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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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We started the month with a hardy breakfast at Reasor's, and afterwards Jerry Conrad & Linda Ochs led the club on the "I Spy Tour". It was a fun tour and those who participated had a wonderful time. It is always a treat to look at the homes of the famous and points of interest.

The clues were very clever and the tour was well planned! The 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners all received cash awards.

The coffee group has been actively touring; going to check the progress of Don House's 1930 fordor and visiting the Big Boy train arrival in Wagoner. If you're interested in joining the coffee group, check with Andy Dunn or Ken Brust.

We are looking forward to September with its cooler weather and activities. The club will participate in the Rooster Day Parade in Broken Arrow after breakfast on 9/4/21.

We can't thank Harold & Ruby Misner enough for hosting the upcoming Fishing Derby. They are providing the hotdogs, hamburgers, baked beans, and those delicious cobbler! Absolutely everyone is excited to participate in what promises to be a fun filled day. We will meet at the Café USA located at 725 S. Mission Street in Sapulpa and leave at 9:30 a.m. sharp. Don't forget to bring a lawn chair. September 11th is also the national "Model A Day", so please keep track of your mileage for the day and turn it into Melody.

We have over 40 participants and 20 vehicles going on the Route 66 & Grove Tour and it's not too late for club members to join in and cruise with us. This promises to be a great get-away weekend, so don't miss out.



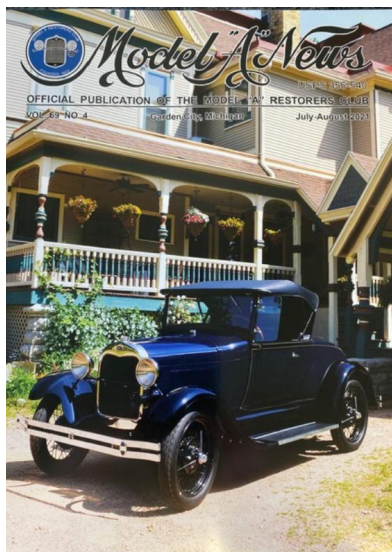
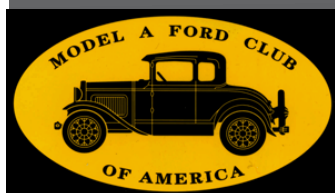
Once again, a big thank you goes out to Tom Sewell for allowing us to meet at his business for the past several months. We will be returning to the Hardesty Library this month.

Ok, I am excited to tell you...check out the latest MARC magazine as it features my 1929 Roadster on the front cover and contains a full article in the middle of the book. Chris and I put tons of work into the restoration process and hope you enjoy the story and photos!

Cruising along,

Mitchell

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MEN'S COFFEE SPONSORED BIG BOY TRIP

by Andy Dunn

The Tulsa Model A Ford Club met in Broken Arrow at the Quik Trip, 81st and OK51 to travel to Wagoner OK to meet up with the Union Pacific “Big Boy” No 4014 a 1.2 million pound 132 feet long steam locomotive. There were 25 Big Boy Locomotives built for the Union Pacific and No 4014 was delivered to Union Pacific in December 1941.

These locomotives were used to conquer The Wasatch Grade. The locomotives, capable of pulling

100 car trains across the high plains and mountain passes of the American west at 70+ mph.

Starting at 4,298 feet elevation in Ogden, Utah traveling eastward the grade climbs to 6,799 feet at Wasatch station, five miles west of the Utah-Wyoming state line. That’s a 2501 feet elevation in a distance of 65 miles, an average climb of 38.47 feet per mile. That’s the Wasatch Grade! Eight still survive and No 4014 is the only one operational. Union Pacific reacquired No 4014 in 2013 to begin a multi-year restoration. No 4014 was returned to service in May of 2019.

Much like the Big Boy, 6 Model A’s were “chugging” alongside tracks from Broken Arrow to Wagoner to see the Big Boy. We stopped at the Wagoner Quik Trip and picked up a couple more Model A’s. Then on too 5th St and Jackson Ave via Rail Road Blvd. After a short unplanned drive through a scrap metal yard (sorry about the mud puddle), we found a place to watch the Big Boy arrive. Lots of people from Wagoner and the surrounding area were with us to welcome the Big Boy. Many of the spectators placed coins on the tracks to take away a souvenir of the occasion. The Big Boy promptly smashed them all.

