

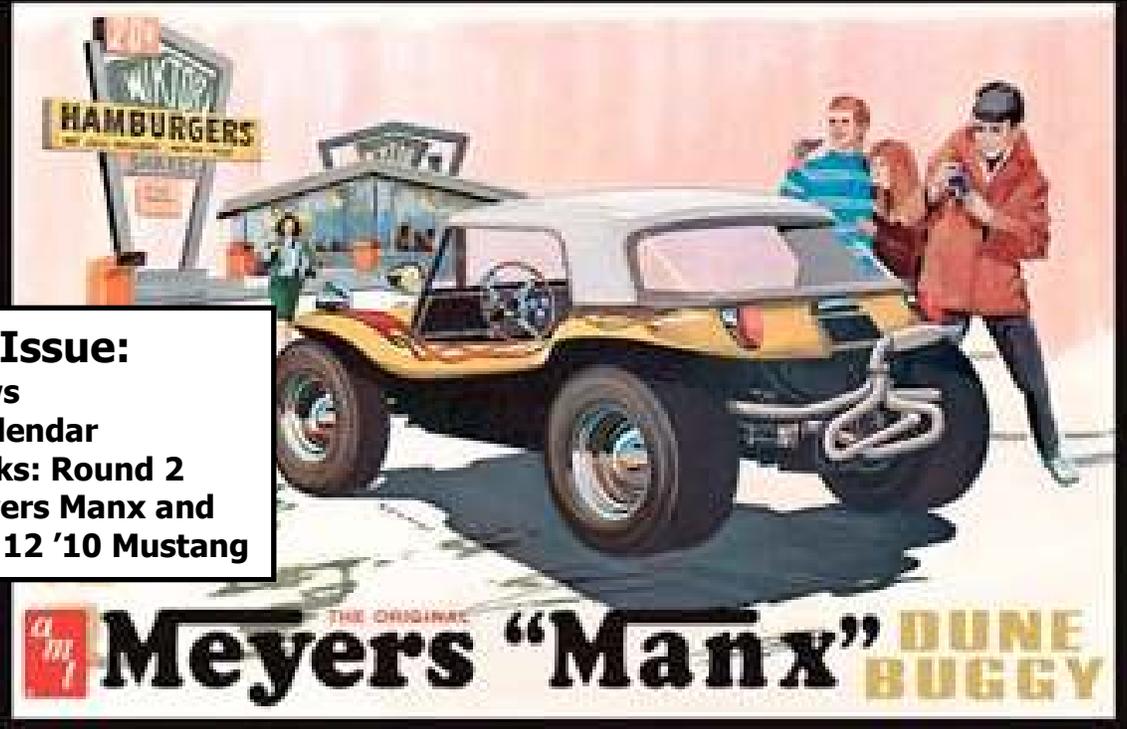


# GTR

## Newsletter

### February 2012

The Newsletter of IPMS Grand Touring and Racing Auto Modelers



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# From The Prez

Ready, set, go! The new racing season starts TODAY! I'm setting my DVR to record the Daytona 24 hour race that starts at 1:30 PM today. No, I'm not going to watch the whole thing, just like the first two hours, and then I'll tune in tonight to see how things are going and definitely watch the finish on Sunday. This begins the Daytona Speedweeks with the NASCAR race ending it the second weekend in February.

Now for some more racing news. Peugeot has dropped out of LeMans for this year! It appears the economy in Europe has dropped the company's sales figures and they have pulled the plug on their racing program for the time being. That makes Audi a shoe-in to win this year unless they roll all three cars up in a ball before the race ends. Look for a surprise from Toyota this year as well.

So onto car modeling. I have completely revamped my hobby room and decluttered everything to make more room to work. Since I took some time off on the weekends away from the race car I'm actually working in my basement and getting ready to replumb the garage for a more permanent spray booth. It's nice to be able to get some real building done. I hope all the rest of you members are doing the same at your workbench. I have my sights set on a new kit this year that is a MUST HAVE for me. Profil 24 of France is doing the Audi R18 from LeMans last year and I gotta have one! I'm patiently awaiting its release and hopefully I can get it and build it before the real racing season for me starts in April.

