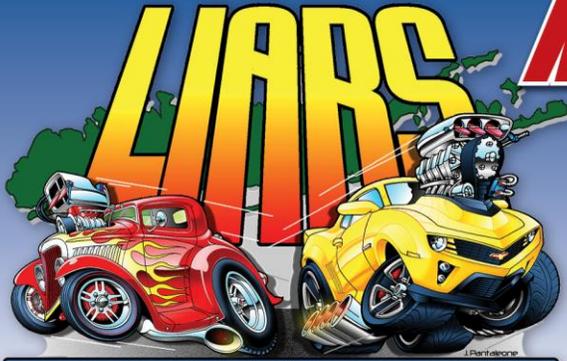


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• LONG ISLAND AUTO REPLICAS SOCIETY •

# MODEL CAR BRIEFS

**Meeting themes:**

*Discuss further LIARS show plans, trophy packages, assignments, etc.*

*1957-67 Corvette – warm up round for our show theme*

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**LIARS display at the Patchogue Medford Library – Oct 1<sup>st</sup>-31<sup>st</sup>**





*Please remember the needy and bring can goods to the monthly meetings*



**The LONG ISLAND AUTO REPLICAS SOCIETY (L.I.A.R.S.) Model Car Briefs is dedicated to bringing you the best and most up to date information about our great hobby of model building.**

**Were in our 32nd year as a Club; let's hope we all stay healthy during this post COVID-19 crisis and that we can all attain some measure of prosperity. Then perhaps we can build a new Club display in memory of Rich Argus...**

**LIARS Web Page <http://www.liarsmodelcarbuilders.com/>**

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**LIARS Facebook page** <https://www.facebook.com/people/LIARS-Long-Island-Auto-Replica-Society-Model-Car-Club/100057442748403/>

**MCB Contributors:** Richard Manri, Lenny Cromwell, Mike Brennan, Gary Weickart, Dominick "Mikey" Gerace, Rodrez (for Motor Trend),

### **From our LIARS Unofficial Official**

**Hello everybody! Best laid plans of mice and men, as the saying goes, will go awry! Anyway, my troubles are not yours. As a result, I will be able to make the next meeting, which is a good thing. At the October meeting, I would like to "nail down" volunteers to help set up on Friday, November 10, at the recreation center in Freeport. I've been working a lot of 16 hour shifts lately, but told my coworkers in advance, I will not be available that day. I may even leave early to get to Freeport before our allotted time for set up between 3-5pm. I will touch base with the Key members of the group to see if there's anything else we need to take care of before the show.**

**If you have an idea or suggestion to make, please inform our committee during meetings or contact our board members via their phones and/or emails. If there are any issues at meetings or regarding other club matters, please inform us and we will handle them to the best of our extent.**

**Also, please try to bring a canned good to donate for the center. We've all been guilty for being sporadic about this, but think about those who are much less fortunate than us.**

***Thanks everyone and stay safe!***

***Your unofficial official,***

**Dominick "McMonte" Gerace,**



**Remember those folks who made a difference in your life in 2022 (good or bad) and use the lessons learned to be a better you. Life is made up of people, events and decisions. 2023 is a time to start fresh. So surround yourself with good people, be active, happy and make remainder of 2023 great. Richie.**

### ***Some Words from the Editor At Large***

**Not much to say this month, been very busy with things. Haven't had much time to work on stuff, so it is what it is...**

**Thanks to Dave. V and other members for setting up the club displays. Yours truly wasn't able to make set up day for Patchogue Library display on October 1<sup>st</sup>, but has added a few crazy rides to the display and took pics.**

**Lenny had conducted a seminar on Panel Line detailing, several had**

attended and watched. More pics pages 12-13.

Only one month away from our show, the first in over 3 years. Our committee has gone over aspects like insurance, vendors and sponsors attending, Trophy Packages among other points. Further discussions about attendance and members setting up Friday night and morning of show will be brought up.

