

News



NEW ARRIVAL!! Dromida BX4.18
1/18 scale electric

Hard to believe but Christmas is just around the corner. I know that we have not even been through Thanksgiving yet, but here in “retail land” we are busy stocking and preparing for the holiday season. Last month I mentioned that we are well-stocked for the plastic modelers and model railroaders (well, except for track – still hard to get) we now have a nice selection of helicopters and quad-copters for those flyers that are moving indoors for the winter.

And we have not forgotten you R/C car enthusiasts! Last issue we talked about some new offerings from Revell that arrived, and this month we have the Dromidas arriving. These are 1/18 scale cars, trucks, and buggies also from Revell. They are Ready-to-run 4WD vehicles that are affordably priced and will make great Christmas gifts.

We are also busy selecting stock for the Black Friday sale. I can't tell you what the items will be yet, but we will have some very cool stuff (some you fly, some you drive, some you build) from all areas of the shop! We will open early on Black Friday (8 am) and stay open late (9 pm), so stop by and check us out. We will be closed Thanksgiving Day.

Current Events

- Our new seasonal hours are M-F 10am – 7 pm, Sat. 10am – 6 pm, Sun 12pm - 5pm
- Use our layaway program to get a head start on Christmas. No fees. 25% down and final pay due on 12/15. Sorry, Black Friday items not eligible for layaway.
- Gift cards! They make perfect gifts and let that special someone know you cared enough to give the very best! Or let that special someone know that you would like one for yourself!!
- Black Friday, Nov 29th. Mark your calendar and stay tuned.



NEW ARRIVAL!! LaTrax Alias
\$149.99!

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NEW ARRIVALS

The Axe 100 FP's fixed pitch rotor head and TAGS (Triple Axis Gyro Stabilization) are designed for forgiving flight. It's a compact, stable heli that comes fully assembled. A 2.4 GHz SLT radio and LiPo battery give you all the agility you need to fly indoors or out. With the Axe 100 FP, there's nothing to keep you from flying right now!



Heli-Max Axe 100 RTF

Estes' Proto X is lightweight, affordably priced, easy-to-fly and ready-to-fly; in other words, the season's must-have Quadcopter! The Proto X is impressively equipped and stylishly designed, with virtually everything you need to get up in the air. Simply add two "AA" batteries, and you're ready for takeoff! And it's small. The body is the size of a quarter!! But multiple LEDs make this tiny quad easy to see and fun to operate.



Estes Proto X

We also have many new model kits, including an expanded lineup of Sci-Fi related kits. Just arrived are the Aerial HK Machine from T2 Judgement Day, the Colonial Viper from Battlestar Galactica, and the Enterprise NX-01 Refit Kit. We are also expanding our truck models and have the Peterbilt 359 Wrecker, the Kenworth W-900 Conventional, and the International Transtar 4300 among the many new arrivals.

High Ball by Don Riordan

Last month we talked about the various scales available to the model railroader (Z, N, HO, O, and G). This month we will focus on what scale means.

Scale is the ratio of the model to the real thing or 'prototype'. Scale implies that it is a scaled down version of the real thing.

N is the smallest of the mainstream scales. It is 1:160 of the real size. N has grown quickly in popularity. Due to its size, N Scale allows for more complex and realistic layouts in limited space. Curves can be made much more gradual. You can get about twice the layout in the same space as HO – more bang for your buck!

HO is 1:87.1 the real size. It is by far the most popular modeling scale, and there are tons of track, rolling stock, and accessories to choose from. Anything you can dream of is available. This scale lends itself well to great detailing, which is a part of the hobby that appeals to many modelers.

O is 1:48 the real size. O Scale is what many folks think about when Train Sets come to mind. Due to its size, engines and rolling stock can be made to look very realistic. Also, because of its size, it is easier for children to operate and older people to work with. There are many great accessories for O scale, many of which are animated or light up. This makes a great Christmas present or looks great running around the tree!

G is 1:22.5 the real size. G Scale, sometimes referred to as "Garden Scale" is ideal for running around the Christmas Tree or outside. It is very easy for children to operate because they very rarely derail. Much of the equipment made in G Scale is suitable for use outside in a Garden Railroad. G Scale requires even more space than does O Scale. Quality engines, rolling stock, track, and accessories are available. LGB is the most well known brand in G scale, but Bachmann, Aristocraft, USA Trains, and Hartland are also very good brands.

Next month we will focus on track options for your layout.

"Hogger – slang term for an engineer."

Finally, we'd like to thank you, our customers, friends and mentors, for your help, advice, and loyalty this year. Happy Thanksgiving from our shop to your home!

**"WHERE THE BIG BOYS
(AND GIRLS) GO TO PLAY."**