



GOING PLACES



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Upcoming Events

October 2021 Edition

- Oct 2 Airmail Route Tour (Morlock)
- Oct 9 Ford's Garage Lunch (Prohaska)
- Oct 14 Membership Meeting - El Nopal National Road; 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 meeting
- Oct 16 Model A's and Hudsons (Dathe)
- Oct 30 Brown County Studio Tour (Diehn)
- Nov 6 Schwatzer's German Restaurant (Prohaska)



The first Model A was produced at the Rouge Plant on October 21, 1927. The A then went on sale to the public on December 2.

Photo credit: The Henry Ford

President's Report

By Ron Lawson



Hello Membership!

We will be having our October 14th membership meeting at the El Nopal Mexican Cuisine Restaurant. It is located at Hwy 31 and Central, at the old Sirloin Stockade Restaurant. Dinner at 5:30 pm meeting at 6:30 pm.



I want to thank Phil Sutton for planning the MAFFI Model A Day Tour. Also, Tim Howell for the stop off at Stan and Mary Sorrels.



The Tri-Club annual picnic at the Indiana Live Steamers. We had 13 model A's and 6 foreign cars. It was hot but, enjoyed by all who attended.

At the November membership meeting, you will be voting on the club officers. The Executive Board has appointed Tim Diehn, Larry Morlock, and John Prohaska to get a slate of officers for vote. If you want to be a board member or officer, be thinking about it and contact one of the club officers for nomination.

Drive slow, stop often! There is a lot to see and do when we do this!

See ya on the Road— **Ron**

Membership Meeting Minutes. Upland Pumphouse, September 9, 2021

Members Present: Don Wessler, Tim Diehn, Phil Sutton, Larry Morlock, Ron Lawson, John Prohaska, Wayne and Marilyn Rosenbaum, Tom Cherry, Nita Bridges, Jack and Marjorie Schmeckebier, Ed and Mary Dathe, Ron and Carmen Huddleston. Jerry and Deanna Glunt

President Ron Lawson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

Minutes of previous meeting: This is our first meeting since December 2019 Christmas Party due to COVID, so there were no minutes to read and approve.

Treasurer's Report as of September 9th:

Starting Balance = \$4,284.01

Income:

Total Income = \$0

Expenses:

Newsletter = \$21.28

Tri-Club Picnic = \$82.91

Total Expenses = \$104.19

Ending Balance = \$4,179.82

Tour Report:

The Tri-Club Picnic on August 28 at Johnson County Park / Indiana Live Steamers was successful. 13 Model A's drove to the picnic as well as 6 modern cars. We had a nice lunch and Dick Bray provided train rides for anyone who was interested.

Ten Model A's are scheduled to go on the MAFFI - Model A Day Tour between Sept 14 - 19.

Ron Lawson and John Prohaska updated the membership on planned tours through the end of the year and reminded everyone to check the Tours and Events page on the clubs website for updated information.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Next membership meeting is scheduled for El Nopal Restaurant (the old Sirloin Stockade location on National Road) for October 14. If the restaurant is not open we intend to meet at Upland Pumphouse. Please watch your email and the website for updated information.

Next Board Meeting is September 21st at 5PM via Zoom

Reminder that Wayne Arnholt has a Model A Maintenance and Repair DVD collection for members to borrow as needed.

Tim Diehn motioned to adjourn at 7:15 PM. John Prohaska seconded.

Submitted by:

John Prohaska, Secretary



Tour Updates:

Oct 2 Airmail Route Tour (Morlock)

Leave Eastbrook Plaza 8:30am, tanks and tummies full. First arrow will be at the Shelbyville Airport, so you can join us there at about 9:15am, if you want. We will end up at Stone's Restaurant in Milhausen for their delicious fried chicken lunch. On the way, we will be following three huge concrete arrows that marked the route from Cincinnati to Indianapolis for the early airmail pilots in the 1920's. These arrows were placed 10 miles apart and had lighted beacons at night so the brave pilots could carry the mail night and day, any weather. Use of the arrows was abandoned after electronic navigation aids were developed, but many still survive all across the USA. We will visit three of them, starting in Shelbyville over to Milroy, then go to Milhausen for lunch, then direct back to Columbus. Total mileage about 120 for the day, mostly on paved country roads.



Oct 9 Ford's Garage in Noblesville, IN - Lunch (Prohaska)

Meet at Eastbrook Plaza in front of Harbor Freight at 10:30am. We will depart at 10:45am for a 11:45am arrival at Ford's Garage, 13193 Levinson Lane, Noblesville, IN 46060. We will depart for Columbus at 1:30pm for 2:30-3pm arrival back home. Check out their menu here.



Oct 16 Model A's and Hudsons at the Dathe's (Dathe)

Come to our home at 3132 S Highpoint Ln, Bloomington, IN any time after 10:00am with your A. We need to keep the streak of beating the Hudsons! Those coming from Columbus, we will leave the Westhill/JayC parking lot at 9am to caravan over. Bring your chairs. There will be two food trucks available for you to buy your own lunch or you may bring your own lunch. Hosts will supply drinks and desserts. If you have any questions you can call Ed/Mary at 812-332-1480.

