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## CLASSIC CARLECTABLES Old School Legends

1:18



(item #18604)

Selecting 'Sensational Seventies' on the time machine dial takes us back to the heady days of that decade's early years, when big, brutish tintops battled it out for the Australian Touring Car Championship. Competing in the third round of the 1972 ATCC at Mount Panorama in Bathurst on April 3 (not to be confused with the Hardie-Ferodo 500 enduro in October that year) was Aussie racing legend Norm Beechey in his #15 Holden HT



350 GTS Monaro. Unfortunately, 'Stormin' Norman' retired from the race with a broken gearbox, but you can own this excellent, superbly detailed 1:18 diecast replica with 'openings' aplenty (item #18604). It's due for release in October in a 750-piece limited edition priced at \$259 and you can also read the feature article included within this issue. Although not as high-profile as the Holden and Ford ATCC entries of that era was the Grace Brothers Racing #1 Valiant VH Charger campaigned in the 1973 ATCC, to joint eighth place in the overall points standings, by Ian 'Pete' Geoghegan (item #18614). Also priced at \$259 in the same scale, this 500-piece limited edition is scheduled for a Q4/2016 release.



(item #18614)

## CLASSIC CARLECTABLES 888 Race Cars

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(item #18609)

(item #18608)

(item #18610)

Two Team Red Bull Racing Australia Holden VF Commodore V8 Supercars lead the pack in this presentation of new 1:18 releases from Classic Carlectables. First, the #97 car of Shane van Gisbergen (item #18609), then Jamie Whincup's #88 VF (item #18608). Both are 750-piece limited editions, priced at \$175 each, and should be available now. Next, in the eye-catching livery of the

new Team Vortex launched by Caltex in conjunction with V8 Supercars ace Craig Lowndes is the #888 Holden VF Commodore V8 Supercar commemorating Lowndes' '251 Race Starts' (item #18610). A 2000-piece limited edition, this beauty is also priced at \$175 and due soon if not already on your stockist's shelves.

## CLASSIC CARLECTABLES Muscle Machines

1:18



(item #18543)



(item #18615)

Aussie Holden/Ford muscle car rivalry from the '70s doesn't get much better than this with two collectable classics from Classic Carlectables, both in 1:18 diecast. Firing the first shot for the 'General' is a Holden HZ GTS four-door sedan with lots of bodykit goodies in a stunning shade of Super Mint Metallic

(item #18543). This 1000-piece limited edition priced at \$259 is scheduled for a Q1/2017 release. Roaring up to the plate on behalf of the 'Blue Oval' comes a Ford XA Falcon RPO83 Sedan in Polar White (item #18615). Limited to 600 pieces, also priced at \$259, this model is due for release in Q4/2016.

## CONRAD Mass Movers

1:50



(item #2946/02)

(item #2107/06)

(item #2941/02)

(item #75156/0-98004)

In 1:50 diecast is this miscellany of moving machinery from Conrad, beginning with the Liebherr A 920 Hydraulic excavator with backhoe and clamshell bucket in Georg Bieber corporate livery (item #2946/02), priced at \$175. Next, the Merkel Edition of the Terex AC100/4L Telescopic mobile crane (item #2107/06), selling for \$300. Another

Liebherr in miniature is the R9100 Crawler excavator with backhoe bucket in Yellow corporate livery (item #2941/02), tagged at \$225. Finally, the MAN TGS 3-axle Euro 5 truck with recycling trough in Wörmann corporate livery (item #75156/0-98004) with a \$185 price tag. All are available now.

## CMC Reborn Blue Wonder

1:18



(item #M-143)

In 1954 and 1955, when Mercedes-Benz enjoyed a brief but spectacularly successful return to international motor racing after World War II, its eye-catching W196 Formula One Grand Prix racers and 300 SLR sports/racing cars were almost outshone in the paddocks by another remarkable Mercedes-Benz vehicle. That other 'Merc', nicknamed 'Blue Wonder', was a one-off transport truck, powered by a six-cylinder 300 SL engine, used for 'piggy-backing' the all-conquering 'Silver Arrows' F1 cars and 300 SLRs between factory and race venues. CMC has reprised its outstanding 1:18 diecast replica of the Mercedes-Benz 'Renntourer', released several years ago, with a revised, more accurate version in the same scale, featuring enhancements and other details discovered in Mercedes-Benz archives (item #M-143). Some of those features on the new model

include: chromed wheel covers; chromed stone guards on rear mudguards; rear number plate illumination comprising two reflectors; auxiliary driving lights with orange lenses; and German national 'D' oval touring plate on rear bumper bar. Priced at \$695, the 'New Blue Wonder' from CMC is available now at [www.diecastmodelcarsales.com](http://www.diecastmodelcarsales.com) or at better hobby shops throughout Australia and New Zealand.

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## COOEE CLASSICS Cool Classics

1:64

(item #CC.139)



What could say 'Aussie fun on four wheels' better than this tiny trio in 1:64 diecast from Cooee Classics? Representing the 'Blue Oval' is a 1969 Ford XW Surferoo Ute in Surfer Orange (item #CC.139). From the 'General',



two examples of the 1974 Holden HQ: Sandman Panel Van in Sunburst Orange (item #CC.138); and Sandman Ute in Anniversary Silver (item #CC.137). Nicely finished and neatly decorated, each of these classics from the '60s and '70s is accessorised with a nifty little surfboard. Limited to 1000 pieces each, they are available now.

(item #CC.138)



(item #CC.137)



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