

Welcome to the 2022 New Year Edition





We've started our 31 plus year as a Club; let's hope that we all stay healthy during this COVID-19 crisis and that we can all attain some measure of prosperity. Then perhaps we can build a new Club display...

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The LONG ISLAND AUTO REPLICA SOCIETY (L.I.A.R.S.) Model Car Briefs is dedicated to bringing you the best and most up to date information about our great hobby of model building

Season's Greetings

LIARS Unofficial Official

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Hi Everyone

Hope you were able to spend the holidays with your families/friends.

It was great to see my grandchildren and my great grandchildren.

This time last year I noted that I found Shapeways 3D printing. My potential divorce atty (only kidding) will not allow me to state how many orders I placed purchasing e.g., Diorama components. (Dr.V keeps informing me that he purchased numerous 1:1 vehicles for less than I have spent on these goodies!) Stay well, hopefully I'll see at the 1/20/22 meeting at the rec center.

Rich - That's it for now. Keep building!! Rich r.argus@juno.com

A message from the Vice President.

I hope all L.I.A.R.S. members and their families and friends are healthy and well. Rather than re-hash all the negatives 2021 had brought, let's try to be a little positive going forward into 2022. Something tells me when we meet in at the Rec. Center, the subject of conversation will be about the LIARS future! Understandably, but I'm really hoping to hear a lot of positives, like for example, stories of amazing builds, new acquisitions, expanded collections, personal growth, and so forth.

As I see it, for good or bad, we all got a massive amount of something we claim to have little of: TIME. How often have we heard the old battle cry "SO MANY KITS, SO LITTLE TIME!" Well our

prayers were answered. How did we use it? I'm not suggesting everyone ignore all responsibilities and abandon all obligations to get through this mess, I'm only hoping that this opportunity was used wisely. I personally have learned a lot and I'd like to think I've grown (a little). Times like this let you know about people's true character. I've learned who my real friends are. I've learned about my own strengths and weaknesses. I had times of both laughter and tears. I've wasted time as much as I have cherished the moments building a new project. Time for a new year, and new fresh start.

Regarding club business: Pending the world situation, our annual contest and show is scheduled to resume in November, more news as it becomes available

stories and stay connected, even at a distance.

I miss seeing former monthly attendees and would like to hear from these members. Please come back...Feel free to contact me anytime: Lets share builds, talk kits, parts, paint, buy-sell-swap, WHATEVER!

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Some Words from the Editor At Large

Your MCB staff wishes to convey our vote of confidence to our esteem Unofficial Official for the thankless job he's doing for us ingrates either directly or assisting the other board members.

POWER. STYLE. BEAUTY. GRACE CELEBRATING THE DISTINCTIVE HERITAGE OF THE AUTOMOBILE.

Remember those folks who made a difference in your life in 2021 (good or bad) and use the lessons learned to be a better you. Life is made up of people, events and decisions. 2022 is a time to start fresh. So surround yourself with good people, be active, happy and make 2022 great in spite of COVID 19. Dr.V So here is Dr.V's 1st 2022 LIARS bus candidate





First Impressions



Yes, I'm back in 2022 to continue my crazy rambling thoughts! Alternative is for you all to submit articles

Early New Year's Resolution: There were probably many, many times as in past years when I as your Ed. may have... Disturbed You, Troubled You, Pestered You, Irritated You, Bugged you, or got on your Nerves!! So today, I just wanted to tell you.... Suck it up!! Cause there AINT ANY CHANGES planned for 2022!

Happy New Year! Out with the old, in with the new? Not so fast here... but don't fret the "old" isn't going anywhere. We want to keep the fire burning of the cars of days gone by; by developing models of these Works of Art. Adding another year is just a way of making this hobby stronger. We celebrate new and old and we look forward to the year ahead to see what will be exciting at the monthly meetings, model contests and flea markets. It's time to get busy, but let's pause and look at what else makes us and our loved ones happy.

2021 LIARS Year End get together

Dr V apologizes for the poor picture quality. Thanks to Pat for picking up Mike B and transporting Mike's cheesecake to the party. It was excellent as usual!

Thanks LIARS organization for picking up the tab!

Next meeting is 1/20/22! \$30. Dues are due.



