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**UPCOMING
MEETING DATES:**

MAY 1

(Garden & Arts bldg)

JUNE 5

JULY 10

AUGUST 7

All MCMA meetings are held on the first Sunday of the month in the Heritage Park Bldg. in Irving unless otherwise stated. The 2011 Show-down will be held in the Dr. Pepper Center.

Any changes will be made enough in advance for members to be contacted. Please make sure your membership information is correct and up to date. Contact Len Woodruff to make any corrections.

MCMA NEWS

**NEXT MEETING: *Sunday Apt. 3rd*
Heritage Park Bldg.**

CLUB NEWS by Chuck Cady

In this issue we feature coverage of the 2011 by Joey Lemming and a Project Mill story from Jim McKinney.

The next club event will be the July mini-contest featuring red.white and/or blue models.

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SHOWDOWN 2011 By Joey Lemming

March 19th the MCMA held Showdown 2011 at the Dr. Pepper Star Center in Farmers Branch. It was as much a mini hot rod reunion as a model car contest. Vince Putt (former Club prez. from, Pennsylvania) was there, Larry Boothe former GSL and NNL East champ was there along with Chuck Easton (Showdown Hall of fame member), Arlyn Fulk, Max Thomas, Clovis Ranke, Dan Bell and Sal Ambriatti.

It was an amazing contest. Scale Auto editor Jim Haught was taking pictures and his Presence I'm sure was a large factor in the increased attendance over last year.

In 2010 we had 30 modelers and 132 models while this year we had 46 modelers with 185 entries and approximately 251 models on display. Judges had their hands full. Twenty one cars were entered in Straight Line Competition, 21 in Curbside, 19 in Dirt Comp., 19 in Project, 17 in Custom, 16 in Light and Heavy Commercial and 13 in Street Rod.

The vendor room was crowded and the trophy presentations were magic.

First place in Teens went to Sarah Gruff whose shiny green '36 Ford has a sunroof added. Jerry Zable won Box Stock class with his Peterbilt 378. Arlyn Fulk won Slammer class with his Kenworth T600. Larry Litoborski won curbside with his 33-1 Ferrari and Kendall Spears won Dirt Comp with his '57 Black Widow. Claude Jones won Pavement Comp with his '57 Chevy and Max Thomas' '32

Ford won Straight Line Comp. Your reporters' 1/32 scale Cobra Funny Car won Small Scale, while Dennis Kolber's Sunoco Camaro took home Large Scale.

Max Thomas' 50 Ford Fire Truck won Light and Heavy Commercial, and his '40 Ford Witch Doctor came in second.

Len Woodruff' '69 Yenko Nova won Daily Driver/Factory Stock. Larry Boothe's '32 Ford won Street Rod while Arly Fulk won Street Machine with his Porsche 911.

David Bayon's '70 Show Van took first in custom, with Jeff Brown's Toyota Corolla winning Tuner class. Jim Alexander's '63 Cobra won Foreign and Exotic while

Dennis Kolber's Opps Le Mans won Diorama. Kolber also won the Project class

With his large scale Ferrari F40. Project class was a popular vote as was Miscellaneous/Motorcycle which Max Thiomas win with his '39 Ford Moonshine Hauler.. Kendall Spears took first in Common Kit with his Model T Tractor.

The MCMA presents three memorial awards in Master Award competition. Claude Jones' '36 Ford win the Bob Barnett award for Best Nostalgia Custom and Charles Feurborn,s '70 OpalGt won the Richard Dunn Best Nostalgia Drag car.

Larry Litoborski's Ferrari 458 won Best Paint', and Max Thomas' '32 Ford won Best Chassis Detail.

Larry Boothe was Saturday's big winner. His '32 ford won Best Interior, Best Engine and the Floyd Bryant Memorial Best of Show award.

So congratulations MCMA members for putting another great show. I sure miss him, but I think Floyd Bryant would have been proud.



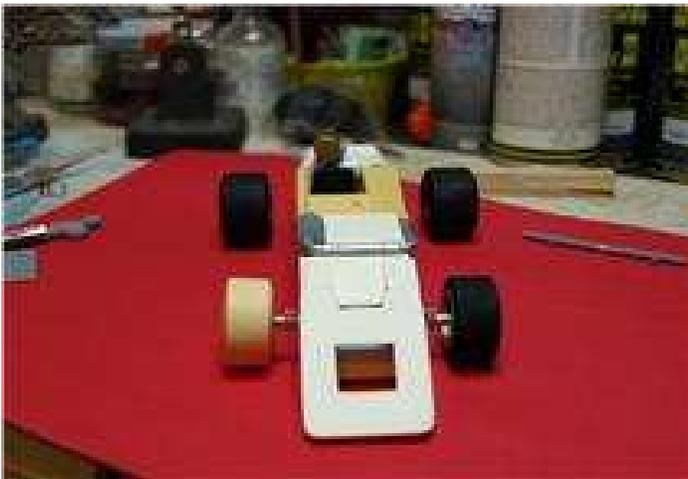
The Project Mill "From the back side of the work bench" by Jim McKinney

This project, a Lance Sellers Resin Kit, is the 1971 Jim Hurtubise Mallard Roadster. The history of this car is far more interesting than the kit. This was one of the last roadsters to ever show up at the brick yard and later updated with wings it was the last roadster entered for qualification attempts for the Indy 500.

This kit contains approximately 100 pieces, molded in resin and white metal. You will see from the photos that most of the body panels have been primed and sanded many times to fill all pin holes and then assembled. I don't like the radius rods and work had slowed while I tried to make radius rods that looked better, but I had not had any luck making them in scale that I thought looked any better than the white metal ones in the kit. But then the incident that put the kit back in the closet! Did you notice three wheels/tires painted and one in bare resin? Well while painting the tires one of the fronts decided to jump off the holder it was on and proceeded to disappear somewhere in the garage. After spending the following Saturday moving everything out of the garage I found the tire. It was covered with dirt and lint, anything you can find in a garage under a workbench that had stuck in the paint as it dried. I put the tire in Coastal power cleaner and over the next couple of weeks managed to strip the paint. By this time I had lost interest in building the kit. It has been pulled out a few times and I have done a little more work, but it goes back in the closet. I will eventually get this one built but for now it will stay on the back side of the work bench!

SO what are you working on?

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PS: I have also included a photo of a project in the "Genesis" stage. I get parts, put them in the box and hope something happens. This is a 33 Ford Sedan from Sal Ambriotti, rat rod tires from Modelhaus and a hood from TJ's Custom castings. It needs a big block Ford, injectors and time at the front of the work bench.





