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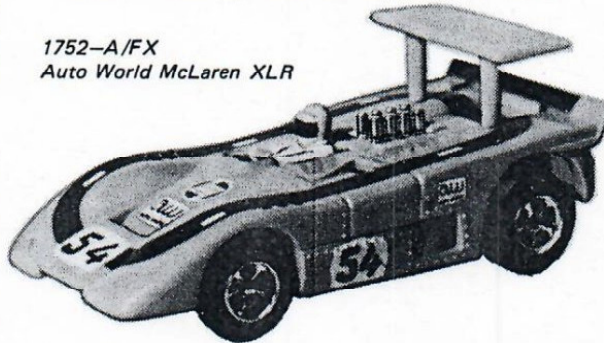
The New Breed from Big A...

**A/FX ARE HERE —
AND "HERE" IS WHERE IT'S AT!**

You don't just build fast cars. It takes years of research, development, testing — and experience. You start with good basic stock... experiment with various designs... eliminate the poor performers... hand pick the best and thoroughly improve them... then refine the improved stock...

You breed 'em.
A/FX are the New Breed from Big A — the breakthrough after many years of experience and development; the fastest, best designed Model Motoring cars yet — the '71 Thoroughbreds.

Aurora Factory Experimentals — A/FX — feature, as standard equipment, some of the greatest innovations to emerge over the past few years... Things like that dual wheelbase monocoque chassis, with independently rotating front wheels, made of self-lubricating nylatron. A lower center of gravity enables it to really hug that road and handle like a dream. The quick-change snap-in top gear plate also offers high performance gear ratio, to get the most from your motor to those "Superfat" sponge race tires, while radially oriented magnets and 84% silver commutator brushes make the motor, itself, more efficient. Add lightweight silver plated pickup shoes for



1752-A/FX
Auto World McLaren XLR

improved power conduction, and you've got what adds up to the best designed, best cornering, FASTEST Miniature Racing car on the line today — A/FX!

But there's still more — they're also the best looking Model Motoring cars on the scene, from their perfectly beautiful plated mini Mags to their snap-on body shells, which are lighter and thinner than any previous Model Motoring body to get those great super detail lines; yet just thick enough to retain greater durability than clear bodies.

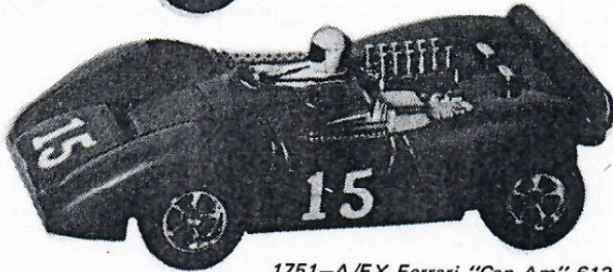
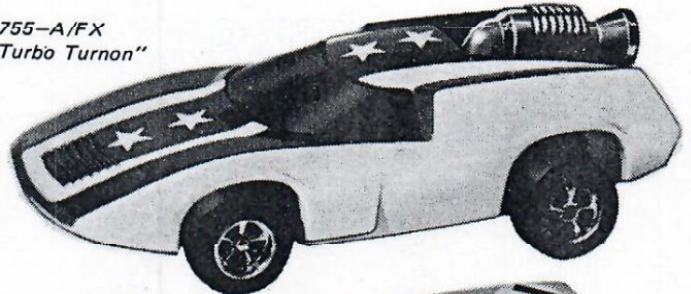
They're carefully painted in outasite colors and designs. And you'll really flip over the fabulous selection of body styles. Shown here are No. 1751 Ferrari Can Am 612, No. 1752 Auto World McLaren XLR (Oscar Koveleski's famous Car 54 in HO!), No. 1755 "Turbo Turnon", No. 1756 Trans Am Camaro Z-28 and No. 1757 Porsche 917. There's also the '71 Plymouth Cuda Funny, (No. 1758), '71 Vega Van Gasser (No. 1759), Dodge Daytona Charger (No. 1753), "Too Much", a twin-engine job (No. 1754), and a '57 Chevy Nomad wagon (No. 1760)!