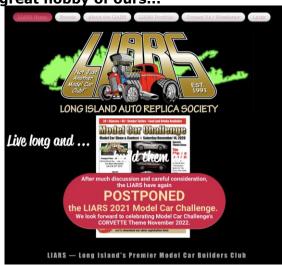


Please be advised that the LIARS need to update our website! For starters, we need to firm up the 2022 Model Car Challenge date, theme, etc.

Greg H has removed his name from being the Secretary/Web Curator. So we need a replacement.

Thanks Greg H for fulfilling this thankless task all these years/months!

I also suggest that we continue to list the 2021 MCBs at our website. Yes we can add 2022 variants to this list. Over to you all, and please have a great healthy new year enjoying this great hobby of ours...





Then there is ...

The Devil's in the Details Part 12

By Steve "Big Daddy" Blake "Ho Ho Ho!"

OK, I'm returning to the GTO project. It actually is a "replicating the past" project, but, we're focusing in on little detail touches that the original did not have.

Years ago, when I was in need of cash, I sold my collection to Joe Lupo (thank you Joe for the help). In the group were several built replicas, one of which was a '65 GTO. Now I'm attempting to redo those missing cars.

My GTO was Hunter Green with a flat black roof. On this one I will replicate a black vinyl roof as well as other upgrades.



Using many pics from the internet, we can guess-timate were the seams will be. Measure off the center and mark where the scribe line is to be. Using masking tape cut into thin strips, apply to the inner side of the scribed line.



Next, prime the masked off roof in a color that will work with the final shade. In this case a Dark Charcoal Gray. Then a basecoat of Black Primer, scribing the outer edge of the seam. Holding the can of Satin Black a good 12 inches away dust the roof, scribing the outer edge again when dry. Next, hold the can of Semi-gloss Black 12 inches away, dust the roof let dry.



When you are done it should look like this (and yes the roof extends down farther then it would normally. I was trying to do a custom padded roof)



The other day, I was on the phone with Norm Veber of Replicas and Miniatures of Maryland. He and his wife Mary are doing well and they are still doing resin parts. In fact, they are so busy they are 2mos. behind on their orders. I sent Bill Murray a copy of his price list (it is dated 2019 but is the current list).

He has no web site. To see his stuff Google Replicas and miniatures and several photo websites come up including Fotoki.

Big Mike had a question about the quality of the chrome from Little Motor Kar Co. I did have a couple of items that looked yellow on the last order. I looked at them again and now they appear to be clear. Maybe they needed to cure some more. Give it a try give me some feedback on what you get. As for me, I'm sending a third order out today.

Well that's all for now, so, "Don't catch the stupids" and MERRY CHRISTMAS! Steve Blake DR.V forgot to include this article in the Dec MCB

The Devil's in the Details Part 13

By Steve "Big Daddy" Blake

Happy New Year!

Onward and upward with the 1965 Pontiac GTO.



Here is the stuff I used to detail the interior of my 65 GTO.



The dash came out nice. Using Model Car Garage. 65 GTO dash trim (on right) and Best Model Car Parts 65 GTO instrument face inlays.



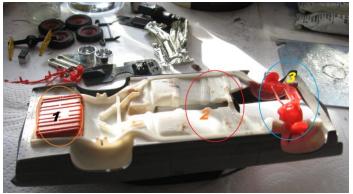
The finished interior with; Model Velvet Interior (defunct) black flocking for carpet, Electrical "lacing" cord for seatbelts, Model Master seatbelt hardware.



And aux instrument panel, last, but, not least, Model Car Garage 65-67 GTO door handles and foot pedals.

Now, for the past half decade I've had percolating in my head how to detail the chassis. The AMT kit has as you know has a slab chassis with everything molded in.

Digging around in my JUNK I found a AMT early NASCAR chassis from a busted up Chevelle kit.



- 1. The racing cell was cut out of chassis replaced with a tank from a Johan Toronado..
- 2. I shortened the chassis by cutting 1/8 of an inch, aligning the axle center lines.
- 3. A 90's era Revell Pont Firebird provided the front suspension.



