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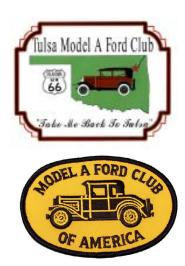
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year to everyone! Your Board of Directors met on December 5th to make its transition into 2024. We welcomed our two newest members, Tim Bodine and Roy Cail. We also want to say thank you to Rodger Johnson and Don Reed for all they have done to make this last year so special and fun for everyone. I also want to extend my personal thanks to all our committee chair persons who work so hard behind the scenes. They are responsible for our success as a club. Please take an opportunity to tell each of them how much we appreciate what they do.



We will be starting this year with our Saturday breakfast at the Egg-It-On Café in Broken Arrow. This year, we are going to add more opportunities for short driving tours. For this month, depending on the weather, we will be doing a poker run after breakfast. If you think of an activity that you would like to see us do as a group, please contact a board member and we will work it into the calendar.



At our general meeting at Hardesty library on the 16th, we will be racing our Hubley cars. Roy Cail has published special rules for this race in the Rumble Sheet. Check out the rules, they have been modified in order to fit the races into our time constraints at the library.

Spring tour will be with the Oklahoma City club and I will pass that information along as soon as I have it. The fall tour will be our responsibility, so if you have any thoughts on that, share it with a board member. This is also the time of the year I need to remind everyone to send in their annual dues if they have not yet done so. Let's plan on putting some miles on these cars.



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The Finer Points

By Chris DuVall

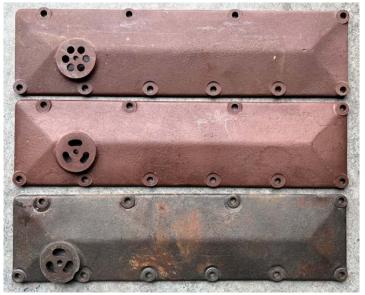
Wow! It's a new year already! Congrats to our new board members, and thanks to those leaving. Does anyone have any New Year's Resolutions? I would like to finish the Convertible Sedan. Additionally, I am hoping to show the car for fine point in 2025. So, just how detailed is fine point judging? The truth is that if the judges can't see or feel it, it isn't judged.

For a first example, let's look at the rubber used on rear engine mounts. In case you have not already guessed, I can confirm that these are original rubber pads. One says "Ford", and both say "Firestone". Obviously, reproductions do not have these details. A fine point restoration is meant to exactly replicate the way a car came off the assembly line at Dearborn. So, should I use original pads? I say no because they are sandwiched between two pieces of metal and the details would not be visible. On a side note, if you were to look up "A-5092" (the part number on the left part) on Snyder's website, it would return the engine mount rubber.



There are lots of parts for the Model "A" that are not visible once fully installed. For instance, most people know there are two types of valve chamber covers resulting from when Ford lowered the mount for the oil return tube to allow more oil to return to the pan. This was done in May 1929 and is shown by observing the second and third covers in the photo. However, what if I told you there were actually four variants to this part? In the below photo, you can see the earliest version of this part had six round holes rather than three oblong holes. Ford changed this in December 1927 (yes you read that correctly... changed in 1927!) for the same reason they changed to the latest style. So, a very early engine should have the first generation part on it, but if it is entered into fine point, the judges will not be able to tell once the oil return tube is installed. Trust me when I say, they will not make

a mess removing the oil return pipe to check! In case you're wondering what the fourth type is, it is a cover that does not have an oil return tube which was used on a few motors in mid 1928.



Since we're on the topic of parts that cannot be seen once installed, below is another set of parts that varied on early 1928 cars. The leftmost connecting rod is the cross beam design used from beginning of production through January 1928, and the rightmost connecting rod was used thereafter. I can guarantee the judges won't drop the pan to determine if an early car has the early connecting rods! *(continued on page 3)*



HUBLEY CAR RACE

Come join the fun at the January Model A Meeting. A fun chance to see how your Hubley vehicle will compete with others in the Club. Please note, for those joining the race please arrive at 6:30 p.m. so we can weigh and process your vehicle for the race. See the notes below for the rules of the race. We appreciate your participation and patience as we must be out of the Library meeting room by 8:30 p.m.