I hope everyone had a great Holiday season and you all got what you wanted last month from the guy up North. See you at the next meeting and keep on building!  
Tim Leicht

## GTR Mailbag



by Chuck Herrmann

### REAL WORLD

#### Daytona 500

This month the 2012 NASCAR season kicks off with the Daytona 500, and NASCAR will move into the current century as it switches to electronic fuel injection and new fangled computer software. No more carburetors! And

the Danica Patrick media frenzy moves to NASCAR from IndyCar.

### Eco Africa Rally



While the Dakar Rally in South America gets all the media attention, the Eco Rally Africa, which runs thru Europe and Africa over what was traditionally the Dakar Rally route, was held almost simultaneously.



This rally has special rules that are more "green" or environmentally friendly while still being a competition. The winner this year was Jean-Louis Schlessler in his Renault powered Schlessler buggy, it looks like much the same car with which he previously won the Dakar Rally.

For details see: <http://www.africarace.com>

### Dakar Rally

At the Dakar, American Robbie Gordon in his Hummer usually had the fastest car on the road but ran into various mechanical issues and quarrels with the officials, finally flipping totally

over on the next to last stage in route to a 5<sup>th</sup> place finish in the Cars category.



The race was won by a Mini (actually a Mini body on the same BMW X5 that ran last year). Stephan Peterhansel of France won it for the 10<sup>th</sup> time (six on motorcycles and now four in cars.).



### Momo Colors Return



NGT Motorsport has announced MOMO as primary sponsor for the team's No. 26 Porsche 911 GT class entry in the Rolex 24 at Daytona. The MOMO brand is closely associated with the history of the race, having achieved an overall win in the event back in 1998. The car bears a striking resemblance to that of the MOMO Ferrari teams from past Rolex 24 events, including the 1998 race-winning Ferrari 333SP, a team owned by Gianpiero Moretti who raced IMSA Porsches, Nissans and Ferraris in the 1980's and 90's, retiring after winning the 1998 Daytona 24 Hours.



Shortly after this announcement, sadly we learned that Gianpiero Moretti had passed away, in Italy at age 67. So this car will be a tribute to the popular team owner and driver.



### Euro Auto Sales Slump

From DetroitNews.com

European car sales will fall about 4 percent to approximately 13 million in 2012 from this year's estimated 13.5 million vehicles. It would be the fifth consecutive decline from the 2007 peak of about 16 million cars. Hardest hit have been Fiat, Peugeot and Renault, along with European Ford and GM divisions. VW has avoided the slump, possibly due to some new models like the Passat. However, luxury segment sales are not slumping. Fiat's financial problems may impact their US Chrysler division. This sales trend certainly had some impact on this next news item....

### Peugeot Drops Sport Car Racing LeMans Program!

PSA Peugeot Citroen announced on Wednesday Jan 15 that they will not contest the new 2012 World Endurance Championship; including the 24 Hours of Le Mans race. This was the deadline to submit entries in the WEC. The reason was stated in their press release: "This decision has been taken against the backdrop of the challenging economic environment in Europe coupled with a particularly busy year for the Brand in terms of new vehicle launches". We await word if any of the 908 HDi FAP prototypes will be run by private teams.

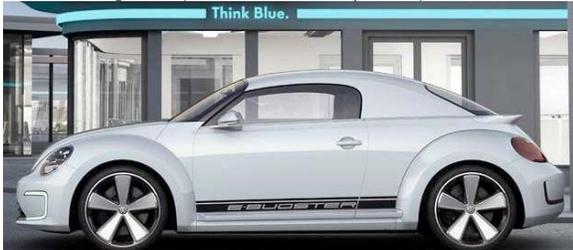


During the five year program Peugeot won LeMans in 2009, also Sebring and Petit LeMans in the US. Their departure leaves only Audi as a full factory team in the newly launched World Endurance Championship.

## Detroit Auto Show

January's annual Detroit Auto Show is the first of the year, and since it is held in the headquarters of the US auto industry it is a showplace event that gathers great attention. There are lots of new announcements coming out of the event, some of the more interesting include:

VW E-Bugster (Electric concept car)



New Honda NSX



We mentioned the new Dodge Dart last issue, photos are now available.



You can find lots more on the internet, like at [autoweek.com](http://autoweek.com), and the upcoming car magazines will also have lots of coverage. Hopefully some of the neat new stuff will be scaled down into model kits eventually.

