed glass and decals. The builder must source and modify an engine, chassis, & interior. Price? **\$32.95** with decals.

How 'bout a **'73 Chevelle stock car** (CHE-73, \$22.95) in 1/25th scale. It includes body, grill & bumpers, corrected wheel wells (mastered by *Bill Coulter*, so ya know its good!). It uses the AMT Model King '74 Chevelle kit for chas-

sis, glass, & engine, while Yesterdays has decals for '73. Only need parts? Then CHE-73p (\$5.95) is for you. It includes headlight & taillight panels, grill, & bumpers only, intended to modify the Model King '74 Chevelle kit body for the do-it-yourselfers among you.

Got a thing for Pontiacs (*Ed. Note: Huh?!?*)? Dave offers an **'81 Pontiac LeMans stock car** (LEM-81, \$28.95) in 1/24th scale that uses '80s Monogram GM chassis. Or, you could go the Bowtie route, with his **'75 Chevy Nova Busch race car** (NOV-75, \$24.95) in 1.25th scale, that uses a modified '80s-'90s AMT chassis.

A special thanks goes out not only to Matt Guilfoyle, for his constant hard work at bringing this column to the membership, but also to anyone who has submitted anything. If you see something you like, contact the company. If you find something that everyone might want to know about, send it along to us for inclusion in the column! 🚗





## Bye, Bye!

What follows is a list of kits being dropped by RC2 for 2007. So, if anything floats yer boat, and you think you're gonna build it within a year (*you all know how many times some of this stuff comes back!*), make plans to get it now.

- '57 Chevy stepside
- '57 Chevy hardtop
- '72 Chevelle SS
- '67 Mustang GT
- Smokey & the Bandit T/A
- '65 El Camino
- "Yankee Challenge" (*Challenger*)
- '69 W30 Oldsmobile 442
- '69 Dodge Daytona
- '29 Ford Model A Roadster
- '58 Chevy Impala
- '67 Pontiac GTO
- '64 Impala SS
- '70 Chevelle SS454
- '69 Chevelle SS396
- '70 Impala
- '57 Thunderbird
- '62 Chevy Belair
- '55 Chevy Belair
- '97 Dodge Viper (*snap*)
- '69 "F & F" Yenko Camaro
- '69 Ford Galaxie
- '65 Buick Riviera
- '66 Mercury hardtop
- GMC Astro cab
- Ford C-600 stake truck
- '95 Mitsubishi Eclipse Tuner
- Monster Jam Jurassic Attack
- Monster Jam Ninja Turtles
- '93 "F & F" Toyota Supra
- Budweiser Monte Carlo
- Lowe's Monte Carlo
- '66 Ford Galaxie Retro Rods (?)
- Barris T Buggy

- '69 Camaro SS
  - Deora show car
  - "Blackhawk" T/A
  - Monster Jam Gravedigger
  - Standard display case
  - Plymouth Prowler
  - Speed Racer Mach 5 (*snap*) (*PM*)
  - Star Wars Star Destroyer
  - Star Wars Millennium Falcon (*cutaway*)
  - Star Wars Death Star
  - Star Wars Millennium Falcon
  - Star wars assortment
  - Klingon Battle Cruiser (*PM*)
- Thanks a bunch, Ron. We thank you for your continued support! 🍷



Next Year's Theme:

## Deuces Wild!

The 75th anniversary of the '32 Ford

Next Year's Sub-Theme:

## Lucky Sevens

Any vehicle with a seven in it



SATURDAY, MARCH 24th, 2007 - 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
PARSIPPANY P.A.L. BUILDING  
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### NNL East™ 20 Online

Our on-line album will have photos of the show afterwards

Go To: [http://public.fotki.com/tssmcc/nnl\\_east\\_20/](http://public.fotki.com/tssmcc/nnl_east_20/)

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East Coast Indoor Nationals

(Timonium, MD): [www/eastcoastindoornats.com](http://www/eastcoastindoornats.com)

Kahunaville: <http://www.kahunaville.com>

Maple Grove Raceway: <http://www.maplegroveraceway.com/>

Maryland Chevelle club: <http://www.chevelles.netmcc/mcc.htm>

Maryland Intl Raceway: <http://www.mirdrag.com/>

Norwalk (Ohio) Raceway Park: <http://www.norwalkraceway.com/>

Old Toyland Shows: <http://www.oldtoylandshows.com/>

York US30 Musclicar Madness: [www.yorkus30.com](http://www.yorkus30.com) 🍷





☛ **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.

