

NOMAC NEWS

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The NORTHERN OHIO MODEL "A" CLUB is a Region of the [Model "A" Restorers Club \(MARC\)](#) and a Chapter of the [Model "A" Ford Club of America \(MAFCA\)](#).

The NOMAC is a family oriented technical club, founded to share restoration and repair knowledge and experience among its members. We show our cars and drive them as well. Several NOMAC members have written extensively on various aspects of restoration. The club maintains a collection of special tools for the Model A, which are available to all members. NOMAC meets once per month in suburban Cleveland, Ohio. The focus of each meeting is a technical seminar, in which an experienced member or a guest speaker presents a how-to demonstration of some phase of Model "A" Ford restoration or repair. Meeting announcements and club news are contained in its monthly newsletter.

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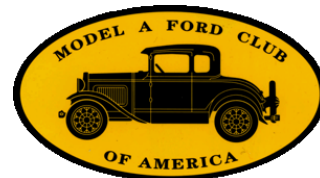
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Technical Sessions Scheduled

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| January | Electrical |
| March | Travel Toolbox |
| TBD | Brakes |
| TBD | Rear End |

2019 NOMAC Monthly Meetings and Events

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| January 21 | NOMAC Meeting |
| February 16 | Crawford Auto Museum Tour |
| February 18 | NOMAC Meeting |
| March 14-17 | Piston and Power Show |
| March 18 | NOMAC Meeting |
| April 15 | NOMAC Meeting |
| May 18 | Amish Tour |
| May 20 | NOMAC Meeting |
| June 15 | Weiss Field Car Show |
| June 18 | NOMAC Meeting |
| June 22 | Wings and Wheels |
| July 6 | Cheese and Wine Show |
| July 13 | Summer Picnic |
| July 15 | NOMAC Meeting |
| August 19 | NOMAC Meeting |
| TBD | National Model A Day |
| September 16 | NOMAC Meeting |
| October 21 | NOMAC Meeting |
| November 18 | NOMAC Meeting |
| December 16 | NOMAC Meeting |

Madden's Muffler – Puffing out Model A Thoughts

First and foremost....thank you to Jerry Siracki for planning another awesome tour and dinner! For those of you that were unable to attend, you seriously missed out on one of our marquee club events. We were able to visit an Amish "Superstore" and several other Amish vendors throughout the tour. Our tour consisted of about 10 cars – as usual we had a nice collection. A Pickups, Sport Coupes, Town Sedans, a Mercury and a Fiero! Lots of bread, candy and other sweets were purchased along the tour. All in all it was an uneventful tour – other than my Mercury vapor locking. Thus is the life of old cars (and Flatheads in particular).

Our club seemingly keeps getting stronger and stronger. A core group of 4 or 5 people has blossomed into 10-15. It's so awesome to see. I want us to keep moving forward together! If you have suggestions on how to continue to improve the club, please bring them forward – no idea is dumb!

The saga of my Vicky continues. As I mentioned last month, I finished the wiring and she runs. Then I was going to replace my manifold gasket, as I had an exhaust leak. While doing that, I decided to replace the valve cover gasket (it was weeping) and then button everything back together. As they say, the best laid plans of mice and men.... As I was trying to hang the exhaust, I realized that my muffler had a blowout (probably from that huge pressure test I gave it at the Piston Powered Show!). So that's where I left in Memorial Day weekend. I haven't had a chance to work on it, as I have been working on a '66 Mustang for a friend of the family. It's been fun to wrench on a Mustang again (my first car was a '68), but it does leave me yearning for the over simplicity of our As! That being said, the Mustang is about ready to roll and I have a date at Snyder's tomorrow. July 4th will have me driving the Vicky!

-Josh

P.S. Happy Father's Day to all you guys out there! I hope you're able to enjoy it with your loved ones! A big shout out to my Dad, Tom, for putting gasoline in my veins as a young boy. Love ya Dad!



