

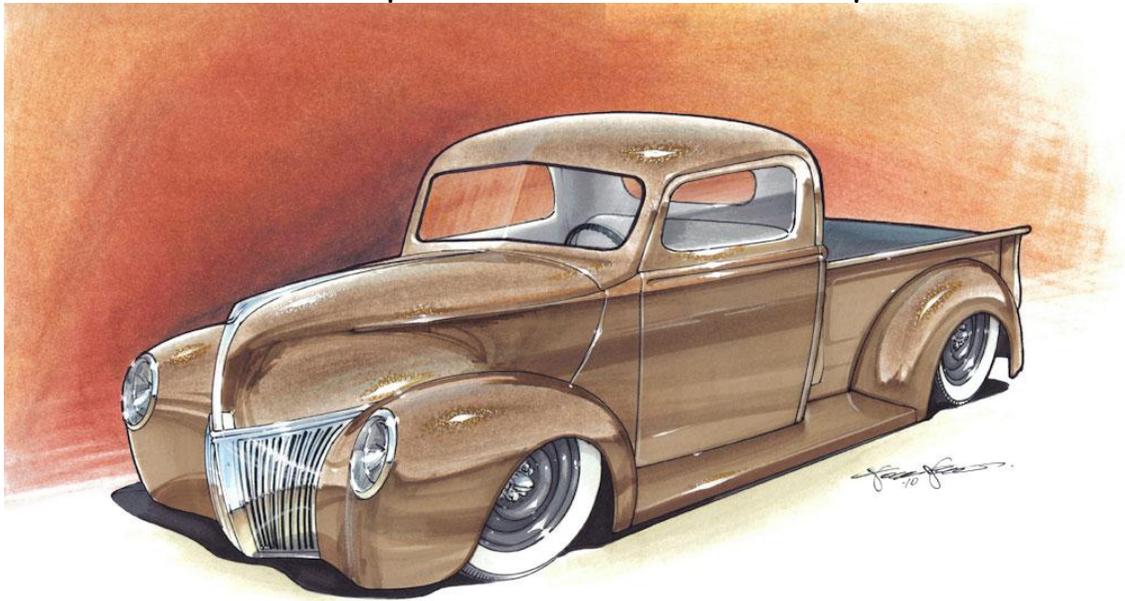
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This Month.....

