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The Model A Ford Club of America - Bakersfield Chapter



The Bakersfield Chapter of MAFCA on the advent of their 60th Anniversary Birthday Party

The Model A Ford Club of America, Bakersfield Chapter, the first chapter, is dedicated to the preservation of the Model A Ford and its era. All are welcome. Information in the newsletter may be borrowed from other publications. Credit will be given when known.

Meetings are held the first Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Rasmussen Center, 115 E. Roberts Lane.

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President's Message

We had a great President's Tour to Tehachapi and Mojave. Thanks to all for joining Candy and me on our adventures in eastern Kern county. We kicked it off on Friday, May 18 at 8:00 AM and headed east on Hwy 58 for a tour of the Borax mine in Boron. The visitor's center is free, so if you missed this tour, you missed a big' ol hole in the ground and the amazing equipment used at the mine. Check it our sometime. From Boron we traveled to Rosamond for a tour of the Feline Compound where they have a number of big cats in an exclusive zoo. The environment was very classy for a cat house and despite what the Puma said, I think they have it pretty good. We took the back roads through the wind farms to our destination hotel in Tehachapi.

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Upcoming Events:

* = Club Sanctioned Event

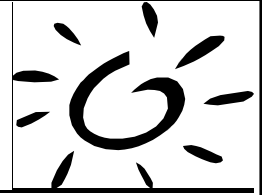
- June 4, 2018 - General Meeting at the Rasmussen Center - 7:00 PM.
- June 14, 2018 - Drive an A to Mossman's Westchester Bowl (See Info on Page 3).
- June 24-29, 2018 - MAFCA National Convention in Reno, Nevada
- **July 2, 2018 - No General meeting in July.**
- July 4, 2017 - Pancake Breakfast at the Martin's
- Nov. 27-Dec.1, 2018 - MAFCA National Awards Banquet in Tucson, Arizona (See Flyer Page 9)
- October 7-11, 2019 - MAFCA Canyonlands National Tour starting in Kanab, Utah
- April 16-18, 2020 - CCRG Jamboree. "Bakersfield 'A' plenty in 2020"

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Sunshine

Sudy Pruett, is our Sunshine Representative, she needs to know when members are ill, have surgery, or are in the hospital. Also let her know about new Model A's (babies), marriages, and other important events.



Trudy Vestal, our friend from MAFCA had a major stroke last month, but is improving nicely. Candy Martin's mom is recovering from surgery and a broken femur. Anna Brancato is on her way to Europe for an extended visit with family. Dan Foulk suffered total loss of hearing in one ear, treatment involves driving to Orange County for treatment 3 times ending June 5. Recovery is questionable. We wish all of you our best wishes and prayers. Late update is that Candy's mom is having a rough time, special prayers and thoughts for her. Me on the other hand, I'm darned happy to still be able to hear out of one ear!

New Members

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Asher McCleod (Son!)

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June Birthdays

12 - Nancy Moran

17 - Jean Gleim

19 - Sharon Connelly

21 - Fred Twissleman

26 - Suzie Slattery

27 - Jordyn Navarro

- Milton Moravich

June Anniversaries

12 - Eddie & Nancy Moran

14 - Andy & Anna Brancato

- Terry & Anne Scott

15 - Erie & JoAnne Johnson

27 - George (Blackie) & Judith Blackledge

30 - Bob & Jean Gleim

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We got up early Saturday and motored to the Mojave Air and Space Port and Plane Crazy Saturday. We got access to the tarmac and parked with the planes on display. The Mojave Transportation Museum was our host during our time at the Space Port. Cathy Hansen, with the museum, was so excited that she had Model A's for their event. We attended an excellent presentation on Steam Trains in Zimbabwe (sounds strange, but it was stunning!) and grabbed lunch at the Voyager Restaurant at the Space Port where we had a Dick Rutan sighting. That was very exciting as he admired our Model A's. After lunch we were escorted to the L1011 Stargazer passenger jet that has been converted to launch satellites into orbit using rocket technology.