"A" thought from Bill

I'll start off by once again thanking Jerry Siracki for putting together another wonderful Amish Country tour and dinner on May 18th. The weather turned out to be nearly perfect as we cruised the Amish country side East of Cleveland. Jerry had very interesting tour stops lined up that gave us an up-close view of the Amish way of life and how it is evolving to embrace modern technology. Dinner was outstanding and we had a full house with 30 people at the tables. I believe everyone had a great time.

We are in the height of car show season and it seems like we could be at a different car show every day of the week. Over the next few weeks we have a car show at Weiss Field in Avon Lake, June 15th, which Ken Kovach is leading. The Wings and Wheels / pancake breakfast event at the Geauga County Airport is on June 22nd that Chris Wolf is sponsoring and the Cheese and Wine Festival on July 6th at Century Village that Skip Schweitzer is heading up. Come out, promote NOMAC and enjoy these great events if your schedule allows.

Also, coming up is the summer picnic and tour on July 13th. Bob Deeks and Ken Kovach have been hard at work lining up another great meal for this event and the tour of the Rocky River Reservation should be just right for Model A cruising. An email providing meeting times for the tour and meal time for those not participating in the tour will follow.

The Amish tour was a great chance to give our "A's" a shakedown cruise. John Toth was sporting a new engine that ran well, as was Jamie Holzheimer. Jamie, as most of you know, is not only our Vice President but an amazing machinist. As Jamie described the things he did to his engine, I became convinced it is as perfect as any Model A engine ever built. It was of course bored and honed for new pistons and rings, but also included insert bearings on both the rod and main bearings, counterweighted crankshaft, lightened and balanced flywheel, balanced rods and pistons, custom made aluminum camshaft gear to insure proper backlash, hardened valve seats with larger intake valves, and a higher compression head with the combustion chambers CC'd to name a few of the things. And to make this story even better, he did most of the before mentioned work himself. Needless to say, the engine sounds and runs great and is something Jamie can definitely be proud of.

NOMAC was founded as a Model A restoration club and it's great to see that new members are fully engaged in bettering and restoring their cars. We have amazing things being done by our members, from John Toth and Jamie building engines for their cars, Ken Kovach building a vintage racing coupe based on the Model A, to Josh Madden totally re-wiring his Vicky. Keep it up guys! You are an inspiration to us all!

Hope to see you at Monday's meeting,

Bill

Upcoming Events

- June 15 – Car Show – Weiss Field – Avon Lake – Ken Kovach
- June 18 – NOMAC Meeting – Walton Hills Community Center
- June 22 – Car Show – Wings and Wheels – Geauga County Airport – Chris Wolf
- July 6 – Car Show – Cheese and Wine Show – Century Village – Skip Schweitzer
- July 13 – NOMAC Summer Picnic – Bob Deeks' House – Ken Kovach

Fashion Article

This month's fashion article is located at the end of the newsletter.



Website Update

Our website at www.northernohiomodela.com has been completely updated. Please go check it out and let Bill or me know what you think! If you have any ideas or suggestions, please don't hesitate to let us know. Please submit pictures and I will post them ASAP! We already have pictures from the Amish Tour posted.

-Josh



Jim's Tech Tip

Installing the Horn Rod

When installing the small C-clip on the end of the horn rod, use an old wooden yardstick or something similar up at the steering wheel end to hold the horn button down. Slip the yardstick under the wheel on one side, go over the horn button, then gently flex the yardstick and slip the end under the steering wheel on the opposite side. The yardstick will hold the rod down while you work at the other end, pushing up on the spider against the spring, and inserting the C-clip keeper.

