



GOING PLACES



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April 2018

Membership meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of the month at the Sirloin Stockade in Columbus. The meetings are held September through May. The meal will be at **5:30** p.m. with the meeting following at **6:30** p.m.

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President's Corner

I am going to say I am no expert, but the following article is how I understand the way gear oil works for the A:

“Gear Oil for the Model A Ford”

First we must understand there are different gear actions. There are the straight cut and helical (I think that is the correct term for curved gears) cut gears. The straight cut gears are mostly a direct

pressure movement with little swiping. The helical gears have a swiping or shearing motion between the faces.

Modern oils are really designed to work with the shearing motion found in the curved gears.

The steam cylinder oil does not get squished out under heavy pressure. The modern gear oils are designed for a shearing action and are more likely

to get pushed out allowing metal to metal contact.

When engineering the Model A, the Ford designers built the parts to take advantage of the 600w type oil. This oil likes to coat and stick to stuff. It does not flow as well so you do not have to tightly seal some areas. So let's think about the A.

The transmission is designed to leak the thick oil some. How do you think the u-joint is lubricated? The grease does not do much but create a tight area to keep the heavy oil around the U joint. The front bearing does not matter since it is fully covered. The straight cut gears in the tranny need the heavy pressure oil and the non-synco straight cut gears shift better with a nice heavy oil. The rear axle gears are also straight cut and have a large amount of pressure on them. They really need the proper oil. Have you ever noticed the insides of the axle housing how they are generally not rusty? The heavy oil really gets around and just sticks to the housing. This prevents the rust that is more likely to happen with a car that is not driven much and is likely to get condensation.

The steering gear is another area that needs the heavy oil.
Some Model Aer's will use 10% STP in their 600w oil.

Modern equivalents of the 600w oil:

Mobil: Mobilgear 600 XP 680
BP: Energol GR-XP 680
Castrol: Castrol Alpha LS 680

Mileage Awards

The year-end 2017 odometer readings were submitted to the national chairman of the MARC Mileage Award program after our February meeting. We should be receiving our awards back before long.

Here's the top driving families and miles driven in 2017:

1. Jack & Linda Sullivan	6239
2. Roger & Cheryl Goodman	5930
3. Ronnie & Susan Lawson	4956
4. Tim Ellis	4003
5. Tom Bruce	3893
6. Phil & Marge Sutton	3681
7. Larry Morlock	3332
8. Ed & Mary Dathe	3013
9. Jack & Kathryn Sullivan	2690
10. Randy Hughey	2603

The total miles driven in 2017 by those Columbus Region members in the Mileage Program were 99,916. The cumulative miles driven since we started participating in the mileage award program are 1,530,286.

MARC National Meet in Branson

Let Phil Sutton know by May 15 if you are planning to go to Branson so he can book hotels for the drive there and back. You are on your own to get your room in Branson.

April Tours:

April 28 Pancake Breakfast and Cobweb Tour (Sutton, Lawson)

Meet at Westhill parking lot at 8:30 for drive to Bloomington. Let's hope the weather is good this year as we've been rained on the last two.

April 29 Swap Meet (Larry Morlock)

Our 55th Annual Swap Meet will be Sunday, April 29, at the Bartholomew County 4-H Fairgrounds. Everyone is asked to pitch in and help. We need people to help with set-up from 6:00-7:00am, ticket sales at the door all day in 1-hour shifts, kitchen help and food donations, and clean-up from 1:00-2:00pm. Everyone also is asked to drive their Model A cars to the meet, as this adds a lot to the enjoyment of the event. We still have indoor spaces available, so contact Larry Morlock 812-371-6628 to reserve a space.

Please be sure to bring something to sell at the club table. This is 100% profit for the club, so bring some of your unwanted parts, tires, collectibles, whatever, to donate and we will put them on the club table for sale.

