

"Aogah" Newsletter

The Newsletter of the Twin Cities Model A Ford Club

February 2023

Twin Cities Model "A" Club Events

- Saturdays** **Model A'ers Lunch At Flaherty's Arden Bowl In Arden Hills**
- Wednesdays** **Model A'ers Lunch Held On The Second Wednesday Of The Month at Flaherty's , And On The Fourth Wednesday Of The Month At The Crystal VFW 5222 Bass Lake Rd.**
- Thursdays** **Model A'ers Breakfast Held On The Second And Fourth Thursday Of Each Month At McDonald's Near I-494 And Valley Creek Road In Woodbury at 9:00 AM**
- February 9th.** **Business Meeting Via Zoom Internet Platform 7:00 P.M - Contact Jerome Bokelmann For Meeting Invitation Code**
- February 16th.** **Clinic 7:00 P.M. At St. Michaels Church in Roseville. Topic: Rust Removal, Era Accesories. Zoom Link Available, See Page 10**



A Model A based Snow Bird built by Arps and Adolf Langenfeld's Farm Specialty Manufacturing in Wisconsin, was part of Admiral Byrd's 1931 Antarctic expedition

Clinics from now on 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.tcmaf.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

TCMAFC Presidents Letter

February 2023

Winters Minnesota doesn't slow our TCMAFC as we have several activities happening. Our January Restoration clinic had Phil Zins presenting on Distributor rebuilding and coil testing. Phil does a great job of presenting and sharing a lot of his expertise he has gained on topics. There were several questions from the group and we all learned a lot. It appears that attendance for our clinics is growing as the January clinic had more than previous months. Next month we will have Brad Nelson presenting Rust Removal along with a group presentation on Accessories. It should be a great clinic so invite someone to join you to see what our clinics are all about.

We also are starting up Coffee Socials both live and via Zoom. In January we had a coffee social via zoom with the Jay McCord. Jay was the former President of the Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA) and is currently the Membership Director and manages the MAFCA Facebook page. Jay provided his insights on the organization and ideas in how to drive more excitement for our members and others who are new to Model A's. Jay answered several questions by those in attendance and it was a good session. One of Jay's featured comments is to buddy up with someone who has less knowledge than you have and start sharing! If you have any ideas for other virtual (ZOOM) or live coffee socials, just let me know. These are a great way to learn more about the Model A, the club, and others in the club. We have ideas for more but we want to hear from you too.

We also have an active TCMAFC Board and hold our monthly Board Meetings virtually (Zoom). While we do cover the business aspects of the club, as you might expect we all have an interest in Model A's and the conversations are light hearted. All are welcome to attend these meetings, just let me know and I'll send you the link to join the meetings.

If you are working on a project for your Model A or anything related to that Era, PLEASE take pictures of your project and notes of what you are researching. Others can benefit from your efforts. If you don't want to present at a clinic but want to share the material, we can help you and figure something out. Please reach out to me and we can discuss. Remember, none of us are professional speakers, but we share our passion of the Ford Model A.

Cheers,
Jerome Bokelmann

Twin Cities Model A Ford Meeting Minutes for January 10th, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:05 P.M. Via Zoom Internet

Attendance: Board Members present: President –Jerome Bockelmann, Treasurer – Doug Portlance , Vice President –Marc Rude , Senior Board – Deb Persing, Secretary - Mark Leder. Members present Dale Pomerleau, Jerry Schilling, Mel Eder, Blair Bollig and Steve Barnacle. Jerome Bokelmann called the meeting to order and conducted the board members in accordance with the duties of the board to meet in the monthly scheduled meeting.

Secretary's report: There were no corrections or modifications to be made and a motion was made by Deb Persing to accept the December minutes as printed in the Ahoogah Newsletter for November. The motion was seconded by Doug Portlance and the motion was passed unanimously.

Treasures report:

Mel Eder presented the treasures report, although in January he was not officially the treasurer. The financial information in the report was a result of his elected duties until the last day of December. He consulted with the new treasurer for 2023 and they agreed to have Mr. Eder deliver the report. The incoming treasurer Doug Portlance and our outgoing treasurer Mel Eder are working on an orderly transfer of the financial records. A motion was made by Doug Portlance to accept the treasures report as presented. The motion was seconded by Marc Rude and the motion was passed unanimously.

