

ROGUE RAMBLINGS

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Car of the Month

Bob and wife Barbara Hughes of Grants Pass just joined our chapter at the March meeting, and I twisted Bob's arm until he promised to tell me about his Model A for the newsletter. Bob grew up in Southern California (like many of us!). He once owned a 1928 Right-hand-drive AR Phaeton but didn't like the feel of driving on the wrong side of the car and sold it to a fellow who just had to have it. In the meantime, Bob accumulated a collection of vintage Chevrolets (we won't hold that against him) including a '26 touring; '28 Tudor sedan, '32 Coupe, '41 Coupe, '56 Hardtop.

In his search for another Model A, he enlisted the aid of John Firth, and they looked at several possibilities from Idaho to California. Bob finally settled on a nice 1931 Coupe from Southern California. As you can see in the photo, the Coupe sports twin side mounts, has a rumble seat, non-original upholstery, and is painted Elkpoint and Kewanee green with Apple green wheels. The car's previous owner, an oral surgeon in Ventura, had already "restored" the car's engine, trans, brakes, and steering – everything was in pretty good shape.



When the car arrived in Oregon in early March, the first thing Bob did was to look for some new tires, tubes and rim liners. He checked with Coker, and Lucas, and others but they all charged quite a bit for shipping. Then he got a tip that Summit Racing in Reno offers free shipping on orders over \$100, so Bob was able to get his tires, tubes, and liners shipped for free. A friend has an antique tire changer, so those new tires are already on Bob's car and ready to roll.

Bringing a car in from another state always seems to create a challenge with the DMV, and sure enough, the Grants Pass DMV couldn't reconcile the engine number on the car with the title, so off Bob went to the State Police in Central Point who finally certified that the car was okay to register.

Now that the car is legal, Bob's just waiting for some nice weather so he can get the Coupe out and enjoy the Grants Pass area, and beyond.

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From the President's Desk THE NEED FOR SPEED

I have always enjoyed the feeling that accompanied motion, or more specifically, SPEED. From my first bicycle quickly modified to maximize its motion, to my first motorcycle which lost all resemblance to a street bike as parts were shed to lighten the load (primarily due to the lack of horsepower-directly related to my lack of funds to procure the horsepower).

I first experienced real speed on my 1965 Ducati in the summer of 1968 in Connecticut, soon followed by a ride on a 900 Suzuki on the farm roads of the Central Valley in California. It was at 140 MPH with more left on the throttle that I also gained respect for the ability to stop (in a controlled fashion). Yeah, I started backing off on the throttle and got it down to 55 MPH as headed back at what seemed like a crawl That was my first real appreciation for brakes and the ability to stop.

Soon I had moved from bikes to the need for a car. I purchased my first a 1953 Renault Dauphine. Speed was not a concern as funding limited all choices but the Renault. It's high speed was slow and it's brakes were worse. Having just completed a complete brake job on the '30 coupe and starting on the '52 MG roadster's brakes, I couldn't help but notice the news article posted in mid March: "Major automakers to announce pact to install automatic emergency braking systems in nearly all U.S. vehicles by September 2022."

It appears that the National Transportation Highway Safety Board is fully in agreement and has assisted in bringing the agreement to a conclusion

We have certainly come a long way since Henry Ford provided mechanical braking systems for the Model A. Non shatter windshields, bumpers front and back, two wheel sick braking to a pedal and four shoes. From hydraulics to disc to steering and braking by wire and by 2022 emergency braking by computer will keep us all safer.

I know the modern car is safer, more reliable, and provides comforts not available in a Model A Ford, however ever time I take the '30 coupe out for a spin, I also know that I'm enjoying myself a lot more.

Bill Hallows, President

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2016 Tour Schedule – from Tom Rogers

April 9	Meeting. Afterwards, have your “A”s coil polarity checked in the parking lot of the old Umpqua Bank across the street.
April 16	Picnic and Garage Tour – Details below
May 14	Aguirre Farm with Ted and Elizabeth – they will provide the meat; bring side dish for lunch
May xx	Rescheduled tour to Great Cats World in Cave Junction
June 11	Rusk Ranch Nature Center, \$6 Cave Junction
July 9	Annual Picnic – Green Acres – Pam & Chuck Green; bring side dish
August	Oregon Swiss Precision
September 10	International Model A Day
September	Evergreen’s Bear Hotel Artworks Museum
October 8	Annual Fall Tour to Galice
November 12	Siskiyou Christmas Tree Farm, Cave Junction – U-Cut trees – and lunch
December	No meeting or tour
January	Annual Christmas Party with Caveman Club

April Tour

From: Larry & Marianne <fullerlm@ccountry.net>

Subject: Please forward to all of HENRYS lady

Date: March 27, 2016 at 4:37:29 PM PDT

We are hosting a party to celebrate Spring 2016, Mustang birthday, our great nation, any other reason you can think of.