An AMT NASCAR T-Bird donated the rear axle and shocks. I split in half one of its rear springs gluing the halves to the inside of the axle mounts to represent the rear coils. Pair of "Lakewood" bars were dug out of my parts box.

Next, mounting the wheels and making the e-brake cable.

I took the Cragers from AMT's 65 Bonneville adding valve stems (a detail I like to add). Tires came out of my junk box and carefully painted the letters with a 00 Grumbacher brush.

A cool product I found on e-Bay was fine vinyl wheel stripes by a company called Vinyl Nation Decals.



A lot of test fitting of the chassis is required to make proper clearance for the tires to the bodywork.

Next installment we'll get into the engine detail.

Well that's all for now. Hope everyone has a **Happy New Year! Steve Blake**

MODEL STUFF

By Lenny Cromwell

Happy New Year everyone! This is the time of year when model building slows down a little bit for me because of the weather. Mostly I paint with spray cans and I have to paint outdoors because my family complains about the paint odor if I paint in my attached garage. When it's too cold outside, I can't paint. But that doesn't mean I can't build anything at all, it just means I have to plan carefully. What I usually do in the winter is to prep parts for several cars and then, when my wife and daughter go out shopping, I go to the garage and paint a bunch of stuff so that the paint fumes dissipate by the time they return. This leads to limited progress but it's better than no progress at all. Speaking of progress, don't forget to bring your completed '64 Olds parts to the meeting this month. I'll assemble all the pieces and we'll auction the finished product off at February's meeting and see if we can't raise a little money for the club.

Anyway, some of the things I've been able to complete include the AMT '63 Nova wagon, Revell's '30 Ford coupe, and MPC's Bruce Larson Vega Pro Stock. The Nova is a really cool kit for us station wagon fans for a number of reasons. First, it's a wagon. Second is all the cool extras you get such as a trailer, spare engine display and other assorted accessories. The six banger and thirteen-inch wheels make for an accurate stock replica.



The '30 Ford Hot Rod from Revell hasn't been available for a few years but it's still one of the best Hot Rod kits ever produced. There are so many options with this model that the box is just crammed full of parts. I would consider these kits to be must-haves.

1930 Ford Model A Coupe (2 in 1)

Unassembled plastic model kit



The classic Ford A coupe was a favorite with all street rod fans from the beginning. In the 1950s, old Ford A models were easy to find and cheap. How times have changed, after all. But the fun of building and driving a street rod hasn't changed. Now aftermarket suppliers offer just about any part you could want or need for a street rod.

- Detailed small block V8 engine
- **Choice of 2 different frames**
- **Choice of 2 complete interiors**

The MPC Bruce Larson Vega kit is a bit of an enigma. At first glance it looks good. The body seems to be an accurate slant-nose Vega, and the decals look right, so when you take a quick look at the finished model, it looks good. Now I'm no expert on Bruce Larson's Vega, but there are some things that don't seem quite For one thing, this kit has a stock chassis with tubs added to the back for tire clearance. I thought that by the mid seventies were using tube frames or at least tube reinforced frames. I could be wrong.



The engine in this kit is a pretty generic looking V8 but to me it looks like a Big Block Chevy. I always thought that the Pro Stock Vegas ran Small Block Chevys. I could be wrong. The kit's interior features rear tubs, a

roll cage, and racing style seats. It also features a stock dash, stock steering wheel, stock door panels, and a stock automatic shifter. I thought that the interiors by this time were mostly fabricated aluminum components and that the shifters were of the "Lightning Rod" style. I could be wrong.

All is not lost. With the winter slow down in model building comes the opportunity to spend some indoor time with my other hobby, N Scale trains. So that's what I'll be doing for the next couple of months.

Dr.V add on... By:Gary Porter

I had a 1964 Cutlass convertible back in 1968. It was a Canadian built four speed car. The car salesman called me as soon as it was traded in and I bought it. They were going to repaint it, so I had them paint it red instead of yellow. I never had a picture of it when I first saw it, so this is as I remember the car. It was painted Butternut yellow, had Olds dog dish hubcaps, no radio, no power steering or power brakes. But it was a four barrel, four speed dual exhaust car. Over the years I managed to get an unbuilt 64 Olds kit and a couple of built ups with the idea of building this model. When the Cutlass convertible was reissued, I picked one up and built this one.