From Stargazer we went to a special viewing of the Cathy and Al Hansen hanger at the west end of the airport. The Hansen's collection of planes, trains, motorcycles, go carts, tanks and various vehicles was amazing. Al Hansen was in the movie business providing many props and live air craft for a number of productions over the years. The Hansen's offered up soda pop and waters for the group before we left for our hotel in Tehachapi.

Upon arrival to our hotel Saturday night we were greeted with a chicken moment that some how involved Eddie Pruett and Al Baumgartner (both of who weren't even on the tour), and of course Rick, Dennis, Richard and Dan. You got to come to the meeting to get the full chicken flavor of this moment.

Sunday's tour started around 9:00 with our own Dr. Gregg Wilkerson, who drove up from Bakersfield to guide us down the hill on the old road with stops at the Tehachapi Loop, Keene Restaurant, Caliente,

INFORMATION

- **Thursday June 14, 2018 - Drive an 'A' to Mossman's Westchester Bowl
1819 30th St. at 6:30 PM**

Edison Oilfield and finally date shakes at the California Fruit Depot. The theme of the tour was earthquakes and local faults. Gregg carefully described the landscape and the White Wolf fault features that was right there in front of us, that I had never "seen" before. What a wonderful treat for a great drive home.

We were blessed with great weather and a great group. We were joined by our newest member Don Caruthers and his son Asher. He has owned his Model A for about a month and decided a tour would be a great shake down. It seems Asher really enjoyed the tour in the rumble seat of their sports coupe. Thanks to Fred for doing the "last car" duty making sure all our Model A's made it safely.

Many thanks to Candy for all her work gathering this tour together and for her ability to get us behind the scenes in some special places. Candy and I had a ball and we hope those that participated did too.

We are continuing our 60th birthday celebration, by commissioning the purchase of commemorative 60th patches. We will have them for sale at the next meeting for \$10 each.

See you down the road!

Mike

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Bakersfield Chapter
General Membership Meeting
May 07, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by our President Michael Martin. All present stood for the Flag Salute.

GUESTS: Betty, guest of Gary Stanfil. Don Carothers-he has a 1930 sport coupe and and 1928 roadster. Welcome. Welcome also to Ollie Hoss our new member.

Our meeting tonight will be a celebration of our 60th Birthday! Quite an accomplishment is this day and age!!

SECRETARY: Motion to approve minutes as published made by Gary Stanfil and 2nd by Linda Jackson. Motion carried.

TREASURER: Sharon read her report and was placed on file. Motion to accept report at read was made by Debbie Launer and 2nd by Candy Martin. Motion carried.

SUNSHINE: Sudy reports that long time member of MAFCA, Trudy Vestal had a stroke. No work yet on her condition. Prayers for her family and her for a complete recovery. Erie is here tonight. HHe is recovering from hip surgery.

2nd VICE PRESIDENT: Debbie Launer reports a Swap meet in Paso Robles on Saturday May 12. Meet at Ricks house at 5am. Presidents Tour May 18-20. Meet at 58 and Weedpatch Taco Bell at 8am. Dinner and Drive May 17 at Tony's Pizza on coffee at 6:30. National convention in Reno on June 24-29.

MEMBER AT LARGE: Ali Dyess drew for VEST: Gary Stanfil. CAR: Kirk Ritter

MEMBERSHIP: Shelby Foulk.

OLD BUSINESS: Thanks to Mark and Linda Sheffield for the goat farm tour at the CCRG on Sunday April 8. Model T Swap meet at the Fairgrounds on April 13 and 14 had lots of Model T STUFF. Seniors Car Show on April 14. Fred Twissleman won 1st place for Model A and a trophy for the Valve Cover Race. Orange County Pancake Breakfast. Thanks to Dan for MAFCA Tour and Lou and Terry for the pit stop! Down by the Riverside Car show in Kernville May 5-Best Model A, Curt Nicks and Best 1930 Mark Sheffield.