Uh—Huh... Here is where it's at — and A/FX are HERE!

1756-A/FX "Trans Am"
Camaro Z-28



1755-A/FX
"Turbo Turnon"



1751-A/FX Ferrari "Can Am" 612



1757-A/FX Porsche 917

MAKE IT EASY ON YOURSELF... HELP US GIVE YOU FASTER SERVICE

The Biggest Aim at Big A is to please Miniature Racers. We start by producing the highest quality Model Motoring equipment, then keep it up to the minute by constantly vigilant research and development — and we don't stop there... We care enough to offer a nationwide network of Aurora Service Centers, backed up by the services of the Model Motoring Headquarters Staff.

Now, the IMRC News Staff can't take care of orders and requests for repairs; and the Big A Service Department can't handle IMRC mail. So, to get your mail directly to the right people, we

have separate addresses — just to serve you a little easier, a little faster, a little better...

BUT — you have to do YOUR part to help make it easy on yourself — or all our efforts are wasted. To avoid unnecessary delay in service and possible loss of equipment sent by mail for repairs, all you have to do is: 1. Write or print your message and address clearly. 2. Include your full return address and zip code in your letter, as well as on the envelope (sometimes, envelopes get mutilated or separated from letters). And 3. Be sure your mail is properly addressed: FOR IMRC NEWS, use the address shown in this newsletter; ORDERS and requests for REPAIRS TO EQUIPMENT should be addressed to: Aurora Products Corp., Customer Service Department, 44 Cherry Valley Road, West Hempstead, New York, 11552.

MODEL MOTORING QUIZ PAGE

BETTER PRIZES, MORE ENTRIES IN M.M. QUIZ NO. 2
AND THE GOIN' GETS ROUGHER 'N TOUGHER

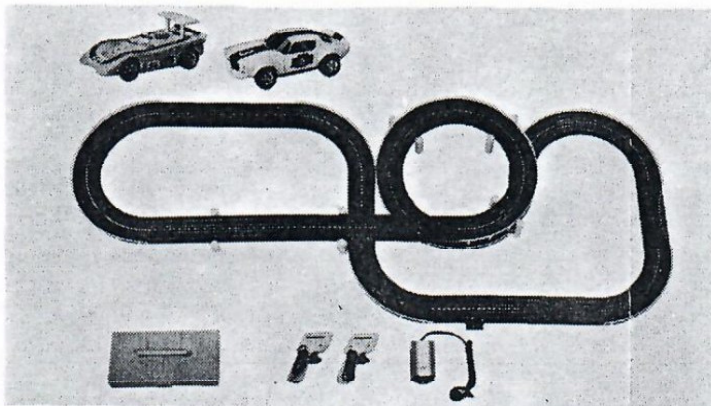
LUCKY SIX OUT OF MORE THAN 2,500

That's right . . . Within a ten day period — just 10 days after the last IMRC News was delivered — the IMRC Staff was swamped with over 2,500 entries in Model Motoring Quiz No. 2!

Based on the postmark dates and time and adjusted for Aurora's

IMRC mailing schedule, the first six correct answers received were submitted by Jim Jasensky of Madison, Wisc.; Richard Peterson, Jr. of Maynard, Mass.; Brian Uerling of Hastings, Nebr.; Jose R. Maradiaga of Hialeah, Fla.; Kerry I. Ridley of Buffalo, Wyo.; and David P. Lynn of Saratoga, Cal.

What were their prizes? You already know, if you had the correct



The PIT ROW SPECIAL Model Motoring A/FX Race Set (NO. 1328), with a pair of high performance A/FX cars, matched A/FX Russkit speed controls, special 8-car pit-kit carrying case, screwdriver, A/FX sponge tires, A/FX king-sized hubs, A/FX plated pick-up shoes, A/FX brushes, racing oil, A/FX hop-up instructions; and crisscross, squeeze, corner crossover and cobblestones included in 189 inches of track, went to each of those six lucky winners.

Pencils ready to try for the next big win? Here comes No. 3!