Don't forget to call in your parts orders ahead of time to **Gaslight Auto Parts**, so they can bring your purchases to the swap meet and save the shipping expense. Gaslight can be reached at 800-242-6491, 937-652-2147, gaslight@ctcn.net, or www.gaslightauto.com. Help support our newest new parts vendor.
--Larry Morlock

Board Meeting

The next meeting is April 16, 2pm at the Dean's home.

What is it?



Answer next month.

Henry Ford:

There are three things that grow more precious with age; old wood to burn, old books to read, and old friends to enjoy.

Answer to last month's what is it?



It is a leaf spring clamp. It attaches to the leaf spring.

2018 Tour Schedule

The planning committee has put together a tour schedule. This year we have split the tours into "sponsored" tours and "on your own" tours. The sponsored tours are those with a member planning and leading the tour. We hope to see you all out "going places"!

2018 Sponsored Tour Schedule

Mar 8	Membership Meeting
Apr 12	Membership Meeting
April 12-15	Membership Meet, Cherry Valley Lodge, Granville, OH – Ohio Region.
Apr 28	Pancake Breakfast/Cobweb Tour (Sutton, Lawson)
Apr 29	Columbus MARC Swap Meet 4-H Fairground (Morlock, and all members)
May 10	Membership Meeting
May 5-6	Lafayette Tour-car collection, train, collection factory tour (Howell)
May 12	Wings Over Muscatatuck Migratory Bird Festival (Sullivan, Jr)
Jun 3	Lawrenceburg Flea Market (Sutton)
Jun 2-4	Model A Day, Sharon WI (Howell)
Jun 9	Columbus Municipal Airport Aviation Day and Car Show (Morlock)
Jun 22 – Jul 2	National Meet, Branson, MO – A Dancin’ In Branson A’s Region (Sutton)
Jul 4	4 th of July parade and dinner at Winkler's barn in Rushville (Winkler, Lawson)
Jul 14	Picnic at Brown County Park (Alexander, Sutton, Lawson)
Jul 22-26	Great Lakes Tour (Howell)
Aug 11	Tri-club picnic at Johnson County Park, Indiana Live Steamers (Lawson)
Sep 13	Membership Meeting
Sep 14-24	National Tour, Elkins, West Virginia – Mountain Memories (Sutton)
Sep 15-16	Drive your Model A Day (All members)
Oct 4	Membership Meeting (Note change of date because of Hershey conflict)
Oct 6	Model A’s meet the Hudsons, Ed & Mary Dathe, Bloomington
Oct 13	Ethnic Expo (Lawless, Riss)
Oct 28	Fall Foliage Tour (Sutton)
Nov 8	Membership and Election of Officers Meeting
Dec 9	Christmas Party at Pines with Entertainment (Club Officers)

2018 On Your Own Tours

- May 18-19 Hoosier Vintage Wheel Swap Meet, Franklin
May 13 Happy Mother's Day
May 26-28 Memorial Day Weekend
- Jun 4-8 Heart of America MAFCA Regional Meet, Springfield, Missouri
Jun 17 Happy Father's Day
Jun 24-29 MAFCA National Convention, Reno, NV
- Aug 3-6 Pioneer Engineers, Steam Engines 3707 S 200 W, Rushville, IN
August 6-9 Grand Indiana Auto Tour
Aug 18-19 Greensburg Power of the Past
Aug 23-26 Tri-state Gas Engine and Tractor Show at Portland
August 24-26 Decatur County Tourism, Tree City Car Show featuring Model A, Model B and Model T at the Greensburg fairgrounds (Call Ron Lawson for more details)
- Sep 8-9 Scottish Festival, Columbus
Sep 28-Oct 1 [Franklin County Antique Machinery Show](#)
Sep 16 Hot Rods and Rock & Roll, Columbus IN
Sep 16-17 Hoosier Vintage Wheels Swap Meet and Show Johnson County Fairgrounds
Sep 30 Newport Antique Hill Climb (Sep 29-Oct1)
- Oct 9-13 Hershey Swap Meet, Hershey PA
- Nov 27-Dec 1 MAFCA National Awards Banquet, Tucson, AZ

