# "Aoogah" Newsletter

# The Newsletter of the Twin Cities Model A Ford Club

January 2021

**Twin Cities Model "A" Club Events** 

**January ??** Possible Winter Mini Tour See Page 4. For Details

January 12th. Business Meeting via Zoom Internet - 7:00 P.M. February 9th. Business Meeting via Zoom Internet - 7:00 P.M.

\*\* Possibility of schedule changes or modification of events due to Covid 19 \*\*

The Board strongly encourages that any participants in group activities and events be aware of and follow all recommended Federal, State, and County orders, as well as continuing to follow the guidance of public health experts and make decisions that are in line with safety measures and precautions regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.



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Become A Member

Interested in joining our club? We would like you to join. Dues are only \$35.00 per year.

For all the information about what our club has to offer please call our membership director or see www.tcmafc.org

Members are recommended to also have a membership in the Model A Ford Club of America or the Model A Restorer's Club.







**President's Letter** 

It's official! Those words can mean different things to different people in this year after a major election for our country. In our case, for the TCMAFC, it's still official! The TCMAFC Board Members have been put into place by the voting members. Our new board consists of great people, who are dedicated to the health and long term growth of the club. We will consistently work to do what is in the best interest of the club. Thank you to all of the 2021 Board members for accepting positions on the board and for your service to the club. I would also like to thank the members of the 2019 – 2020 TCMAFC Board. You have completed tasks in phenomenal way, during an extremely difficult time in our history. Thank you for everything you've done.

"Coming together is the beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success."

by Henry Ford

As we look back on this year's roster of the membership, we remember those who have passed away in 2020, and we are thankful for their dedication and service.

Richard Zins, member since 1972; Lifetime - 2019

John Galatowitsch, 1972;

Russ Agrimson, 1978; Lifetime - 2020; Spark Plug - 2017 Larry Erickson, 1983; Lifetime - 2003; Spark Plug - 1992

Neal Anderson, 1990; Lifetime – 2004; Spark Plug – 1996

Ed Porter, 2004

Jim Bateman, 2006; Spark Plug - 2013

Steve Gray, 2009 Al Hohenwald, 2014

The TCMAFC board will meet on January 12<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM, via the ZOOM video conferencing platform. If anyone wishes to participate please email me and you will be added to the invitation list. All members are always welcome to participate in the business meeting. Please RSVP well in advance of the date and time of the meeting.

The Board Meetings will continue to be held through the ZOOM video conferencing platform until it is safe for members to gather together, and when St. Michael's Lutheran Church allows the club to return.

We all look forward to a return to our yearly activities. The Tune-up clinic, Pancake Breakfast and Mystery Tour, Coffee Socials, the Fall Trip, Excelsior Apple Days, Summer tours, and more. Some activities are waiting for the 'green light', but members are working toward holding some of these events.

There will again be a "Coffee with the Club" ZOOM session, on January 9, 2021 beginning at 10:00 AM. Please see the advertisement in this month's Aoogah News. All TCMAFC members are invited. Also, please see the notice to join Rog Anderson and Lynne Groven for the "January Drive Challenge'. All are welcome.

Our door is always open. The TCMAFC Board acts on many issues, questions and concerns throughout the year. We want to hear your voice. Let us know about those things that you, as members, are thinking about. We will find many successes in 2021. We want our members to be successful, too. Many members are very willing and extremely able to help when and where help is needed. The TCMAFC is a very strong group of people dedicated to the hobby of owning, preserving, and driving the Model A Ford.

We'll see you down the road!

Thom

# Twin Cities Model A Ford Club December 8, 2020 Monthly Business Meeting Minutes

The December 8, 2020 TCMAFC Business Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Catherine Jammer via ZOOM Video Conferencing Platform.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** President – Catherine Jammer, Vice President – Thom Boche, Secretary - Catherine Kieger, Junior Board Member – David Peterson, and Treasurer – Mel Eder.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**: Dale Pomerleau, Mark Leder, Steve Barnacle, Brendan Keilen, Doug Persing, Peter Trence, Vince Smith, Dave Gerold, Jerry Shilling, and Scott Huberty.

**LAST MONTH MINUTES**: The November Board Meeting Minutes were reviewed and a motion by Mr. Eder to accept the minutes as presented was made, seconded by Mr. Boche, motion carried.

