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## When X-chassis meets Club GT



The Chaser owners have a thing for vibrant colours.



You don't own a sports coupe if it's not blue or black.



What do you do when you are a member of Club GT and a part of the JZX community? Be present at Cantonment Railway Station on a windy February 21st afternoon that hosted the 2nd get-together of the X chassis community and the 8th anniversary meet up of one of the oldest car enthusiast club of the country, Club GT.

Like every year, the ever growing Club GT members got together for their yearly meet on the 21st to do one thing-talk cars. Obviously there were a lot of Toyotas, a couple of Hondas and Mitsus, and a one off Mazda and Nissan.

Needless to mention, in the last couple of years, a wild sensation has taken over some motor heads to indulge in X chassis projects entailing a X90/100 Chaser or MarkII and swapping in a JZ motor into it. The JZX platform's FR layout combined with a gem of this JZ turbo powerhouse can give you smiles paralleled to none other. Budget was never a constraint as you have a plethora of options from 2.5 liter 1JZ-GE N/A to 3.0 liter 2JZ-GTE Supra turbo madness, although a good balance of power, fun, budget and effort would be opting on the 2.5 liter 1JZ-GTE. In 2015, the X chassis community was still young and a few of them gathered around with their cars to discuss on improvements. This time around in 2016, the turnout was not so small any longer- around 20 cars turned up, one better and more unique than the other.

This week, back in the RWD jazz we captured along with some Club GT flair. For more story and high resolution photos, visit our site at [www.thedailystar.net/shift](http://www.thedailystar.net/shift).

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A clean example of a bulletproof 2nd gen 1JZ-GTE.



2ZZ-GE, 4A-GE, 3S-GE, 4E-FTE - the best of Toyota's FWD ponies.



Mitsu Lancer GSR with a 4G93T turbo that we quite fancy.

## MINI CARS, BIG MEET Die-cast Car Collector's Club Bangladesh meet 2016

Mutual interests bring people together like jungle creatures at a watering hole. There's mutual respect but for the right prey, there will be a bloodbath. Which roughly paints the picture of a scale model car collector's meet.

Last Friday (19 Feb 2016) was this year's first DCCCB meet-up of all its model collectors. The event hosted at Thai-Chi had a bigger turn-out than the last one as everybody's elbows regularly ended up in someone's camera lens. Elbows and cars were everywhere.

The event had something to do



with lunch but at 3, no one was wondering about food because the hunger was reserved for the display tables. Taimur Ali had his corner

reserved for ridiculously detailed 1:18 cars from ACME and Autoart. Right beside his was the husband-wife duo of Afsana and Fahim Afzal

highlighting two particular sets of cars all in 1:64 scale. Does anyone have a bigger collection of R32 and R34 Skylines in all the colors?

Rubab Momen who probably moonlights as a well-rounded Bat-Robin showed off a huge collection of Batmobiles. A big lot was probably just left back at home. Farhan Ahmed and Aasman displayed their hobby grade R/C cars that cost a sweet fortune to buy and run. Latter ran a Mark II bodied car for that added desi flavour. Tanzil Minhaj hosted among others an insane Pagani Zonda that

had most youngsters drooling. The older guys had their eyes riveted on things like the Autoart McLaren F1 of Fahim Rahman and Oyshy Enayet's Mercedes transporter which incidentally won best of show. Now I could go on and on about the cars. Or you could head to our site and check out all the pictures in all their glorious detail.

It wrapped off with a prize giving ceremony in which Saif Khan won hands down for his post apocalyptic Coronet Super Bee. Tanveer Kalam won for best photo based on most

likes, a category in which one of the senior members came as runner-up with an amazingly shot image of a scale model Supra doing a righteous burnout/donut.

For a listing of other categories, prizes won, cake eaten and so on, head to our site. Cars were displayed, many cars were sold and exchanged and people, especially the model customizers left gearing up for the next event.

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Afsana & Fahim's assorted candy of rubber tyred HW.



Care for a fast RC Mark 2 anyone?



Fahims Rahman's Autoart beauties with Farhan Ahmed's Hako.



Saif's restoration project featuring a classic MBX Jag XK.



Oyshy's best of show Mercedes transporter.



Brilliant classic transporter belonging to Rubab.



Taimur Ali's jaw dropping Lancia.