



GOING PLACES



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February 2024 Edition

Upcoming Events

January 26-28—Clifty Falls State Park Winter Retreat (Howell)

February 8— Membership Meeting - El Nopal 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 meeting

March 14— Membership Meeting - El Nopal

April 28—Swap Meet at Bartholomew County 4-H fair grounds (Prohaska)



In 1914, Ford began using Indianapolis as one of its regional assembly plants and constructed a facility on East Washington Street. Cars were assembled on the site until 1932, then the buildings were used as offices until 1942

President's Report

By Tim Diehn



Hello Membership!

Welcome to our Diamond Jubilee year! In 1964, our club was officially formed as a region of the MARC national club. To celebrate, the 60th anniversary committee has been busy putting together ideas to enjoy throughout the year. We will talk more about these at the next membership meeting, but they involve specific tours, activities, swag, and recognizing members. The committee will need help to coordinate a tour or arrange an activity. Have a passion or talent in a certain area? They would love your participation. Call Larry Morlock, Phil Sutton, or Tim Howell.

On February 25th, we will be setting the touring schedule for the year. If you have an idea for a tour or other suggestion, please reach out to Phil Sutton or Tim Howell. In fact, our first tour of the year will be down to Clifty Falls State Park for a weekend of relaxing and enjoying Madison. While most will be in modern cars, if the weather permits, drive your Henry's Lady! More details in this newsletter.

We all were saddened to hear about the passing of Jack Sullivan Sr. earlier this year. Jack and Kathryn brought happiness and fun to our club by participating and leading many events that make our club so special. While already in the planning, the Sullivan estate went to auction January 10th and many of our club members attended. And so did many more people! More than 300 people came filling the venue and parking lot. I walked away with many tool treasures to satisfy my desire to learn and support our hobby into the next generation. I'm glad the community came out and opened their wallets to help the Sullivan family.

Looking forward to a fun Diamond Jubilee Year!

-Tim



Membership Meeting Minutes

El Nopal, National Road, Columbus, January 11, 2024

Meeting was called to order by President Tim Diehn at 6:30PM

51 Members were present: Ed & Mary Dathe, Rob & Debbie Kirkpatrick, Larry Morlock, Chris & Susan Easton, Katy & Ronnie Lawson, Don Wessler, Tim Diehn, Deanna & Jerry Glunt, Sid Pendygraft, Phil Sutton, Dennis & Kathy Meyer, John Emmering, Jay & Caryn Williamson, Tim & Frieda Howell, Dianne & Larry Purcell, John Prohaska, Don Workman, Tim Workman, Bill Nevels, Randy Hughey, Ron & Carmen Huddleston, Larry & Carol Pumphrey, Don & Ellen McGlothlin, Maurice Ketchum, Justin Cleghorn, Dan & Connie Young, Gary Hayes, Jerry & Sharon Curbox, Mike & Cindy Baker, Pet Kloosterman, Mike & Arlene Neyer, Bryan & Alice Mattison, Tadd & Tressa Burbrink.

Minutes from the November meeting were approved as published. All As were nestled, snug in their garages.

Treasurer's Report: January 11, 2024

Starting Balance 11/9/2023	\$ 4,691.63
Income	-
Dues	330.00
Christmas Party	1,420.00
Nov 9 50-50	65.00
	+ \$ 1,815.00
Expenses	
Newsletter	55.43
Seasons - Christmas Party	3,216.92
Plaque Tag	5.00
MAFFI	100.00
(Jack Sullivan & Norm Winkler Memorials)	
	- \$ 3,377.35
Ending Balance	\$ 3,129.28

Committee Reports

Cares & concerns were shared.

Kathy Dininger had knee replacement surgery and it is not going very well

Randy Watts had surgery and it did go well

Marge Schmeckebier passed away – we will miss her, Jack!

Jack Sullivan Sr. passed away since the last meeting, also. The planned auction went well.

Tim Ellis has retired from real estate after a very long career

Larry Purcell and Randy Hughey will hit the bit 8-0 this year

This month's Kathryn Sutton Memorial Joke was actually a pretty good one!

The Hotel Code for anyone going to Madison at the end of the month is 0126MA

Tim gave an update on the Arvin Sculpture with pictures – it's looking great and getting close!

Reminder: Give your year-end mileage to Larry Morlock.

John Prohaska updated us on plans for the swap meet, April 28th. He reported from the Kentucky swap meet that he has all but 4 indoor spaces booked already!

John also provided an update on plans for the 2025 MARC National Membership Meeting at the Seasons Lodge in Nashville, April 10-12, 2025. Please plan to volunteer: Then, at the event NOW, in planning, contacting businesses, etc.