Tulsa Model A Ford Club Hubley Car Race Rules Of the Race January 16, 2024

The rules of the race are basically the same found at Regional or MAFCA organizations except the races will be measured in time using manual stop watches versus bracket racing. The use of time to determine the winner will speed up the race allowing us to hold the event at monthly meeting. Time management is critical in order to finish the races so that the library can be vacated by 8:30 p.m. LET'S HAVE FUN!!!

Rules of the race: Roy Cail will be Race Commissioner

1. Members are limited to one car per person.

2. Members participating in the race must arrive by 6:30 P.M. to check in.

3. Car weight cannot exceed 21 ounces (1 pound 5 ounces).

4. Car weight will be checked, and number assigned along with owner name. This will become the score sheet where the race times will be recorded.

5. Once the car has been weighted the owner may not handle the car until the end of the race.

6. No test runs on the track.

7. Car maintenance must be completed prior to submitting for weighting.

8. Cars will be auto released on the track by the Race Car Operator.

9. Each car will be race one time down the track to determine the winner. No maintenance will be allowed after the car is checked in for weight.

10. Stopwatch Operator, will manually operate stop watch. Time will be recorded by a Time Keeping person. Time will be recorded in minutes, seconds, and 1/100 seconds.

11. In the event multiple cars have the exact time, a run-off will be held at the end of the races.

12. Winners of the race will be 1st place, 2nd place, and 3rd place and will be rewarded \$15 gift card for 1st, \$10 for 2nd and \$5 for 3rd.

Finer Points continued from page 2

Let's take a look at one final item. Below is a photo of a pair of battery caps. These caps are installed on the top of the batteries, and are not visible once installed. The correct cap is on the left with the raised letters. However, since they aren't visible do they need to be correct for fine point judging? Contrary to the other items, the judges can feel the top of the battery caps, and trust me, they can feel the difference!



Obviously, to obtain a higher score it would be best to not risk it, and just install the correct parts where possible. Sometimes that just isn't possible though. So, how do you know which items need to be installed, and which don't? I'm glad you asked... the best way to find out is to participate in fine point judging! This allows you to get hands on experience judging cars, and you learn exactly what the process is, and what the judges look for! So, plan to meet us in New Mexico or North Carolina for either the national MAFCA or MARC meets. This way, we can learn more about our beloved Model "A's" together.



NUTS & BOLTS

by Ken Brust

Happy New Year to all. Here we are once again with college football championship ames upon us as we cheer on our favorite teams. And, a new year of places to go and things to see as we go exploring in our Model A Fords! Where shall we go next?

Where would you like to go or whgat tickles your fancy? Our new Board wants your input so don't be shy. Tory and I have been participating with our club outings the past 15

years and most club members would say we have pretty much covered Oklahoma and the surrounding areas during these years. So we will eventually need to retrace our steps at some point. Here is a quick recap of some of the drives we've made since 2007: Bartlesville with side trips to Dewey, Prairie Song and Woolaroc; Lake Tenkiller; Kiowa, Kansas rodeo, Salt Plains, Vance AFB, Pawnee Bill Ranch; Muskogee Azalea Festival; Omaha Regional; Lawton Fall Tour; Kansas City Regional; Bartlesville Flyin; Des Moines Regional; Fort Gibson tour; Poteau Fall Tour; Blue Ridge Parkway National Tour; Eureka Springs tour; Tahlequah Red Fern Festival; Woodward Fall tour; Tulsa Regional; Muskogee Spring tour; St. Joseph, MO Regional; Joplin, MO Fall tour; Guthrie Spring tour; Dallas, Texas tour; Kingfisher Fall tour; Ponca City Spring tour; Omaha Regional; Hugo Fall tour; Springfield, MO Regional; Pauls Valley Fall tour; Weatherford Spring tour; Roaring River, MO small outing; Fort Smith Fall tour; Tecumseh Men's tour; Hutchinson, Kansas Spring tour; Coffeyville Spring tour; and finally this year's Oklahoma City Fall tour. The Sooner Club is planning the Spring Tour coming up and then it will be our turn for a Fall Tour and the subsequent Spring Tour.

Plus, the Board is interested in ideas for day trips, parades, festivals, picnics, poker runs, and whatever. We've been to Prague for the Kolache Festival, Holdenville to see car collections, Porter Peach Parade, Okmulgee several times for super meals and tour of tech college, Pawhuska, Will Rogers Flyin, Tahlequah's Jincy's Kitchen, Pete's Place in McAlester, museums, corporate tours, restored historic buildings, cemeteries, tractor pulls, eagle reserve, etc. It doesn't really seem to matter the actual destination but it seems like we always enjoy the overall journey. Where would you like to explore? Please let the Board know your ideas!