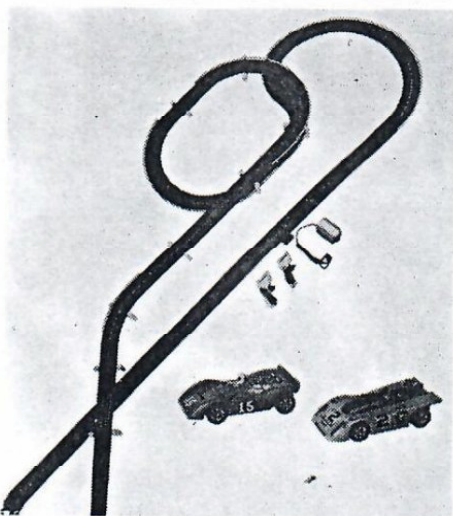
ANSWER TO MODEL MOTORING QUIZ NO. 2

1. [P]ower
2. [I]nternational Wrecker
3. [T]uff Ones
4. [R]usskit
5. [O]ut
6. [W]iggle Track
7. [S]tewart
8. [P]it Kit
9. [E]d Sullivan Show
10. [C]hampionship 500
11. [I]ron
12. [A]utomatic
13. [L]oop the Loop

MODEL MOTORING QUIZ NO. 3

Those 2,500 entries and a muscle-bound mailman tell us that Model Motoring Quiz No. 2 was still too easy. So, this time, it's really tough! Only one hint . . . The first letters of the answers, when read straight down, spell out one of Aurora's advertising slogans.

The Prizes? The first six correct answers we receive (based on the postmark date and time of mailing) will win brand new A/FX "Rally Whip" Race Sets. It's the one that features a giant 7 foot long straightaway and a 225-degree deep-dished monza banked curve. Judges' decision will be final.



To find the answers, fill in the blanks in the sentences below. The number of dashes indicates numbers of letters in each word; spaces between series of dashes indicate separate words. As soon as you've completed them (but no later than June 15, 1971), copy only your answers, numbering them and bracketing the first letter of each (as in the answers to Quiz No. 2, above), on a separate piece of paper; add your name, address, zip and IMRC No.; and mail your entry to: MODEL MOTORING QUIZ NO. 3, IMRC NEWS, AURORA PRODUCTS CORP., P.O. BOX 250, HICKSVILLE, N.Y. 11801.

- 1.) "___" is one of the two futuristic A/FX cars.
- 2.) The _____ replaces the hop-up kit in the new A/FX line.
- 3.) The _____ is No. 1429.
- 4.) The _____ "ends confusion; tells how far you've gone, and who got there first".
- 5.) There's new _____ guard rail in the 1971 "24 hours of LeMans" race set.
- 6.) "___" stands for "experimental" in drag racing.
- 7.) _____ is the sponsor of the real version of the new A/FX McLaren XLR.
- 8.) The magnets in the A/FX cars are _____ oriented.
- 9.) The A/FX "Monster" 4-lane race set uses the DC-2 for _____.
- 10.) The _____ is a feature of the new snowmobile set that sends 'em flying.
- 11.) Chromed _____ are a feature of Aurora's new super modified roadster.
- 12.) _____ is the A/FX set with a layout size of 42" x 115".
- 13.) New for '71 . . . "Sand Van" Dune Buggies with headlights, an Aurora _____.

The correct answers and the names of the six lucky Members who win one of these complete Aurora Model Motoring Sets will appear in the next issue of IMRC News.

ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN JUNE 15, 1971.

HANG IT UP!

Ever since Model Motoring made the scene, Miniature Racers have been looking for a better way to keep layouts in places where space is limited. And the number of ingenious solutions they've come up with is endless — from a layout permanently installed in an undersized closet under the stairs, to one which can be raised on a pulley system to the rafters of a garage to allow room for the family car.

But all of those solutions require the investment of a certain amount of money, plus the building time and skill. So what do you do if you don't have the money, the time, or the skill?