Since last mtg, I have gotten and corrected the emails of several new/returning people and sorted out former members who's emails no longer function. If anyone has further questions about the roster or MCBs, please consult me.

For those who haven't received the recent MCBs or wish to view past ones, they can download them here <https://www.liarsmodelcarbuilders.com/newsletters>

If you have a suggestion, an idea, or article submission you would like to bring up in the newsletter, please inform Richard "Richie Rich" Manri via his email or at mtgs. If you forward any articles written by other sources, the original writer will be credited. Any submissions and/or input are a valued treasure.

### ***BUILD SUGGESTION OF THE MONTH FROM YOUR AUTHOR***

Unusual engine swap; something like, say, a smaller cylinder/JPN motor in American or foreign sports car? Yours truly among several members have done this on various projects, but see article next page on such a wild example to get the idea...

## This Honda-Powered Ferrari 308 Will Break Your Brain in the Best Way

By [Rodrez](#). Photographer, Al Norris

Two years of dedicated, hands-on work result in one of the most talked about cars of SEMA 2022.



It's all about the build during the annual SEMA show. While the event was established in the 1960s to bring together manufacturers, dealers, distributors, retailers; all the way down to the small business mechanic, those of you reading this and other SEMA coverage pieces are looking for the latest and greatest vehicles. Choosing just the right one is key to brand recognition on the crowded convention center floor and CSF Radiators, a group that's been on a tear in recent years with jaw dropping booth displays, seem to have found the perfect formula once again.



It all started in 2015 when the Rywire Motorsport Electronics one-off Integra Type R, parked right next to his GT3, graced the CSF Radiator booth, and caused quite a commotion. Both cars carried similar looks and the Integra would go on to steal the spotlight for months afterward. There were others. CSF's Ravi Dolwani would later display his own Evo X racecar next to Sheehey Race's boosted Lambo. Then, in 2018 came the Honest Assembly E30 M3 that packed an S55 engine swap and one of the most thorough OEM-plus builds we've ever encountered along with yet another Sheehey creation, this one sporting a prancing horse on its badging.

Last year, Dolwani put a stop to the dual car layout and instead filled the front of his company's display space with his own 911 SC. It featured a slew of builders that dwell in the upper echelon of automotive expertise and the finished product is living, driving proof of that. This year, the dual chassis set up was brought back and filled with this one-off Ferrari build powered by controversy and the Art of Attack x RS Future BMW M4 destined for the track next week.



If you're at all in tune with the automotive YouTube space, then chances are you either follow or have been exposed to the StanceWorks channel. It features the work of Mike Burroughs and includes everything from tearing cars and engines down to custom suspension work, tons of fabrication, and everything in between. The episodes are informative and never feel like fluff just to get a video out and if you pay attention, you're likely to learn something interesting. Well known for his fully custom E28 5-Series dubbed "Rusty Slammington," Burroughs took a different direction with this latest creation.

What started as a nicely running and driving 1981 Ferrari 308 GTBi in Fly Yellow and with just 38,000 miles on the clock, was completely torn down and reworked in Burroughs' style as a Honda-powered lap chaser. Now, we've been here before, and Honda's 2.4-liter inline-four seems to be the go-to for a ton of projects, but a Ferrari? I've had this argument far too many times when talking about Amir Bentatou's turbo K20 time attack NSX, or car's like Jarvik

Mosley's supercharged K24 NSX street car, so I'll lay out the basic bullet points and you can choose to shake your fist in anger or nod your head in some sort of agreement.