## Last C6 Corvette



Chevy has confirmed that the 2013 Corvette will be the final year for the sixth generation of its iconic sports car, which it will send off with a 427 collector's edition convertible and a 60th-anniversary package.

The 427 edition has a 427-cubic-inch LS7 engine borrowed from the Z06, and it's rated at 505 hp and 470 lb-ft of torque, the most powerful production convertible in Corvette's history. The 60th-anniversary edition offers arctic white paint, special badging, a carbon-fiber splitter and rocker panels and a 60th-anniversary gauge cluster and sill plates.

## INDUSTRY NEWS

### New Plastic F1 Kits from Ebbro



Ebbro, known for die-cast car models, announced that they are planning a series of injection molded kits of classic F1 cars in 1/20 scale. The first release will be the "Gold Leaf" Lotus Type 72C, kit EBRPK-01, available in March. Price is around \$80. So between Fujimi, Hasegawa, Tamiya reissues and now Ebbro 1/20 Grand Prix modeling is going strong.

### Random Thoughts

By Les Whitfield

"First tell the truth, then give your opinion"...Dennis Prager.

Happy New Year to the readers of this column.

The Federal Reserve estimates two-thirds U.S. debt is held by people from other countries.

Production of the Ferrari 559 has ceased and anticipation for its replacement is in the air as to what will power the front engine beast.

Has anyone beside me gasped at the price of motor oil?? Name brand synthetic going for \$33 to \$36 for a five-quart container. Wal's is going for \$20.

Modelhaus released a couple of kits that may intrigue some of you readers. A 1957 Buick Special Convertible and a 1967 Thunderbird 4 door are being produced. Both kits are complete not needing a donor kit.

As a reader of the now Internet only *National Speed Sport News* I am receiving a courtesy subscription of *Autoweek*. I was amazed at how so many compacts look alike! While on the road what I thought what was a Ford Focus turned out to be some type of Hyundai (Veloster?). I have seen Kia's and others bearing the same resemblance as the Ford. A now departed friend once said "those designers all go to the same school". Either that or the bean counters are afraid to be innovative.

I received an article from *Road & Track Magazine* showing the new Cadillac ATS, it is to be the replacement for the Deville and STS. The STS was never a seller compared to the Seville. Anyhow, the engines to power the car are a turbo 4(???) and the powerful 300 HP V-6 from the Camaro. Come on *R&T* that powerful V-6 was originally in Cadillac's popular CTS long before the Camaro was brought out.

I just have to ask. Is anyone beside myself fed up with that English accented gecko commercial?

The "Service Engine Soon" light went on in my dashboard. wait,...I'm sorry..., instrument panel. By the operation of the vehicle I didn't need to scan the computer for the codes. Sporadically the car would not go into fast idle on startup and would, again, occasionally go into high idle when the car was warmed up. The manual suggested a vacuum leak, throttle bore being dirty, or the stepper motor went bad. I brought this up to my mechanics, wait, again, automotive technicians and they said it could be the gas! They have been caring for a number of cars with the same problem. It seems the gas around town (Chicago) is not what it should be. They are aware of a person who gets fanatical about things and had the gas at several stations analyzed and found up to **25% alcohol** in some of the samples. Cars like mine don't even like to run on 10%. They have seen particular problems with 4 banger Chryslers and Mini's. Flexi-fuel vehicles don't seem to share the problem. They recommended running the tanks low before refueling. In some cases someone topping off at

a half tank could increase the percentage of alcohol.

On a recent visit to Lake Forest Sports Cars I saw some construction going on. I found out they are building a McLaren showroom.

AAA has added service trucks that can provide quick recharging capabilities for electric vehicles. I wonder how many service calls they will receive in cold weather zones. This has been a particularly warm winter here. Something due to La Nina or El Nino according to factual sources.

Women in Saudi Arabia are forbidden to drive cars. Ten lashes for that infraction according to Denise McCluggage.

WOW! A red light camera was removed in Elk Grove Village at Devon and State Route 83. Maybe they are following the rules about a lack of accidents not justifying these devices. *I mean...WHAT?* (Or maybe they just moved it elsewhere.)

## EVENTS

This month the Wheaton Swap Meet will be February 26 at the DuPage County Fairgrounds.

