



A LITTLE CAR NEWS

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We can't say Thanks! enough to our West Coast associate, **Jeff Loughridge**, for his efforts in helping get each and every issue out. You may remember from past *ALCNs* Jeff is the sole proprietor of **Boogerballs** Web site. It's chock full of a growing family of all sorts of car stuff, like this 'Schmitt poster. He's added a blog you need to check out at www.boogerballs.blogspot.com.

And check out the 275 pound Volugrafo Bimbo!



For several editions, we've been reporting on the progress of **Richard Lewis** and his rally *Isetta*. After the obligatory run-around by at least one body shop, looks like Mr. Lewis has finally found the right guy. Next time, the finished product!



That's one of Jeff's new graphics at the top of this page, the Cyclops. www.boogerballs.com.



As long as we're on a graphics roll this month, Jeff's friend, **John Golden**, cranks out some pretty slick stuff. The link to John's site is listed on Jeff's Boogerball Blog mentioned on Page One. If you like robots and ray guns, this is for you!

Re-entering the earth's atmosphere for a while, we got another pop from **Dave Major**. From the looks of things, he not only finished his Isetta but wasted no time in raking in a trophy on the car's first outing at the **Darryl Starbird Rod & Custom Show in Wichita, Kansas**. As usual, thanks for sending these great pix along, Dave!



Here's more from the Starbird show ... this time a seriously flamed Mini.



The three wheelers managed to sneak in the crowd along with Ed "Big Daddy" Roth's Beatnik Bandit and the Car Craft Magazine "Big T". Anyone build a model of that one back when? Or a Visible V-8? (The peeps nixed the Visible Woman). If you're inclined to get into *visible-mode*, check out www.einsteins-emporium.com (Science section) for all kinds of neat stuff.



Remember the *other* Aerocar from the Duncanville show several years ago? Who else but Dave is the new owner?! The new body sits in the background pending a swap-out with the current beat up unit. **Airsetta** is going to get a complete once-over and shown around the USA when done. Caging up that Lycoming motor is part of the job.



What we have here is being billed as the **World's Fastest Go-Kart, the Ariel Atom**. This tube frame pup is powered by a blown Honda Civic motor cranking out 300+ HP. Horsepower-to-weight is better than a Ferrari Enzo at a *lot* less money. Zero-to-sixty in 2.9 seconds. Check it out at www.arielmotor.co.uk. \$30K'ish, suede steering wheel cover included.



Look vaguely familiar? The artist formerly known as **Bruce Fullerton's Isetta**, now owned by **Robert Goldstein** in Milwaukee, is spending the winter inside. In the meanwhile, it got a new exterior luggage rack, Euro plates and (if you look real hard) a pair of fuzzy dice. Oops, forgot about that chrome exhaust tip.



Kenneth Winter shot this pic of his first heavy haul up in **Tazewell, Tennessee**. He can probably get every Isetta in the state on this dude.



Moving towards closure for this month's edition, we offer up this satellite photo of the "Oz Flying Car". Hmmmm....



These cars were flying too. **Firemarshal Bill Waite** sends us this lineup shot from the Mini club's pre-Spring run up **Chuckanut Drive** towards Bellington, Washington. These Puget Sound guys have all the winding roads down pat. That's "Limey" in the foreground.



Wayne Graefen reminds us to be careful out there. We need you back next month ... BF at brucef@austin.rr.com.