

# National Toy Truck 'N Construction Show



August 6-8



**A**fter noting its 30th year with a virtual show and auction, thanks to COVID-19, the 31st Annual National Toy Truck 'N Construction Show will be held Aug. 6, 7 and 8 at Wyndham Indianapolis West, 2544 Executive Drive in Indianapolis, Ind.

Last year's plan to hold the National Toy Truck 'N Construction Show was altered, due to the worldwide pandemic, but an in-person event is set for 2021.

"I'm really excited about this show," said Cathy Scheibe, publisher of the sponsoring *Toy Trucker & Contractor* magazine. "We are working on several new features."

About 50 vendors and several manufacturers will set up for this year's show, which features a variety of collectible trucks and construction toys (farm toys, Beanie Babies, Barbies or other dolls are not allowed).

**By Debbie Behne**



# Model Build-off!



Dean Reissen of DC Toy Trucks has agreed to sponsor the trophies for the National Toy Truck and Construction Show 1/64th scale build off. In addition, he is donating a Damon Montague Tribute Truck for each first place winner. Big thanks to Dean for his generosity.

General admission will be charged during show hours, set for Friday from noon to 6 p.m., Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The cost for adults is \$10 for all three days of the show; children ages 12 and younger are free with a paying adult.

The 2021 show truck is a Knife River Kenworth T880 with quad-axle dump, dolly and rogue tandem axle and a transfer dump trailer in 1/64 scale. DCP by First Gear is producing the model, which is approximately 13.75 inches long. It features die-cast and ABS construction, front steerable wheels, a dump box with operating dump motion, opening hood with detailed engine, transfer dolly and transfer dolly drawbar to connect the dolly to the truck's dump rear.

The dump box will have a stationary rolled-up tarp simulation, although nonfunctional in a set position. The transfer dump bed will set on a transfer frame. The transfer bed will slide into the dump bed by hand manipulation.

The show model is sold by pre-order only and will not be available for sale at the August show. For more information, see <https://www.toytrucker.com>.

Special guests at this year's show will be owners of Suburban Towing Inc. Peterbilt 389, the 2020 show tractor in 1/64 scale and the real truck will be there on Saturday.

The 2021 Indy Toy Truck Build-Off is being planned again this year with details available on the website or at the show. Registration is typically from 9:30 a.m. to noon, with judging and awards to follow. Each en-

\* The 1/64 scale Rocket truck races will be in the back parking lot Friday night at 8:30 p.m., Saturday night if rained out Friday.

\* Rocket engines and first prize trophy will be sponsored by Toy Trucks and More.



# Let's go Racing!



try must be the sole work of the contestant entering the build although any that placed in previous years cannot be entered. Two entries are allowed per class. Builds need to be registered at the show.

In the past, classes have included Working Combo, Working Bobtail, Antique Combo, Antique Bobtail, Show Combo, Show Bobtail, Straight, Heavy Haul (can't exceed 48 inches), Working Combo/ Working Bobtail (everyday work trucks, company or O/O no show trucks), Antique Combo/ Antique Bobtail: 1985 and older; Show Combo/ Show Bobtail (any truck typically found at a truck show) and Working Straight (everyday straight trucks such as tow trucks or cement trucks).

Trophies will be presented to first and second place winners, while those placing third will receive gift certificates. Also to be presented will be the David Beasley Premier Builder and the People's Choice awards. Dean and Carol Riessen of DC Toy Trucks are the sponsors of these awards.

An auction was planned for the show but it was decided there was not enough time to secure consignments and advertise them before the show. The next year will be dedicated to re-examining this event with input solicited from those attending.

The show, now in its 31st year, followed talk about a publication devoted to the toy truck hobby between Claire Scheibe (publisher of *Toy Farmer*) and Gary Anderson in the *Toy Farmer* office in the early 1980s. The result was *American Toy Trucker*, a newsletter, with Gary as the newsletter's publisher from 1983 to 1986. In July 1986, Dennis and Marge Lowry purchased the publication from Gary. In 1990, Claire and Cathy Scheibe took over the *American Toy Trucker* and changed the name to the *Toy Trucker & Contractor* magazine. The first issue was released in March 1990.

The Scheibes, who had experience with hosting the National Farm Toy Show (sponsored by *Toy Farmer*), started the annual National Toy Truck 'N Construction show that spotlighted die-cast truck manufacturers, along with toy dealers and custom truck builders.

At first, the event alternated show sites between Dyersville, Iowa, and Rochester, N.Y.—back when Ertl was still producing trucks in Dyersville and Winross made trucks in Rochester. For the past several years, it has been held in Indianapolis—except for 2017, when it made a one year

return to Dyersville.

The National Toy Truck 'N Construction Show usually draws collectors from around the world, who get a chance to talk to representatives from many of the die-cast companies which produce the collectible replicas, as well as families who appreciate the friendly atmosphere and various events featured at the show.

For more information about the show or its featured model, call the *Toy Trucker & Contractor* magazine at 800-533-8293 or 701-883-5206 or visit [www.toytrucker.com](http://www.toytrucker.com). **TT&C**

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