

"Aogah" Newsletter

The Newsletter of the Twin Cities Model A Ford Club

JANUARY 2024

Twin Cities Model "A" Club Events

- January 9th. Business Meeting Via Zoom Internet Platform 7:00 P.M - Contact Jerome Bokelmann For Meeting Invitation Code**
- January 18th. Clinic 7:00 P.M. At St. Michaels Church in Roseville - Live Swap Meet, Topics Are: Upholstery At More Reasonable Costs, Short On Broken Head Stud Extraction And Replacement , Should Time Allow By Mark Leder - See Page 7 For Meeting And Zoom Internet Code**
- February 13th. Business Meeting**
- February 15th. Clinic**
- February 29th. Ironman Tour See Page 5 For Details**



Shown to your left is one tough hombre, a survivor of the past Ironman Tour, Jasper laughed at the Otwell and Autolite manifold heaters on the other cars, a real man or a real women can make that journey- Get ready, Leap Year only comes every four years along with the Ironman Tour

Clinics will be held at St. Michaels's Lutheran Church located at 1660 County Road B W, Roseville, Mn.

Clinic doors will open at 6:30 P.M., meeting starts at 7:00 P.M. Enter at door #2

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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.**



TCMAFC Presidents Letter



President's Letter



Greetings Club Members

January 2024

Welcome to 2024!! It looks to be a great year ahead of us in our Ford Model A club. There are many activities already planned for 2024 including our Iron Man Tour hosted by Rog Anderson. It is on Leap Year Day February 29th and YES... It is a TOUR so you will be driving your Model A in a route planned by Rog. I've done it a few times and have had a blast every time AND NO, I don't have heat in my Model A either. One Iron Man Tour, several years ago, I had club member Jasper Bond ride with me which was very enjoyable. So reach out to Rog Anderson and let him know you are interested and he can fill you in on the details.

I really like our clinics! We have members present various topics and I always learn a lot. The December Restoration Clinic had two presentations. One, by Tom Owens on the restoration of his Delivery Truck and going to the MARC National Meet in Hamilton for fine point judging in Touring Class. An impressive 493 points out of 500 points was achieved (well DONE). Mark Leder did the second presentation of the night on Head Removal and Head Gaskets. Both of our presenters did a great job sharing their experiences, photo's showing their work, and answering questions. Our January restoration clinic will be Interior creation and installation by Jeff Schaffer. Jeff and I have been working together to get his presentation ready and I think you will learn a lot by what Jeff has done.

At our last Restoration Clinic, Dale Pomerleau mentioned the topic of a "Work Meeting". A work Meeting is if you have something that needs to get done on your Model A and would like to have some help, some club members will help you. The club will supply the group with Coffee and Donuts for your meeting. Contact Dale and he will help you coordinate it with you.

Dale Pomerleau also mentioned about an E-Mail buddy system. When we experience bad driving conditions due to bad weather or our clinic location has an issue preventing us from meeting, we send out an e-mail blast informing everyone. The problem is, not everyone of the members has e-mail. So we would like you to buddy up to someone who gets our notifications electronically so you can get these updates via phone. It's a simple thing to do to keep everyone safe.

That is all for now...

Cheers – Keep the wheels on the road!

Jerome Bokelmann

Twin Cities Model A Ford Meeting Minutes for December 12th, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:01 P M. via Zoom internet platform.

Attendance: Board Members present: President -Jerome Bokelmann, Vice President - Marc Rude, Junior Board – Scott Huberty, Treasurer - Doug Portlance, Secretary - Mark Leder. Members present: Jerry Schilling, Blair Bolig, Blain Maus, Dale Pomerleau, Steve Barnacle and Mel Eder. Jerome Bokelmann called the meeting to order and conducted the board meeting in accordance with his duties to meet with the board in the monthly scheduled meeting.

Secretary's report: The President asked if there were any corrections or additions to the report for the November printed copy of the minutes. A motion was made by Marc Rude to accept the November minutes as printed in the Ahoogah Newsletter in November. The motion was seconded by Doug Portlance and the motion was passed unanimously.

Treasures report:

Doug Portlance presented the treasures report. A paper copy will be retained with the official club notes. During the presentation a few corrections were made after the initial reading of the spreadsheet. Those in attendance accepted the corrections. The report as corrected will be placed in the official club notes. A motion was made by Mark Leder to accept the report as presented, a second was made by Marc Rude and the vote was unanimous and passed.

Membership report: We have no new members to consider this month.

Membership Greeter: Our official greeter was not present.

Clinics: Our Clinics this month will be Tom Owens recap of his time at the MARC national meet in Hamilton Ohio where he had his newly restored woody panel truck judged. Mark Leder will have a “short” on head gasket replacement and the process. We are always looking for presenters, the presentations can be brief subjects, please contact anyone on the board or our clinic coordinators with your content.