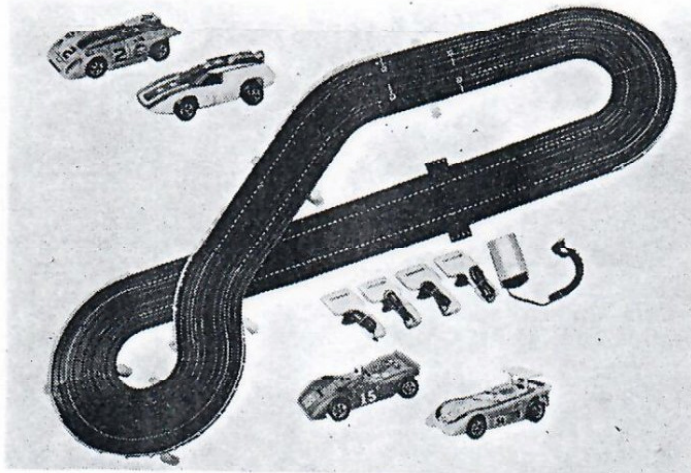
Probably because it's so obvious, the fastest, simplest and least expensive solution has been completely overlooked. All Aurora Model Motoring Race Sets, from the challenging California Oval to the superfast Rally Whip, are equipped with Aurora horse shoe track connector clips. These standard connectors were designed with a unique positive locking action. So, once you've got your layout set up the way you want it, here's how to put it away in two minutes . . .

HANG IT UP!

That's right; just like a jacket . . . Simply pick up your entire track unit with care (it's locked together, so it can't come apart) and hang the whole layout on a nail in the back of a closet or on a hook against the basement wall.

Then, when the urge hits you to get in some lap time, all you have to do is take your layout down, put the bridge beams and trestle posts in place, attach the wires and you're off and running.

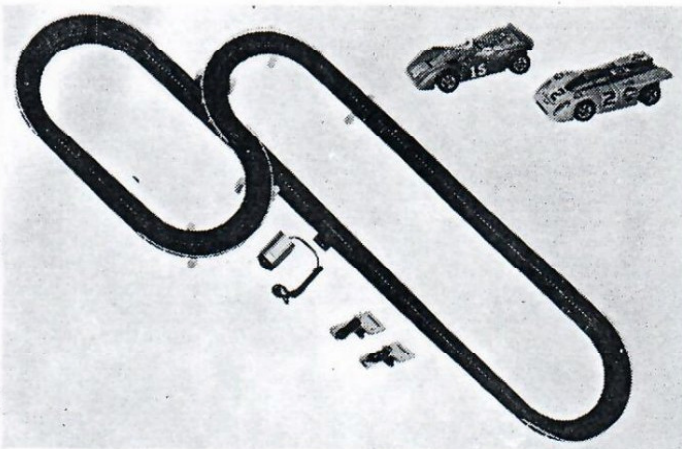
If you happen to have a super king-size layout, pull out two locks, so the layout comes apart in the middle, and use the same system for storage. Then like getting your jacket down off a hook, it'll only take you a couple of minutes, at the most, to get into action!



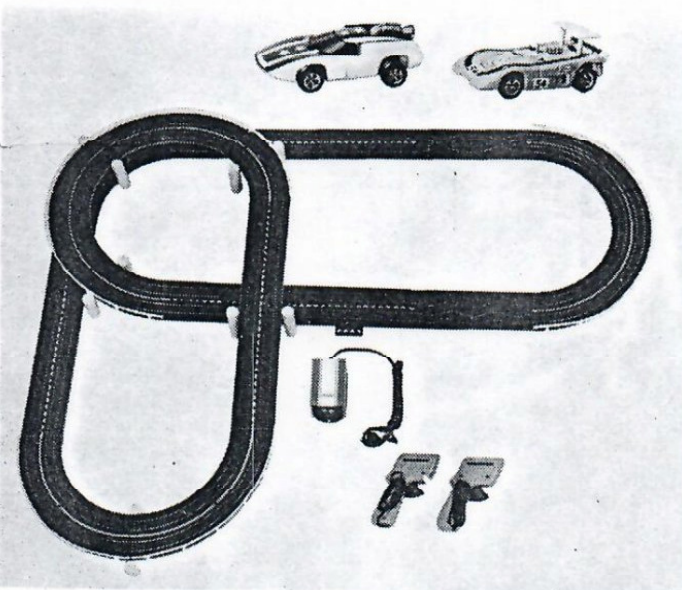
No. 1332 M.M. A/FX "MONSTER" 4-LANE RACE SET — 30" x 63" layout (22' track); four lanes wide, 4 "outasite" A/FX race cars, 4 A/FX-Russkit trigger action speed controls, 4 lap counters.

