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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Wow, it was great to see everyone on the Lakes & Country Tour. We had 14 Model A cars participate along with 33 members. Our younger generation was well represented with Mckade Mellage, Chris DuVall and Dave Lonsdale participating; 3 of our youngest

members driving their own vehicles! It turned out to be the perfect day for a drive, with lots of food and fellowship. Some of the members logged over 200 miles!

We are looking forward to having our first in-person meeting on April

20th. A great big thank you goes out to Charles Sewell and the Sewell family for allowing us to use their facility to hold our club meetings. There is also a kitchen area, so we can enjoy our cookies! Please, bring a lawn chair to sit in as they do not have chairs. We can't wait to get started. Don't forget our first tech safety session of the year also, which will be just in time to get those cars prepared for the Bartlesville Tour. We will be starting early, at 8:30 a.m., so donuts and coffee will be provided for the members.



If you haven't registered for the Bartlesville Tour, please do so. Connie & Ralph Hudson have a great weekend planned for us and they will need a count for some of the restaurants.

Please, plan on attending the April breakfast at the Cracker Barrel at 8:00 a.m.

Cruising along,



THE FINER POINTS

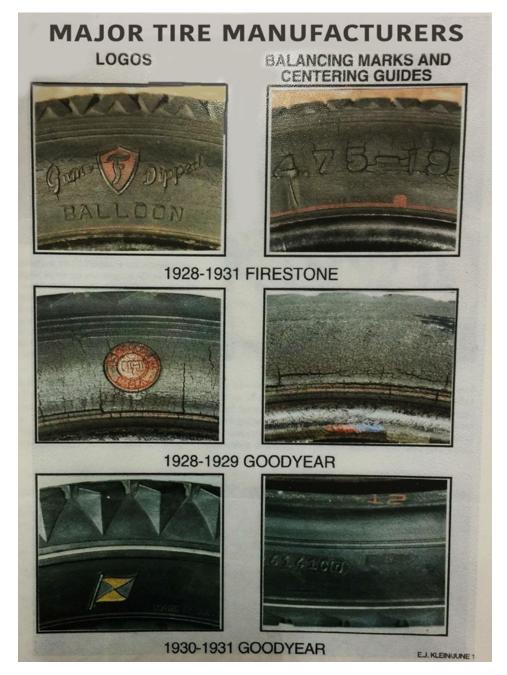
By Chris DuVall

Last time, we talked about valve stems, and the natural progression of thought leads me to tires. I briefly mentioned that I had to paint my tires before I could finish installing my valve stems. Maybe that left you wondering what in the world is wrong with me! There were several manufacturers that provided tires to Ford: Firestone Tire and Rubber Company, United States Rubber Company, Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, B.F. Goodrich Company, Ajax, and Fisk. Obviously, new tires are allowed in Fine Point Judging with one catch: the tires must resemble original tires.

Currently, there are two manufacturers that make tires acceptable to Fine Point: Firestone and Goodyear. Goodyear balloon tires are the most commonly seen. Whitewall tires are very rarely used since blackwalls were always installed on all Model A's at the factory. That does not mean they couldn't have been installed at the dealer, but the whole point of Fine Point is to restore the motorcar to what it was when it was driven off the assembly line. As a result of this philosophy, whitewall tires are given a two-point deduction. A very small price to pay if you really enjoy them.

So if one purchases either Firestone or Goodyear blackwall tires, are you good to go for Fine Point? Is anything ever really that simple? The logos and centering lines must be painted the proper colors. An example of original tires is pictured in next column.

To accomplish this, I use 1 Shot Paint. This is the same paint that professional pin stripers use.





It's not terribly expensive, and it is readily available on Amazon. It flows out of the brush very easily.

I normally start by painting all the red parts together. It takes a while for this paint to dry on the rubber. So, it's best not to rush the process, but rather to just take one's time. I prefer Goodyear tires because there are two ridges around where the centering line goes which make it easier to paint since you don't have to totally freehand it. continued on next page

NUTS AND BOLTS



Daffodils have bloomed and Dogwoods and Redbuds are budding

so it has to be Spring and time to hit the road. Hope everyone is healthy, vaccines completed and ready to go. I think everyone who participated in the make-up Valentine poker run thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Well done, Ollie and DuValls. And the following 200-mile Cookson Hills tour was even more exciting. No one knows those backroads like the DuValls! Who knew Oklahoma had a marble quarry? And the eats we enjoyed!! Delicious!! Fun to have Mckade along with us. It was also really good to see David Londsdale driving his sharp looking Roadster again. He wore a perpetual smile during both outings! And the exhuberant Joanna Cooper joined us on both drives! Also, its always entertaining to have the Holdenville foursome who joined us on both tours. They told us the Crawfords had both been hospitalized with the nasty Covid but are doing better now. All six of them hope to come along on the Bartlesville tour. We had hoped the Bullards could drive up to join us for the Bartlesville tour but, sadly, they have already made plans to be touring elsewhere. Regarding tours, I read in an old Restorer magazine that the MAFCA national tour in 1974 was held aboard the Queen Mary in Long Beach. Although the ship never left the pier, how cool would that have been for a hotel base for daily drives around southern California? The article said K.W. Ganote, from Tulsa, was in attendance in a '31 Coupe. Anyone know this Okie?

