

## MARYLAND AUTOMOTIVE MODELERS ASSOCIATION

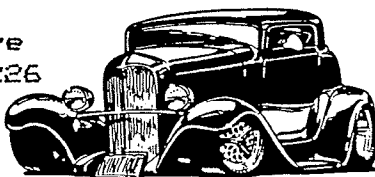
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by: Tim Sickle

About 40 to 45 people were in attendance at the January meeting which had as it's highlight a clinic by Gary McNutt on the modelers' workbench. Thanks, Gary! I got some very good ideas for my workshop using regular household items I never would have considered using on my own! Further discussions also took place regarding our NNL-Type event in April as well as the World of Wheels Rod & Custom Show at the Baltimore Convention Center and the Budweiser Washington D.C. World of Wheels at the D.C. Armory (see "Coming Events" for further details!). Getting back to clinics, if you have a suggestion for a clinic, speak with "Hot Rod" Boothe or Jerry Flynn to see if it can be arranged!

The January raffle raised \$78.00. The club would like to thank the raffle donors as shown below: Al "Deuce Coupe" Gransee, Gary McNutt, "Hot Rod" Boothe, Tim Powers, Dave Heise Jr. & Sr., Pat Maphis(!), George Openhym, Brad & Chris Whalley. Special thanks also go to those shown below:

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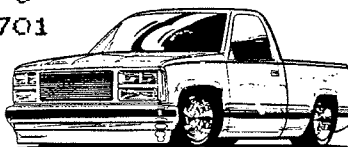


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It also bears mentioning at this time that Dirk Johnson (a.k.a Detail Master, P.O. Box 1465, Sterling, Va. 22170) will be a very active supporter of not only our club, but many other clubs across the country. It's up to us to actively patronize Detail Master in appreciation of his continued support (Ed. Note: with the detail items he has currently available, I don't believe this will be a problem!).

## "Kodak" Olds Delta 88

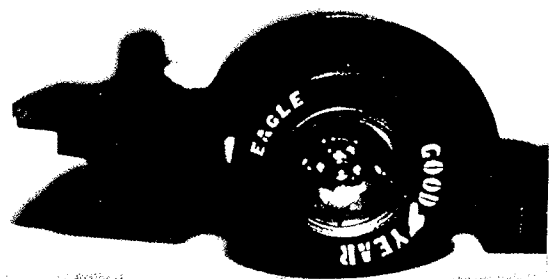
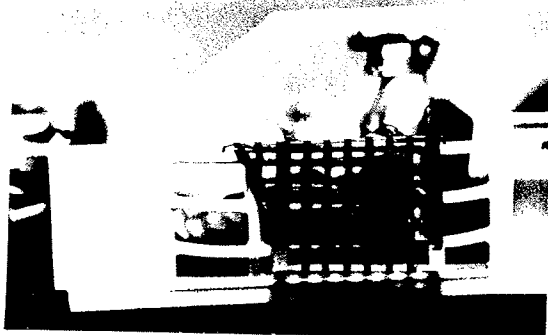
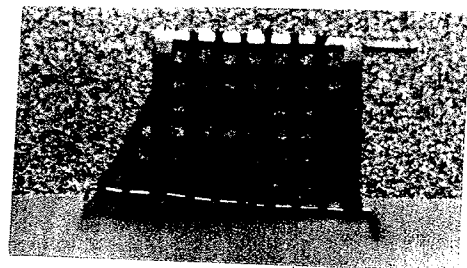
This kit is obviously based on the Monogram "Hardee's" Delta 88. It was painted with Krylon paint ("John Deere Yellow", I believe) and decaled with a combination of Fred Cady and JNJ decals. One reason this kit came together so slowly was the fact that I pulled off some detailing exercises never before attempted by me (but accomplished with the gracious assistance of Harold Bradford, Norman Veber and Jerry Flynn) (Ed. Note: At this rate, this kit could qualify as a club project!). Some of the details include:

- \* molder "one-piece" 180° headers with hollowed out exhaust dumps.
- \* Detail Depot Driver figure (courtesy of Jerry Flynn)
- \* AN fittings and braided hose in the engine compartment (also courtesy of Jerry Flynn), which complement the engine wiring
- \* Driver's seat belt & craft ribbon (seat belt kit courtesy of Norman Veber)
- \* Scale Model Speedway window net (courtesy of Norman Veber) (Ed. Note: very nice!)
- \* Stencilled Goodyear Eagle tires complemented by valve stem detail (both also courtesy of Norman Veber and aided by Harold Bradford)

It should be noted that I didn't start building this kit with the intention of adding the amount of detail evident in the finished product. All these items came about through the encouragement of fellow club members. Had I another 6 months(?!?), I could conceivably add an RCS Stock car disc brake kit. However, that item will undoubtedly show up on a future project. My point here is this: I received an immeasurable amount of encouragement and support from fellow club members ("When you gonna get that @\$%&\*@! "Kodak" car done?!?") as well as exposure to new items and techniques (and had fun doing it, which is the name of the game, right?) and for that, I wish to thank you all!



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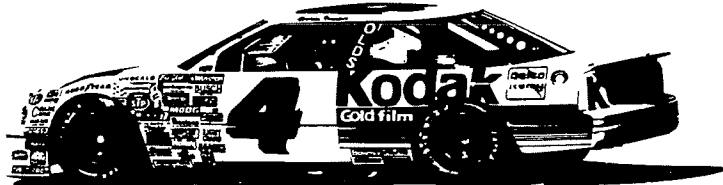
### "Kodak" Olds Cutlass

(AMT/ERTL #5731; one version; 1/25; 100 pieces; dark gray, chrome, clear, vinyl tires)

Not another "Kodak" car! It took me long enough to finish the first one (Ed. Note: I guess I am destined to be forever haunted by the "film" car!). All kidding aside, this will not be a full-blown review of the latest "Film" car. The reason being that this kit (with the obvious exception of the curvaceous new body!) is basically the same overall as the Rusty Wallace Pontiac kit.

The body consists of 7 pieces: basic body, hood, trunk, rear bumper, spoiler and front and rear glass. It is molded very well and with an absolute minimum of flash and is straight as an arrow! The front end as molded contains 7 screened-in openings—2 in the grille area, 1 in the driver's side headlight and 4 in the front air dam. A bit of a downer here, guys—the kit is molded in a darker gray than previous offerings in the series. This will make it even harder to get the "Schoolbus Yellow" paint job right. Everything seems to fit just right on my sample and best of all, the car doesn't have that "squat" look displayed in the AMT ads!

Something that was very nice of the guys at AMT—the instructions contain a chart showing the team's record for the 1989 season! The decals exhibit excellent registration as well as being very colorful. To sum up, this kit has been eagerly awaited by many people and in my opinion, they won't be disappointed! Kudos and thanks to the folks at AMT! (Ed. Note: I just finished one! Do I really want to jump in and do another one?!?).



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### Open-faced Stock Car Driver

(Detail Depot; one version; 1/24; 2 pieces)

This driver is scaled to fit the Monogram Stock Cars. It is molded flash-free and comes in 2 pieces (head and body). This particular figure has the earlier open-face style helmet similar to what is currently in use in NASCAR. Many teams however, are starting to switch to the full-face style helmet for various reasons (Detail Depot carries these as well!).

Heeding some good advice, I drilled and installed a small piece of brass rod to make for a stronger and more accurate mounting of the head (basically, making sure his head was "screwed on" right!). I primed him, then painted him "Schoolbus Yellow" with red chest stripes (for insertion into a certain "Film" car!). The goggles and radio were picked out with flat black while the driving shoes and the goggles' elastic headband were done in flat white. I chose to paint the figures' hands the same Schoolbus yellow to give the impression of gloves (which

many competitors use). So, with a minimal amount of time spent detail painting, I have a very realistic driver to help set off my long awaited rendition of the "Kodak" Olds. Hopefully, the next one won't take that long!