The date for the 2012 Ferrari Expo at Continental Motorsport in Hinsdale was set for March 17. GTR will have club tables.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> NIMCON Event, sponsored by IPMS/Lakes Region Scale Modelers, has been canceled for 2012. Their McHenry College location is under renovation and not available and they were unable to locate an adequate replacement. Plans are to do it in 2013

See the events calendar for details for all of the events that I know of. I will be adding the 2012 events I am aware of soon. If any readers wish their events or any other events of interest to GTR listed send the information along to me.

## 2012 GTR Summer NNL

We are happy to announce the fifth annual GTR Summer NNL will be this year. The date will be August 5, 2012. The format and location will be the same as prior shows. The theme will be Dirt: Off Road Vehicles, anything designed or modified to be operated off the pavement. Such as dune buggies, rally racers, dirt track sprints, midgets and stockers, construction equipment and more. We will again have a sub theme, this time it will be commemorating 50 years of the Daytona 24 Hours race, any subject that was or is eligible to compete in the event is eligible.

## Dirt Theme Kits

There are a lot of kits that will fit our 2012 GTR theme of DIRT. So even if you don't necessarily build off road kits, I will publish several pictures and suggestions over the coming months, for kits that are eligible for the theme for inspiration! This month I found some oval track racers.



Also there were several off road kits at the last GTR meeting, see the meeting photos for those. So get building a Dirt/Off road kit for this year's show!

While going through my stack of *Model Cars Magazine* recently, I came across several back issues that have some photos and articles about serious off road Baja racers that may provide some tips and inspiration for our GTR Summer NNL theme:

Jan 2007: Baja VW Buggies

Nov 2007: Baja Desert Racing Chevy Truck

Jan 2008: Dirt modifieds and sprint cars



## GTR Update

The next regular meeting will be Saturday, February 4, at the Algonquin Township Building. Until we firm up any alternate plans or events we will meet at the Township. The March meeting will be March 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The Rockford Plastic Classic event was Sunday January 29 at the Ken Rock Center in Rockford. We had reserved club tables in the swap room so GTR members could bring in their stuff to sell or just come and hang out. Watch for photos and coverage next issue of this newsletter.

Any member who wants to bring up other ideas or suggestions for future meetings or activities, do so either at the meeting or contact me.

We are now accepting 2012 GTR dues. The cost will remain at \$15.00, bring it to the next meeting or mail it to me. Make checks out to Chuck Herrmann, not to GTR, please.

Past issues of the GTR newsletters are available on line.

Go to [www.carsandracingstuff.com](http://www.carsandracingstuff.com), then click on Newsletters, find GTR and our newsletters are archived back to 2004. Thanks to Bill Crittenden for storing our newsletters on his site.

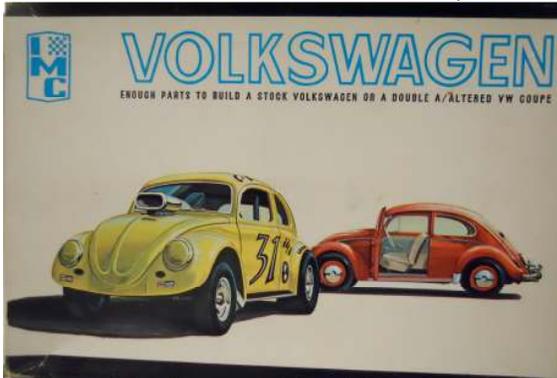
### 2012 GTR Club Project

If during this year GTR members build a model that fits the Summer NNL themes (Dirt: Off Road and 24 Hours of Daytona: Sports Racing cars) and present it (or via an emailed photo) at a club meeting or event before the GTR Summer NNL you will get your club dues of \$15 refunded.

### January GTR Meeting

The first regular GTR meeting of 2012 was held at the Algonquin Township Office on January 7. For the business portion of the meeting we affixed the 2012 seal to our IPMS club charter, went over the treasury and mailbag. Then it was on to Show & Tell.

**Joel Peters:** an old IMC VW Beetle kit,



and an AMT 65 Chevy Impala glue bomb, both purchased at last month's Tinley Park show.