Membership Report

There were four new members submitted for consideration for this meeting: Randy and Rose Maire Gross of Huntington Beach CA. have a 1931 Victoria, William Everett of Hibbing MN. has a 1929 Fordor Deluxe Sedan, Dan and Samantha Brown of Stillwater MN. have a 1930 Town Sedan and Matt Frederick of North Branch Mn. has a 1930 Fordor.

A motion to accept the proposed members was made by Mark Leder, motion was seconded by Marc Rude, the motion passed unanimously.

Membership Greeter: Our official greeter will be given the list of new members to contact. Last month he was able to contact 9 out of ten new members he was given information for.

Clinics: Our next clinic we will have Phil Zin's presentation on the electrical coils and distributor rebuilding We are going to have a bucket swap meet at each of the clinics to encourage members to bring smaller clean items to sell.

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

Newsletter: All running well

Fundraising Raffle: We are continuing to build on fund raising ideas and welcome all to participate

Calendar of Events: Chairperson Marc Rude requests that anyone interested in potential tours or meet ups contact him as he would like to create an e mail list to inform those interested of events

Unfinished Business: Doug Portlance has renewed the nonprofit status of the club with the State of Minnesota

New Business: Discussion on the goal of creating a digital version of the restoration manual and other technical presentation items. The ideal solution is creating a digital version that can be word searched. Dale Pomerleau has been experimenting with software to do so and it is showing promise.

MAFCA has offered to give us some free memberships to offer to members who have never been a MAFCA member. We are working on an equitable solution to award them.

Possible Coffee Social in the works that will deal with headliner installation and some upholstery installation instruction.

At 8:22 P.M. A motion to call for adjournment was made by Doug Portlance , a second to the motion was made by Marc Rude, there was no opposition, and the motion was passed unanimously.

Minutes submitted by Mark Leder, Secretary

Great Northern Tour

This tour is held every other year and we will once again return to the Hayward Wisconsin area this fall . Watch your newsletter for upcoming information

NEW PHOTO CONTEST FOR 2023

This contest will have two categories. “General” and “Scavenger Hunt” Choose either or both. Each member family may submit a total of 6 photos. These must be photos taken in 2023, the contest will end in the month of November. Photos will need to be submitted as a printed item. I cannot accept digital files.

Here is what the contest is about. Photos must have some tie in to Model A Fords, or a club event then these photos can go into the “General Category”

The second “Theme” category will be similar to a scavenger hunt. Because Minnesota is the land of 10,000 lakes the key word is “Lake”. This category will need some tie into the image, word or ?? along with a Model A or club event. This is your chance to show how clever your submission is. Think this thru and make it special, wait for that special moment to take the photo or frame the photo to show beauty, humor, nature, etc. at its best or worse. – you choose and make the judges really consider the efforts you took to create this photo. It’s too easy to just pose a Model A in front of a lake on a normal summer day. Make this different!!



Chuck Straub is sharing with us a solution to a somewhat difficult repair problem many encounter

Here is a way to avoid damaging the steering shaft when pressing on a new worm gear:

Obtain four part number 6436K17 clamping two-piece shaft collars for 7/8" shaft diameter, black oxide carbon steel from McMaster-Carr. Phone # 630-600-3600.

Their bores will fit very tightly on the steering shaft so they didn't slip when I pressed the worm on the shaft. Since the interference fit makes a 12 ton press work pretty hard, I felt this was a better plan than supporting the steering shaft from the threaded end.



Is It to Early To Think About Spring?

Members Jeff and Carisa Halter have once again volunteered to host the Spring Tune Up Clinic at their home.

Although this is still a number of months away it is not to early to think about what you want to work on, order parts ,talk to our Clinic Coordinators and see if they can find one of the club experts to be ready and equipped for your project.

Maybe decide you want to create a work station and help someone with what you are familiar with. This has always been well attended event.