**TREASURER REPORT:** The November Treasurer's Report was reviewed, and a motion was carried to approve the report as corrected by Mr. Boche, seconded by Mrs. Kieger. The correction is to change 'Membership' in the Income & Expense Category to 'Membership & Roster', move \$500 from 'St. Michael's' category to 'Charities', and adjust the Anniversary Fund to reflect \$10,700.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**: There were no new members for the month of November. This time of year is membership renewal time. Mr. Persing encouraged our members to renew their membership. Mr. Persing reported that there are members that are sending a donation to the club along with their membership renewal. It was determined these donations should be reported under 'Memorial Fund'. Mr. Leder will place a thank you in the newsletter. The board thanks those members for their continued support of the club. Mr. Persing will be retiring from his duties as Membership Chairperson and is looking to mentor a member in the duties. Contact Mrs. Jammer or Mr. Persing for more information.

**MEMBERSHIP GREETING**: Mr. Lake is up to date contacting new members.

**MEN'S CLINIC**: Mr. Pomerleau & Mr. Peterson reported that there are programs scheduled for future clinics, when it is safe to resume group clinics.

**TOOLS**: Mr. Barnacle reported tools are available to be loaned out.

**SUNSHINE LADY**: Mrs. Frisk reported she sent a bereavement card to the Bateman Family on the passing of James Bateman, and a get well card was sent to Russ Agrimson. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

**NEWSLETTER**: Mr. Leder reported an issue with the AOL email group, however was quickly resolved. Content for the newsletter is needed no later than the 21st of each month. Mr. Leder will run the Membership Chairperson Want Ad in the December newsletter.

**WEBSITE/FACEBOOK**: Mr. Keilan reported updated links to the Facebook page have been reworked, as well as a New Community group established on Facebook. Mr. Keilan encouraged the membership to utilize this technology that serves the purpose of the club.

**SERVICE ADVISOR**: Mr. Smith reported he had exceptional service from Classtique, as well as Randy Stallman of Core Country in Iowa, who restores & sells leakless water pumps at a reasonable price.

**FUNDRAISER/RAFFLE:** Mrs. Jammer reported that Kwik Trip Car Wash Cards were pre-sold to prior purchasers, and a financial report will be forthcoming.

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## SPECIAL COMMITTEES REPORTS - SHORT TERM COMMITTEES

**2021 Board Election Update –** Mr. Peterson reported that the ballots have been returned and the 2021 Board members are as follows: President-Thom Boche, Vice President-Doug Persing, Secretary-Carisa Halter, Treasurer-Mel Eder, Sr. Board Member-David Peterson, Jr. Board Member-Peter Trence, Past President-Catherine Jammer.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Charity Funds Disbursement** – Mrs. Jammer reported that a letter was completed, and Mr. Eder sent the donation to St. Michael's Lutheran Church. Discussion regarding an additional end of year disbursement to charity entailed. There will be no additional charity funds disbursed this year due to funds being dispersed earlier in the year.

**Memorial Tour** –Discussions continued, and it was determined that at this time the 'Donation' category is to be changed to 'Memorial Fund' on the Treasurer's Report.

New Membership Idea – Discussions continued.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**:

Minnesota non-profit status – Mrs. Jammer reported on behalf of Mr. Portlance that the clubs' status for 2021 has been updated. Spark Plug Award – Mr. Pomerleau reported a new, low maintenance process in which a new engraved plate representing all years the recipient was awarded will be sent to those who have been past recipients, and the recipient is responsible to attach the new plate.

### **Announcements**:

Thank you - Mrs. Jammer reported that a thank you note from Shirley Porter was received and was shared with those present.

Thank you – Several members thanked the 2020 Board for going above & beyond and for their service to the club.

At 8:12 p.m. a motion was made to adjourn by Mr. Boche and seconded by Mr. Eder, motion carried. Meeting adjourned. Respectfully submitted, Cathy Kieger

# Possible January Mini Tour

As unpredictable the weather has been and the deep need to do something to break up our hibernation, Rog Anderson and Lynne Groven are going to try to make an attempt to put some Model A's on the road in January. No date has yet been set but with a keen eye to the sky and a scan of all the weather forecasts it just may happen. Rog Anderson would like you to contact him should you wish to be put on his short notice call list. Have your car ready to go as it could be on short notice. Rog can be contacted at 651 - 457- 8820 or <a href="minnesotaguy@gmail.com">minnesotaguy@gmail.com</a>.



# **THANK YOU**

In the past few month's the club has been the recipient of a number of donations sent along with membership renewals and also the thoughtfulness of those families with members associated both past and present with the club. We are so thankful for these gifts and we have created a Memorial Fund category. The board will work on appropriate uses for those funds.