**Gerry Paquette:** two kits: Revell Lancia Stratos,



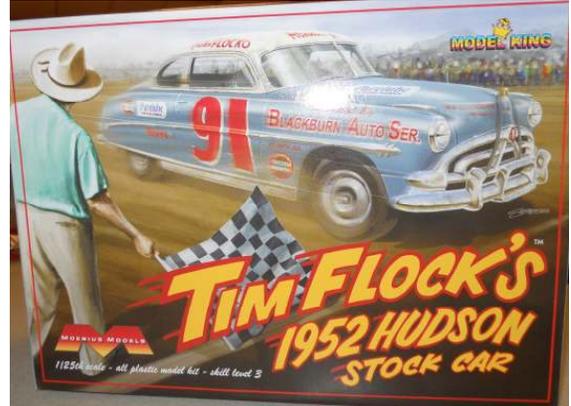
And an Italeri Ferrari Daytona.



**Ed Sexton:** Airfix Datsun 240 80's Trans Am racer, with special made decals.



**Dave Edgecomb:** three kits: Mobeius Tim Flock Hudson Hornet stock car,



Hasegawa 71 Nissan Fairlady 240 Africa Safari rally racer, and a Rosso Ferrari 512TR.



**Steve Jahnke:** Aoshima Nissan GTR in progress,



Revell Germany Mercedes 300 SL,



And a Revell Germany Porsche 911 Carrera kit.



**Jim Brooks:** all five of the current Revell snap kits used in the IPMS Make and Take program, which he is helping to coordinate.



**John Walzak:** Polar Lights 64 Dodge Coronet in progress, a project to convert it to a six cylinder grocery getter version.

**Larry Fulhorst:** 1/8(?) Jim Beam whiskey bottle of the 1974 Bobby Under Indy Indy racer.



**Chuck Herrmann:** 1/43 Heller Subaru Impreza WRC,



1/43 Bburago Schlessler-Renault Dakar buggy,



Revell VW Killer Bee (Baja Bug) in progress,



and the new Meyers Manx kit – see First Look elsewhere this issue.

## IPMS News

GTR is a local chapter of IPMS/USA, in Region 5. Local chapters need five active national IPMS/USA members to remain an IPMS chapter. We urge those who have lapsed to renew their IPMS/USA membership, or if you have never been a member enroll now! Details can be found at their web site, [www.ipmsusa.org](http://www.ipmsusa.org), or see me for membership forms.

The current issue of the IPMS/Journal contains a feature article by GTR's own Steve Jahnke. "Enamel Finishes and Polishing Lacquer: Techniques for Creating a Showroom Shine" describes Steve's tips for polishing out spray paint finishes. Many of these tips have been presented to GTR at meetings or articles in this newsletter. Now Steve has gone global!

# IPMS USA

International Plastic Modelers Society

2012 Region 5 2012 Region 5 May 19,  
Holiday Inn Overland Park KS.

See [www.ipmswcmo.org](http://www.ipmswcmo.org)

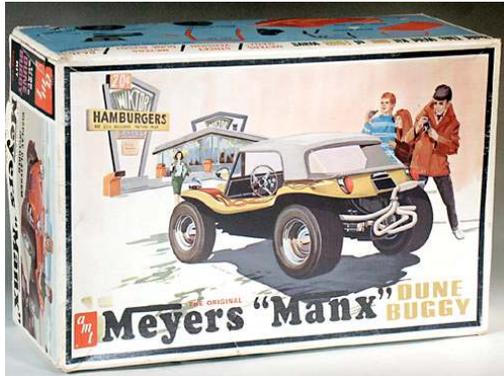
2012 Nationals: Aug 8-11 Orlando, FL  
[www.ipms2012.org](http://www.ipms2012.org)

2013 Nationals: Loveland, CO

# Kit First Looks: Round 2 Meyers Manx Dune Buggy

**Manufacturer:** AMT **Price:** \$23.50  
**Kit#:** AMT 651 **Scale:** 1/25

*by: Chuck Herrmann*



After causing a lot of excitement when first announced by Round 2 then disappointment after several delays, the classic AMT Meyers Manx dune buggy kit finally hit the store shelves in December after last being issued about forty years ago.