May NOMAC Meeting Minutes

May 20, 2019 NOMAC Meeting Minutes

Meeting Started at 7:00 PM

Location: Walton Hills Community Center

Members Present – 10

- Began with introductions –
- Review of previous months minutes – Accepted as written in the May Newsletter
- Treasurers Report – Jon Peterson was not present but mailed the P&L statement to Bill Mann. The balance as of April 30, 2019 is \$8648.98.
- Reports by Calendar Event Leads –
 - Jerry Siracki reported on the Amish tour and dinner. Jerry was thanked by the group for a very nice day.
 - Chris Wolf talked about the upcoming “Car Games” and the Wings and Wheels Event.
 - Grant Kruger talked about a Cruise-in at Findley State Park in Wellington, June 23rd.
 - The remainder of the calendar was reviewed and updated.
 - Chris Sawicki discussed the Fairview High School event in September.
 - Ken Kovach reported on the Piston Powered show and lead a discussion about show ideas around next year’s theme of “All Roads Lead to Cleveland”. Ken also poled the group on the number of booths to reserve. The consensus was 10 again next year. Ken also asked who would be interested in showing next year.
- Chris Wolf lead a discussion on how to improve future tours. Many good suggestions were made to avoid losing cars in the rear.
- Chris also suggested that wife’s / significant others names be added to the roster. It was suggested that this information be emailed to Josh.
- Good and Welfare – Jerry reported that Rich Koncler was in the hospital.
- End of business meeting

Break for refreshments

Chris Wolf conducted the 50 / 50 Drawing

Tech discussion

- Ken Kovach had shock absorbers that were disassembled to look at. He discussed ways to refurbish them.
- Jamie had several show and tell items including a hand-made toe in gauge.
- There was a discussion about fuel flow issues that John Toth is having. Several members are having success with the glass filter bowl with internal filter.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:55

NOMAC Classifieds

Wanted

Rear fenders for a 1929 Tudor – possibly front fenders also. Contact Jerry at 440-636-3623 NO TEXTS

Model A to make a speedster – contact Josh Madden at 330-283-1623

For Sale

1952 F2 – complete truck, disassembled – with title and flathead. \$2,000.

Located in Milwaukee Contact Jan 920-655-4839

1929 Model A Roadster – The odometer shows 946 miles since restoration. \$17,000 Contact Ron Moskowitz 440 247-5662



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TINY TIPS

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OIL PUMP SPRING

Over the years I have seen altogether too many Model A engines with a bolt in the hole at the oil pump. These bolts were presumably installed not only to prevent oil loss but also to hold the oil pump in place - this is wrong! This hole has a 1/8" N.P.T. thread not a machine thread. The hole was originally fitted with a short 1/4" pipe plug with a screwdriver slot, much the same as the one supplied with some intake manifolds.

There is a 3/8" N.F. set screw and lock nut in the side of the head to lock the distributor in place. Don't confuse the two situations.

The oil pump is to be held in place with a spring attached to the pump or in early models with the spring attached to the pan.

The only situation tolerating a 3/8" N.F. bolt in the side of the block would be to hold the oil pump in place when installing the pan.

The bolt must be removed before starting the engine and replaced with the proper pipe plug. Failure to do this can cause the oil pump body to break.

The 1/4" pipe hole was put there to test the pump or to install fittings for an accessory oil pressure gauge.

Patent Cures



Red E. Power

Services Offered

Need some work done on your Model "A"? Here is a list of businesses and/or people who are known entities and have been recommended by club members. These services are tried and true. Have you had good service?

Please add to the list so that we all know where to go!

PARTS

- John Holland 7208 West law Rd. Valley City Oh. 330-483-3896
 - Carburetors, Model "A" Parts
- Gene Brolund, 131 Singer Ave, P.O. Box 224, Grand River, Oh 440-352-8005
 - Steering boxes, carburetors, windshield wipers, others
- Paul Eippert, Model "A" Parts Mineral Ridge, OH 330-652-0038
- Snyder's Antique Auto Parts, 12925 Woodworth Rd 888-262-5712
New Springfield, Oh 44443
- Bratton's Antique Auto Parts, 1606 Back Acre Circle, 301-829-9880
Mount Airy, MD 21771
- Mac's Auto Parts, 6150 Donner Rd., PO Box 238 877-220-8230
Lockport, NY 14095

SALVAGE

- S & W Auto Salvage 10635 Shanks Rd, Garrettsville 330-307-3139
 - Specializes in 1920s, 30s, 40s, 50s automobiles and trucks
- Budds Auto and Truck 2350 SR 14 Deerfield, OH 44411 330-947-2002
 - Parts '59 and older whole cars and trucks