Oct 30 Brown County Studio Tour (Diehn)

Taking advantage of the late Autumn colors, we will visit a few of the local artisans in Brown County that are participating in the 23rd annual Brown County Studio Tour. We will also have a stop for lunch in Nineveh at the Farmhouse Cafe. More details to come in the next newsletter.

Nov 6 Schwatzer's German Restaurant in Seymour, IN (Prohaska)

Join us for some Fahrvergnügen and a great German lunch in Seymour. We will meet at 11am at the Westhill/JayC Shopping Center for a 11:15am departure. We should arrive at 12:15pm at our destination of 113 Indianapolis Ave, Seymour, IN 47274. Check out the menu. Filled with schnitzel and wurst, we will head back to Columbus for a ~3pm arrival. Auf geht's!

On Your Own



September 24, 25, & 26

2021

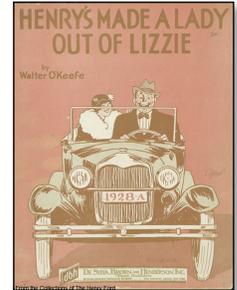
53rd Annual Festival

Car show on Saturday at 10am. Go to their website hopeheritagedays.org for more details!

FROM THE EDITOR

Thanks to all who have submitted articles and ideas for the newsletter over the past couple of years. Contributions from the members makes this rag more personal and interesting to read. Please keep those coming!

I've been kicking around a topic idea that I'm actually surprised has not been explored yet. A big piece of our hobby is about the people, pop culture and life during the years 1928-1931, not just the awesome car that replaced the Model T. Articles on the fashion of the day have been around for many years. But what about other cultural aspects of the day? In particular, what about the music of the era? Who doesn't enjoy the catchy tune of [Irvin Berlin's Puttin' On the Ritz](#) or foot stomping music of [Jack Yellen/Milton Ager's Happy Feet](#). Or sing along to [Walter O'Keefe's Henry's Made A Lady Out of Lizzie](#) when driving the back roads of Indiana. There is so much music out there to be explored, shared and tied to the events of day as well as being the roots to the music we enjoy today.



So, calling all music fans out there, anyone want to start exploring this untapped treasure-trove of pop culture? Send me articles!

Tim Diehn, Newsletter Editor



No Ants, Just Trains!

Thirteen Model As and six foreign cars attend the 9th annual Tri-Club picnic at the Live Steamers at Johnson Park. While it was a very hot and humid day, we enjoyed each other's company while eating

fried chicken and all of the homemade sides and desserts. As usual, two trains were running and giving rides through the prairies and forest. A new section of track had been completed during the COVID period, so we enjoyed a bit of new scenery. Long time member, Richard Bray, brought one of the engines that was pulling us around.



Some of us got an extra special treat to see how they reset a train that has been derailed. While we thought with enough manpower we could just lift it back into position, we were promptly told that the engine weighs 1300lbs! So we left the heavy lifting to the A frame hoist.

A good time was had by all!

Trip Report: Model A Day

By Larry Morlock

On Tuesday, September 14, nine Model A's and 19 people set off to attend Model A Day at the MAFFI Museum on the grounds of the Gilmore Car Museum in Hickory Corners, MI, with many stops along the way. Participants were Wayne Arnholt, Jerry & Sharon Curbox, Tim Ellis, Roger & Cherryl Goodman plus Eric, Tim Howell, Ron & Carmen Huddleston, Carl & Penny Johnson, Ron & Katie Lawson, Larry Morlock, Dennis & Kathy Myer, Don Wesseler and our leader, Phil Sutton.

The first day, we drove to LaPorte, IN, and were treated to a tour of a fabulous Model A collection by Stan & Mary Sorrels. Their collection includes 26 Model A Fords, all in show condition, plus lots of petroliana (gas pumps, globes, signs, etc). They were gracious hosts with lots of good snacks, and it was a memorable experience.



On Wednesday, we stopped at the [RV Museum](#) in Elkhart where we were able to see many antique and early RV's, some built around Model A Fords. Then it was on to Shipshewana for two nights in the Amish country. That evening, we were joined at dinner by members Don & Maxine Gipson who live



nearby and are now the proud owners of Rex & Nita Bridges' 31 Roadster.

On Thursday, we spent the day at the [Barns of Nappanee](#) (formerly Amish Acres), where we had a tour of a 19th century farm to see how the Amish live (plus they had a tractor show that day). In the afternoon, we attended a stage play in a big round barn. Everyone really enjoyed the production of "Little Women."



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Friday involved antiquing along the way to our hotel in Kalamazoo, plus Wayne and Larry went on ahead and spent the day at the Model A Museum to check out Wayne's 1931 AA ambulance, which was part of the "First Responders" exhibit at the museum.

Saturday was spent at the museum to celebrate Model A Day. There were close to 100 Model A's in attendance, plus a great swap meet. One of the highlights of the afternoon was an interesting presentation by [Wayne Carini](#), of the "Chasing Classic Cars" TV show.