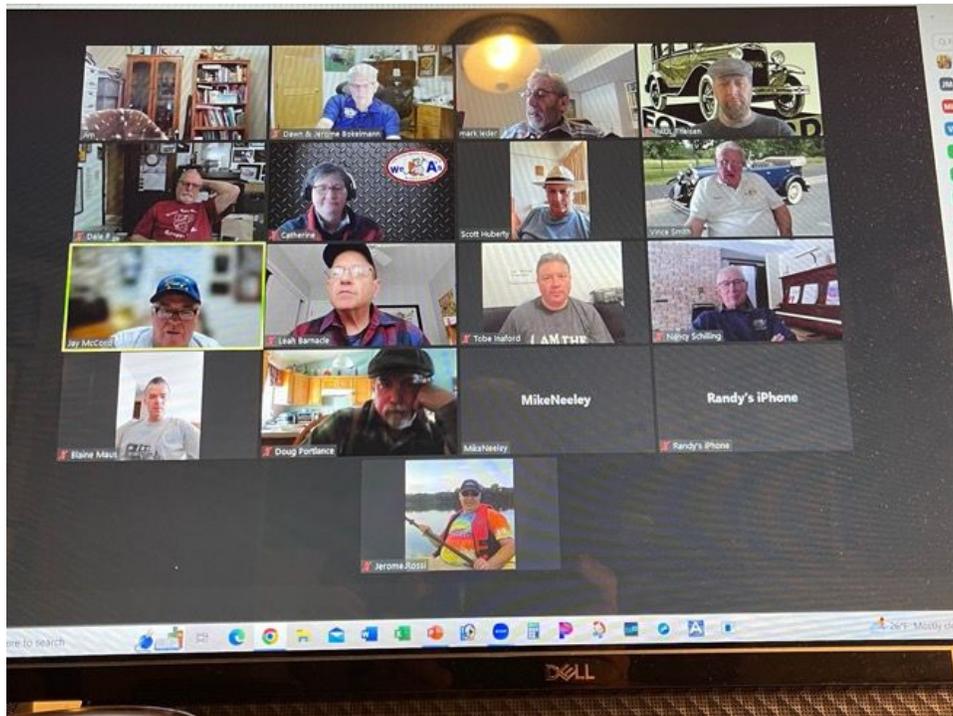
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- For Sale:** License Plates 28-31 years. \$80-\$240 depending on condition.
Contact: Clancy 763-291-8888
- Wanted:** Front shock assemblies for 29 Tudor Sedan. Contact : Clancy 763-291-8888
- Wanted :** Title for a '30 - '31 Tudor. Contact Butch Warnke 507 - 485 - 3548
- Wanted :** Rear windowshade for 1930 town sedan or ? , also damper (flipper) round control to go thru firewall for manifold heater, 4 (Four) window cranks for 1930 Tudor, or similar Call Jack Hooper 218 426 3344 Home or 218 232 2412 Cell
- For Sale:** 1930 magnafluxed O.K. cylinder head (not H C) asking \$50.00, 1 pair 1929 org. headlight baskets with 2 bulb style good reflectors and good glass- suggested \$50.00. 1 front fender brace-headlamp bar \$15.00.
Contact Jack 218 - 426 -3344
- For Sale:** N.O.S. standard compression head-magnafluxed, set of new old reproduction stock 1930 running boards with black pyramid matting and stainless steel molding. Each item \$300.00 cash or reasonable offer. Vintage Porcelain (empty) Jim Beam Decanter 1928 Ford Model A Rumble Seat Cabriolet Tan Black \$25 cash. Four 19 inch Model A wheels, \$60 all four wheels or reasonable offer, cash payments only. Contact Jim Kelly 651-398-4918 or indymaggie@comcast.net
- For Sale:** One new 21" Firestone white wall tire \$175.00, engine stand \$50.00. Contact Gary Kreyer 763 - 607 -1357
- For Sale:** Rebuildable Model A Ford engine. serial # A809223—Dec 1928. complete except for clutch and transmission. call for details \$500. firm. John Pole @612-810-6811 or johnfpole@gmail.com

