

Hello,

Welcome to the ModelCarList! We think that you will find your membership here very gratifying. There are members in this club from all over the world with a multitude of talents. Some of the best Automotive Modeling journalists are here along with some of the world's best car modelers. If you'll notice, we said, "club". That's because the ModelCarList is more than an email list...it's actually a club. We try to hook up with each other at shows and contests whenever we can.

Just Look for the MCL T-shirts of our members. Banter on the MCL ranges from technical modeling information to outright general conversation amongst members, just like at a regular model club meeting. And while we have many members who just "lurk", we'd really like to encourage you to not only read, but to contribute also. The ModelCarList is a wonderful source for learning, making friends and even for finding some obscure part you need from one of the other members. But like any other club, it would fail without participation from its members.

The ModelCarList is a moderated group and we keep a "Kid-safe" rating through Yahoo Groups. We do have a number of children who regularly read the messages; so off-color jokes and profanity are not allowed. However, every message to the list is not moderated. Listers are generally on the honor system with regards to message content. But rest assured, if a member strays off the path and posts inappropriately, not only will the moderators take action, but that poster will hear from many members on the list also! We like to take care of our list and keep it healthy. New members are moderated for a short time so that the moderator team can evaluate their messages to make sure the new member is complying with the rules.

While a new member is on moderation, his/her messages are first routed to the Moderator Team. One of us will read it and make the decision to pass it along or not. This is stated in order to explain why you may see a delay in your message reaching the list. We may not always have a moderator "on duty" so to speak. So if your message is delayed a bit...don't worry, as it will eventually get there.

We have a team of people who moderate the list. Dwayne Bressemer, Tim Kriner, Kevin Kriner, Jim Robison, Chuck Darnell and Korkut Varol, also Dave Hileman is the MCL treasurer. To contact the moderators, you need only send an email to: [modelcarlist-owner@yahoogroups.com](mailto:modelcarlist-owner@yahoogroups.com). As a team, we make all decisions relative to the well being of the club.

One of the most popular features of this club is the posting of photographs for all to see. It can also be fraught with problems when members get a bit too overzealous by posting too many very large photos. Some members have their email accounts through services, which limit the size of their inbox. Too many large files will result in that member's inbox being filled up and he/she will miss messages. In addition, there are many members who don't have the latest and greatest computers and/or Internet hookups. Trying to download a few megabytes of emails on a slow connection is exasperating. These are the reasons we limit file sizes and numbers.

The accepted method of posting is in .jpg form (please don't post in .bmp form or any other non-compressed form), no more than one photo per email, no more than 5 per day and no more than 50k in size each. Also No Zip files please. Now this is not "carved in stone". If you have an interesting model, and you have 6 photos of it you want to post, no one is going to jump down your throat for the extra 1 picture as long as it's not done on a regular basis. These requirements are easily met if you use some kind of .jpg optimizer program with which you can downsize your photos, etc. If you don't have one, we have one, which you can download, for free in the "Files" section of the ModelCarList homepage at Yahoo Groups. If you need help with this, please just contact one of the moderators.

We have four "Theme" nights right now. Monday nights are "Cruise Nights", where club members post photos of completed car models of all sorts. Wednesdays are Now Box Art Night. Thursday nights are "Works-in-Progress", where we post photos of models under construction. Sunday nights are for "Race Nights", where racecar photos are posted.

At Yahoo Groups, you have three ways to set up how you receive all these emails. Web mode, digest mode and email mode. On web mode you can only get the messages by going to the message area on the Yahoo Groups ModelCarList homepage and actually click on any given message to download it. This is very slow and cumbersome, but is the way to go if you are going to be away from your computer for a few days. On "digest" mode, you will receive a daily compendium of messages directly from Yahoo Groups. And finally, on email mode, you will receive each and every message sent to the ModelCarList immediately. Yahoo Groups sends these messages out to everyone on the list automatically upon receiving them. You will Not see Pics or Photos on web or digest mode even at the Yahoo Groups site.

We would also like to take this opportunity to introduce you to the MCL's homepage at [www.themodelcarlist.com](http://www.themodelcarlist.com). Take a few minutes to take a look at our site. You'll find all sorts of helpful items there including useful links, photos of member's models and workstations, Hot Rod recipes and much more.

So once again, may we welcome you to the greatest Model Car Club in the world. And remember participate!

Thanks  
The MCL Team