



Jersey Shore Model Car
Club
Newsletter

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**JSMCC meets the 3rd
Friday each month @
Herbertsville First Aid
Bldg. From 7pm - 11pm
375 Herbertsville Rd.
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Next Meeting JULY 20th 2012
IDLE THOUGHTS BY JOHN STARK

We had a great turnout for last months meeting, with a lot of factory stock cars on the table. Enough models on display that Mike, Dave and I decided that a special contest could be run. 7 models were in the contest with ties in all the top three positions Tom Seip and Jerry Hughson tied for third, Stash Serzan and Felix Plaza Jr tied for second and Dave Wood and John White tied for first. This will probably throw a curve into the end of year points battle.

I would like to think that guys are voting on models other than their own in the contests. In the spirit of fair play. I look and take pictures of all the fine models on display and there are some that seem to need a little work but still seem to get a vote. I can't control how people vote, and I don't want to, but I would hope that everyone is either voting on their favorite or the best build on the table and not just voting to give themselves a vote knowing they may have a lesser quality model on display. Lets have fun, but lets also reward quality, time, effort, and building skills.

KIT RAFFLE

Last months kit raffle winners were, Bob Kern, Tom Seip, Dave Wood, and Special Raffle(Collector Series Amoco Vintage Airplane Bank 1932 Lockheed Vega)winner John Stark

BUILD SEMINAR

I tried to have a build seminar on doing embossing powder and double stick tape for nailing down windows etc. Only about three members were involved, and we didn't get into the tape at all. Probably to much going on, with the discussions, contest voting and kit raffle. I will most likely cover this topic again at the July meeting. There are pictures on the message board of the embossing powder finished product. We had a little discussion on the painting aspect and I finished it up on Tuesday. Log on to see the results.

DUES

Ed brought up a topic about reducing dues. Some things that were brought up concerned me. One of the issues was the donation we make to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. This is a charity we have been donating to since I became President. The donation is to the New Jersey Chapter. Before them we had donated to the Victory Junction Camp, and before that we had done work with Team Randy. This club has always been one to help out as far back as I can remember.

This is not done on a whim, this was brought to the members attention there was discussion on it, a motion made votes taken. Every issue that deals with club finances is done in accordance with Roberts Rules of Order. (which I carry in my briefcase). We have never spent a dime of the clubs money without having a discussion, motion, a second, and a vote.

Why should there be an issue now 6 years later.

Even with that, the vote was over two months ago on this years donation. That is why it is important to pay attention during the meetings, it is also why I bang the gavel when there are side discussions during the meeting. You should be paying attention to what is being said as it involves you or the club or something one of your fellow members deems important. Lets give them the attention they would give to you.

The comment about charity beginning at home is also an issue. As a club we do not issue trophy plaques to the first three places as most clubs do, we feel the more the merrier, we go back to the top 5 vote getters, including ties if there are any. We give three trophy plaques out on our top three vote getters on our Christmas kit-bash contest, our kit raffle donation have been increased to \$15.00 from \$10.00, as kit prices have risen in the past 22 years, our pizza party is for not only the members, but their families also, so that they may enjoy our hobby also and spend some time with the people you hang out with every third Friday. The pizza place we support is right up the street in Herbertsville. We also help support the New Beginnings Food bank and Thrift store right here in Brick. That's home people, That's us, that's Brick, that's New Jersey.

**It was brought up that with yearly dues and monthly dues that it cost \$ 39.00 a year to be a member. Do the math on that for a minute. The meeting is 4 or more hours in length, (sometimes less) $4\text{hrs} \times 12\text{ months} = 48\text{ hours}$
 $48\text{hrs} / \$39.00 = \1.23 per hour at the club. We spend more than that at McDonalds. We spend more than that when we go to the diner after the meetings.**

When you do the math, the cost of being a member of the JSMCC is cheaper then buying two model kits at your favorite hobby store, and that my friends is a bargain.