- When: April 16, 2016, 2:00 PM
- Bring: your Model A, Hot Rod, Mustang, etc. if weather is OK
- Menu: Fullers will have BBQ beef & chicken and chili beans, soda & water
- Bring: BYOB, snacks, chairs, small salad or side dish if you like
- RSVP to Larry & Marianne Fuller - fullerlm@ccountry.net or (541) 826-4400
- Our Address is: [3283 Highway 234 White City OR 97503](#)

Classifieds:

1930 Ford Model A Pickup. 12 volt electrical system. Owner installed hot water heater on firewall. This is a driver with good paint and tires and well maintained. Asking \$15,000.

Call: Ann Shepherd at 541-267-0522 for more information.

1929 Ford Model A Fordor Sedan. Survivor; a rare example of an unrestored well maintained and as original as possible Model A Ford. The interior is in great condition; Has had early '70's points and condenser installed.

Call Paul for additional Information. \$12,000. Lakeside, OR 541-297-8800



For Sale: 1929 Roadster, restored, excellent running condition. Good steering and brakes. Good paint, no body damage. All gauges function. Complete with rumble seat and side curtains. Asking \$16,500. Rocky Goodwin, 5411 Dows Prairie Road, McKinleyville, CA. 707-834-0483

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Tech Tip – EXTERIOR DOOR HANDLE REMOVAL

Question: I am nearly ready to paint the doors of my 1930 Tudor, but cannot get the outside handles off. I recently found out that there is a small bolt on the end of the shafts. Is there a special tool for this? I am trying some WD40 on them to help release them, but no luck with my tools at hand. What do your suggest?

Answer: There is a little trick to getting the outside door handles off the 1930 and 1931 closed cars. First remove the two screws from the outside door handle escutcheon. That's the two screws that attach the handle to the outside of the door. Then turn the handle 1/4 turn to the right and pull straight out. You may have to wiggle it a little but it should pull straight out at the quarter turn. The handle shaft is square cut and the square hole in the door lock assembly is rotated 1/4 turn. A groove in the shaft allows the handle to rotate after it's in place.

-- **Les Andrews**, 1998 Technical Director

SUNSHINE



Nothing reported this month. Take your vitamins and get plenty of exercise.

Please call Pam Green at 541-471-9214 if you know of someone in the club who could benefit from our thoughts and prayers to get through illness or adversity.

We will respect the need for privacy. Our desire is to help without being intrusive.

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REFRESHMENTS



Thanks to all who volunteer to keep us well fed!

- April Amaral
- May Hodges
- June..... Scholfield
- July..... Aguirre
- August..... Green
- September Franze
- October McKey
- November MacDougall

Birthdays

- MaryAnn Martin 04-13
- Aileen Jordan 04-18
- Ray Johnson 04-19
- Elizabeth Aguirre 04-20
- Bob Perry 04-21
- Dave Lommel 04-25
- Art Peary 04-25
- Mary Hallows 04-27



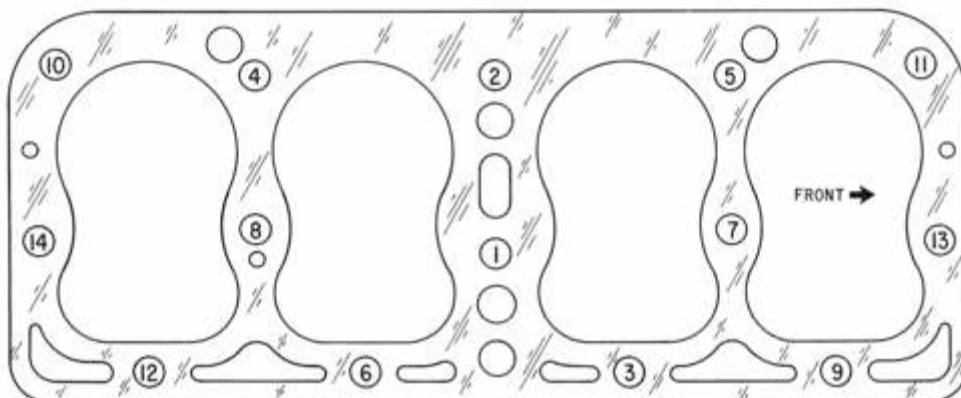
Anniversaries

- John & Adeline Addison 04/13/1961
- Bill & Teri MacDougall 04/15/2000

Best Wishes Everyone



RECOMMENDED SEQUENCE TIGHTENING CYLINDER HEAD NUTS ON THE MODEL A FORD



Beginning at cylinder head bolt #1 and moving in numerical sequence to bolt #2, then #3, etc., tighten nuts to final full torque of 50 foot-pounds by following the five steps listed below.

