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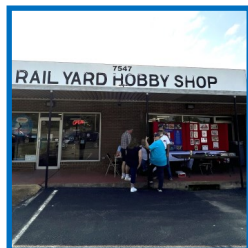
October 2022

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

## **Great Day For A Demo**

By: Rocky Sink

On Saturday, September 10th several club members participated in a demo at the Rail Yard Hobby Shop which has become an annual thing for them. It's always good for both the members and Jim and the gang at the shop because it allows exposure for possible new members to the club as well as having customers see what we do and possibly go in and purchase some stuff from the shop. The club members had their two display boards up which shows all the information about the club as well as past pictures of events and other modeling information. As well the club had several models on display to showcase some completed models as well as demonstrate works in progress during the day. It's always an enjoyable day when the members can do a demo at the shop and this year was no exception. Thanks to Jim and the gang for allowing us to set up that day!



## **Rail Yard Hobby Shop To Stay Open!**

The Rail Yard Hobby Shop will now be staying open instead of closing down. More specifics will come as we learn them but the good news is they will stay open with some new management taking over after the first of the year. For now here are the times that the shop will be open till the end of November with the times after that not set as of this being written.



Monday - Fridays: 11am till 5pm

Saturdays: 10am till 2pm

## **-REMINDERS-**

**October  
Business Meeting  
October 27 @ 7pm**

### **NOTE:**

**November and December meetings will be altered as usual due to Holidays. Please watch your emails and Facebook page for updates.**

## ***New Products....Sanding, Seat Belts And Chrome!!***

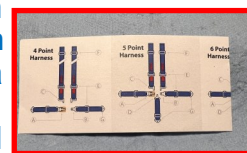
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With new gadgets and products coming out all time I thought I would give a review of three new products I have tried or looked over recently. These three products include a new sanding device I found out about, a new set of racing harness's due out anytime and some new chrome spray paint on the market.

First up we have a new sanding device which is actually for the real car world but I had another modeler suggest one of these to me. These are basically a roll of fibers (20,000 to be exact) rolled up tight inside of a pen like unit. As you twist the pen the fibers come out and I have found they are great for hard to get to push pin marks and other hard to reach areas, especially in oval areas like fender wells on a car. In trying these I have found them to be great, with the only drawback is the tiny fibers building up on your bench. Just make sure to have a extra paper towel or something under where you are sanding to catch the small fibers.



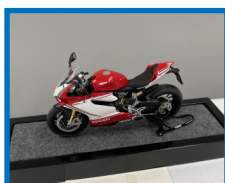
Second item up is a new set of racing harness's that will be available really soon from Gofer Racing products. I was lucky enough to get an advance set from them and it is going to be a great set for the racing fan or possibly the aircraft guys as well. The set will include enough ribbon, photo-etch (3 trees) and decals to do two complete sets. The photo-etch includes all the harness hardware and brackets and there is also a ribbon included that is used as the pull strap on the shoulder belts. This is a item usually left out of racing harness belt sets. As well there is a full layout of instructions which should make assembly a breeze. I believe the sets will come in four colors. The set I have to look over had black ribbon in it. I will do another review after I add one to a future project.



The third item I would like to mention is the new Chrome Spray paint just released from Revell. I will admit I have tried all the current chrome varieties on the market (Alclad, molotow, various bottled sprays) and they all have their pros and cons which most of you know. So when I saw this paint from Revell I figured it would be like most of the other "chrome" spray cans out there. Most of the rattle can chrome sprays are just a silver looking paint. WOW! Was I wrong. I did a test on some spare plastic, both painted with gloss black and not and the result was about the same with both ways. If you can see in the picture (may be hard) that is my face and shirt that is reflected in the chrome sample. This stuff also sets up good and you don't have to worry about it turning when you rub it or handle it. I will definitely be adding a couple more cans to my stash.



## ***September Club Contest:***



## **TRUCK CHALLENGE!!**

BIG....BAD....TUFF....MONSTERS....Their Trucks! That's right everyone the club is holding a truck build challenge. This is a spirited build off to see who can come up with the best truck. There are no limits as to what you can do to it. Let your imagination go wild. As well there is no specific truck or type of truck you have to build. It can be a



30's model or a current model. It can be street legal or drag. It can be military or monster. You get the drift. As long as it is a truck of some kind it's eligible. The January Business Meeting is when the trucks will be shown so you have roughly three months to get it done. So dig out those truck kits and let's see what everyone can come up with.

Also start thinking of other builds you would like to do. Were planning on next year having a build off every 2-3 months. Details will follow in a later newsletter but for now start thinking of other build off ideas that we can do next year.



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

**All submissions should be emailed to Rocky Sink:  
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**along with any photos, write up and/or kit reviews pertaining to the article you wish to submit.**



*Trust me, that's where it goes... I think? Well, it fits there so we will go with it....*



### **WE NEED YOU!!**

Starting the first of the 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. Our club has taken a hit the last couple years as far as membership and we need to get the numbers back up.



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***UPCOMING SHOW DATES:***

October 22, 2022	MarauderCon 2022 Harve de Grace, MD	Mark Altizer maltizer1@verizon.net
October 22, 2022	Head For The Highlands Model Contest Greenville, TN	John Maine mainehokies@charter.net
January 6, 2023	ModelCon Chattanooga, TN	Ben Gibby bgibby1964@outlook.com
February 25, 2023	Old Dominion Open Richmond, VA	Bob Wells robertwalls@comcast.net