+ Officer's Reports + 2013 Themes + Same Kit Update +



+ Coming Events +

~~~~~ from the editor's desk ~~~~~

As you likely already know, my era of automotive interest is mostly pre-muscle car. By that I mean the mid 60's & older. When race cars were built using production cars as a starting platform, you know: HOT RODS!! & that is of course what I like to build. I'm trying to build the perfect hot rod. Something I can't possibly do, but it keeps me moving forward. It gives me a goal & it's the same goal with every project I start. & I start a lot of projects, while completing so very few. But I keep trying.....

Robb

===== the contest directors report =====

Hey guys, here are the contest results from January's In-house contest.

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|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| <b>Factory Stock:</b>                           | 3rd - Scott Sprawl 1974 GTX (Yellow)   |
| 1st - Bill Owen 1970 Trans-Am                   | <b>Pre-decorated:</b>                  |
| 2nd - Dennis Tull 1979 BMW 320is                | 1st - Jeff Sprawl 1971 Duster          |
| <b>StraightLine Comp:</b>                       | 2nd - Randy Wilson 1965 Dodge          |
| 1st - Al Richards 1957 Chevy                    | 3rd - Randy Wilson Mustang             |
| <b>Comp Other:</b>                              | <b>Commercial:</b>                     |
| 1st - Curtis Epperson ASA T-Bird                | 1st - Robb Shelby 1950 Ford Ramp Truck |
| 2nd - Curtis Epperson Modified                  | <b>Miscellaneous:</b>                  |
| 3rd - Robb Shelby #36 Ford Modified             | 1st - Paul Snodgrass Old School Bike   |
| <b>Street Rod:</b>                              | <b>Out of Box:</b>                     |
| 1st - Paul Snodgrass 1948 Ford PU (yellow)      | 1st - Dennis Tull 70-1/2 Camaro        |
| 2nd - Paul Snodgrass 1948 Ford PU (black)       | 2nd - Curtis Epperson 1970 Chevelle    |
| 3rd - Robb Shelby Drag Strip Hot Rod            | 3rd - Dennis Tull 1976 Caprice         |
| <b>Curbside Street:</b>                         | <b>Out of Box Plus:</b>                |
| 1st - Jeff Sprawl 1971 Plymouth Duster (purple) | 1st - Curtis Epperson Baja Bug         |
| 2nd - Bill Bench 1979 Mustang                   | 2nd - Vince Kelly 1967 Camaro          |
|                                                 | 3rd - Al Richards 1971 Duster          |

Theme Award (The 70's) Paul Schneider 1970 Road Runner

Model of the Month Curtis Epperson Lil Mixer Show Rod

It's February & the theme is Vipers vs Vettes. Also, February is the first event of the 2013 Gravity Drags season, as well as Swap Meet Night. So race 'em, sell 'em & buy 'em.

See y'all on Monday. & thanx for the Model of the Month votes.

Curtis

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Kit Review:

'57 Ford Custom

(Revell #85-4283; 129 pcs, white, black vinyl, chrome, clear & clear red; instructions, decals; 1/25th scale, skill level 3, age 12+, 2 building versions)

Engine:

Two building versions are offered, a single carb version identified as 'Stock', & a dual carb version identified as 'Drag'. Actually, we get two different versions of a factory stocker, w/o even aftermarket headers. The basic engine is a 2pc, block/trans split down the middle, with heads, valve covers, galley cover, oil filler tube, oil filter, water pump, generator, coil, distributor, headers, starter, fuel pump, single carb fuel filter with fuel line, single carb, single carb manifold, stock air cleaner, dual carb fuel filter with fuel line, dual carbs, dual carb manifold & dual air cleaners for a 31pc parts count. I may be wrong, but I think that the Lindberg (ex-AMT) 34 Ford PU includes an all chromed, mid-50's T-Bird engine.....

Chassis:

We start with a bare frame, & from there, one can go just about anywhere. This kit has a lot of subassemblies & incidental details molded as a group on separate parts trees. A great deal of the items one might wanna change, or just delete, such as the front suspension (3pcs), tailpipes with mufflers (2pcs), steering box, rear suspension (8pc stocker or a drag version that uses all the same parts except for the spring-leaf bundles) & all four bumper brackets are separate. The separate floor also gets a few swappable items (a 2pc fuel tank & a spare tire well) on the bottom, while on top, the interior & engine bay are divided by a firewall that carries the separate brake cylinder & wiper motor. The rest of the engine bay dresses out to the tune of a 2pc radiator, a pair of coolant hoses, battery, starter relay &, of course, the completed engine. The interior, also built up on the floor, has a 2pc front bench seat, right & left door panels & a separate rear seat. The dashboard collects the steering wheel, column, pedals & decals for the gauges & horn button, & then mounts to the door panels.

Wheels & tires:

The stock rolling-stock consists of 4 rather non-descript tires, 4 inner wheels w/o any brake detail, 4 outer wheels, 4 dog-dish hubcaps (with decals to simulate the painted portions) & 4 axle pins. The drag option is a pair of brake drums, also lacking brake detail, a pair of seriously hefty open wheels & no-name slicks. I've not assembled the car, so I can't say this wheel/tire combo, along with the drag oriented springs actually makes a significant change to the ambience of the car.

Body:

The 'greenhouse' gets 6pcs of clear - there are wind-wings, but no door glass. The visors are part of the windshield, but the dome light & rearview mirror are separate. Pop in the hood & the bod is ready to drop on to the chassis. There's a heap of body details, including 3pc (bezel, reflector & clear lens) headlights, 2pc (bezel & clear red lens) taillights, grille, turn signal lenses, front bumper, rear bumper, a pair of license plate brackets, trunk lock cover, hood ornament, windshield wipers, door handles & a

door mounted mirror. Any or all of this stuff can be exchanged for different stuff, or left off to begin with.

Decals:

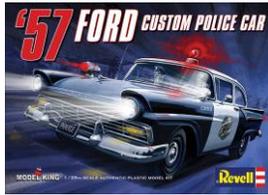
The decals are the most compelling evidence that this is a "2in1"kit. The sheet is just about equally divided between stock oriented badges, lettering, w/w's, hub cap paint, complete upholstery panels & 3 sets of license plates (including one that says "E-CODE", the identifier for the 2x4 carb set-up), & competition markings.

The kit looks very good - again, I have not assembled it - the instructions read well & seem to make sense, as one reads along. That may change as construction develops.

See: 1957Ford.com for more complete information.

I'm finding myself liking this kit, as much for what I see as its potential, as for what I find in the box. I'm thinking I might pull the front suspension & the seats out of a "Little Red Wagon" kit & maybe the basic engine out of that "500C" I never got started last year.....

Robb



& look what I found on the 'net.....



2013 Monthly Themes

Feb - Vipers vs Vettes

Mar - Front Engine Dragsters*

Apr - Wagons, Woodies & Willys

May - Pickups vs Vans*

Jun - Agent Orange

Jul - Mustangs vs Camaros*

Aug - Johan Nite

Sep - Chargers & Challengers: Old vs New*

Oct - Same Kit: Revell 34 Ford Coupe

Snap Kit

Nov - End of the Year Contest

*contest



NEXT MEETING: North-Central Branch Library
11109 Hamilton Ave Cincinnati OH 45231
visit us @ < www.cincinnatiautoreplicas.org >

Up Coming Events:

Mar 23 IPMS Roscoe Turner Model Contest & Swap Meet Raymond Park Middle School
Indianapolis IN 46239

Info: www.ipmsroscoeturner.org

Apr 14 Cincinnati Challenge 17, 248 Locust St Owensville OH 45160

Info: www.cincinnatiautoreplicas.org

Apr 20>NNL East #27 1 Pal Dr Wayne NJ 07470

Info: NNLEast@aol.com or www.nnleast.com

May 5 HMCA #32 9AM-4PM KofC Hall 511 Thompson Rd Indianapolis IN

Info: indyhmac@hotmail.com

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Robb's Garage presents

The Riverside II Trailer Kit
Deck size: 175" lg x 87" wd
1/25th scale

Single Axle unit includes:

- (1) Frame Kit with deck & ramp lumber
- (1) Tongue Kit with hitch & jackstand
- (1) Suspension Kit with axle & springs

Tandem Axle units are available
Frame, Tongue & Suspension Kits
are available separately

All kits are multi-media, but primarily
styrene

Kits do not include wheels, tires,
fenders or lights.

In my opinion, these kits are skill level
3.

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