Your new board of directors are excited and committed to begin the 2021 club year by sharing their time and ideas for the benefit of the members of TCMAFC

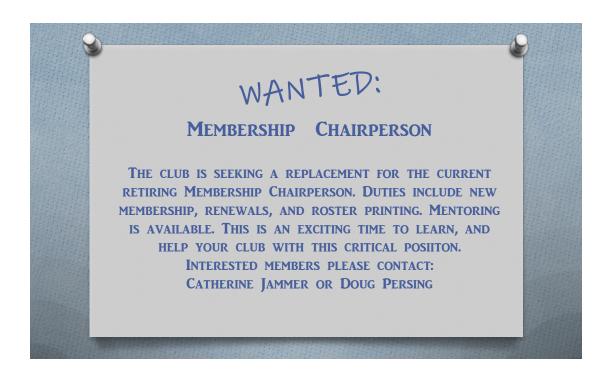
Your new board members contact information will be listed in the new roster and is also found on page one of each newsletter. They are all volunteers and welcome your help and your ideas to create and maintain the club that you desire.

President: Thom Boche, Vice President: Doug Persing, Secretary: Carisa Halter,

Treasurer: Mel Eder and Junior Board: Peter Trence

Senior Board: Dave Peterson, Past President: Catherine Jammer

We are in need of a new Membership Chairperson and have been asking for someone to take on this position. The people on the board mentioned above are willing to serve as they have benefitted from the previous efforts of the former board members and other volunteers. This positions needs to be filled, can someone please step up and take on this task which would show appreciation for those mentioned above and those who have served in the past.



With sadness and gratitude for their friendship and services to our club we are announcing that Neal Anderson and Russ Agrimson both long time members have passed, condolences to their families and hoping their memory gives the families comfort

## FOR SALE / WANTED / SERVICES :

## TO PLACE YOUR AD: CONTACT NEWSLETTER EDITOR

For Sale: Rebuilt engines in stock.

Wanted:

For Sale:

Trade in or bring me yours to re-build. Precision machining and assembly work. Call Dave Gerold for options and pricing at (952) 290-3630 or see my website

www.durableperformance.net

For Sale: For Sale: Engine hoist/puller used twice. \$150 ,exhaust manifolds, some with intake manifold, several hot air heater

types. \$35 each. NOS roadster trunk lid. Ford parts book says 1928-31. Original paint, a bit of surface rust on one edge. Had it for 60 years, \$550. 1931 wheels, from fair to real nice. Reasonable, you must see and pick out

what you want. Darel Leipold, 952-474-5880 (my store number) leipold@leipolds.org open to offers.

For Sale: 1929 Model A Tudor older complete restoration inside, outside & under. excellent interior & paint, 880 miles. New

distributor, water pump, Head Gasket, 2 blade fan. appraised \$19,500 / taking offers. Contact Dale 763-458-9880 or

dfpomerleau@comcast.net

Wanted: Pillar Mount Mirror Bracket for a 28/29 Pick up. Jim Lake 651-245-1937

One front bucket seat for a 30-31 Model A Victoria or Tudor Phaeton.

Contact: Chuck Straub 715 - 581 - 8602 Charles.Straub@Frontier.com

**For Sale:** License Plates 28-31 years. \$80-\$240 depending on condition.

Contact: Clancy 763-291-8888

Wanted: Front shock assemblies for 29 Tudor Sedan. Contact: Clancy 763-291-8888

**For Sale:** 1929 Four Door Town Sedan, Leather Back. Fully restored.

Excellent, show condition. Many new parts, turn signals, custom made trunk. A lot of spares available, carbs, distributors, wheels etc. Contact: Chuck Ash 715-245-7303 or <a href="mailto:cwash211@comcast.net">cwash211@comcast.net</a>

1930 Model A Ford radiator shell, very good condition \$175.00, 1931 Model A Ford radiator shell, very good

condition \$ 325.00, 1931 Deluxe A radiator shell, this is the one with a removable insert at the bottom, very good condition. \$ 375.00 . 1928 - 29 Model A Ford Roadster top bows, very good condition \$ 325.00 Ford Motor Co.

Twin City plant badges, I have a few to choose from. All in excellent condition. \$ 125.00 each.