Over to Lenny's build team... As is the LIARS tradition, we are grateful (below)...



Now to some other goodies...



Last night I saw Santa! I did! I did! I saw Santa last night!

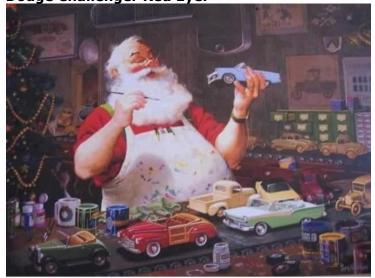
About 2 a.m. I was woken by a loud crashing noise, I got up and went to check it out.....



I saw my model room light was on, but no one was in there, nothing was bothered, then I heard a loud roaring sound coming from outside like a high performance engine. As I rushed out side it got louder and louder, nothing in the driveway. What was it, where was it coming from?



I looked up on the roof, it was Santa! but no sleigh and reindeer? He was using his new Dodge Challenger Red Eye.



He shouted down, I am a model builder too, and I left a little extra for you as he got into his new Red ride, and in a flash, he was off finishing his nightly round in record time.



I couldn't believe my eyes when I went back inside, I almost tripped over a model or two that he poured down the chimney, some I hadn't seen in years.

I woke my wife in amazement! ...I just saw Santa! and he left me a Sleigh load of models!..Sure he did, now go back to sleep! Retired Soldier

2021 - My only completion: '34 Ford pickup wheel stander from the early '60s By: chepp







It's the first exhibition wheel stander before the famous ones appeared...well, it COULD have been if I'm allowed to re-write history. SUNDAY! SUNDAY!



Here it is in action...well, OK, this is what it might have looked like.



It even appeared in *Model Car Science*...well, uh, in my dreams!

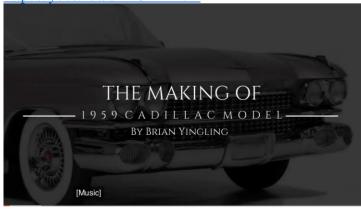
Dr.V Great photoshop...

Just A Car Guy: Miniature, fully functional 1/3rd scale replicas of a Cadillac were made for the British Royal family of Siam, Norway, and one for a grandson of the founder of Cadillac.

http://justacarguy.blogspot.com/2015/06/miniature-fully-functional-13rd-scale.html

Now checkout this video!

1/4 scale 1959 Cadillac, 5 feet long, 3D printed!!! https://youtu.be/oXD9ZA2-tlE

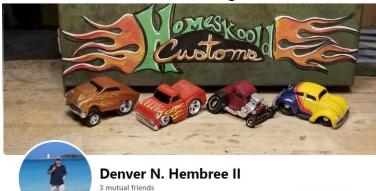


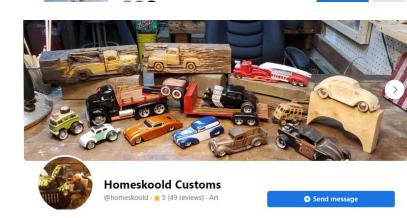






John The Artist routed the following...











Setting Expectations With Your Estate Tailored from Classic Auto Mall, Inc.

Probably nothing is more dreaded than setting up and planning your estate. But it is something very important to do, especially if you have a collection of 1:1, models of vehicles and/or memorabilia. While you should always seek council and legal advice from a professional estate planner and your attorney, I wanted to share some of the things we experience with collectors, estates and family members left to handle them.

Whatever you do, on your deathbed don't pull your spouse/significant other close to you and whisper in their ear, "Whatever you do after I'm gone, don't sell the models for less than \$80,000." It is difficult enough to handle an estate and that just makes it even harder. Set

realistic expectations on values and don't do it once and forget it. Make sure you write everything down and update the pricing (up or down) every year. Nothing is worse than a family member thinking they are dishonoring your wishes by selling your models for market value, not your unrealistic value.

Whatever you do, have a thought-out plan including a certified appraisal and where you think your items would be best suited to sell. If you think a certain auction house or consignment dealership is best suited for a particular vehicle &/or model collection, then convey that in writing to the family. Do your homework so that your family doesn't have to.