- Step 1. One-third of full torque.
- Step 2. Two-thirds of full torque.
- Step 3. Full torque (50 foot-pounds).
- Step 4. Full torque in reverse sequence.
- Step 5. Full torque after engine warm-up.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting - March 12, 2016

The Meeting was called to order at 9:30 a. m. by Pres. Bill Hallows. Twenty-nine (29) members were present.

Guests: Bob Hughes and Herb and wife Kitty Wand were in attendance and are potential new members.

March: Anniversaries and Birthday's were acknowledged by Pres. Hallows

Announcements: None

Mail: The mail received by the Club was made available to all members present.

Membership: Chuck Green reported several potential members were present, The Wands have a '29 special coupe that Kitty drove when she was in high school and Bob Hughes has a new 31 Coupe

Minutes: Motion was made by Kitsy and 2nd by Pam Green to accept the Minutes as published. **MOTION PASSED.**

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Gene Amaral reported that all bills had been paid. A motion was made by John Schofield and 2nd by Rick Black to accept the Treasurer's report. **MOTION PASSED.**

Sunshine: Dave Williams was present and assured the membership that his A-fib problem was under control. Cards were send around for the membership to sign, one for Jerry Mathern who is having heart valve surgery on March 14th and one for John Schiavone (chef at the Green's annual picnic)

Editor: Rick Black, needs a member to provide an article for the front page of the newsletter. Bob Hughes volunteered to write about his new 31 Coupe. Thanks Bob!

Old Business: Rick Black displayed a plaque awarded to our club for hosting the Meet last December. Very Nice! Also, there is a new larger MAFCA logo magnetic sign available ... please check your latest **Restorer** for additional information.

New Business: None

Tours: Tom Rogers, our tour director, announced that today's tour has been cancelled due to bad weather. He passed around colorful brochures for future Tours that are planned for the Club (great idea, Tom). Any member having an idea for an interesting tour, please call Tom.

The May tour to the Aguirre’s house is when members will be able to have their engines’ coils polarity & oil checked by the club.

Raffle: The 50/50 raffle was won by Rusty Wall. \$58.00 was collected...the winner received \$29.00 and the Club received \$29.00. Congrats Rusty!

Thanks/Car talk/Member acknowledgements:

- **Bill Hallows** brought a wonderful assortment of cookies for membership to enjoy. Many Thanks to Mary Hallows for her baking expertise.
- **Kitsy** Thanked Art, John & Bob who fixed her car’s fuel leak.
- **Chuck** thanked our President for his expert welding ability.
- **New Members:** the CLUB has an extensive **Library** available to on the maintenance and repair of the Model A. Our **BUSTED KNUCKLE** group of “guys” make house calls and will lend a hand to those in need. **Dan Jordan of B. J’s** is a great source for parts/knowledge to keep your Model A running.

A motion was made by Pam Green & seconded by Bob Wall to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION PASSED.** The Meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a. m.

Respectfully submitted
Mary A. O’Cain, co secretary

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Era Fashions

Don’t forget to check out the Model A Era Patterns on the MAFCA website. You can purchase these patterns in your size and sew up your own Model A Era Image clothes with modern material and thread. No need to worry about ruining an 80+ year old dress or blouse! Or trying to squeeze into a item that’s not your size.

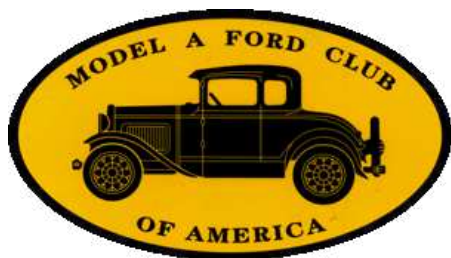


The Pattern Project has listed hundreds of patterns for the whole family. There are patterns for Women, Men, Boys, and Girls!

Check them out:

www.mafca.com/patterns/patterns.html

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COMING EVENTS

April 1,2,3 – Portland Swap Meet

April 9 – Business Meeting, 9:30
Fruitdale Grange, then
Coil Polarity Check in the
Parking Lot

April 16 – Larry Fuller's
Ford Day Picnic – White City