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#### BITS & PIECES

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- \* **Food!** Now that I have everybody's undivided attention, thanks are in order. While I am not positive (what else is new?), I believe we have **Dave & Karen Roehrl** to thank for the **donuts** and **Tim Powers** for the **brownies** (which were delicious, right "Hot Rod"?). If I am wrong as to who provided what, **excuse me!**
- \* **NNL-type event progress!** To date, we have received replies of sponsorship from **Mike's Custom Bodies**, **Scale Auto Enthusiast**, **Roy Sorenson** (of "Plastic Fanatic" fame!) and **Lindberg!** **Jerry Flynn** reports swap meet table sales have been brisk. Anyone interested in helping out at our inaugural event, contact **Jerry Flynn** and inform him of your availability. If you cannot volunteer your time, consider the donation of a cottage industry product (or even a new, wrapped kit) for use in our day-long raffle. This is shaping up to be a whale of a show. Be there or be square!
- \* **"Deals on Wheels!"** Starting in the month of January, **Charlie Atkinson** of **Family Hobbies** will be starting something new for club members. Each month, he will make available specific kit(s) at a reduced price to members. January's specials are **Monogram Stock Car Plus** kits- **"Heinz" Pontiac (#2914)**, **"Miller" Buick (#2915)** and **"Havoline" T-Bird (#2916)**. These kits are priced at \$6.75 each (they are slightly lower at the meeting to reward attendees). If interested, contact **Charlie** at **Family Hobbies!**
- \* For anyone interested, **MAMA plates** are coming again! Contact **Norman Veber** to place your order!
- \* **Hobby Shop News!** Have you checked out **Family Hobbies** at their new location yet? You haven't? Why not? Can't find it, huh? Well, don't fret **Bunky!** Study the map enclosed elsewhere in this newsletter! Your fearless newsletter editor followed the map to perfection to visit the shop immediately following the January meeting. Unfortunately, not being a native **Baltimorean** (**Baltimorean?**), I needed another map to get home!
- \* **Model Car Journal!** **Detail Depot** will now carry this fine publication and it will be available at our monthly meetings for interested parties who may wish to purchase a copy.
- \* **FYI!** It bears mentioning at this point that **Detail Depot** (**Jerry Flynn**) and **Resin Casting Specialties** (**Harold Bradford**) also "take requests" so to speak. So, if you have something you wish copied (or even made!), give 'em a call and see if something can be worked out!

- \* **Contest News!** One of our local supporters, Bobby's Hobby Lobby is holding their 2nd Annual Model Car contest. The dates are February 18th thru March 1st. For specifics, refer to the flyer elsewhere in this newsletter, or call Roberta Kasik at 876-9024 or 848-4350. So, c'mon all you contest nuts!
- \* **More Hobby Shop news!** It seems that over at Squadron Shop (a club supporter!) in Wheaton, a Star is born! With all the news coverage of "Operation Desert Storm", WRC-TV (channel 4) did an on-camera interview on Jan. 30 with Roy Dwyer with regard to sales of planes, tanks, etc. being used in battle! Lookin' good, Roy! While on the subject of "Operation Desert Storm", another Hobby Shop, GPA Hobbies (a new club supporter!) located in, of all places, Bowie(!) also got some free publicity from the Prince George's Journal (front page, no less!), when the Journal contacted manager Eric Baugher also with regard as to the sales of war-related model kits (Ed. Note: They can't keep 'em in stock!). It should be noted that GPA Hobbies is currently heavily R/C-related, but they are branching out into the plastic kit world. It seems as though Jerry Flynn, due to his R/C experience and exposure knows both Eric Baugher and Louis Levine (owners) (Ed. Note: We won't hold it against you Eric and Louis!) and says these two are real good guys to deal with. They are also looking for some good built-up models to display in their shop. So c'mon guys, who knows how many younger modelers may be influenced seeing some of our creations? Their address is 3498 Crain Highway (Collington Plaza), Bowie, Md. 20716. While on the subject of built-ups, I would also like to point out that Doug Moran of Doug's Hobby Shop (in Waldorf) and John Southan of Hobbytown USA (in Burtonsville) also are in search of display kits. Both shops are also club supporters as well so, if one (or even both) shops are in your area, consider lending them built-ups to show your appreciation in exchange for their support!
- \* **Awesum!!** Decidedly an overused word in today's vocabulary but appropriate when describing Dodge's all-new Stealth R/T Turbo. Motor Trend magazine calls it "an affordable Ferrari 348". And MAMA has it!! Specifically, the club has received a sample of the 1/20 scale Lindberg kit! Preliminary comments from several MAMA members are very positive which would seem to indicate that Lindberg should do very well with this one (Ed. Note: Bring on the \$10!). Look for a review in an upcoming newsletter! On top of this, during a recent trip to a local Children's Supermart (jus' lookin' for a birthday gift for a party Nick was invited to. Yeah! That's the ticket!), in a trip down the plastic aisle, what did I spy? Why, the Lindberg 1/20 Stealth RT Turbo selling for the seemingly ridiculous price of \$7.99! Well, they seem to have beaten the AMT Stealth to market. Speaking of AMT and the Stealth, where are the promos, you ask? They were due out in January. Several local dealers contacted had no idea of what I was