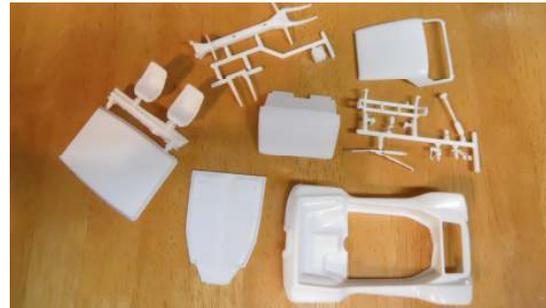
I was looking forward to building this kit, as I did not build it back when it was new, I am a big VW fan and it will fit our club project this year as eligible for the Dirt/Off Road theme for our GTR Summer NNL. It is even on our event flyer! So as soon as I got the call from Ron's Hobbies I picked mine up over lunch hour. When I got to work I opened the package to look at the instructions, and it turns out my kit was one of the special editions, molded in red metal flake

(there is one in every case of 12, with no markings on the outside of the box). So I had to go back and get another one in standard white for my build while I ponder what to do with the collectible red one. You can also order some special purple metal flake versions direct from Round 2.

Like many of the Round2 reissues, this kit is heavy on the nostalgia. It features the original box art and instructions, and also contains a cardboard display stand that was featured in one of the earliest issues.



Above, the red metal flake plastic version, below the standard white plastic.



The body is one basic piece that fits on top of the chassis. Included are several optional body parts, a hardtop, a tonneau cover and a surrey soft top. The rear seats are separate components. All this allows multiple building options, from street buggy to off road Manx to a bodiless buggy. Also there are several headlight and taillight options. There are two clear plastic sprues for the "glass", one clear and the other tinted blue.



There are several wheel/tire options. The off road desert tires are two piece styrene units,

looks like it will require some serious clean up after gluing. There are two different wheel options, Crager mags and reverse chrome wheels with moon discs molded in.



There is a large chrome tree, including several pieces that did not need to chrome, such as the engine block and many of its components.



The decal sheet is bigger than original issues, with several new items and several sets of flames.

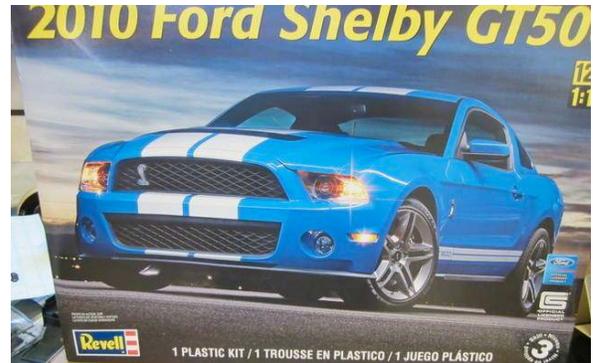


There is a cardboard display base in the box,



So the wait is over and this kit is out. Round 2 did a good job with the packaging and in capturing the feel of the original. There is a fair amount of flash and mold marks so I believe it is the original molds. I have started mine and will report on how it goes together in a future issue.

## Revell Big Scale Mustang



**Manufacturer:** Revell

**Kit#:** AMT 2623

**Scale:** 1/12

*by: Tim Liecht*

With all the hype for this new kit from Revell I thought GREAT! A new big scale kit to add to my shelf of a current muscle cars! Unfortunately I was pretty much let down after opening the box. Let me explain.

OK, let's open the box. It is a big box and it is full of parts. The engine/transmission is an 11 piece assembly, with separate heads and rocker covers with engraving on the rockers as the factory ones have. Everything is molded in aluminum like plastic, along with the exhaust manifolds and drive belt assemblies. The air cleaner and intake hose are molded in black with a separate K&N looking air filter assembly. What I would have liked to see is a race option set of headers in the box as well.



The body is molded in white, with an opening hood to show off all the engine components. For some reason, Revell chose to mold the side mirrors in black. I don't see the logic behind that since all the rest of the body parts are in white. I would have liked to see some race option scoops and larger spoiler to

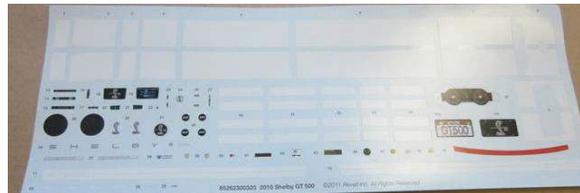
make a track version of this car. Also, Revell only gives you one choice with the body graphic stripes- white. That means you can only do a dark color body unless you want to make your own stripes in black. I would think that could have been included on the decal sheet but, that gives the aftermarket another chance to market some graphics. The glass pieces are all separate parts and the wipers are molded into the body with the front cowl under hood as well. The hood has the pad detail engraved on the underside. All the front grill pieces are molded separate and in black, and the Shelby snake side trim is a chromed separate piece for each side and separate door handles as well. The instructions call for metallic blue body color but the box art is the correct solid blue color. Front and rear lights, along with the side marker lights are all separate pieces as well.