- Wanted:** Wanted: Back issues of the AOOGAH NEWS magazines from 1962-1972. Contact Gary Thorin
612-788-1564 garythorin@yahoo.com
- 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
- Wanted:** I'm looking for car storage for some of my Model A's . I'm located in Plymouth MN. and desire something close to me. Contact: Chuck Cloutier 612 - 516 - 7010.
- Wanted:** 30 -31 front fenders. Also 30 - 31 rear fenders for coupe/pickup. Rog Anderson 651-457-8820
- For Sale:** Script tire gauge \$60.00, Rexco Oil Pressure gauge and bracket \$40.00, TCMAFC logo belt buckle \$25.00
Accordion running board luggage holder \$25.00 . Dennis Larson 952 -937 -2362
- 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
- For Sale:** Trunk, all steel curved back, very good condition \$200.00. Hemmings Motor News - old issues - Jan 1958, Oct 1958, Jan 1959, July 1958, Sept. 1958, Dec 1959, Aug 1958 (\$5.00) for all, Armature growler - \$35.00
capacitor tester - \$35.00, armature lathe - \$50.00. Call Roger Welch 763-753-4810 or 763-377-0086
- For Sale:** 1931 Victoria 2 door. Contact Don McDonald 651 - 332 - 6979 or cell 612 - 242 - 1591
- For Sale:** 5 nice 19" wheels from California, painted vermilion red - \$225.00 Contact Jim Lake 651 - 245 - 1937

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

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



JANUARY COFFEE SOCIAL

For those of you who may have missed this Saturday morning get together we had an interesting discussion with the past president of MAFCA . Mr. Jay McCord shared with us the membership goals and direction that the club is moving towards to keep it strong and attract new and younger members. How a club presents its self and even the timing of its activities can greatly influence participation and the abilities to attract new members. Members are diverse and it is a challenge to offer something for everyones needs. Jay also is instrumental in the Facebook MAFCA page. The number of people using and interacting with this page was far greater then may of us could imagine. He pointed out the exchange of information and topics that have appeared on this page is a direction that many of the "new" people coming into the hobby are familiar and comfortable with this. We have an old mindset on how our clubs run but new people are coming in and we need to find new ways to build and retain interest in joining and strengthening clubs. It was an interesting discussion.

We also had a surprise in store for Mr. McCord, his good friend and Youtube Model A content provider Paul Shinn jumped in and jokingly pummeled him for a good three minutes which was very entertaining to all of us present . Paul contributed to the discussion with his view of the hobby and it's participants. Paul lives and breathes Model A's and with the wide reach of his Youtube videos and the interaction he has with Model A community he had some interesting points on keeping membership up, what people are looking for in the hobby and what works to keep interest up. We are grateful to Paul who has also joined us in previous socials and made these discussions interesting and entertaining. Mr McCord was a pleasure to have with us and it is easy to see his efforts to keep MAFCA strong and relevant are working.

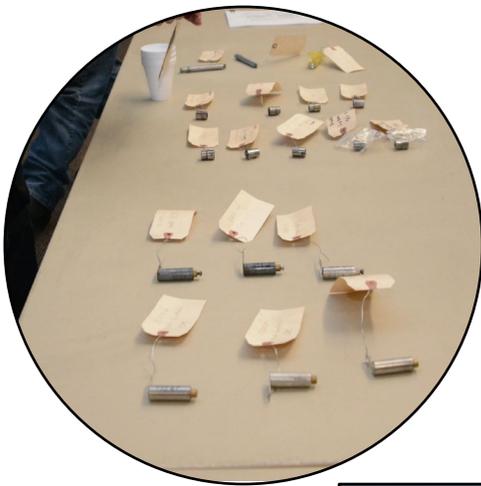
We are working to put together future Coffee Socials and would like to add you to our on screen meetings , its easy to get on from the comfort of your home, no need to dress up or go out in the cold. See your friends even if you or them are out of town. Brew up a hot beverage, grab a donut and join the discussion. If you have a interesting topic or idea for one of these online meetings please contact Jerome Bokelmann or Mark Leder

January Clinic.

The weather was not the best on this day, but we had remarkably good attendance with somewhere around fifty people. Five new members were in attendance to sample just what these nights are about. We have tried a new format where we have an indoor swap meet and it seems to draw quite a bit of interest. There may be some items purchased but it really looks like it is a great social moment where member have an opportunity to learn just what everyone is up to and learn about some of the items on the swap tables.