talking about. The Chrysler Regional Office was also unaware of their availability. A phone conversation with the nice folks at AMT/ERTL brought a simple explanation. Seems as though AMT is merely late in releasing it. It should be available by the first week in February. On the other hand, the Stealth kit is on schedule at last check. Thanks for straightening this out, AMT!

- \* '49 Ford Fever! It all started rather innocently with Cole Cutler's outrageous '49 Ford "Hot Rod" centerfold. All of a sudden, our "own" "Hot Rod's" '49 oh-so-subtle SC pops up, then Dave Roehrl's "smoothie" Flathead-powered '49 makes it's appearance. Well, one Lyle Willits (Yeah, that "Heartbeat" Guy!) figured why not? So, before you could say small block, his '49 LTD was finished and debuted at January's meeting to raves! He tried to rationalize it's construction with claims of "cleverly disguised" Chevelle parts deep within the old Ford. Yeah, sure Lyle! So, guys, what's next? A '49 GT?!
- \* 1989 ZR1 Promos! It seems as though at the National Corvette Restorers' Society's last fundraiser that one of the little white beasties crossed the auction block. The going price? A cool \$3,295.00!! Apparently, this promo was one of a select few which escaped the crusher and, was in fact donated to NCRS for the above-mentioned fundraiser by GM. Thanks to Tim Powers for this little tidbit!
- \* Congrats! Speaking of Tim Powers, he again makes his presence known! The latest issue of Car Modeler contains a letter in which Tim attempts to set the record straight with regard to some comments made by Larry Greenberg about AMT's upcoming '70 ZR-1 & '71 ZR-2 'Vettes in his "Strictly Stock" column. Also featured was a letter by Joe Goss of NOVAScale regarding the Do's and Don'ts about running a model car contest. Congrats, guys! (Ed. Note: It sure is nice to be published, eh guys?)

#### COMING EVENTS

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- \* Feb 15-17 (Fri, Sat & Sun)-World of Wheels Rod & Custom Show at the Baltimore Convention Center.
- \* Mar 3 (Sun)-Chesapeake Miniature Vehicle Collector's Club 21st collector's toy show held at the Fire Hall in Shrewsbury, Pa. For info, call Joe Golabiewski at (301)592-5854 or Carl Daerke at (717)741-3334.
- \* Mar 8, 9 & 10 (Fri-Sun)-Budweiser Washington D.C. World of Wheels held at the D.C. Armory. NoVaScale will conduct a Model Car Contest in conjunction with the Wow. For info, call Joe Goss at (703)878-2429.
- \* Mar 24 (Sun)-Fifth Annual NNL East held in Parsippany, N.J. For info, send an SASE to John Slivoski, 16 Ocean Parkway, Apt. A20, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11218 or call (718)871-5332.

\* April 6 (Sat)-1st Annual Maryland Automotive Modelers' Association's NNL-Type Model Car Show & Swap Meet (whew!) to be held at the Orchard Beach Volunteer Fire Department Fire Hall between 8 A.M. and 4 P.M. For info, call Jerry Flynn at (301)255-3776.

