

3. Martin Brechbiel's Blacksmith Car



Ye Olde Blacksmith car, scratchbuilt, with details from Wiseman Model Service and figures from Aspen Modeling Co. and Artista festoon this car. The basic truss rod flat car with a full underbody brake system has an upper structure of scale lumber and red cedar planking from Kappler, with a rafter network that supports the forge exhaust vent. The water tank is scratch brass over a wood form with old Walther's rivet strips. Other bits & bobs on the car are out of the leftover parts box. This is actually the second blacksmith car I've built; the first was one of the cars that qualified me for my Master Builder-Cars certificate almost 20 years ago. *Martin Brechbiel, MMR*