For those of you who follow Facebook, you no doubt have seen that we have a new Model A club in RUMBLE SHEET JANU the area. Charlie and Samantha Ramsey have started the Will Rogers Model A Club in Catoosa. No dues, quarterly meetings, and with an emphasis on family weekend outings and activities. Congrats to them for striving to keep this hobby alive with our younger folks. They still support our club and welcome all of us to also join them for their weekend activities. Let's give them our full support.

Roy has asked that I take over the Sunshine Report for this new year. I have always been interested in staying in touch with our members and have agreed to help out with this. But I will need your help. If you know of a member who is ill, in the hospital, has experienced a death or serious accident in the family, or is going through some challenges, will you please contact me? Many of us are nearing the 4th quarter in life and are experiencing more health issues than we desire. Offering caring comfort to our friends in need may help ease their discomfort. Thanks for your help.



Poker Run

by Roy Cail Date: January 6, 2024 Model A Breakfast Place: EGG IT ON CAFE Address: 1131 South Aspen (Cross Streets 81st and Aspen) Broken Arrow

Our first breakfast of 2024 will be at Egg It On Café starting at 8:30 a,m. Our plans are to have a POKER RUN following breakfast, assuming the weather permits. This will get us started toward our 1000 Mile Club goals. We will take into consideration temperature at time of breakfast whether we go on the Poker Run. The route will take us South to the Bixby area then East to Lenord on route 64 with final stop at Don Carmichael Produce at intersection of HWY 64 and Mingo Road.

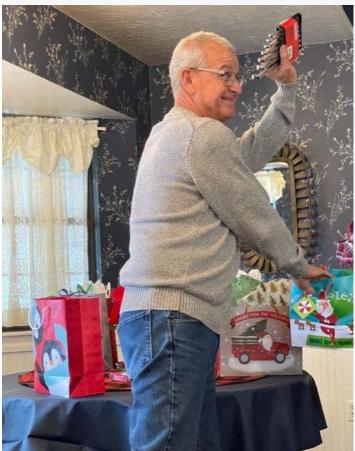
Poker Run Rules ---

keeping it simple --- come join the fun

- 5 card stud (cannot purchase extra cards)
- Fee is \$5 per car
- 1 card per stop with Egg It On being first stop
- Final card distributed at Don Carmichael Produce.

Best hand will be declared the winner!!
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NEW YEAR, NEW YOU: SIX SIMPLE NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS FOR 2024

1. Keep a Positive Mindset

Research shows that maintaining a positive mindset comes with a host of health benefits. Positivity has been linked to a lower risk of memory loss, quicker recovery from illness, injury or disability, a lower risk of chronic disease, and decreased feelings of loneliness and isolation.

2. Commit to 10 Minutes of Exercise Daily

Starting on the path to better health can feel overwhelming. The thought of trying to make a big change in your diet or exercise may seem drastic or unrealistic – particularly if you try to tackle them all at once. But like any journey, all it takes to get going is just one step.

3. Spend Time with the Younger Generation

Research shows that senior adults who spend quality time with their grandchildren live longer and have better physical and mental health outcomes than those who do not.

4. Stimulate Your Mind

Regularly challenging your brain is one of the best ways to stay mentally sharp as you age. It's also a great way to reduce your risk of memory loss or developing dementia.

5. Reach Out to Old Friends and Make New Ones

Studies show that socially active older adults are healthier and live longer.

6. Try Something Totally New

Retirement is the perfect time to try something outside of your comfort zone.

A 2020 study shows that (contrary to popular belief) cognitive abilities don't necessarily decline with age.

These ten guys plus Roy (photographer) are among the regulars who enjoy coffee and conversation at McDonald's 91st and S. Memorial weekly on Tuesday mornings except for first Tuesday of month. That one is at Marvin Mellage's garage. Come join them.



MEN'S

January 2 Tuesday, 8:00 a.m. Marvin's

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Calendar of December Events

January 1 - 6

2/Tuesday, 8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast at Marvin's

2/Tuesday, 1:00 p.m.

Model A Board Meeting Hardesty Library

6/Saturday, 8:30 a.m.

Model A Breakfast Egg-It-On Cafe - Rich Robinson 1131 South Aspen Avenue Poker Run after breakfast - Roy Cail

January 7 - 13

11/Thursday, 11:30 a.m.