Do you have a trusted "car/model friend"? You might want to have them be a consultant to the family. This will be a huge help to all involved. Also, have you made arrangements for transportation, detailing, light mechanical or any other things that might come up when it's time to dispose of the collection? The more of these items thought out ahead of time by you, the better. At a minimum, take the time to put together a list of your preferred contacts for these things.

Don't assume that the family will or will not keep the collection(s), so plan as if they will not. This is an emotional time for family members and the more that you can pre-plan the better for all involved. Have a concise written plan for all of the above items and things will go much smoother. Remember, your old cars e.g., become part of the family and fond memories and good times are hard to sell, especially when they want to honor your wishes.

IKEA raised prices by 9% to cover raw material costs!



This is a real Mopar Man Cave

Perhaps Rich could build a replica model with all the goodies...we'll start with an overview of the property followed by 2 internal screen shots...WOW!

https://www.youtube.com/embed/Y4 X9wVEFtHA









from Ohio, "ZINGER", just sent this to me. He recreated in a model, the drawing that I did for him. Thought it may be worthy of putting in the monthly raq!

MY GOOD **FRIEND** AND <u>AWESOME</u> CAR-TOONIST, JOHN PANTALEONE, FROM LONG ISLAND, N.Y. DID THIS CAR-TOON RENDERING OF MY VW ZINGER BACK IN 2014. I HAVE BEEN WANTING TO CREAT A MODEL OF IT **EVER SINCE AND FINALLY DID IT. STARTED OUT WITH THE PARMA INTERNATION HEMI** MOTOR KIT FOT RC ALONG WITH THE REVELL 1/32 VW SNAP TOGTHER KIT AND THE POLOR LIGHTS 1/25 SNAP DRAG KIT 'MANGLIA' (WHICH REALLY MADE **THIS BUILD** POSSIBLE).

VERY HAPPY WITH THE RESULTS!!







THANK YOU JOHN!!



THIS LITTLE ZINGER BUG...



STARTED A WHOLE NEW THING...



THAT'S BIGGER THAN EVER!

ZINGERS AND SUPER ZINGERS FROM



MODEL PRODUCTS 126 GROESBECK HIGHWAY MOUNT CLEMENS, MICHIGAN 48043 Hope you and yours are all well and safe from the virus. It's been a tough year for everyone, dealing with Covid-19 and the shelter in place. But, we made it through 2021, and hopefully, things will start to improve for us, our families, our friends, and all that have been struggling through this pandemic. Hopefully, I'm speaking for everyone when I say we are blessed. When we think about it, we have our homes, our families, our friends, food on our table, shoes on our feet, and of course, our wonderful collector car &/or model car hobby.

EXTRA PARTS are great, but ACCESSORIES are even better!

By Hammer

Googles definition is as follows, (with some added verbiage from myself....)

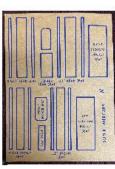
ACCESSORY [əkˈses(ə)rē] NOUN accessories (plural noun)

1. a thing which can be added to something else in order to make it more useful, versatile, or attractive. (For example, a model car kit with a TV, record player, trophy, surf board, vinyl roof sticker, white wall tire stickers, flock material for interiors, Decals with a printed layout of the placement on the opposite side, a Tube of modeling putty, a survey from the manufacturer, and yes, even an ALLIGATOR!

There is such a kit, and if your as old as I am, you might remember the 1963 Mercury by AMT. Many other kits from this time period had similar features but I'm concentrating on this one kit because I have the original (less body). Its one of my favorites because of the aforementioned ACCESSORIES. there's a difference between extra parts, such as custom bumpers, grills, tail lights, side molding, and several building versions, all of which are also included.









(Left to right) The basic kit / individualized decal instructions printed on the back of each sheet. I have a collection of these rare prints. Lout out diagram on a sheet of red flock material / Tube of AMT putty.



AMT also advertised their Accessory packs which were sold separately. Chrome parts meant real "CHROME plated PARTS" that glisten and give off a rainbow hue! And who could resist building tips from some of the best customizes of the time. Pictured here are the Alexander Brothers. Also, the alligator for those who thought I was kidding.



