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Antenna

A man with a surprised expression, wearing a white suit and a colorful patterned shirt, holds a blue model car and a blue model airplane. The background is dark with some yellow floral decorations.

**Who will be
Canada's Next
Top Modeler?**

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**Words of Wisdom and Inspiration from the Right Honourable Gene Stacyszyn,
Club President:**

At The Throttle

Expo 2009 was exceptional, both for the large number of kits on display and the number of club members on hand during the show. Thank you to the crew that helped load at Kevin's and then set the tables up at the Science Centre. Thank you to the participants who brought kits to the Centre on Saturday morning. I would like some feedback on the system used this year. Next year the show/display will be a contest.

The words thank you at some times seems too little to use. Thank you Brian for easing me into this position. Your experience and knowledge maintains consistency during transition.

Thank you Neil. Your interest, time and effort at keeping the club in the public eye are greatly appreciated. Neil will be stepping down as Communications Coordinator and A/C SIG. I ask the members to please give consideration to becoming his replacement and let me know if you are interested.

Gene

And Now: Some Photos from the 2009 Expo !



You want cars? We got 'em! You want planes? We got them too. I didn't count but there must have been hundreds of models there. Good turn out, fellas!



Here's a shot of the airplane/armour table. We had planes built by car guys and cars built by tank guys. A lot of guys say that's the unusual thing about RSM: we're not just a plane or car club, everyone is welcome. As long as it's plastic. Simple rules to live by and from looking at the turnout, it seems to work.



Clockwise from upper left: There were so many people there Saturday afternoon, it looked like we might have to call the riot squad! More cars, many of these were from the collection of Curfew James. Planes-planes-planes! I never realized that there could be such intricate paint jobs on these things, I just might try building one someday. One of Michael Evan's crowd pleasing diorama's. This one, unfortunately, had no dancing girls.



And as quickly as it started, it was done! A heck of a lot of work but I'm sure that everyone will agree it was worth it! See you all next year!

Halloween Model Spooktacular:



This section was to appear in the October issue which never happened. Your editor put out the call for scary models and Ed was the only taker. Oh well...From the evil mind of **Ed Kereluk** comes...the **Frankenstude**. This is a curb side resin creation from Jimmy Flintstone.



Above are six scary pieces of plastic from the master of macabre **Dave Kapp**. Above left is **Huey's Hut Rod** from Hawk, **The Spooky T** from AMT, **Frankenstein's Flivver** and **Wolfman's Wagon** both from the good folks at Polar Lights. Above left is a large scale chopper called **Evil Iron** by Revell. This one is a restored glue bomb given to him by a friend. The colour is Candy Red over Metallic Red with ghoulish black fogging. It features a lot of Alclad II, aluminium tube forks and a real leather seat. Most frightening, indeed. To the right we have the very terrifying **Munster's Coach** by AMT. This gloss black build is box stock with added flocking. (I couldn't let Ed be the only entrant).

BUYER BEWARE

Christmas Shopping Tips from Neil Hill

It is unlikely any reasonably experienced plastic builder would be caught by this little "scam" I've recently discovered in a new Testors combo 2-plane kit, though younger, less experienced, worldly wise members, potential Xmas gift recipients etc. might be. Also, intriguingly both the kits come with quite unique and "Canadian" markings.

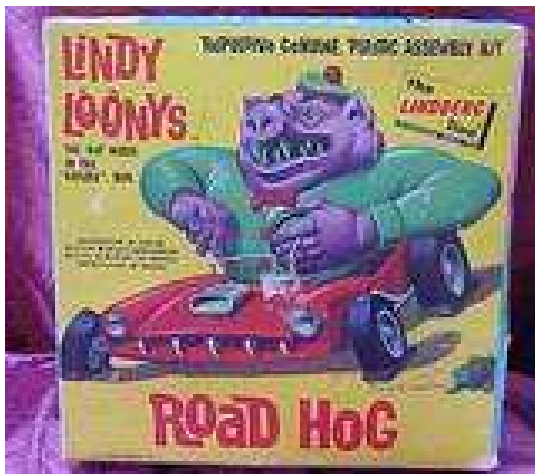
In both the Regina Michaels and Toys-R-Us shops I've found a "combo" plastic plane kit that contains a significant error in the box propaganda. The box contains one kit of a F4U Corsair in WW II Brit Fleet Air Arm colours fairly similar to those in which H Gray won his VC, plus a P-51D Mustang in late '40s/50s RCAF markings (albeit phoney Squadron). Also included are more or less appropriate acrylic paints and a display stand. The method of construction is no-glue "quick click". Price(s) were around \$15.00.

At a quick glance this really looks like quite an interesting, attractive offering for "starters". Problem is, while box info tells you you're getting two "1/32 scale" models, the box is clearly too small to hold anything near that size. Further, hanging next to the "combo" kits are single model kits of each of the two kits @ around \$7.50, in boxes clearly marked as containing one 1/72 scale kit. (underline mine).

So gang, if you're thinking of picking up something inexpensive, colourful and easy to build for that certain someone, or for yourself, be aware, be very aware of this new Testors offering.

Neil

Chicken Soup for the Modeller's Soul



Why is there a picture of a cheesy 60's model box here? Why did Dave Kapp buy that for \$17? Several reasons: number one is I bought it without reading the description which clearly stated it was only an empty box. Reason number two is that I was drinking while surfing eBay. I remember going upstairs and telling my mom that I can't paint. I also remember her taking me back downstairs and showing me how to paint my model with a brush!

I was so proud of my Road Hog! I even remember taking it to grade one show and tell at St. Francis when it was built. Nobody even really got it then, either. That is the reason I bought an empty cardboard box for \$17. Thanks, Mom.

Other Stuff You Should Know About:

Upcoming Meeting Themes!

Again, incase you missed it last month. Remember these are only suggestions and feel free to bring any models out to display even if they don't match these "themes."

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Meetings

Date: First Friday of each month.

(Meeting held on second Friday of the month if
first Friday falls on a holiday long weekend.
No meeting in July.)

Memberships:

Regular \$24.00/year
Junior (under 16) **FREE!!!**
**Subscription \$14.00/year

The RSM modelling year runs from September 1 to August 31.
All membership renewals are due on or before the start of the
modelling year. Any new members joining after the year has
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Material for the Antenna

Kit Reviews, Articles, Modelling Hints and Tips, and other newsworthy modelling items for publication in the Antenna. Contact Dave Kapp via email at dkapp@accesscomm.com or via phone at 525-8882 evenings and weekends.

Publication of the Antenna is usually the week of scheduled general meetings. If you have time sensitive information to pass on, please try to get it to the editor at least one week before the next general meeting and make it in a format ready to be pasted in. COE means “cab over engine.” Include pictures if possible.

Copies are emailed once the Antenna is complete. Postal mailing will be done following the general meeting.

Raffle Prizes

Kits, decals, books, etc. donated by you for the club raffle. Raffles happen at every regular meeting (dependant upon donations). Raffle tickets are \$1.00 each. Bring your donations with you. Thank you.