Turns out his father was one of the founders of MARC, along with Bill Hall, way back in 1952.

On the way home on Sunday, we had a chance to experience yet another example of the great people you meet in the Model A hobby. Roger Goodman's overdrive went out in southern Michigan, and after waiting three hours for a AAA

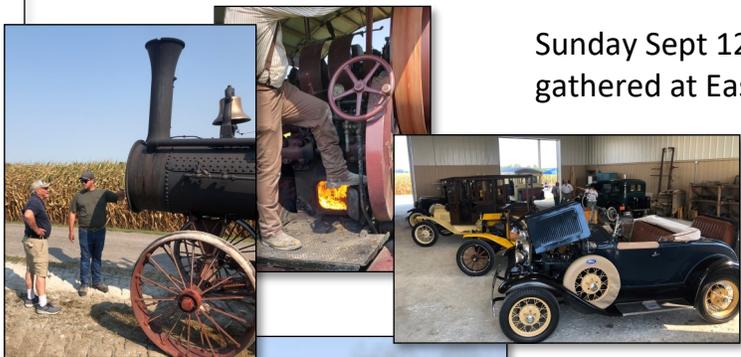
rollback that never showed up, a couple that lived three doors away invited us to store the car at their house. They had a neat garage with a couple of old cars (not Model A's) and he specialized in repairing carburetors – really neat folks. Roger, Cheryl & Eric hitched rides with the rest of us to Tim Howell's place, then went back and retrieved his car the next day.

What a fun week! Thanks to Phil for organizing the tour .



Trip Report: Reeves Festival

By John Prohaska



Sunday Sept 12 was a beautiful day. Six Model A's from our club gathered at Eastbrook Shopping Center parking lot in Columbus at 9:30 AM to drive 12 miles to the Bartholomew County Historical Society - Henry Breeding Farm north of Edinburgh, IN. Sept. 11 to 12 was the Reeves Festival celebrating the Reeves Steam Traction Engines that were made in Columbus at the end of the 19th and

beginning of the 20th centuries. Our Model A's were given a royal treatment and allowed to be displayed in a portion of the Steam Barn. The steam traction engines that are normally in the barn were fired up and being used to give rides and also for wheat threshing.





‘What Is It?’ Challenge

Answer to last Month’s Challenge



REAR AXLE SHIMS

Tightens up a loose wheel if hub is worn. Also prevents the brake drum from rubbing against the backing plate. These are available through your parts supplier

This Month’s Challenge

What is it and what is it used for?



**DID YOU
KNOW?**



Original chamois came from the skin of a mountain antelope (the chamois). As the antelope are now protected, the best chamois now sold is made from sheepskin, tanned by a process involving the oxidation of oils in the skin.

A little known feature is that the very small of pores of chamois allow gasoline to pass but not water if the chamois is first wetted with gasoline. Therefore, it can be used as a funnel liner when pouring suspect gasoline.

2021 Sponsored Tour and Event Schedule

- April 25 Columbus MARC Swap Meet 4-H Fairground (Morlock)
- May 4-7 Amish Tour to Berlin, OH—Co-tour with the Greenwood Club (Howell)
- May 12 Lunch at Ford's Garage in Noblesville (Lawson)
- May 28 Lunch at Taxman/BBQ in Bargersville (Prohaska)
- June 5-13 MARC National Tour (Sutton)
- June 12 Salt Creek Winery (Prohaska)
- June 25 Tri-Motor Visit, Columbus, IN (Morlock)
- June 26 Birdhouse Tour, Loogootee, IN. (Howell)
- July 10 Picnic at Brown County Park (Sutton, Lawson, Howell)
- July 17 Tour de Cluck Tour (Prohaska)
- August 21-22 Auburn Trip to see Pietenpol/Dathe cutaways (Morlock)
- August 28 Tri-club picnic at Johnson County Park, Indiana Live Steamers (Lawson)
- Sept 9 Membership Meeting - Upland Brewery Columbus 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 meeting
- Sept 14-19 MAFFI tour Model A Day Tour/Fall Trip (Sutton, Howell)
- October 2 Airmail Route Tour with meal at Stone's Family Restaurant (Morlock)
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- November 6 Schwatzer's German Restaurant in Seymour (Prohaska)
- November 11 Membership Meeting and Election of Officers - TBD 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 meeting
- December 12 Christmas Party at Pines with Entertainment, 4pm
\$23 per person including gratuity

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This publication is mailed or emailed to members and editors of similar publications monthly. Meetings are the second Thursday of the month. We invite members to submit articles containing technical Model A information and other interesting tidbits for publication in this newsletter.

Classifieds

For Sale: Model A Frame. We believe it to be a late '31 due to the brake arms sitting outside of the frame. May be a slant windshield, 4 door due to the long rear bumpers. More pictures available upon request. Frame is located in Marshall, IL but we will be at the swap meet in Franklin in September. Asking \$350/obo. Any questions or inquiries please contact me - - Denise @ 812-327-6784 or djells71.de40@gmail.com

Checkout our list of videos for helpful repair hints and tricks on the [website!](#)

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