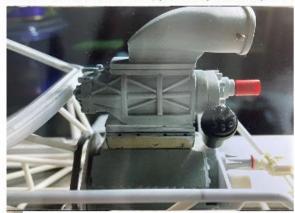




Sadly, we will never see any kits like this again. Cited reasons: The extra cost of printing decals on two sides, outsourcing vinyl roof, flock and tire stickers: The environmentalists and prop 65 will prohibit any model putty, and the terrorist organization known as PETA will surely have something to say about the alliquotor. Enjoy the old kits! Keep the great memories alive!

From our friend down under..... actually FLORIDA by Hammer

I received a few photos from LIARS member Anthony Cairo, AKA "Nitro". For those who may not know Anthony, let me say that if you ever intend to take a photo of any of his models, you should place a 25c coin nearby to show the scale. In other words, you can't tell the difference between his model and the real car! They are THAT GOOD! Case in point, here's a few "in the works' photos of his 1/16 scale Pro-Mod car. Just about all of the sub assemblies are scratch built. Its hard to get the realism in a 1/16 scale model and at that size, you really have to push the detail because everything is more visible.



All scratch built. Its represents the most current equipment of all Pro-Mods racing today.

Here's the blower and injector set- up.

the Chassis which is based on actual car blueprints, is also fully scratch built.

Did someone say TRANSMISSION? Don't ask me what I'm looking at. My idea of a transmission is two halves glued together and that's all. Obviously technology has changed and so has the need to re-create current accurate parts that don't exist in scale.





Lets not forget the need for a smooth ride! who wants to feel a bump at over 200 MPH! Anthony took care of that by making his own scratch built, WORKING coil over shocks!

As for the body, well that is a virtual nightmare. If you look closely at the 3D printed body it certainly is not as smooth as an injection molded piece or even resin

cast. Although the body is well detailed, the actual material is a nightmare to work with. The makers of this particular body have not responded well to any E-mails: basically their attitude is "that's what its made of; deal with it" All I can say is buyer beware! I'd hate to think this potential masterpiece will be hindered by a 3-D printer who wants to make a quick buck! Time will tell, and if anyone can do the impossible, I'm betting on our friend, NITRO!





2022 LIARS BUS CANDIDATE

That's it for this month (almost)- - - - Now enjoy the holidays and then go build a model

LIARS Annual (2022) INPUT SHEET:

Here is your chance to have some input into this club without having everyone know where it came from. If you have a suggestion, an idea, or a problem you would like to discuss please put it sheet and it will be discussed at the next meeting. Please bring your filled out sheet with you. ALL subjects and suggestions will be brought up in front of the club.

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JARS Profile: (name)	(Can be your LIARS nickname or)
How long have you been building models?	
How long have you been a member of LIARS?	
What do you usually build?	
Where do you usually build?	
How many models do you have?	
Do you ever take built models and run them ar	ound on the table or floor making "Vroom, vroom" noises?
How many unbuilt models do you have?	
What are your favorite 3 models you have built	t?
Have you ever won an award for building a mo	del?
Did you take your medication today?	
What 3 models should win an all time kit of the	
What 3 models are so horrible that you would I	buy them just to protect others from having to build them?
What do you drive now?	
Are you bitter about anything?	
Are you saving your pennies for something fun	
With an unlimited budget, what 10 full size car	s would you have in your garage?
	automotive world would you like to meet?
Do you go to model car shows?	
What are your favorite model car shows and w	hy?
Do you have kids & if so, do they share your pa	assion?
Did you build models with them?	
ssay question: What else should you tell us?	

PS can you provide DR. V with your overdue 2020, 2021 survey responses?

Mar 12, 2022 – Sat. – The 3rd annual Philly NNL at Simeone Foundation Auto Museum in Philadelphia Mar 27, 2022 – Sun. – RTS Expo show in Taunton MA Apr 2, 2022 – Sat. – <u>Club meeting</u> at Dracut American Legion hall (lower hall), and broadcast via Zoom, 1 PM Apr 3, 2022 – Sun. – ValleyCon 31 in Chicopee MA Apr 23, 2022 – Sat. – NNL East 35 in Wayne NJ

Until next Christmas

enjoy building!