\* April 7 (Sun)-Capitol Miniature Auto Collector's Club 1991 Spring Meet held in Fairfax, Va. For info, call Charles Francis Wilding at (301)434-6209.

\* Oct 18, 19 & 20 (Fri-Sun)-IPMS Region II Convention held at BWI Airport. For info (or even to volunteer your services!), call Bernie Hackett at (301)882-2352.

#### CLASSIFIEDS

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WANTED-Any Ferrari-related items as well as back-issues of Cavallino magazine. Call Harold Bradford at 604-8591.

WANTED-'87 & '88 Mustang GT's, '89 Regal Promo. Call Tim Sickle at 249-3830.

WANTED-Monogram '70 Superbird, '64 GTO & '69 GTO Judge. Contact Dave Johns at 437-1893.

FOR SALE OR TRADE-Magazine collection consisting of Hot Rod, Car Craft, Popular Hot Rodding & Motor Trend dating from 1984 to present. Contact Al "Deuce Coupe" Granssee at 768-3128.

WANTED-(4) Nissan Pick-up wheels. Contact Darian Willits at 799-8766.

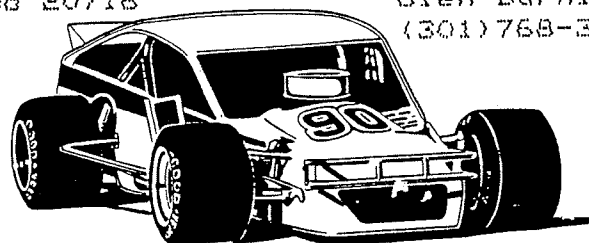
WANTED-Contact with persons having intimate(?) knowledge, description, or (better yet) photographs of the '70-'72 ZR-1 and '71 ZR-2 Corvettes. Write Tim Powers, 808 224th Street, Pasadena, Md. 21122 or call (301)255-3976.

WANTED-Old watch wind-up stem. Reason? I am in search of a radiator cap for a current project. Call "Hot Rod" at 972-7098.

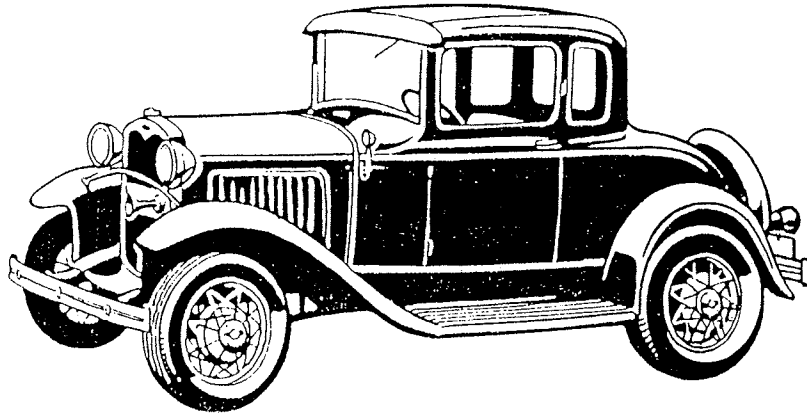
Anyone having an item for the Newsletter whether it is a Bit, a Piece or even a Classified, it can be included by contacting one of the individuals listed below:

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AND FILL OUT AN ENTRY BLANK. LIMIT OF 2 MODELS.

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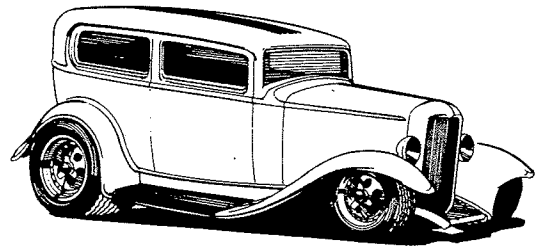
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SENIORS - 13 YEARS TO 17 YEARS OLD.  
ADULT - 18 YEARS AND OLDER.

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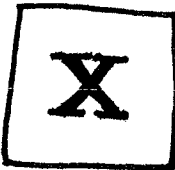


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Family Hobbies' Treasure Map

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