For all of you automotive historians, does the name George Baldwin Selden ring a bell? I bet Chuck Ramsey knows of him. He was one of the wealthiest persons in the early automotive industry. Both a patent attorney and an inventor, he patented a design for a gasoline powered 4-wheel vehicle in 1895. He made a huge fortune in the automotive business by collecting 2.5% royalty on the retail price of each new automobile built but never built one car. (I wonder if that might be why battery-powered cars were popular back then!) Henry Ford eventually brought suit, and after several setbacks, won in 1911, thus ending the Selden Patent. And another bit of history: did you know, the second largest Ford manufacturing complex outside of the US was a factory in a city in Canada named Ford? The name of the city has since been changed to Windsor and is located just across the river from Detroit. Now you know! Happy Trails.

Finer Points continued

Below is a photo of the tire after the red has been painted on the centering line and the logo.



After allowing the red to completely dry, the white can be painted. The letters were not covered with paint.



Great! Now, one side of the tire is painted, and all that is left is the other side. Just to prove to you this is the case, here is a photo of my dad's Roadster tire installed and viewed from the inside. Note that the serial number is also mounted on the inside.

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Calendar of Events

DATE	EVENT AND LOCATION	TIME
April 3	Breakfast, Cracker Barrel, 8008 East 31, Tulsa	8:00 a
April 10	Tech Safety Sesssion, 4809 South 101 East Avenue, Tulsa	8:30 a
April 13	Ladies' Lunch, Owasso Bricktown Brewery, 11909 96th Street North	11:30 a
April 20	General Meeting, 4809 South 101 East Avenue, Tulsa	7:00 p
April 23-25	Bartlesville Tour, Leaving WalMart Parking Lot, Skiatook	10:00 a

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At last, below is the fruition of all our work. Doesn't the centering line and painted emblem make the tire pop? The brand name should always be centered above the valve stem.



If you're wondering how long the paint will last on a driver, you're not alone. I wondered that myself. So, I painted the tires on my Phaeton when I replaced them, and the paint has been on for a couple of years. It still looks new! So, I think it's definitely worth the



Oh, there is one more reason I prefer Goodyear tires: they had the best advertisements in 1930!



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APRIL

- 1 **Mel Burton**
- 2 **Mary Jane Simmons**
- 5 Jim Pogue
- 11 **Carol Hayes**
- 14 Johnny Nicholson
- 15 **Chuck Mahan**
- 17 **Shelby Reiser**
- 19 **Sharon & John LAIRMORE**
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- 24 **Bob Kendall**
- 26 **Benny Benson**
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Almanac Weather Forecast

Apr 1-4 Sunny, warm

Apr 5-13 few t-storms,

warm

Apr 14-23 Rainy periods,

turning cool

Sunny, cool Apr 24-28

Apr 29-30 T-storms

April temperature 66° (avg.) precipitation 5" (2" above avg.)





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Flying Quail April 2021

Last month I talked about the passage of winter and the eventuality of spring, getting our cars out on the road for a nice tour and making sure the cars are prepared and in shape to make those first/next tours. Well, in southeast Texas if you made it through the "Big Freeze" you are finally seeing some signs of warmer spring weather. If you live up north; God bless you and hang on. Spring is just over the horizon. With the warmer weather Elaine and I recently joined up with the Brazos Valley A's for a wonderful tour through some of east Texas' prime wildflower terrain. Unfortunately the wildflowers hadn't bloomed yet but the countryside was still beautiful. About a dozen cars make a 225 mile or so loop, complete with a lunch stop, and the day was just lovely. Nothing like a drive in the "A" with old and new friends combined with lunch on an absolute spectacular day. I hope I've made you jealous so that as soon as the opportunity presents itself you'll get a chance to do the same.

I'm sure I'm like many of you, working on my "A" to make sure she's ready for the trip to our National Tour in June. We'll end up trailering part of the way but we'll still put substantial miles on our touring "A". I started early doing the routine maintenance and checking out the many small details that can make the difference between a safe and happy tour and one that's not so safe and happy. The process of getting our cars ready for touring makes for a great club activity. Nothing like a bunch of old guys standing around a car offering their advice to the one poor guy doing all the work. Oh well, if it works don't change a thing.