If dues are an issue speak to us, we have always worked with members having financial issues, and have managed to keep the club growing. This economy issue didn't just start, we have been in it since 2008, at least fuel prices are starting to drop. (at least until the election) There were probably only 15 members attending the meetings when I first took over. We are close to 60 members and a good twenty five to thirty attend the meetings now, we must be doing something right. I would hate for us to lose members over something so minor, but the bottom line is you make sacrifices for the things you really want, if the club is something you want to be a part of then you will find a way. I do not see the need to change things up now, as Joe showed us, our money situation is the same as it was 6 years ago, we are maintaining an even balance. As Joe also pointed out we lose money pretty much on every kit raffle, so that we make another member happy, and that is fine with us, and I would do that every month without a problem.

I do not want to cut out our Christmas pizza party either, that is part of what this club has been about for the past 22 years and it is always looked forward to. Trust me it is a good bit of work for me to make it all run smoothly, and a lot of time spent with my wife in the shopping centers looking for the best deals. Joe gets all the receipts and you guys get the financial reports at every meeting. Something else you did not get before I took over.

EPILOGUE

Joe ran the numbers for you at the meeting, I collected the fact and laid them out for you. Well informed is well armed. I don't think we need to change a thing at this point.

I know there are members out there who don't attend all the meeting, but who like to stir the pot and see what happens, and that may be what is going on here. I was asked to run for

President six years ago to help get the club strong again and I think we have done just that. Ultimately it is up to you the members to make the call. It is your club, your money, your time and effort, that make the club. We will discuss this at the next meeting to see what you think. Is a change really needed or do we maintain the strong path we are on.

I just hope nobody gets the wrong idea, Ed is my friend and he always will be, and as a member he has the right to bring this up, the same as any one of you who may have any issues with anything that goes on with Your club

That is your right as a dues paying member.

That's enough for now, as I type this up I have once again been layed off due to lack of work, it is 100 degrees outside, but I have models to work on, the pool is open and I have a shelf full of Jim Beam and JD calling my name. REMEMBER TO KEEP IT FUN, even with all this IT IS STILL A HOBBY. Stay cool and have a great Summer

CONTEST SCHEDULE AND THEMES

T. = THEME Q.C. = QUARTERLY CONTEST

T. JAN. 1960s (60/69)

Q.C. FEB. COMMERCIAL (Light or Heavy)

T. MARCH STOCK CARS (Round Track)

T. APRIL FOOLS (any wacky,prototype or oddball models)

Q.C. MAY KIT CONVERSION (25% min. modification)

T. JUNE SHOWROOM STOCK

T. JULY OTHER THAN 1/25th (anything not 1/25th scale)

Q.C. AUG. PAPER BAG

T. SEPT. MUSCLE CARS

Q.C. OCT. PRE WAR 1942 (anything before 1943)

T. NOV. DRAG NIGHT

DEC. CHRISTMAS KIT BASH (HUDSON HORNET)

JSMCC WEBSITE

Thanks to Felix we now have a website up and running. You can check it out at : <http://www.jsbcc.org/>

CLUB ON LINE MESSAGE BOARD

Come Join the Fun! @ <http://jsbcc.proboards.com/index.cgi?>

Recent Obits

It is with great saddness that I learned of the passing of Dave Burkets mom. I have no info on any arrangements as of yet.

I also just read on the passing of Robert Pelsang. Many of you will not recognize the name, but he was the owner of A1 JDK Specialties, our club trophy provider for many, many years now. He was a nice guy and will be missed. His visitation is Wed 7-27 @ 7:15 pm George S. Hassler Funeral Home, 980 Bennetts Mills Rd. Jackson NJ.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the American Cancer Society P.O. Box 22718, Oklahoma City, OK 73123-1718.

Happy Birthday Wishes

Bob Zabriskie July 13th John Vlachakis July 14th

Dan Rhein July 26th Tom Seip July 29th

(If you have a B/D and or a Anniversary this Month and don't see your Name please see Dave Wood so that he can update the list)

Happy Anniversary To:

(none on record)

QUARTERLEY CONTEST

(none)

THEME

JULY OTHER THAN 1/25th (anything not 1/25th scale)

MODEL of the MONTH

John Stark's 37 Ford P/U

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