The chassis/body tub is two pieces, molded in black, with the front clip part of one the pieces. You must paint that part body color because the real car is a unibody construction, and all the suspension components mount to the body, with a subframe holding the front end parts. Engraving on the under body is nicely done, and all the fuel lines, etc. can be detail painted making a realistic looking model. The interior has separate side panels, with two piece front seats and a one piece rear seat insert. Strangely there are seat belt slide mounts on the inside pillars, but there are no seat belts in the kit. The dashboard is nicely engraved with decals provided for the gauges and nav system, along with clear lenses to go over the gauge decals. There are decals provided for the seat inserts as well. This is where I think Revell really blew it with this kit. Why isn't there a race option for the interior along with a roll cage to make a factory race car like what Ford makes? This kit could have been a two in one kit with maybe one more sprue of parts. Well, let's move on.



The suspension detail is good, not excellent, and the two piece spring moldings are beyond me. Maybe it's a mold method issue. The brakes are totally inadequate pieces with no detail whatsoever. Why are there no cross drilling in the brake discs? Why are the calipers just blobs attached to the discs? This could have been done much better. I know they have to fit inside the wheels, much like the Revell Germany kits do, but even those Germany brakes are so much nicer. And the tires are generic looking with no markings at all. C'mon Revell, if Fujimi and Hasegawa have proper markings on their tires you should too, regardless of the license fees. As I was putting everything back in the box, I noticed the box art picture on the top has Goodyear tires on it. Yet the kit tires have no logos on them. Another thing that I don't understand is the generic looking battery that you can see with the hood open. It is devoid of detail, just a black box. The exhaust system is nicely done with some metal tips included that makes it look good from the back.



Decals are included for all the body emblems and stripes.

So, what's my take on this kit? It will make a nice shelf model when completed. However, Revell could have gone the distance on this one and made an excellent spec racer option of the factory race version. Like I stated, maybe one more sprue of parts, some nicer wheels and slick tires and this kit would have much more appeal to a race car modeler like myself. It's almost like this kit was rushed to production without covering all the bases. Maybe we'll see a race version of this kit later. Or, the aftermarket can fill the void and come out with some race stuff for the kit. I can only hope so. That's my take and I'm sticking to it.

# 2012 GTR Summer NNL 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Contest & Swap Meet

Hosted by: IPMS/GTR

Theme: **DIRT-Off Road**



Sub-Theme: 50 Years  
of the Daytona 24 Hours  
Sports Car Racing



**Attention Automotive Modelers; we have a summer show and swap meet for you! You are invited to our GTR Summer NNL contest and swap meet.**

The Summer NNL will be held on Sunday August 5<sup>th</sup> 2011 from 9:30AM to 2:00PM at the Algonquin Township Building, 3702 US Highway 14, Crystal Lake, Illinois 60014

For the out-of-towners, there are tons of local accommodations from Days Inn to Holiday Inn. Admission to the show is a measly 5 bucks; you can enter as many models on the tables as you like (no additional charge) and we will serve a pizza lunch (again, no additional charge, soda extra; sorry had to draw a line somewhere) to all show entrants.

Did we mention that there is a swap meet too? There will be a free "trunk sale" swap meet in our spacious parking lot, vendors and show goers are encouraged to open their trunks and sell-sell-sell rain or shine. Vendor set-up starts at 8:30AM. Also we raffle off some nice prizes.

Our NNL style contest bestows "Best Of" awards as mandated by popular vote as determined by show attendees, official judging and nit-picking is strictly forbidden, praise and admiration from fellow modelers strongly encouraged.