Fashion Clinic: There is an open position that we would like someone to fill and coordinate activities. If interested contact any board member.

Tools: Coordinator was present, inventory of tools is ready for members to check out

Sunshine: Two cards will be sent this month, one for Jackie Rude recovering from back surgery and one to the Sweeny family in memory of their mother Darlene. Darlene and her husband Mike were longtime members.

Newsletter: All good

Calendar Of Events: Nothing to report.

Fundraising Raffle: Our raffle ended at the Annual banquet and our winning ticket for the brake package is Russ Isackson, our winner for the shift tower was Jim Lake. We are grateful for the donations from Randy Gross (brake package) and Blain Maus (shift tower)

Calendar of Events: Marc Rude reports winter is slow for events however the Ironman event on Leap Year Day is one to look forward too.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Officers of the club need to submit MARC and MAFCA membership validation as per rules of each of the clubs. Board members are eligible for reimbursement of dues to one of the national clubs. The reimbursement is valued at the lower cost of membership when comparing the two clubs. Board members are required to have a membership in each club.

New topic: Brought forward by Mark Leder showing club logo badges made from durable material to mount to cars. Another club did this and we got a contact to the manufacturer and cost structure. Those present were asked if this might be what we want to offer members, is there interest? Those present seemed to like the idea and investigation on costs and the possibility of Engraphics Company which is owned by the Portlance family of our club to find out if they would be interested in making them should we decide on this.

New topic: No decision made, just thrown out for discussion. Would there be interest in offering at a very minimal cost a membership category to children of current member who have now moved out of the family home. Suggestion of digital newsletter, no voting rights, ability to come to all events. The thought process is keeping family members connected to club, when they have less family demands or more spare time they may come in as full members, maybe the parent gives them their car as they age out or it becomes an estate item and they want to keep the car and need support of Model A owners who know about the car and how to keep it running. Good discussion and hope to hear more input in the future.

Topic that surfaces from time to time. Why does the club not seek higher interest investments for the funds we have in the bank? Why not buy a certificate of deposit with a higher yield than our money market? various board members identified that we are a tax-exempt organization and our money market and saving account money does yield interest. Various answers, a CD would create a 1099 form sent to the IRS. That triggers the club filing a tax return. We do not file returns now. Professional service of a CPA to create a return has fees, should we get an inquiry about a return by the IRS we will need to spend additional money on professional services, CPA or perhaps an attorney. Fees would most likely wipe out any or most of any extra interest. Should we have an audit those fees would be much greater. Board members stated they would not want to sign a return on behalf of the club. Board position is not worth the headache of being the one responsible for the return should there be an audit or IRS question. Further comments stated, we are car club that is fortunately well positioned with our treasury, we are here to enjoy and promote our cars, we are not as interested in making the last dollar of interest money as we should be putting our efforts to servicing our members and adhering to our budget. We have lived within our budget, our services, events and club assets owned by this club are very far from lacking.

Mel Eder brought up we should consider donations and scholarships that we have set aside in the budget. We need to look at a donation to Church we use for clinic meetings. Board will have this on our agenda soon.

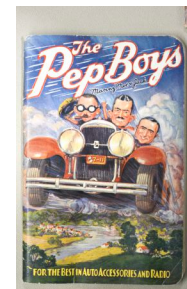
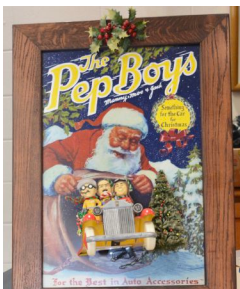
Mark Leder is concerned about possible event cancelations due to weather, unforeseen circumstances etc. Will run notice in newsletter to look for blast emails before going to event. Will contact members we reach by USPS urging them to find a member with email and ask to be informed if something is emailed – get an email buddy.

Dale Pomerleau brought up idea of winter work meeting – like a coffee social, he will explain this idea at next clinic to those present.

A motion to adjourn was made by Marc Rude, it was seconded by Doug Portlance and the vote was unanimous. Meeting ended at 8:20 P.M. Minutes submitted by Mark Leder, Secretary

December Clinic

Good attendance, Topic presented this night were Tom Owens trip to the National MARC meet this summer and his experience in touring class judging. Many pictures were presented of his experiences. A short topic with power point display by Mark Leder on head gasket replacement and what to expect with that repair along with choices of upgrading to a higher compression head. Ken Huber brought a wonderful collection of Christmas Pep Boys display items and literature.





February 29th 2024

*9:30 A.M. Meet at Christ Lutheran Church
1930 Diffley Road, Eagan*

Join us for coffee before the tour

Tour will end at our lunch stop (pay for your own)

Sign Up: Rog Anderson

651 – 457 – 8820 call or text

Event Cancellations : Sometimes winter weather or unforeseen circumstances may cancel one of our clinics or events. We will use a blast email to alert membership should weather seem threatening or we are noticed from our meeting places of a problem. Check your email before leaving for an event.