or HOW TO SOLVE THE OLD SPACE PROBLEM

with Space-Age efficiency



No. 1329 M.M. A/FX "MONZA TWIN" RACE SET — 33" x 78" layout; 2 superfast A/FX race cars, 2 deep dish 180-degree high banked Monza curves, 15" long straights for the all-out "lead food" speed demon.



No. 1327 M.M. A/FX "CALIFORNIA OVAL" RACE SET — 36" x 46" layout (over 6' of track); 2 A/FX cars, 2-level course with wiggle and doublecross.

CORRESPONDENT'S CORNER

Got a hot tip for Model Motoring? — Or want to comment on just about anything in the World of Miniature Racing? Send it to: CORRESPONDENT'S CORNER, IMRC NEWS.

BUILD A LAYOUT? SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCE

I'm planning on building an HO layout with mountains, scenery, and lots of detailing. If any of you club members have built one, would you please send me some tips and secrets about it? I would really appreciate it. — Bob Klaus, 3452 N.W. 36th Place, Gainesville, Fla. 32601.

EDITOR'S NOTE: While Bob's letter didn't exactly fit the definition of "Correspondent's Corner", we commend him for taking the initiative to use this feature to his advantage. That's what IMRC News is all about! So, come on, IMRC Members . . . The rest of you must have something to say — or ask . . . Whatever it is, lay it on us!

IMRC PALS

Want to exchange views with other International Miniature Racing Club Members? The Members listed below would like to hear from you . . .

Steve Chandler, age 13, 5109 Walnut, Des Moines, Iowa 50317
Serafin Sanchez, age 12, 2834 Lakeview Dr., Fergus Falls, Minn. 56537
Michael Snyder, age 13, 140 River Drive Ave., Pennsville, N.J. 08070

Stephen Dudak, age 11, 713 Dewey Ave., Galena, Ill. 61036
Baxter Appel, 309 North Washington, Scott City, Kansas 67871

If you enjoy corresponding with others who share your interests in Model Motoring, and would like your name listed here in a future issue, just send your name, age, and address to IMRC PALS DEPT., IMRC NEWS.

IMRC SPOTLIGHT

Last-minute comments on the latest word from Big A; Model Motoring People and Products; IMRC Members; What's coming in IMRC News; and What's Happening in the Miniature Racing World ...



NEW MODEL MOTORING DUNE RACERS

— These wild winners from Big A are California styled with Cathedral rear windows, "T" top, detailed engine and custom candy panelled paint job; superfat sponges for dune digging performance. Look for No. 1483 Sand Van Dune Buggy; or No. 1496 Flamethrower Sand Van, with real headlights to light up the darkest dunes for dessert night racing.

BIG A WINNERS IN "HOMIR" FLYING MILE

At Hobby Masters, home of "HOMIR" (HO Mail In Racing), There's an Official National Record Race every month — the 1/4 Mile Drags one month, Flying Mile the next. Anyone with an HO car is eligible to enter. Even if you don't win, regular "HOMIR" time record ribbons, showing your official elapsed time, are awarded to every car that completes its race, along with "Ted's Tips", personal notes from Ted Johnson which tell you how to improve your car.

Big A winners in HOMIR's February Flying Mile event were as follows:

Class 1A — Factory Stock

First — Fred Kutlik, St. Louis, Mo. — Aurora Mustang — 7.21 secs., 500 scale mph.

Class 2A — Factory Modified — Steven DeCeszczak, Passumpsio, Vt. — Aurora Chapparral — 4.62 secs., 779 scale mph.