## Classes:

<b>Competition Open Wheel</b>	All scales	F1, Indy, Drag, etc
<b>Competition Closed Wheel</b>	All scales	NASCAR, LeMans/IMSA, Can-Am, Drag
<b>Street</b>	All scales	Street legal - Muscle Cars, Sports/Exotics, Tuners, beaters, factory stock
<b>Custom</b>	All scales	Modified custom vehicles
<b>Commercial</b>	All scales	Trucks, Taxis, Police, Ambulance and Emergency
<b>Motorcycles</b>	All scales	All types
<b>Curbside</b>	All scales, all types	Hood closed, judged as displayed, includes slammers
<b>Out of the Box</b>	All scales, all types	No modifications to the kit except filler, paint, decals and foil
<b>Theme: Dirt Off Road</b>	All scales, all types	Anything designed or modified to be operated off the pavement. Dune Buggies, Rally racers, dirt racers, etc.
<b>50 Years of the Daytona 24 Hours</b>	All scales, all types	Any sports racing cars that were eligible to compete at the Daytona 24 Hours
<b>People's Choice</b>	Any model in the contest.	

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# GTR Event Calendar

January 29 RWIS Classic Plastic Swap Meet and Model Display at Ken Rock Community Center / Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Academy 3218 Eleventh Street, Rockford IL

Feb 10-19 Chicago Auto Show  
McCormack Place Chicago, IL

Feb 26 59th IL Plastic Kit & Toy Show  
DuPage County Fairgrounds, Wheaton IL  
(630) 969-1847  
Email: pthpowerinc@aol.com.

February 26 Daytona 500 NASCAR

March 4 Scale Auto Hobby & Toy Show  
American Serb Hall Milwaukee, WI  
[www.uniqueeventsshows.com](http://www.uniqueeventsshows.com)

March 11 11<sup>th</sup> Cedarville Swap & Contest  
Jane Addams Community Center Cedarville, IL  
Scott 815-238-0634

March 17 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Ferrari Literature, Art & Model Expo with Model Contest  
Continental Motorsports  
420 E. Ogden Avenue Hinsdale IL

March 17 Sebring 12 Hours ALMS

March 25 Countryside Collectors Classic Show  
Park Place of Countryside  
Countryside, Illinois 60525  
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April 14 Milwaukee NNL 20  
Hosted by AMG  
Family Centers of Excellence Waukesha, WI  
Theme: Sports and Road Racing;  
Subtheme: 24 Hours of LeMans  
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April 15 30th Annual Spring Show  
Milwaukee Miniature Motors  
Waukesha County Expo Center Waukesha, WI  
[www.milwaukeeeminiaturemotors.com](http://www.milwaukeeeminiaturemotors.com)

May 5 HMCA 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Miniature Vehicle Collector's Swap & Model Car Contest  
Knights of Columbus Hall, Indianapolis, IN  
Duane Tripp [DCT2136@aol.com](mailto:DCT2136@aol.com)

May 5 IPMS/Mad-City Modelers Model Show  
Doubledays Banquet House  
Cottage Grove (Madison) WI  
[Michael A. Luedke](mailto:Michael.A.Luedke) 262-567-9147

May 19 IPMS Region 5 Convention  
Theme: "In the Movies"  
Host: IPMS/West Central Missouri  
Holiday Inn, Overland Park, KS  
See [www.ipmswcmo.org](http://www.ipmswcmo.org)

May 27 Indy 500

June 9-10 Heartland Model Car Nationals  
By IPMS.KC Slammers  
Overland Park Conv Center, Overland Pk KS  
Bill Barker 816-250-0906

June 16-17 LeMans 24 Hours

Aug 8-11 IPMS National Convention  
Disney World, Orlando, FL  
[www.ipms2012.org](http://www.ipms2012.org)

August 5 5<sup>th</sup> Annual GTR Summer NNL  
Theme: DIRT (Off Road)  
Subtheme: 24 Hours of Daytona  
Algonquin Township Building Crystal Lake, IL  
[gtrchab@yahoo.com](mailto:gtrchab@yahoo.com)

August 18 Road America ALMS  
Elkhart Lake, WI

November 4 Scale Auto Hobby & Toy Show  
American Serb Hall Milwaukee, WI  
[www.uniqueeventsshows.com](http://www.uniqueeventsshows.com)

Oct 20 IPMS Glue Crew Contest & Swap  
Howard Johnson's, Wausau WI  
Joseph Drew 715-842-0173

Oct 21 Countryside Collectors Classic Show  
Park Place of Countryside  
Countryside, Illinois 60525  
[www.uniqueeventsshows.com](http://www.uniqueeventsshows.com)



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