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Let's see, we've featured a Hemi-powered barbeque pit, rocket-powered wheelchair and a V-8 chain saw in previous editions of *ALCN* but this one may take the cake. Please extend a warm welcome the "World's Fastest Toilet." Inventor Paul Stender redefines the term "boldly go where no man has ever gone before" with his 1,000 hp / 70 mph throne. What you don't see is the jet engine mounted on a go-kart frame (!). More pix and video at:

http://gizmodo.com/gadgets/gadgets/worldsfastest-toilet-is-jet+propelled-not-powered-byfarts-257692.php.



This month's *ALCN* is brought to you by *Captain*Leonardo Correa Luna, his new Isetta cabriolet and his usual outstanding photographic work. And he had plenty to snap off this time.



Here's what Leo's cabrio looked like in its former life.



We could devote an entire edition to the pix Leo sent us. This is one well-documented Isetta and an absolutely beautiful factory-spec restoration.







These before-and-after shots are ones that probably take more than a few of you back to the day you had to deal with this. A lot of work but the results are worth it.



The above shot was taken through the windshield on its maiden test drive just before he got to the proverbial fork-in-the-road. (Sometimes these things just write themselves.)





Beautiful!



And this would be a 1932 Helicron, a French experimental car. The abbreviated rudder can be seen at the far right side of the pic. It gives one the impression that Chris Craft, the Wright brothers and Henry Ford all had a say in this one.



The folks at Microcar (yep, it's a real company over yonder in The Netherlands) got yet another great crash test on film for us. After you watch this thing get totally trashed in slow motion at ...

http://youtube.com/watch?v=Vz7wUPwbA-Y

... you can check out the Microcar site at ...

http://www.microcar.nl/

and then head over to the Ligier site at ...

http://www.ligier-automobiles.com/



As usual, Wayne Graefen is on top of what's happening out there. Sooner or later, anyone who's scooping jet-powered outhouses is going to come up with yet another wild barbeque pit. This time, it's a Catepillar diesel unit. Nice rocker-arm-to-burner-knob conversion. You get the impression that the owner punches a time clock at the Cat factory.



Speaking of being on top of it. Scott Insensee keeps sending us all sorts of interesting things. This time, it's a La-Z-Boy Racing Recliner. For \$3,000 (gas motor variant), you too can own one. Top speed is 40 mph in this one, 7 mph in the electric model. For more on electric furniture racing, check out:

http://cmeyers.boilerbots.com/chair.html

Well, we've got enough stuff you've all sent in to make a serious dent in the July edition. That having been said, keep it comin' this way and let us know what goes on out there ... BF / brucef@austin.rr.com