The original Ferrari F106 engine is a 2.9-liter V-8 that makes around 202 hp at the crank, while the TSX's K24A2 makes about 205 hp. Did he really do all that work for a few horsepower? No, he did it because he had no intentions of leaving the K24 stock, as there's unmatched aftermarket support for it and the amount of money required to build out the native power plant is absolutely silly. Oh, and then there's the weight issue. Dropping four cylinders means a lighter vehicle, obviously, but it's not the 80 to 100 pounds you might be thinking of. Think more in the neighborhood of *400 pounds*. Also, be sure to tack on the reliability factor, the accessories accessibility (try picking up a starter for a 308 GTBi at AutoZone), and of course, the cost. The forged goods and turbo components cost money, sure, but when your engine's starting price is a mere \$700, you've got some leftover cash to play with.

Mounted transversely and topped with a Skunk2 low-profile valve cover, the all-custom engine compartment layout is clean and concise with every component (many of them homemade) serving a designated purpose with no unwanted extras. With the built long block, the Garrett G42-1200, which hangs low off the scratch-built manifold, should be good for four-digit numbers to pass through the Quaife 5-speed sequential if he chooses.



Cooling duties are of course handled by CSF Radiators, some of which can be seen through a massive exit vent applied to the carbon fiber hood and a cooler hanging from a crossbar in the engine room. The headlight covers remain shut with Hella square-body lights mounted within the center of the front bumper, just above the custom splitter with massive, upturned end plates. Equally aggressive side diffusers were added, and all four fenders received substantial bulking with flares that give the thin 308 physique some much-needed muscle tone.



Rotiform worked with Burroughs to create his ideal wheel set up that fit perfectly over AP brakes, H&R Springs built coilovers to his provided specs, and everything around those pieces is entirely custom. The engine compartment, a point of disdain for Burroughs at Ferrari's lack of detail and finish work from the factory, was lambasted then sandblasted and painted at the StanceWorks shop, and later its outside given a bright white makeover by All City Wraps.



You're going to see much more on this build in the coming weeks as every media outlet wants to get a closer look at the all-custom Ferrari 244 GTK (and hey, thanks for not calling it the Hon-rarri, Ferr-onda, or something equally atrocious), we just hope there's enough

time in there for Burroughs to enjoy some much deserved wheel time behind his two-year journey with one of the most detailed builds we've ever seen displayed at SEMA week.

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## MODEL STUFF

**By Lenny Cromwell**

**About forty years ago, Monogram came out with a series of 1/24 scale muscle cars. These included a Boss 429 Mustang, a 1969 Dodge Super Bee, and a 1969 GTO Judge. There were others, but they're not coming to mind just yet. While they were all cool, the one that I was most interested in was the GTO Judge.**

**I painted it with Duplicolor dark green metallic to mimic Pontiac's Verdoro green, and I added the green Judge markings. The engine got the full treatment including wiring and plumbing. I even wired the hood mounted tach.**

**Brake lines were added and the all-new GT Radials were detailed with white lettering and then installed. And although I haven't seen it in decades, I still have it. Somewhere.**

**Recently, Revell has reissued this kit, (for the millionth time) and I thought it might be a good time to relive that excitement I felt nearly forty years ago and build another one.**

**This time the plan is to paint it**

orange and use the corresponding Judge markings. So, I bought the kit at my favorite Hobby store and to my surprise, the box lid says that the kit only has sixty three parts.

Only sixty three! That's little more than a snap kit. The engine is very simple with the oil pan molded to the engine halves. The intake manifold serves as the top of the engine and the entire front suspension is one piece.

The tail lights are chrome as they are molded as part of the rear bumper. A very simple kit, indeed, perhaps the most disappointing part of this kit is that those beautiful Good Year GT Radials are gone and replaced with no-name skinnies.

It's hard to believe that this kit was once state of the art, but I'm still looking forward to building it.

Lenny,

### **Pro Street MAZDA Miata WIP**

**By Mike Brennan**

Hey fellas, here's more of my Pro Street Miata I brought to the last meeting. This started as the Revell Mazda Miata kit from the early 1990s, been working on it on and off for several years. Was a full detail kit with engine and ect., unlike the Tamiya and Aoshima kits that were all curbside.