John Emmering won the 50/50 for \$53. Of the items donated by Ed Dathe: Larry Pumphry won a bit driver set. Mike Baker was the final winner of a CB antenna. Kathy Meyer won a Rear Transmission Seal and will let us know what she plans to do with that. The first one to contact Rob indicating that they read this far will be the winner of a rear main janitor.

New Business

Rob Kirkpatrick reported plans for two events that he would like help on planning:

SAFETY DAY, Saturday, April 13th in Franklin at the neighboring properties of Dennis Meyer and Jay Williamson. Ed Dathe has agreed to serve as an expert along with the massive knowledge that hasn't fallen out of many other minds as well. This started with a focus on Seat Belts and Safety Glass, but with two garages to work with, we'll look at other roadworthiness items for the touring season. To be continued, but mark your calendars.

ROUTE 66 in October. We have several members interested who will be meeting before the February meeting to discuss. Let Rob know if you're interested. Burgers & beer may be involved.

Speaker(s)

Mike Baker gave a fascinating look at his functioning alcohol-powered fan by the Lake Breeze company. They were made between 1915 and 1919, and his was built in 1916. Someone was heard commenting that there is a lot of alcohol-powered hot air in the room already.

Here's a link to a little video of the fun: <https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/ywijnwykq4y5nkkhkflj/2024-01-11-19.26.21.mp4?rlkey=qcbedgfh02cecfa75ch46u4ul&dl=0>

Ed Dathe brought a framed bag of Ford Portland Cement from Indiana Dunes, along with an interesting story about where it went.

Ed also shared pics of a mystery "Model A" from the club's trip to the Blue Ridge Mountains several years ago. We're still stumped as to exactly what it is/was.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM. Respectfully submitted, Rob Kirkpatrick

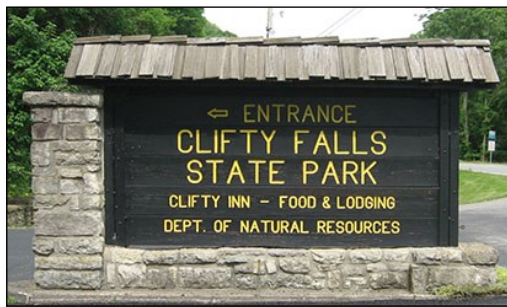


Tour Updates:

Jan 27-28 Winter Retreat/Polar Bear Outing—Clifty Falls, Madison, IN (Howell)

Winter retreat at CLIFTY FALLS State Park, Jan. 26-27 (two nights), departing back home on the 28th. For reservations call 812 265 4135 using discount code 0126MA to get the \$127.49/night rate. Please contact Tim Howell at 317-767-1135 if you are planning on going.

This Madison location will provide an opportunity to visit , play cards and visit Madison. We will plan to eat at the Inn on Friday night in the dining room around 5-5:30pm. Deanna Glunt is arranging for places to see and things to do. If the weather is good, feel free to drive your A. Looking forward to meeting with our friends again!



New Year REMINDERS!

1. **Odometer updates.** For those members participating in the MARC Mileage Award program, please submit your year-end 2023 odometer readings to Larry Morlock. You can give them to Larry at the next membership meeting, by email at l.morlock@att.net, or by phone 812-371-6628. Take a picture and text!
2. **Renew your National club membership(s).** Don't miss a beat in getting all the latest news and helpful tips offered by our two national clubs; MARC and MAFCA.
3. **Renew your Columbus club membership.** Still a bargain at only \$10/family!





Flash from the Past!

Ronnie Lawson shared this picture from a trip to Branson in 1994.

Who do you recognize!



60th Anniversary

Model A Ford

Swap Meet

ADMISSION - \$5

SPACES AVAILABLE

- 10X10 INSIDE SPACE - \$10
- TABLE RENTAL - \$2 EACH
- "FOR SALE" CARS, \$6 PER SPACE, OUTSIDE

SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024

4-H FAIRGROUNDS, COLUMBUS, INDIANA
750 W 200 S, Columbus, IN 47201
8:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M.

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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.

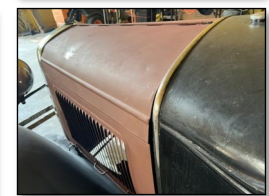
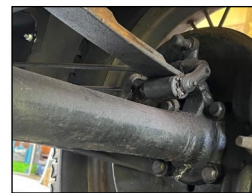
Classifieds

For Sale

1931 Model A Tudor

Late model, indented firewall. No engine, no interior. Ultra rare snow tires. Has title. Great starter for full restoration. \$5,800

Call Dennis Meyer 317-727-5098



WANTED

Have used Model A brake drums with hubs? Steel or cast iron, front or back. Tim Diehn is learning how to turn brake drums. **Please contact Tim at 812-374-2882 or timdiehn@yahoo.com** if you have such items that are heading to the scrap yard!