RESTORATION AND MECHANICAL WORK

- Don Davison, 11408 Wheeler Rd. Garrettsville, Oh 330-357-6290
 - All aspects of restoration body, engine rebuilding
- Zembur Enterprises Mechanical Work, N. Lima OH 330-549-3605
- Matlins Transmission, Aurora Ohio contact Matt 330-562-6734
- CAE-- Certified Auto Electric, 225 Northfield Rd., Bedford Ohio 888-597-8278
- Buckeye Auto Electric, Painesville, OH, Joe Mazzone 440-354-2060
 - Specializing in antique autos, Model "A"
- Integrity Auto Care, Akron, fixing horns Philip Evans 330-689-2100

UPHOLSTERY

- J's Upholstery, 6865 Tallmadge Rd., Rootstown, Ohio 44272 330-325-1610
- Sutton Upholstery Jim and Ike Sutton 3505 North Ridge Rd. Perry, Ohio 440-361-0049
 - Good quality, reasonable auto upholstery
- Portage Trim, 3097 Ohio 59, Ravenna, OH 44266 330-296-5511
- Sullivan Upholstery LLC, 12 TWP. Rd. 1281, New London, Oh, 44851 419-929-1400

PAINTING/PINSTRIPING

- Chip Judd, pin striping on cars. 4296 East River Rd. 440-258-1075
Sheffield Village, Ohio 44054
- Custom Paint and Detail, painting and Pin striping, Matt Smith 330-571-4595

SANDBLASTING/POWDER COATING

- Summit Powder Coaters, 619 S. Van Buren av. Barberton, OH 330-753-7040
- Diversified Maintenance—Sandblasting Michael Molnar 330-549-3605
N. Bloomfield, OH
- Custom Sandblasting and Priming (Summer only) Daniel Gingrich 330-565-2618
16640 Madison Rd. (SR 528) Middlefield, Ohio 44062 440 548-5866
- Backwoods Blasting and Powder Coating, Kent, OH 330-678-0048
Ask for Doug

INSURANCE

- Hagerty Insurance, Contact Jim Englert, Kim Todd 419-271-3835
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OTHER

- Ameriprint, Printing, copying and graphics, Olmstead Falls 440-235-6094
Contact Tony Caterino
- License plate restoration Joe Ledford, 3 Ledford Ln, P. O. Box 83 H 919 365-7176
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“Overall Appearance” What the Judges Look For

By Patti Jones

As an entrant and a judge, this area has a special “mystique” on how it is judged. “Overall Appearance” is the only area that has no “guidelines” as to what score a judge would put down. I’m hoping this article will take some of the mystery of how it is judged.

Overall Appearance, is judged in every category. It can be the determining factor for “Best of Show” or an Award of Excellence. It is the judge’s personal opinion/discretion if the entrant looks like they stepped into the judging room during our Model A era. Here is how I judge this area and what I look for in the entrant.

As an entrant comes into the room, I immediately look for color, tones of fabrics, and is the outfit “complete” in my mind. Does the outfit require a hat, purse, coat, etc.? I’m not actually judging whether the individual areas are correct, but how the entrant has put together the complete outfit. Have they gone the extra “mile” with era style makeup, hair and nail polish?

The major garment determines how I judge if the entrant has put together their outfit in my mind. Assuming from the above picture, the entrant is a woman as a point of discussion. I would not give her full points because my eyes are drawn to the hat and its’ color. It’s too bright a color for the outfit worn by the entrant. If it’s evening or daytime, did they add a wrap, coat, fur, etc., did they carry gloves, and the style of purse and shoes helps determine the score. Did she wear leather shoes with an evening dress, or did they wear an evening hat with a daytime dress. I next look at the fit and year the entrant has put on their entry form. If it’s a 1928, is the hemline at or below the knee? If it’s a 1930, is the hem at mid-calf. Length isn’t the only area of concern. How tight is the bust and hip area? I’d deduct a point if it appears that the fabric is stretched in these areas. This is my opinion on what I look for in judging “Overall Appearance”.