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3: The latest model from JCB is the

updated JS220 tracked excavator from

Motorart, which features better and more

realistic metal tracks and a correct cab

casting with roof window. The updated

A hammer is fitted to the stick to make this version a little more different.

graphics package is smart, while an opening top engine cover and replicated cab interior all add to the level of realism

This month Steven Downes reviews more new releases from Motorart, **Ros, Bymo, WSI and Conrad.**

1: The latest scale model from Motorart is the longawaited Volvo PL4611 tracked pipe-layer, which is featured elsewhere in this issue. Packed with good detailing, the model features photo-etched body panels with very fine grille detailing, a fully replicated cab interior and rugged linked metal tracks on tensioned track frames. The transport jacking system has been fully replicated on the model but, unfortunately, the track frames cannot be detached as they can on the real machine. The winch is also non-functioning, which is a let-down from Motorart.

2: Another recent release from Motorart is the updated A25E articulated dump truck, which has fine detailing throughout including an opening engine cover revealing the accurately replicated Volvo engine within. The cab interior has been accurately captured, and scaled handrails and access steps are added on both sides of the body. The rear suspension is functional, along with working articulating steering and a tipping dump bed.

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4: Ros have release a 1:50th-scale version of the Dieci Pegasus 360degree rotating telehandler, which replicates all the functionality of the full-size machine from the three-stage telescoping boom, opening engine compartment and cab interior to the quick coupler allowing either a lifting jib or work platform to be fitted. The four outriggers extend and lower, and both axles feature working steering and accurate rubber tyres.



6: Conrad has released a version of the 1:50th-scale Liebherr LR634 tracked loader in the livery of the German Heffner company. With linked metal tracks and functional rear ripper, the LR634 is highly detailed, including a replicated cab interior, self-fit hand rails with integrated rear-view mirrors and accurate movement of the loader arms and bucket.





5: Bymo has released a 1:50th-scale replica of the RTG RG21 piling hammer, which features a fully functioning extending boom with detailed hammer pack, complete with small securing chain and two metal piles. The undercarriage has extending track frames with tensioned and linked metal tracks for added stability while the main body has fine grille detailing cast into the body panels, including a detachable rear counterweight and replicated cab interior.

7: Another release from Conrad is the MAN TGX XXL four-axle prime mover with Goldhofer STZ-H6 extending deck trailer. perfect for transporting plant machinery. Detachable loading ramps are stored in the compartment beneath the trailer. Other details include extending bars to widen the deck, linked steering of the four rear axles and a detachable gooseneck. The model is finished in the silver decoration of Maximum GmbH.

8: WSI are well known for their haulage models and the latest release is a four-axle Nooteboom OSDS 58-04V semi low-loader trailer. An amazing level of detail throughout includes simulated wooden deck boards for extending the trailer's width, an extending frame with working steering of the axles and simulated suspension. Detachable loading ramps are supplied along with various accessory parts to change the configuration of the trailer. The prime mover is an Iveco Stralis 6x2, which is equally well detailed.