

# THE GOOD GUYS THE DRUG ENFORCEMENT AGENCY MIAMI HIGH SPEED CHASE BOAT



I purchased this model a long time ago after one of the Gloucester model boat shows, from a trader as a new unwanted kit at a very inexpensive price. It is called a (Villain IV) and comes from the USA manufactured in Taiwan from ABS plastic for TRAXXAS who are based in Dallas Texas.

It is a Deep-V hull and everything you need is in the box apart from the radio gear, only two channels are required. Again I do not know if this kit is still available today.

The Villain IVs dual gear drives features adjustable 2:1 gear reduction. A simple pinion gear change adjusts the ratio to suit your needs. The twin steerable outdrives direct the thrust from the high-performance surface-piercing propellers for instant steering response and superior control. The trim angle is adjustable, to precisely tune the Villains performance.

As mentioned in my script on the Bad Guys, I already had the above under construction and had decided to ignore the installation on the kit system, altering the internal layout to facilitate two eight cell Ni-mh batteries and two speed controllers, quite a lot of material was cut out, but I succeeded.

The motors provided in the kit are high performance Stinger Twenty turn ones, however I decide to install two 650 motors to match the other boat and at the same time give me a longer running time for the loss of a little speed. Knowing of course that I would have an eight cell pack on each motor, with two speed controllers to compensate, it all turned out quit well.

The electronic components are; Two Mtroniks 20amp revisable speed controllers, Futaba rudder servo, Futaba R2006GS 2.4Gig Receiver, after a recent update. Propellers were changed for Two Three bladed Alloy ones, once again from form Prop Shop.

All the decals the Stars and Stripes and other signs are made by my local industrial signs friend in quality vinyl so will last for many years. I also had to live up to my name yet again and ensure the craft had guns on it, so I created a crew of DEA agents ensuring they were all well armed.

Working features are just some magnetically attached, when required, Blue Flashing Police lights.

The boat is quite fast and my friend Tony and I used to run this model along with the Bad Guys in a combat scenario, to demonstrate and entertain the public. Therefore both craft have propeller scars on them from when we ran over each other, mad you might think but (Great Fun).

To my knowledge she is one of a kind in this livery. Hope you enjoy my efforts.  
Stan Robinson.