It was good to see all club members and to travel together and allow everyone to see our cars. We had plenty of time to visit as the Big Boy was about thirty minutes late. He did arrive however and everyone knew it. With the bell clanging and the steam whistle blowing, there could be no doubt Big Boy had arrived! The Big Boy was in Wagoner for about 20 minutes and was much enjoyed by all.



If there is one thing Model A owners share with the Big Boy, it would be the passion to preserve history, and that restoration means a lot of hard work... perseverance and preservation go hand in hand to keep history a living thing.

Thanks to the Men’s Coffee group for helping set this tour up. A special thanks to Rich Robinson for his help with planning this trip.

“Some like butter, Some like cream... I like trains that run on steam.”



SPY TOUR



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Calendar of Events

DATE	EVENT AND LOCATION	TIME
September 4	Breakfast, Jimmie's Egg, 71st and Garnett, Rooster Day Parade	7:30 a
September 11	Fishing Derby, leave from Cafe USDA, 725 South Mission Street, Sapulpa	9:30 a
September 14	Ladies' Luncheon, Local Flavor Restaurant, Haskell	11:30 a
September 21	General Meeting, Power Point Presentation, Hardesty Library	
September 24-26	Route 66 & Grove Tour	
October 2	Breakfast, Hardrock Casino, Catoosa, Route 66 Tour to Follow	
October 14-17	Oklahoma City Fall Tour/Ft. Smith	
October 19	General Meeting	
October 23	Play Day, Asbury Methodist Church	
November 6	Breakfast, Apple Barrel, Owasso, Poker Run	8:00 a
November 11	Claremore Parade	
November 16	General Meeting, Baked Potato Dinner & Pie Supper	
December 4	Breakfast, Egg It On, 81st and Aspen	8:00 a
December 11	Christmas Party, Freddy's Steakhouse	



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SEPTEMBER

- 1 Rodger Johnson
- 2 Jeanne & Kent WASHBURN
- 9 Harold Misner
- 14 Sandy Sewell
- 15 Jeanne Washurn
- 16 Charlene Sloan
- 19 Sue Harris
- 19 Carolanne & Chuck MAHAN
- 20 Sue and Bill HARRIS
- 21 Connie & Ralph HUDSON
- 22 Rich Robinson
- 29 Ralph Hudson
- 30 June & Don CHESSER



SUNSHINE REPORT

Don Chesser had surgery on his shoulder again, he is home and June said he is doing well, we wish you a speedy recovery.

Call Connie Hudson with concerns at
918 269-7240



September: Tory Brust and Linda Mellage

October: Celinda Burton and Jackie Dunn.

November: Virginia Harris and Cheryl Jackson.

December: Jeannie Washburn and Linda Mellage

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Meeting Minutes

TULSA MODEL A FORD CLUB

AUGUST 17, 2021

Meeting called to order a 7:35
Pledge to our flag and Don Reed

said grace.

Minutes of July meeting plus ending finance report given and approved.

Thanks to Jerry and Linda for the I spy tour through south Tulsa every one had fun and enjoyed the tour.

Up coming activities, September breakfast Jimmy's Egg 7:30, and Rooster Day Parade to follow breakfast. Fishing Derby hosted by Harold & Ruby Misner. Tour of Miami and Grove don't forget your passport if you have obtained one several places to obtain a stamp.

Trivia question asked by Mitch,

First Electric in Oklahoma/Vinita Electric 1889.

First coal oil pump, 1895

First gas pump, 1910

First gas station, 1913 at 27cent a gallon.

Public Service opened in 1913

Service Station with fancy globes on 11th 1920 to 1930's

Sinclair Station built in 1929 still standing.

Quick Trip didn't start selling gas until 1972.

Just a few of the interesting trivia information given.

Chris DeVal talked about a four blade fan verses a two blade, four blade can crack and two blade work just a well.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35

Submitted by

Connie Hudson



RT. 66 & GROVE TOUR

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2021 – SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

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Friday, September 24

We will leave from Braum's, 900 N. Lynn Riggs Blvd., Claremore, OK at 9:30 a.m. and turn north out of the parking lot onto Rt. 66. We will cruise to Vinita for lunch at Clantons Café at 11:00 a.m. located at 319 E. Illinois Ave. Clantons has been a family tradition in Vinita since 1927 and is the oldest continually owned restaurant on Rt. 66 in Oklahoma. They are providing special parking for the group and a private room for dining. Order off the menu and pay the restaurant direct.