☛ **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. 20th & 21st—TidewaterCON '06 IPMS Region II Convention** at the Virginia Beach Convention

Center. Host hotel is the Doubletree Hotel, adjacent to the convention center. Info:

[http://www.ipmstidewater.org/2con\\_home.htm](http://www.ipmstidewater.org/2con_home.htm)

☛ **Oct. 22nd—Capitol Cadillac Fall Car Show.** Antique and classic Cadillacs on display 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The theme is **El-dorado 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 goody 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](mailto:Buick8Guy@yahoo.com), or Rich Berger 410-923-3657.

☛ **Mar. 24th, 2007—21st Annual NNL East.** See flyer on opposite page!

**Th, th, that's all for now folks! Send stuff if you know of an upcoming event, and we'll get it listed!** ☛

## Classified

**WANTED: Ricambi decals—1973 IROC Porsche 911 RS.** Please contact J.C. Reckner at (410) 923-3699, or e-mail me at [reckners@verizon.net](mailto:reckners@verizon.net). Thanks!

**WANTED: Pontiac race car raw material (kits, built or unbuilt, or decals—most scales!).** What've ya got? Let's talk. See **Tim Sickle** at a meeting (*Surprised?!*) or e-mail me at [gtoGuy@verizon.net](mailto:gtoGuy@verizon.net). Thanks! Got an ad? E-mail me, and we'll see if we can fit it in! ☛



## Poncho Reference Request

As I requested at last month's meeting, I am attempting to compile a Scale Pontiac Racing Gallery of pictures of all facets of Pontiac racing. I'd really appreciate the use of any pictures and/or website links that could 'bulk up' my library for future modeling projects. E-mail me at [gtoGuy@verizon.net](mailto:gtoGuy@verizon.net). Thanks! ☛



According to a letter in the latest Diecast X magazine, **"Donk, Box & Bubble"** as referring to cars with big wheels and nosebleed stances means: Box - 1977 to 1990 Caprice/Impala or similar (Buick/Caddy/Olds/Pontiac); Bubble - 1991 to 1996 Buick/Caddy/Chevy/Olds); Donk - 20" or larger rim - as in Donkey Cart wheels! Definition from a letter writer in the latest Diecast X diecast magazine! Check out: <http://www.rides-mag.com/DONK/index.html>. ☛



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**MAMA's BoyZ do it in scale!**



RC2 Street/Stock/Strip kits  
'40 Willys Coupe/PU & '65  
Chevelle Wagon  
'72 Old Pro Nova  
Ratpacker Nova reissue  
Payhauler Dump  
Tiger Shark Limited Edition  
Model King Multi-Maverick  
Revell Basic Builder Series (10  
kits) '32 Ford street rod, Sting  
Ray III, '57 Corvette convertible,  
"Cop Out" Duster funny car, '56  
Bel Air, '57 Nomad, '87 TBird  
Turbo Coupe, Mustang Mach III,  
'55 Ford street rod pickup, '82  
Coll. Ed. Corvette  
Snap Z06 Vette  
'24 Ford T Roadster w/trailer  
'93 Mustang Cobra  
'06 Home Depot  
(2) chopper kits  
Model King '53/'54 Chevy Gasser  
Th, th, that's all (for now!)  
folks! Keep on building'! 🚗

## Revell (contd)

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Earlier this month train set giant **Hornby** said it was considering putting an offer in to rescue Airfix.

Airfix has its origins in a company founded in London in 1939 by Hungarian-born Nicholas Kove, which manufactured cheap rubber toys filled with air.

Its first model kit was the Ferguson Tractor in 1948. The Spitfire was introduced in 1953.

Due to its massive popularity, Airfix became one of the first toy companies to have its own magazine in 1960 and it gradually expanded through acquiring a number of other companies, including Meccano.

Its range grew to include vintage and

modern cars, motorcycles, trains, ocean liners and spaceships.

A dip in popularity saw Airfix go into receivership in 1981.

It was bought by Palitoy, part of the American General Mills toy group, and production moved to France.

In 1986 it was taken over by Humbrol, but has suffered from falling sales as children became hooked on computer games and TV.

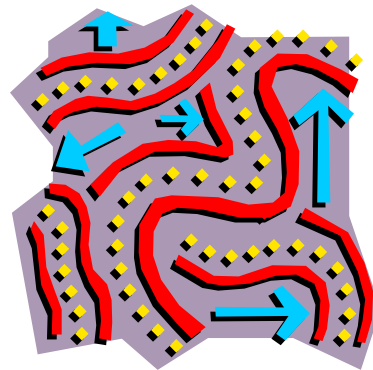
A recent survey commissioned for First magazine found youngsters spend an average of 25 hours a week in front of either TV or games console screens – rising to 42 hours a week during the school holidays (*excerpted from an article on the Internet*). 📺

We're on the web!  
<http://www.mamasboyz.org/>

## 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. 🚗