

# SPRUE



February 2024

Keeping History Alive....One Model At A Time

## 24 Hour ShootOut Again

By: Rocky Sink

Once again this year I participated in the annual 24 Hour Group Build that is held on Facebook each year on the last weekend in January. The event runs from noon on Saturday till noon on Sunday. This was my fourteenth year doing the event and it was the seventeenth annual overall for the build. This year I chose the Monogram Pro Modeler series 1958 Chevrolet Corvette as my build. I had done a couple of these kits in the past and knew it would be a fairly straight forward build with no major things to overcome...hopefully, lol. After thirteen years of doing these builds I have learned some techniques to make the build quicker to do and short cuts as well. The painting is done with Tamiya colors so they dry quick but I use a dry booth as well to speed the process. This years car is a two tone so that meant I had actually four spray times (primer, white paint, blue paint and then clear) to complete the kit before assembly of the body parts to the model. In between the color spraying and drying I would work on detailing parts and doing assembly. The build actually ended up being one of my best without any set backs since doing the build. In all it took me 24 hours and 2 minutes thanks to a front bumper not wanting to cooperate, lol.



**NOTE.....**Dennis needs everyone helping with MDA show on March 9th to be there at 6:30 am. We will need as many helpers as we can get to set up since the doors open at 8 am to the public. We will need help with unloading vendors, table cloths, award set up, and registration set up.

### -REMINDERS-

February  
Business Meeting  
February 22 @ 7pm

March  
Build Meeting  
March 14 @ 7pm

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Business Meeting  
March 28 @ 7pm

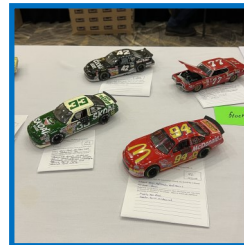
# SCMA "Hope It Don't Snow" Show

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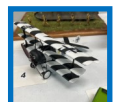
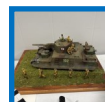
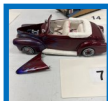
On Saturday, January 20th, the South Carolina Modelers Association holds its annual "Hope It Don't Snow" show in Spartanburg, South Carolina. The show is held at the Marriott in downtown Spartanburg in one of the big ball rooms. Arthur tagged along with me on the trip and we left on Friday to get there so we wouldn't have to drive down early on Saturday morning. Plus after doing the same thing last year we found out that the hotel has a HUGE buffet breakfast for those staying there which has everything known to man for breakfast. Yes the biscuits and gravy seem to go quick with me there, lol.

The show had about 450 models on the tables and was done NNL style judging. There are separate categories for the autos but the other types (armor, aircraft, sci-fi, etc) are all put into one whole category. As well there were numerous vendors with lots of great items for sale. Yes Arthur did shop for tires and actually found a couple sets with wheels, so he was excited. Being NNL style judging there was only a top 10 in Automotive and top 10 in the combined class.

The guys in the SCMA put on about 3-4 shows a year in various parts of South Carolina. If you ever get a chance to go to one of their shows do because they do an exceptional job of hosting shows and events.



## January Club Contest:



Deadline for newsletter submissions is the second Wednesday of each month.

All submissions should be emailed to Rocky Sink: [snkchevcol@aol.com](mailto:snkchevcol@aol.com)

along with any photos, write up and/or kit reviews pertaining to the article you wish to submit.

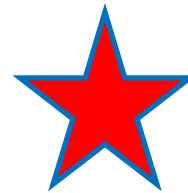
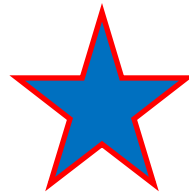
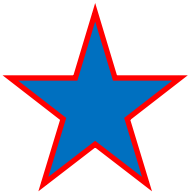
## Quick Shout Outs!

Congratulations to Johnny and his wife Patsy for celebrating 50 Years of marriage. Their children threw them a 50th Anniversary party over the Christmas Holidays since all of them were in town to see Johnny and his wife. Also get well wish's to Johnny who has been fighting some health issues the last few months. Congratulations and get well!!



Condolences go out to Gerald and his wife Betty for the loss of Gerald's father recently. The club sent flowers as a group but the notice was after the last newsletter was sent out. Prayers to Gerald and his family.

Get well wish's go out to Jeff Hinchee who has recently went through multiple heart procedures. What started out as a quick stint surgery here in Roanoke turned into going to Charlottesville to have the procedure done due to the Doctors not able to here in Roanoke. Then while doing that procedure they discovered a couple more blocked arteries so Jeff had to go back to Charlottesville to have stints put in those arteries. Jeff has reported that he is back home and feeling great! I guess he is now catching up on some building time while he is healing up.



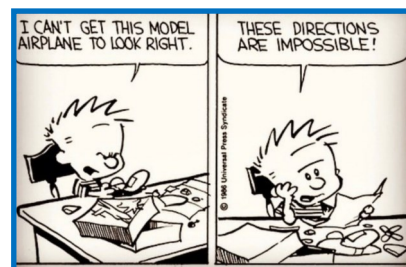
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### WE NEED YOU!!

This year we are going to be working hard to recruit new members. Start thinking of ways we can reach out and bring new members to the club. We are going to see if we can do more demo's and other events to get our name out there more. We need new members!!





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**UPCOMING DATES:**

February 24 2024	Old Dominion Open Richmond, VA	Richard Leininger raleininger@verizon.net
March 9, 2024	MDA Model Car Show Roanoke, VA	Dennis Smith eastsmith1@aol.com
April 6, 2024	MosquitoCon Wayne, NJ	Bill Schwarz whsch@optimum.net
April 13, 2024	Model Classic– Nova Fairfax, VA	Haagen Klaus haagen.d.klaus@gmail.com