After lunch, staying on Rt. 66, we will cruise on over to Miami and enjoy a private tour of the beautiful Coleman Theater, located at 103 North Main, at 2:00 p.m. The Coleman Theater first opened its doors for a crowd of 1600 on April 18, 1929. The tour will take about 1 hour and the cost is \$5.00 per person to be paid at the door.

Next, we will drive north 5 miles for some fun shopping at The Hitch & Post Antique & Flea Market located at 401 Commerce Ave., in Commerce OK. With over 76,000 square feet, they are the largest antique & collectibles on Rt. 66.

We will leave Miami at 4:30 p.m. and cruise on Rt. 66 to Grove, OK to check into our motel, Days Inn by Wyndham, located at 1044 US-59 N., Grove, OK. Dinner will be on your own at one of the many available restaurants in the area.

We will play Bunco starting at 8:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Motel. (\$2.00 Buy-In)

Saturday, September 25

We will leave the Motel at 10:00 a.m. to travel as a group to the Harbor Village Museum, 4404 West 20th Street, admission is \$7.50 for seniors or \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. Take as long as you like and enjoy the day. There is a café on site for a quick lunch or snack on your own. You are free to leave whenever you wish to return to the Motel. Be sure to stop on the way back at the Lendonwood Gardens, located at 1308 W. 13th Street.

From the motel, we will line-up the vehicles at 4:30 p.m. and leave for the restaurant for a group dinner Saturday Night at the Parrot Steakhouse & Grill, located at 2530 South Main, in Grove. You will order off the menu and pay the restaurant direct.

We will play Bunco starting at 8:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Motel. (\$2.00 Buy-In)

Sunday, September 26

We will line-up the cars at 9:00 a.m. to drive to the Zena Suri Alpacas, located at 35401 South 580 Road in Jay, Oklahoma. We will see the beautiful alpacas, enjoy a tour of the ranch and visit the Alpacas Ranch Store.

Next, we will travel to Salina, Oklahoma and enjoy lunch at the Los Coco's Mexican Restaurant!

Please call or e-mail Connie Hudson 918-269-7240 chudson58@earthlink.net or Melody DuVall 918-458-7111 duvallstrans@att.net to let us know that you will be attending. We will need to verify with the restaurants.

SEE YOU ON ROUTE 66!



MEN DRIVE TO TECUMSEH

by Ken Brust

With the pandemic closing various McDonald dining rooms, the Tuesday men's coffee gang resorted to bringing their own coffee and taking turns with bringing donuts to Hunter Park on Tuesday mornings. But with the stench and disruption of the Tuesday morning garbage trucks and loud lawn mowers along with the forever-pesky flies, the guys decided a road trip might be a nice option. How about Tecumseh? They had often reminisced about Don House and his incredible collection of Model A parts and his own Model A restoration project. His project car had been moved to Tecumseh where good friends agreed to work on it and his various parts were scattered around to other Model A enthusiasts when Don eventually relocated to North Carolina. So, on Tuesday, August 10, eight guys in 6 Model As met for breakfast at USA Cafe in Sapulpa before heading out west on old Route 66. The group included John Lairmore, Jerry Conrad, Marvin Mellage, Rich Robinson, Sam Slavins, Ralph Hudson, Andy Dunn and Ken Brust. The caravan picked up the 7th Model A near Seminole with Don Chesser and Gary Sullivan.

The trip was a distance of about 100 miles and the temp was pushing right at 100 degrees. About a dozen of Don's friends were all gathered to meet us. Joe Inda had a beautiful spread outside of town where he had a shop and equipment for various fashions of vehicle restoration projects. We enjoyed inspecting Don's Model A in its almost completed restoration stage with some unique touches included that Henry

Ford might have somewhat questioned! Next door was a even larger building, all air conditioned, and containing an incredible collection of some of Joe's favorite vehicles and other memorabilia. A long table was set up for all-you-can-eat pizza provided by our host group. It was a most memorable day meeting the friends of Don, who he had talked about for so long, and then to hear their stories about Don. A fun time was had by all.