Ladies' Luncheon - Linda Mellage McNellie's Pub South Tulsa 7031 South Zurich Avenue

January 14-20

16/Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. General Meeting Hardesty Library Hubbley Race Event





FEBRUARY

3-Model A Breakfast – Sam Slavens – 8:30 AM
6-Coffee at Marvin's – 8:00 AM
6-Model A board Meeting – Hardesty – 1:00 PM
8-Ladies Luncheon – 11:30 AM – Linda Mellage
20-Model A General Meeting – Hardesty Library Valentine Special
MARCH

2-Model A Breakfast – 8:30 AM
5-Coffee at Marvin's – 8:00 AM
5-Model A Board Meeting – Hardesty Library – 1:00 PM
14-Ladies Luncheon – 11:30 AM – Linda Mellage
19-General Meeting – Hardesty Library – 7:00 PM

APRIL

2-Coffee at Marvin's – 8:00 AM 2-Model A Board Meeting – Hardesty – 1:00 PM 6-Model A Breakfast – 8:30 AM 11-Ladies Luncheon – 11:30 AM – Linda Mellage 16-General Meeting – Hardesty Library – 7:00 PM





I want to thank Linda Mellage for assisting me with the Sunshine program this year. Effective January 1, 2024, Ken Brust will be the Sunshine person. He would appreciate your assistance in letting him know of any medical issues you or other members may be having. You can reach Ken via email kennethbrust@ gmail.com or cell number 918-728-1900.

Please keep the following in your thoughts and prayers.

- Jan Hamm Chuck MaHan
- Pat Elsberry

If I missed anyone, my apologies. Again, if you know of anyone that is having difficulties, please let us know so we can send them a card or flowers depending on the situation.



CLUB JACKETS, HATS AND MORE If you are interested in purchasing clothing items with the Club Logo, contact

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McNellie's Pub South Julsa 7031 South Zurich Avenue Jhursday January 11th, 11:30 am.



BURTHDAYS/ANNINERSARIES

- 2 Bobby & Cheryl JACKSON
- 2 Ollie Harris
- 6 Teresa DeCamp
- 10 Mitch & Teresa DECAMP
- 14 Carol Parker
- 19 Virginia Helton
- 20 Teresa Strode
- 25 Andy Dunn
- 29 Sharon Lairmore



The general meeting and Christmas lunch were held at the Country

Cottage Restaurant in Locus Grove, OK. There were 38 members present. The meeting officially began at 1:30 PM, with opening remarks marked by President Washburn. A wonderful buffet lunch was presented with impeccable service by the restaurant staff. At about 2:35, club business was addressed with Bob Stein giving updates and instructions for the Collinsville Christmas Parade on Dec 9th, 6:00 PM. Rich Robinson mediated the "Dirty Santa" event; it was enjoyed by all present. The day's events ended with the raffle for the Route 66 Quilt donated by Bob and Cheryl Jackson. The winner of the quilt was Rodger and Debbie Johnson, with the raffle raising \$500 for the club. A HUGE thank you to all who participated. The meeting and lunch adjourned at 5:15 PM. On behalf of the BOD and club officers, we want to thank all the members for their support and participation this previous year. We look forward to the coming year with lots of Model A events.

Respectfully submitted, Rodger Johnson, Secretary Looks like Debbie and Rodger were featured in the Owasso newspaper. The parade was a nighttime event, not a morning event as the paper stated. Photo is copied from Owasso reporter so please acknowledge that if you use this!





Bob and Linda Stein's car in Collinsville parade. Others representing our club were Rodger and Debbie Johnson and Sam and Corina Slaven.





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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. It's 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.

Membership dues for the Tulsa Model A Ford Club are \$30 per family annually payable at the end of the year. Contact the New Member chairperson for new memberships and the Treasurer for renewals. The Tulsa Model A Ford Club recommends membership in the national MAFCA organization.

Members may advertise at no cost, non-business ads in the newsletter For Sale, Wanted or Trade section. Businesses may advertise with cost by the ad size, (business card size or 1/4 page) in the advertising section. The number of ads are restricted to space available in the Rumble Sheet. Contact the Advertising chairperson for details.

Meeting Schedule

- 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
- Board Meeting 7:00 p.m., 1st Tuesday of each month, Charles Hardesty Library, 8316 East 93rd Street, Tulsa

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