Non email user members: Please find a member that has email and ask to be an "email buddy" your "buddy" can alert you should a cancelation arise

FOR SALE / WANTED / SERVICES :**TO PLACE YOUR AD: CONTACT NEWSLETTER EDITOR**

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- For Sale:** Rebuilt engines in stock.
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Call Dave Gerold for options and pricing at (952) 290-3630 or see my website
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- Wanted:** Title for a '30 - '31 Tudor. Contact Butch Warnke 507 - 485 - 3548
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- For Sale:** N.O.S. standard compression head-magnafluxed, \$300.00 cash or reasonable offer. Contact Jim Kelly 651-398-4918 or indymaggie@comcast.net
- For Sale:** 2 - 21" whitewalls for sale for \$175, each. Contact Thom Boche- 612-840-4046.
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- For Sale:** For Sale: 1929 Model A Blindback. Very nice older restoration, clean interior, runs good, many new parts with receipts and notes. Needs work on brakes and steering. 10k OBO. Will provide lots of photos and details, rlcolem@hotmail.com or 651-703-8695 .
- For Sale:** Heated winter garage storage in Chanhassen for Model A. \$425 for season.
Contact Blair 612-812-6791
- For Sale:** Original 1929 headlamps with script, nickel plated with rims, lenses and reflectors correctly cad plated mounting studs very nice selling for the cost of plating \$650.00 also original 1929 cowl lamps (no arms) chrome plated (easily stripped to nickel) includes rims lenses and reflectors \$150.00 contact Brad Nelson
651-253 3981

- Wanted:** Wanted: Back issues of the AOOGAH NEWS magazines from 1962-1972. Contact Gary Thorin
612-788-1564 garythorin@yahoo.com
- Wanted:** 30 -31 front fenders. Also 30 - 31 rear fenders for coupe/pickup. Rog Anderson 651-457-8820
- For Sale:** Upgrade your Model A to a 6 volt positive ground alternator for \$160. Includes all brackets and bolts to install on your car. I have 4 alternators in stock ready to go. Call Steven Barnacle 952 212 6847 **kits**
- Wanted:** I'm looking for a front leaf spring as well as a full set of tube style shock links for my town sedan.
Dan Cunningham cell number is (651)442-6662
- Wanted:** Good original used parts for my 1931 narrow-box CCPU project: locking door handle, 2 roof panels, 2 top and 2 side hood panels, re-buildable distributor, tail gate + more. Call or text Al Malachowski 612-364-3423
- For Sale:** 1931 170-B Deluxe Fordor Sedan (Blindback) Original interior, straight, no rust, runs well. 1929 engine. leak less water pump, alternator, electric gas shutoff. powder coated wheels. Built from January through March of 1931. Asking \$13,500. Steve 218-722-4224
- For Sale :** 30/31 TUDOR Body Blocks \$60, 30/31 TUDOR Body Block Pads \$8, 28/31 TUDOR Seat Hardware kits \$9ea. All items New in Box. Contact Tom Owens 651 - 492 - 4398
- For Sale:** 1930 Tudor sedan. This car runs and drives, it has been in one family for at least 58 years. It needs someone to do a lot of catch up maintenance on it. This would be a good project car at a reasonable price. Contact Lois Held
612 - 990 -5938
- Wanted:** Wanted: TRUNK for my '29 Tudor trunk rack. Ideally black trunk, but open to other options that fits 13' x 34" trunk rack. Please call or text Rob Gusaas 612-750-6410
- Missing:** I lent my head puller to a club member and I cannot remember to whom, I have a request from another to use it
Please contact Jerry Schilling and let me know when to expect it's return. Call 763 - 213 - 4917

Let Zoom Put You Into The Room
Clinic Night January 18th.
 Use Zoom Meeting to join the clinic on the Internet
[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6172683010?
 pwd=VEZSeWQxaUV2cGlMDJKVHpqcVIQZz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6172683010?pwd=VEZSeWQxaUV2cGlMDJKVHpqcVIQZz09)

Submission Deadline for advertisements is the 21st. day of the month

Do not text information, send via email, USPS or phone conversation

ANNUAL BANQUET

On Sunday December 10th we gathered for our annual banquet. We had the unique experience of holding this lunch in the storied Wabasha Caves. An actual series of caves right in the city of St. Paul. This venue is now used as an event center for private parties and gatherings.

Where we had our afternoon event, back in the 20's and 30's was used for parties and gatherings. Many of those days the bar and restaurant were a favorite of the gangsters that were frequently visitors in large numbers to the Twin Cities. St. Paul especially had a "hands off" policy if they were not committing crimes while visiting. It is rumored that in one of the very rooms we held the event there was gunfire and bodies on the floor one day. The fireplace on the rear wall has some strange holes and abrasions that many attribute to the bullets that flew that day.