With Covid raising it's head once again with dining rooms possibly closing, the guys may be back on the road again. Where shall we head next? We've been out to Sam's place to see his restoration project. Maybe Mel, or Johnny, or Ralph, or Roger or Chris will invite us out to escape the flies, mowers and garbage trucks! All guys are welcome to join the group each Tuesday at 8:30am but you might want to check with our Coffee Guru, Andy Dunn, as to our current meeting place.





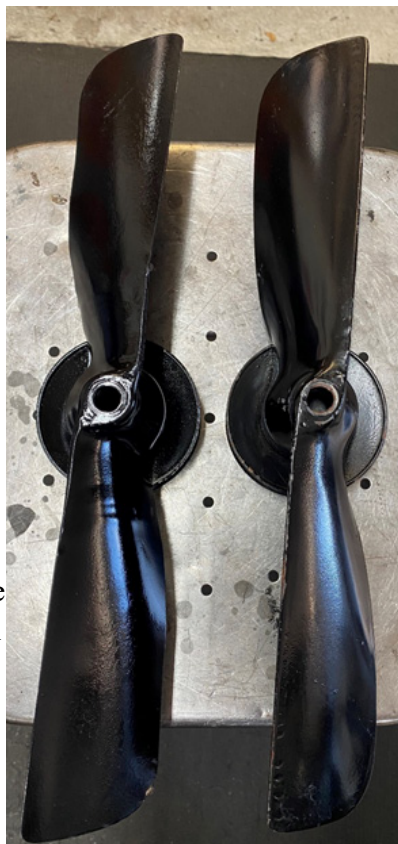
THE FINER POINTS

By: Chris DuVall

We are still in the heat of summer which I believe means it's a great time to drive the Roadsters! We recently had a great meeting in which we discussed the perils of using original and four blade fans on the cars we drive. For the sake of those that attended, I won't repeat the discussion other than to say you oughtn't to use them. If you have not been attending the meetings, I would like to encourage you to do so. It is always fun to see everyone.

This may seem contradictory, but when building a Fine Point car, you must use an original fan. It is important to remember the objective of Fine Point is to bring the car back to as close as what it would have looked like rolling off the factory floor in Dearborn. It seems crazy to me, but there are not even variances given for assembly plants. I suppose there are just too many unknowns. Dad's Roadster was assembled in the Denver plant, and when we first started looking at it there were several earlier parts that were outside the two-month limit for parts. The two-month limit in the Standards says that a part can be used for up to two months on a car after the replacement part was put into service. Luckily, there are some parts that do not vary greatly from year to year. Fans are an excellent example of this.

These are two original fans. The initial fan design (pictured on the right) was produced by Ford and was double thickness. It was spot welded along the edges. On a nice original fan that will pass Fine Point, you should be able to see the spot welds. Below is a photograph of the typical spot welds along the left side of the photo. This style of fan was used throughout all years of production.



In July 1930, an engineering drawing was released for a single thickness fan produced by Holley. There were two variations of this style. Initially, the new design called for a large radius on the back where the single thickness blade was attached. This large radius was eliminated in late 1930. Below is a photo of the later style radius. This fan was used in conjunction with the

initial design throughout the remainder of production.



All fans were painted with black enamel. Additionally, the castle nut which secures the fan was also black enamel. The cotter pin was unfinished. Historically, castle nuts with rounded grooves were considered 1928-1929 while square cut grooves were considered 1930-1931. The standards very clearly state that square cut grooves began appearing in 1930 and were used predominantly by 1931. To me, this means that a 1930 car could have rounded groove castle nuts installed particularly if it is an early 1930 car. I am working on a way to tell which groove the fan nut has while the motor is running, but I haven't perfected it yet!

ABOUT THE TULSA MODEL A FORD CLUB

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This is the official publication of the Tulsa Chapter of Model A Ford Club of America. This monthly newsletter is mailed to members, prospective members, advertisers and editors of similar publications. Its purpose is to keep you informed of what has taken place, scheduled activities and to promote fellowship among club members.

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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- Business Meeting - 7:00 p.m. 3rd Tuesday of each month at Charles Hardesty Library, 8316 East 93rd Street, Tulsa
- Breakfast - 8:30 a.m., 1st Saturday of each month, location to be announced
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