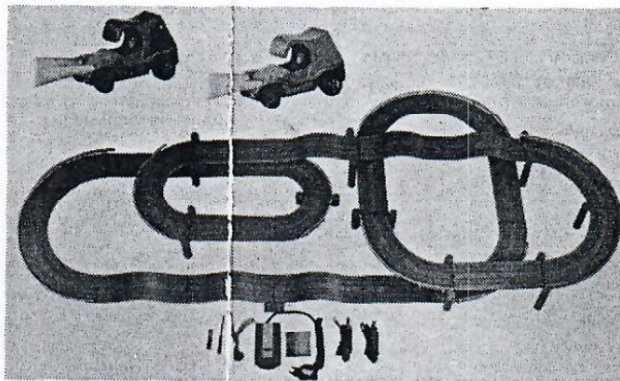
Class 1B — Factory Stock & Modified — Walter Makkey, Allentown, N.J. — Aurora Strip Blazer with clear plastic drag body — 2.59 secs., 1400 scale mph.

SPECIAL LIMITED OFFER TO IMRC MEMBERS ONLY! OFFICIAL "HOMIR" RULES & REGULATIONS HANDBOOK

Complete information on HO Mail In Racing at Hobby Masters, plus the racing rules and regulations, are available in the Official "HOMIR" Rules & Regulations Handbook (25¢ per copy).

For a limited time, Ted Johnson of Hobby Masters has agreed to supply this handbook, free of charge, to all IMRC Members who send a 6¢ stamp (for 3rd class mail; send 12¢ in stamps for 1st class), along with their name, IMRC No., and complete address to: HOBBY MASTERS, home of "HOMIR", DEPT. IMRC, P.O. BOX 6114, MONROE, LA. 71201.

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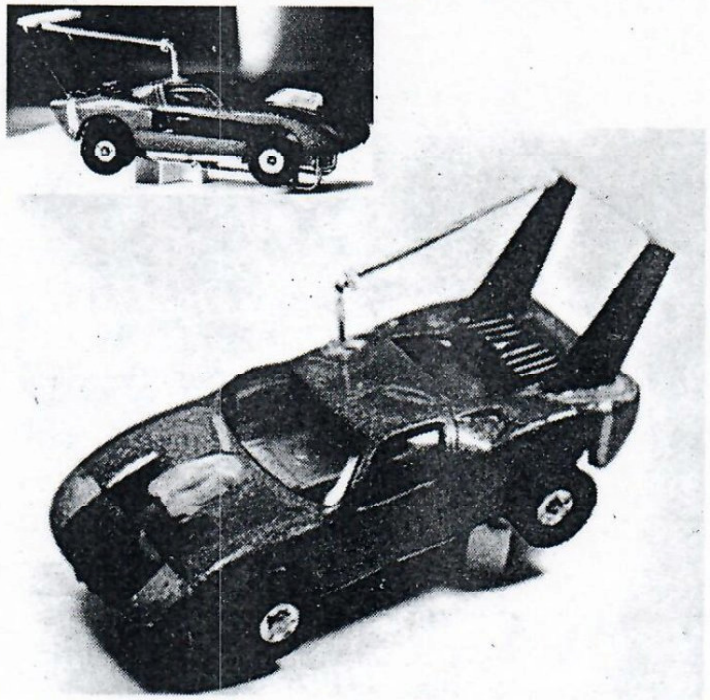
No. 1333 M.M. FLAMETHROWER "RED DUNES" RACE SET — 29" x 65" layout (over 20' of track); 2 custom-painted Flamethrower "Sand Van" Buggies with real headlights for day and night racing, twisty sand-colored track with 6 ride-em-rough dunes.

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SUPERDETAILERS SHOWCASE



This wildie, submitted by Sanford Lewis (age 18), IMRC 9988, of North St. Paul, Minn., is equipped with silver pickups, silver comm brushes, silver brush springs, nylon idler gear, wide sponge rears, free-spinning fronts and super strong magnets. Spoiler was built from parts of the Aurora International Wrecker and scrap plastic, hood scoop from an HO airplane cockpit canopy, spoiler adjusting rod from part of 1/24 steering assembly, exhaust pipes of wire insulation. Finish is red with gold specks and gold "Bumblebee" stripe, with black partial stripe on right side.