Club Jackets are available for \$40. The JPL tour was cancelled. There is a sign up sheet for club shirts.

NEW BUSINESS: Swap meet in Paso Robles on May 12. Presidents Tour on May 18-20.

Web Page is under construction. Chicken Business: Linda Jackson received a special P P Chicken. See Linda for more info. Chicken to Eddie Pruett for overheating on the way to CCRG. Then passed to Mark Sheffield who overheated on way to Kernville. The 2018 Awards Will be in Tucson Arizona from Nov 25 to Dec 1. Will try to get a tour together. See Linda Jackson. Will try to get a Trailer break check up together before the Nationals in Reno. Mike Martin has ordered a 60 year patch for the club. Will be here soon.

PROGRAM: Kirk Ritter played some wonderful era music as we enjoyed our BIRTHDAY CAKE. Thanks to the Raffle Team and Curt Nicks for a wonderful raffle.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

Susan Quarnberg, Recording Secretary.

Events, Swap Meets, Car Shows, etc. of Interest

- Sunday June 10, 2018 - Henry Ford Picnic - Sponsored by Diamond Tread Chapter, Santa Fe Springs, Ca.
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www.diamondtread.com or (562) 869-8641
- Saturday July 21, 2018 - 64th Annual Long Beach Model T Swap Meet.
Additional Information:
www.lbmtc.com or (562) 597-5936
- Sunday August 19, 2018 - SFV Model A Club - 53rd Annual Classic Car Swap Meet & Show
Additional Information:
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- Saturday, Sunday September 29-30, 2018 - Paradise Valley Model A Ford Club - Antique Car Swap Meet.
Additional Information:
www.pvmafc.org or (909) 262-9623
- Wednesday - Friday October 10-13, 2018 - Hershey, Pa. - AACA Eastern Regional Fall Meet.
Additional Information:
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Chicken Stuff



Linda needed a bush, so we got her one!



Even new members aren't exempt from the Saga of the Chicken!

Central Coast Mega Swap Meet



Drive an 'A' to Tony's Pizza



The Presidents Tour



The Tower at Mohave Airport



Our Host's the Hansen's Hangar at Mohave Airport



The Girls, Candy, our host Cathy Hansen and Debbie



Yep, That's our man Dennis in the Tank!



We stopped at the Tehachapi Loop coming home.

Jim's technical tip

by Jim Cannon, MAFCA Technical Director

I have been asked what adjustments should be made to the Model A when driving at high altitude, such as when going to the National Convention in Sparks/Reno at the end of June. Sparks is at about 4500 feet, which is not terribly high, but you may have to climb over some passes that are much higher in order to get there.



In general, the air is thinner as you go up in altitude. That means less oxygen is going into the engine when it runs, and the effective Air-Fuel-Ratio (or running fuel mixture) will get more rich as you go up. So you will want to adjust the GAV on the carburetor just a little bit LEANER (screw the GAV in) as you climb to higher altitudes, to compensate for the thinner air. But not too much, especially when working to climb a grade. Retard the spark lever a bit, too, when climbing a steep grade.

If you don't make this small change, the mixture will be a bit rich and you run the risk of fouling your spark plugs. The engine may seem to run better on the rich mixture, but your fuel economy will suffer and your plugs may foul.



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See you in Tucson!

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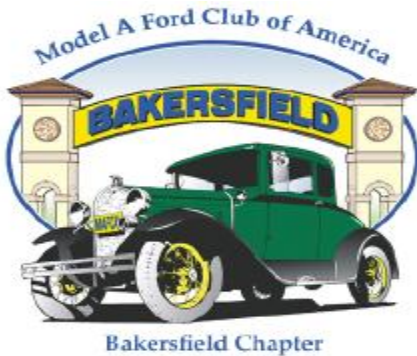
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