Some of those gathered dressed in clothes reflecting this period, with the dark and quiet room your mind could wander back in time and think, is this the life my parents or grandparents experienced?

Our Junior Board member, Scott Huberty put this event together and he captured a moment in this historic cave that many will remember. An Italian themed lunch was served. The club appreciates and thanked Scott for his hard work and the time he devotes to his board position.

Official Minutes of the meeting at our Annual Banquet

We had a short review of the year's events of the club, and we actually conducted a membership meeting.

New business:

We had five people awarded with the "Spark Plug" award. This is given to a member for their extraordinary involvement and service.

We also use this meeting to introduce our new Board Members for the year 2024 who will guide this organization for the next year. We also acknowledge those Board Members cycling out after another great year of good decisions, planning and guidance.

Raffle Drawing: Winners were drawn for our raffle which generous donations were given. Winner of the brake drum package was Russ Issacson. Winner for the shift tower was James Lake.

President Jerome Bockelmann asked for a motion to adjourn and board members along with those members present made a motion to adjourn, it was accepted.

Minutes submitted by Mark Leder, Secretary

Some photos of our recent event



Scott Huberty, Junior Board planned and created this special day



Blaine Maus drew the names for our year end raffle. Blaine also donated one of the prizes



Spark Plug Award winners from L - R
Dave Peterson, Mark Leder , Blaine Maus
Jerry Schilling, Steve Barnacle

Photo Contest for 2023

And now we have it, the winners in the photo contest. We had two categories that members could choose to enter photos in. My rules were simple, send up to six photos that you took in the year. Choose to participate in either or both categories. All photos entered had to have a Model A Ford Club or Model A car association related to the photo. The first option was a free for all anything you came up with the photo being Model A related. The second option was testing your creative eye and ability to associate the photo with the key word “Lake”, be it a real lake or a word, sign, etc. The winners in the free for all category are:



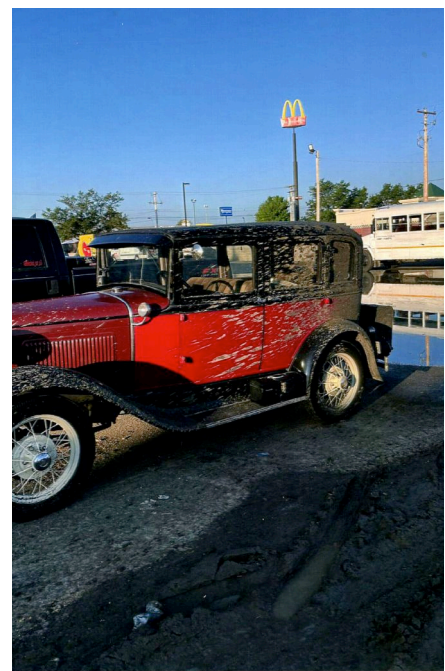
James Perry



Rob Gusaas



Patrick Mullaney



Steve Barnacle

Winners in the "LAKE category



John Pole



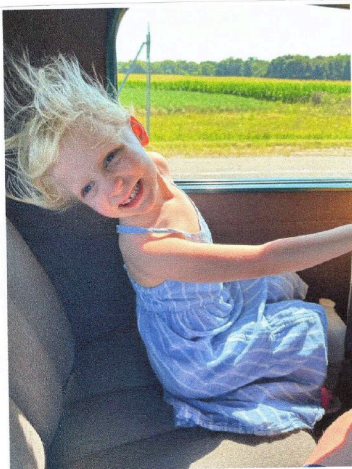
Blair Bollig



John Saunders

Each of our winners will be mailed their prize for participating and winning in the respective category. As Editor is important to me to have member participation in our newsletter and see how members keep our club and these cars in the public eye thru the year. I thank each and everyone for the submissions and plead for more contributions in next years contest. Rules will be the same , two categories, six submissions allowed. Special category for 2024 will be the image of a Model A related association with the word , image or ? of a FLAG. There are so many flags in existence of great colors, symbols and meaning as well as words, so please participate.

Mark Leder, Editor



Honorable Mention

Rob Gusaas



Honorable Mention

Blair Bollig

Note: Editor has a hard time passing up photos of children in and around Model A's



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National Club Affiliation Information

Members are encouraged to belong to one or both of the National Model A Ford clubs. Benefits of membership include six high quality magazines for the year, ability to place advertisements in each of the publications as well as many technical and historical articles that relate to the hobby and time period of these vehicles. Each of the clubs host national meets, tours and social events. Products and services are reviewed and advertised in the publications and you get a overall view of where the direction of the Model A Ford enthusiasts car hobby is headed. Each club has an on line presence with well executed websites. Contact information for the each of the national clubs are below.



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