This idea came as a collaboration between FORD and MAZDA to build a Little Hot Rod Sports car like the Sunbeam Tiger, only crazier with a

**big honking V8. The car is powered by a Boss 429 FORD V8, it has a full roll cage.**



**Dress up shot with convertible top and hood in place.**



**In this picture you see the Boss 429 Valve cover where I grafted in the MAZDA badging from another Miata body.**



**Below shows the cover completely painted and stuffed inside that tiny engine bay, which was completely redone and scratchbuilt.**

**Super detailed dash with real aluminum steering wheel shaft housing & CD installed in the CD player below the radio.**



**Below shows the trunk opened with a third brake light lens and real aluminum frame around it, also the left rear tail light corrected to have an amber turn signal lens with clear backup lens installed plus a left rear marker lens with screw detail.**

**Additional interior pics with scratchbuilt accessories. Features are a real wood baseball bat & SONY Walkman Cassette player on the Pass. Seat.**



**Custom Miata wheel of two I made by cutting out the center of the stock rims and mounting them in pro street rims and sending them out to be re chromed.**



**It'll be finished... someday.**

**Until next time,**

**Mike**

***Gary's Find of the Month***



**Rear trunk has been opened. Fuel tank and batteries added with flocking**



***Gonna need a lot of work to restore, or perhaps kitbash with guts from a donor Revell/AMT kit of similar model to make some epic custom ride...***

***Model Mercantile Market***

### *"Wanted or For Sale" section...*

**WANTED:** Rear bumper for 1963 AMT Falcon.

**WANTED:** CAR MODEL Magazine May 1974 issue. Will pay \$20 for it in excellent condition.

**WANTED:** AMT 1969 LINCOLN unbuilt kit. Will buy or have many vintage kits available for trade.

Contact Gary Weickart at 631-581-5834 or [gweickart@aol.com](mailto:gweickart@aol.com).

**WANTED:** Body shell for Revell 1994 Impala Super Sport. Can be painted from any issue as long as it's not badly battered or twisted like a banana.

**WANTED:** Large diameter wheels, tires, and disc brakes from Revell/AMT/Tamiya/Aoshima/ect. kits. 1/24<sup>th</sup> and 1/25<sup>th</sup> scale. (Ernie answered the call with some of these wanted items for Sept mtg, thanks man!)

**WANTED:** Modular and modern motors like LS1s, HEMIs, DOHC 5.4 Cobra motors, import motors like Toyota 2JZ and Nissan Skyline RB. 1/24<sup>th</sup> and 1/25<sup>th</sup> scale.

**WANTED:** Vortech style superchargers, blower superchargers from 2007/2010 Shelby GT500 and Revell Ford Mustang Mach III concept car, and turbochargers. 1/24<sup>th</sup> and 1/25<sup>th</sup> scale.

Contact Richard Manri @ 631-589-6876 or his email [picorro93@gmail.com](mailto:picorro93@gmail.com) to negotiate price or trade for the three above.

### *Meeting pictures*



### *L.I.A.R.S committee discussing club matters and future planning...*



**Goodies for sale**

**Lots of free parts and such**





**Scenes from the Sept GTO/LeMans theme**

**Works of art from...**

**Yours truly**



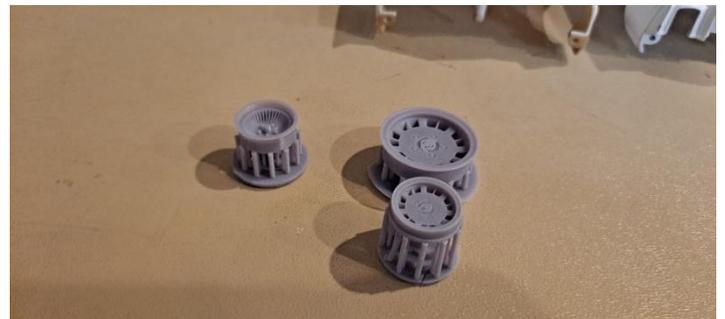
**Virgil's wild rides**



**Pat V.s Maverick/Comet resto rod**



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**Mike Brennan's 3D finds and goodies**