Our presenter was Phil Zins and his subject on this night was distributors, coils, and condensers. When these three items work, your Model A is happily going down the road. Age, heat, and wear on these items are hard to detect and Phil in his presentation ran quality checks on typical used and new parts currently available from the parts suppliers. He qualified them by referencing original specifications. Especially on coils and condensers age certainly takes a toll. New parts that are machined like the distributor shaft and cams that are available by suppliers are not always in tolerances as he would like to see. He explained the ignition system and what part each of these components play to make the cars run.

In the methodical way that Phil approaches these challenges, he gives us facts and practical examples to help us understand what a good component is and how to test for them. He provided electrical values to benchmark the coils and condensers electrical values and graciously provided his power point with this information to members who requested them



Ignition Tune Up: Selected Items

Summary

Part 1 Coils:	Specs & Testing
Part 2 Condensers:	Specs & Testing
Part 3 Distributor Shafts:	Accuracy/Run-Out
Part 4 Distributor Cams:	Lobe Variance
Part 5 Distributor Bushings:	Replacement
Part 6 Distributor:	Testing & Adjusting

Note: This clinic covers these selected items. It does not include disassembly, cleaning, painting or assembly. (Perhaps another clinic?)

Zoom into to the Restoration Clinic February 16th. We are trying to use today's technology to keep our distant members connected with those of us present at the Clinics. Please come to the meetings as we all know greeting , interacting and asking questions leads to a stronger organization. Those zooming in will be spectators as we probably cannot devote a moderator to select member questions and comments. We are going to try this and would like your feed back and comments should you have any. You may send those comments to : newsletter.tmafc@gmail.com

7 - 9 pm.

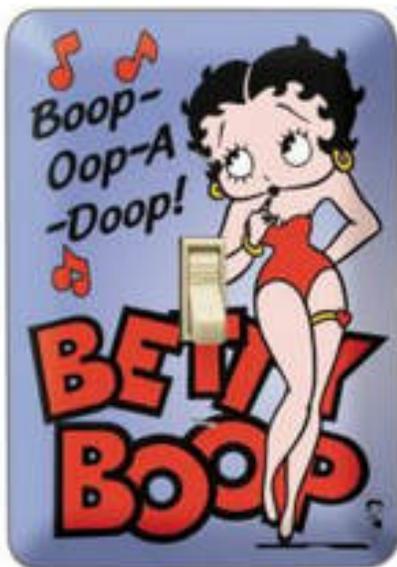
Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 617 268 3010

Tours?, Lunch?, What Ever?

Interested on going on a local drive or a "pop up" event that may present itself ? Marc Rude has volunteered to maintain a list of those members he can contact who may show interest. He is also looking to be the contact person that is informed of these events that may come up. You may contact Marc at : marcandjackie@hotmail.com or 904-228-0979



Betty Boop is forever connected with the phrase *Boop-Oop-a-Doop*. The phrase, or some version of it, has been a part of Betty since her very first appearance in **Dizzy Dishes**. This animated film came out in 1930. *But what does the phrase Boop-Oop-a-Doop mean?*

By itself, *Boop-Oop-a-Doop* is meaningless. The use of these kinds of meaningless phrases in vocal music grew out of 'scat' – a style of jazz singing popular during the 1920s and '30s – in which singers would playfully string together improvised sounds or nonsense words that intentionally made no sense at all. Using this technique, a singer used his or her voice as if it were just another instrument in the band, but he or she could also use scat singing to convey meaning, either through context or attitude. In this way, scat singing was very much dependent on the talent of a particular performer to convey his or her intentions indirectly.

Who is up next?

A very popular game that keep many young boys occupied and taught them about such things as bragging rights, gambling and practice, practice.

So the question is does TCMAFC want to have a marble tournament at one of the Clinics or scheduled events??

Do we have a a few old shooters that can demonstrate for the youngsters in the crowd and perhaps someone want to run an event.?

Contact Mark Leder if this activity/ event is something that you would have interested in.



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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