Contact: Gary Anderson 651-776-8387

For Sale: 1930 parts: Radiator shell very good \$150.00, rear window frame for Sports Coupe \$95.00, new windshield \$125.00

rebuilt distributor \$100.00, ignition switch & cable \$110.00, (4) 21" wheels \$110.00, 4 car dollies hardly used

\$120.00. Other parts available. Contact: Bud Curtis 763 - 712 - 9752 or 612 - 419 - 6993

Wanted:

Wire binders for the "Restorer" and "Model 'A' News" magazines. Contact Gary Thorin 612-788-1564

garythorin@yahoo.com

Wanted:

Parts for Early 30 Tudor sedan. 1) Original seats/upholstery in decent condition for an unrestored hobby driver; some tears, holes ok. 2) Trunk/trunk rack in any condition. 3) Original rear view mirror/side mirrors; bad glass ok 4) interior header board above windshield. 5) Tudor Basement aftermarket accessory. 6) Left side engine pan. 7) original right rear quarter window in good condition. 8) Windshield frame with good glass; either original or new, 9) Factory or older aftermarket accessories. Scott Petersen <a href="mailto:pyrodork@yahoo.com">pyrodork@yahoo.com</a> or 763-645-2323. Email preferred.

For Sale:

1929 Town Sedan for sale. This car was a five year frame off restoration using about 90% original parts. Engine has inserts and a high compression Brumfield head. Car looks and runs great with 3 thousand miles on the car since restoration. This car was judged both at MAFCA and MARC national meets and was one of the top cars at both. Cell phone number 952 -334 - 0347 or 952 - 925 - 1005. Best number to call is the cell. Bruce Remington

For Sale:

Running board trim, zinc as original, made by Bob Burdock (CA). Still in shipping tube and packaging as received years ago, never opened. \$100. Excess inventory of very nice Model A parts, most are original, some rstored or rebuilt, to much to list here! For a complete list contact Jerry Schilling at 763-213-4917 or <a href="mailto:jerry.nancy.schilling@gmail.com">jerry.nancy.schilling@gmail.com</a>

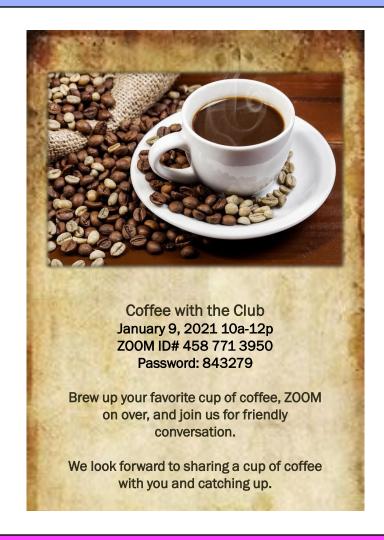
Wanted:

Set of headlights for 28-29 Model A, also need select wood pieces to complete the top roof and cab sections for 1930 -1931 closed cab pick up , let me know what you may have Contact Bob Butek 651 - 301 - 9560



Jody Huberty	Jan/2	David Ferch	Jan/9	John Reuter	Jan/15
Steven Smith	Jan/2	Clay Bulow	Jan/11	Bonnie Roehl	Jan/15
Tammy Newman	Jan/3	Phil Zins	Jan/11	John Pole	Jan/16
Joan Olszewski	Jan/3	Steven Barnacle	Jan/12	Adelaide Aamodt	Jan/19
Leah Barnacle	Jan/5	Kris Lindberg	Jan/13	Dave Hetchler	Jan/23
Michael Amundson	Jan/7	Clarence McCarty	Jan/14	Ron Hulm	Jan/26
		Benjamin Rowan	Jan/14		

This is our second Zoom meeting using a virtual format. Our first one went well and members were able to greet one another and exchange questions and answers on a large number of topics. It was great to be able to see those familiar faces once again. Please join in.





Bob Butek again has showed us his abilities to be creative and adapt his ideas with this unique radiator ornament that he brought out for the December mini tour last month.

## You will be greatly missed but fondly remembered

When President Catherine Jammer and family moved to Colorado most of us were unaware of it as all the club business and meetings continued along the 'new' usual path. With the passing of the Presidential Gavel and President's plaque truly now a distance passing, it did put a twist on it but an obstacle that can't be hurdled with cooperation. Here is proof of that as Catherine 'passes' off the President plaque to President elect Thom Boche. Thank you Catherine for all your work under such unique and trying times!



We are also pleased to announce that Catherine has recieved a Spark plug Award for all her hard work and contributions in the many aspects of fundraising, club management and her Presidential leadership of two terms.

# **Club Property Notice**

The club has an extensive collection organized in binders of the two national Model A club's magazines. The Restorer (MAFCA), the Model A News (MARC) and the TCMAFC's Aoogah Newsletters. Due to storage issues the collection needs a new home or they will be placed in the recycling bin. Should anyone desire the collection it will be offered in its entirety to any club member. **This means every issue and its removal.** Should more than one member desire the collection, numbers can be drawn from a hat to determine the new owner. The deadline for requesting the collection is: Jan 23<sup>rd</sup>. 2021.