I was reviewing some old chapter coordinator newsletters lately and ran across some advice so good I think it bears repeating. Rick Black, Chapter Coordinator at the time wrote: "In the January/February issue of The Restorer, you should have located your 2003 Membership Card near the front of the magazine. Take at least one card out, remove your mailing label from the cover of The Restorer, and stick it to the back of your card. There are many times when you'll need to know your membership number, so having your card and your address label with you will come in handy." I know some are experiencing delayed delivery of the current Restorer due to delays by the US Postal Service. But eventually the mail will get through and what was sage advice in 2003 is sage advice now.

In these hectic times don't forget to count your many blessings and "Pay Them Forward"!

2021 Chapter Coordinator

Robert Bullard

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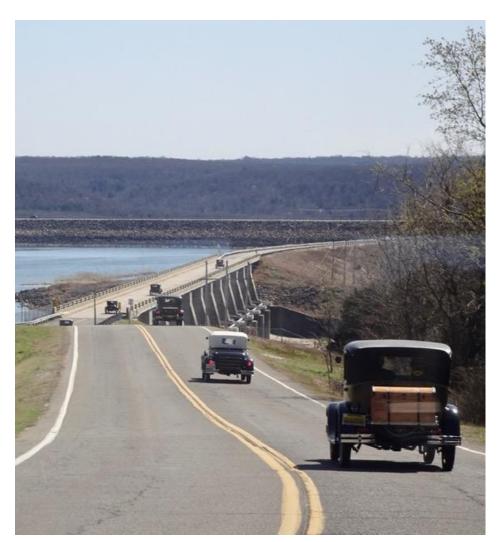
Registration

Bartlesville Tour

Friday, April 23, 2021 – Sunday, April 25,2021

Name	Phone Number
Spouse	Phone Number
Driving a Model A?	
Make your hotel reservations at: (Mention Fairfield Inn & Suites 1-918-331-2100 2107 S. E. Washington Boulevard Bartlesville, OK 74006	n Tulsa Model A Ford Club for a discount, \$90 + Tax)
Ok. We will enjoy the Ben Johnson Cowl	Rogers Blvd., Skiatook, OK at 10:00 a.m.and travel to Pawhuska, boy Museum with private parking for the group. boy Museum? (Pay in advance, \$6.00 per person) How many?
	pping on your own. Local options include the Pioneer Woman to check out the new P-Town Pizza place next door or the local café. p.m. to travel to the Motel.
•	many available restaurants in the area. We will play Bunco starting e Motel. If you would like to join in the fun games, the buy-in will be rt of the game.
catered BQ lunch consisting of a delisious Do you plan on attending the tour and lun many?	scheon? (Pay in advance, \$20.00 per person) How
Afterwards, the group will enjoy the many	y Antique Shops in downtown Dewey, OK
Phillips Blvd., in downtown Bartlesville.	ght at the Painted Horse Bar & Grille, located at 110 SW Frank We will line-up the vehicles at 5:30 p.m. and leave at 6:00 p.m. for a and pay the restaurant direct. After dinner we will enjoy some the conference room of the Motel.
Sunday, April 25: We will line-up the cars at 9:00 a.m. to he	ead toward home! Total Amount \$
Deadline to register is April 13, 2021, Pleamail along with your registration form to: 4507	ase,make your checks payable to the Tulsa Model A Ford Club and

If you have additional questions please contact: Secretary Connie Hudson at 918-269-7240





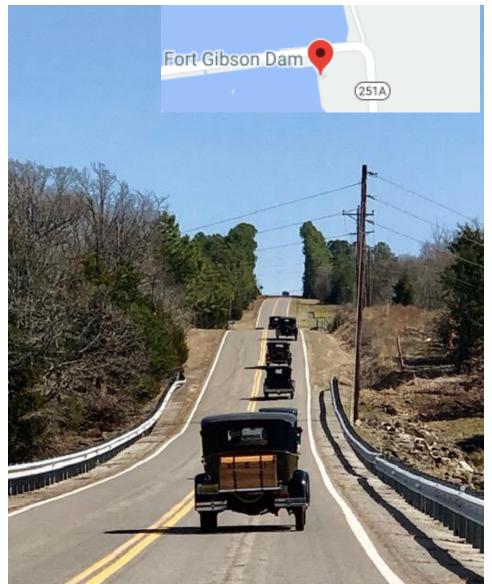


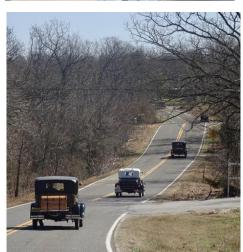
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Members are encouraged to submit articles containing technical or any club related information. Articles must reach the editor by the 5th of the month to insure publication in that month's newsletter. Articles received after that will appear in a following newsletter.

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- Breakfast 8:30 a.m., 1st Saturday of each month, location to be announced
- Board Meeting 7:00 p.m., 1st Tuesday of each month, Charles Hardesty Library, 8316 East 93rd Street, Tulsa

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