**Lenny's Panel Line seminar**



**And the rest of our guys builds and WIPs**





***It's almost  
Halloween and our  
Model Challenge...  
Some festive and  
very scary Corvette  
pics to tie in the  
season***



***Happy motorin' and keep on building!***

***Next page contains the LIARS Annual (2023) INPUT SHEET. You can either email or bring it to the next meeting...***

**LIARS Annual (2023) INPUT AND PROFILE SHEET:**

**Here is your chance to have some input into this club without having everyone know where it came from. If you have a suggestion, an idea, or a problem you would like to discuss please put it in writing on this sheet and it will be discussed at the next meeting. Please bring your filled out sheet with you, or you**

**can email it to your editors email address on the first page header. ALL subjects and suggestions will be brought up in front of the club. YOU DO NOT HAVE TO SIGN THIS SHEET.**

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**LIARS Profile: (name)** \_\_\_\_\_ **(Can be your LIARS nickname or anonymous panhandle...)**

- How long have you been building models? \_\_\_\_\_
- How long have you been a member of LIARS? \_\_\_\_\_
- What do you usually build? \_\_\_\_\_
- Where do you usually build? \_\_\_\_\_
- How many models do you have? \_\_\_\_\_
- Have you ever had any failed builds that were scrapped or recycled for other projects? \_\_\_\_\_

- How many unbuilt models do you have? \_\_\_\_\_
- What are your favorite 3 models you have built? \_\_\_\_\_
- Have you ever won an award for building a model? \_\_\_\_\_
- What 3 models should win an all time kit of the (last) century award? \_\_\_\_\_
- What 3 models are so horrible that you would buy them just to protect others from having to build them? \_\_\_\_\_

- What was the dumbest, most boneheaded mistake you've made in the past? (Can be model or general related) \_\_\_\_\_

- Was there any kit you regretted ever purchasing? \_\_\_\_\_

- What do you drive now? \_\_\_\_\_
- Are you bitter about anything? \_\_\_\_\_
- Are you saving your pennies for something fun to drive? \_\_\_\_\_
- With an unlimited budget, what 10 full size cars would you have in your garage? \_\_\_\_\_

- What (if any) person (living or dead) in the 1:1 automotive world would you like to meet? \_\_\_\_\_
- Do you go to model car shows? \_\_\_\_\_
- What are your favorite model car shows and why? \_\_\_\_\_
- Do you have kids & if so, do they share your passion? \_\_\_\_\_

Did you build models with them? \_\_\_\_\_

# Long Island Auto Replica Society **MODEL CAR CHALLENGE**

## MODEL CAR SHOW & CONTEST ★ SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2023

### ★ FREEPORT RECREATION CENTER ★

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### SPECIAL THEME CLASS ★ CHEVROLET CORVETTE 70th ANNEVERSARY ★



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#### AGENDA:

- 7:00 AM - VENDOR SETUP
- 9:00 AM - CONTEST REGISTRATION AND VENDOR TABLES OPEN
- 12:30 PM - REGISTRATION CLOSES
- 3:00 PM - AWARD CEREMONY

#### MODEL REGISTRATION and

#### ADMISSION FEES:

- ADULTS - \$10.00 FOR FIRST MODEL - \$1.00 EACH ADITONAL MODEL
- JUNIOR - (12 AND UNDER) **FREE**

#### GENERAL ADMISSION FEES:

- ADULT SPECTATOR \$5.00 ADMISSION
- JUNIOR SPECTATOR - (12 AND UNDER) **FREE**

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Please refer to our web page for show rules, vendor applications, and to download our show registration forms.