The collection will be able to be viewed on Saturday Jan 23<sup>rd</sup>. 2021 in Neal Andersons garage at 3326 Larchmore Ave., Wayzata, Mn 55391 from 1pm to 4pm. You if you want it you will have until Feb 1st. to get it removed. Any question please direct them to Steve Barnacle 952 - 212 - 6847

# Jim's Technical Tip by Jim Cannon



Installing the Starter "Bendix Drive"

The small Bendix Drive gear that's bolted to the starter motor puts up with a lot of use (and abuse when you forget to retard the spark before starting). Eventually you will be working on yours and I have a tip for you about installing it back on the starter shaft.

The Bendix is bolted to the shaft with 2 special bolts and lock washers, as shown in the photo below. One bolt has a specially-shaped end that goes down into a hole in the starter shaft. This is critical, to lock the Bendix to the shaft; do not substitute a plain bolt for this.



The other bolt is "special" only because it is only 11/16" long. This allows the bolt to lock the spring in place, without having the bolt actually touch the starter shaft. Don't be tempted to use a 3/4" long bolt instead of the correct shorter one. See the comparison photo of a 3/4" bolt and the correct bolt.



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When this longer bolt is used, it presses against the starter shaft when tight and it messes up the Bendix operation.

Don't forget to install the half-moon shaped Woodruff key in the shaft before slipping the drive on the shaft. You may also use 2 spring clips (optional). Be sure to lock the bolts down tight by bending the ear of the special lock washer up against the bolt head. If you don't, these bolts will work loose and fly out of the starter drive.

I carry a spare Bendix spring (they are known to break) and a set of these special bolts and lock washers with me in my parts kit on tours. If I don't need them, someone traveling with us might. This will help quickly get them back on the road to

Have a Model A Day! Jim

#### Plus Four Knickers for Fun

By Rosie Cassou, Cruisin' A's of Hemet, CA & Era Fashion Committee

Knickers or Plus Four trousers certainly set a style in the Model A Era. The look was one of fun and carefree activity. While the origin of knickers and Plus Fours came from the early 19<sup>th</sup> century, the practical use for men and women were on the sporting fields, shooting range, golf courses, and for a casual drive in a sporty Model A roadster.

They were called plus fours because they bagged below the knee and were 4" longer than knickerbockers. Plus fours were made in tweeds, linen, corduroy, flannel, and wool. Today women, men, or youth can wear a pair of Plus Fours either in the Original Category fashion judging or in the Era Image Category. Appropriate Coordinating Apparel would be a long sleeved shirt with a sweater vest, a patterned sweater, or a matching or contrasting suit jacket. A jacket belted in the back, made the outfit more "sporty" looking. The heavy argyle socks worn with tie shoes were often the first features noticed by others. Sometimes the socks and sweater were



matching to add a daring flare to the ensemble. For accessories, a man, or woman might use a golf club, a road map, a suitcase, or a walking stick. For youth, accessories might be sporting or camping equipment or schoolbooks.

Fashion enthusiasts can make their own pair of Plus Fours from a pair of roomy trousers with or without front pleats, measure 10-12 inches from cuff and mark this line with safety pins. Try on pants, sit down, and make sure you have plenty of comfort room to bend your knees plus an extra 1/2 inch for the seam allowance. The safety pinned line should



not curve up your knee but be parallel to the floor. If necessary, adjust the whole line. You can always trim length, but not add it back on. When you are satisfied your knees will have plenty of bending (sitting) room, and then cut the excess lower leg fabric. Save the cuff cut off the trouser leg for making the band that will fit just below the knee. Fasteners on the band can ease putting the Plus Fours on and will help to hold the band in place below the knee.

Another option is to make a casing, inserting wide elastic that measures the circumference of your leg just below your knee. The extra length of fabric will fall over the band creating the ballooning of the fabric, which gives Plus Fours the characteristic style.

As more Model A enthusiasts are finding Era Image a comfortable way to travel, wearing a pair of Plus Fours while driving your Model A will add value to your experience and will certainly catch the eye of onlookers!

Enjoy driving all year long in your favorite pair of knickers or Plus Fours

MAFCA Fashion Guidelines, 2015 Edition Driving in Style, MARC August 2019 December 2010 Phoenix Magazine, Phoenix in the 1920s



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