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A great demonstration by Kelly & Lloyd Barker

Thanks Kelly & Lloyd for leading us through the break adjustment exercise. They are a good example of the wealth of knowledge we have within our club. We had good advice from several members through-out the process. As time goes on we will discover more hidden talent within our group. I appreciate the willingness of the members to help out (both the club and individual members).

As you can see the newsletter's masthead has changed. Greg is modifying the logo to more accurately represent the Model A, then we can use this on all our printed material, clothing, name tags etc. Thanks Greg for a job well done!

I'm excited for April's meeting. We are going to have a Spring Safety check, so bring your cars if you can! A safety check worksheet is attached to the newsletter. Take a peek and get a head-start in preparing your car for summer driving. Don't be surprised if you get a call inviting you on the spur of the moment to take a ride on a Saturday afternoon.

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March 2013 Meeting

Attendance: Kelly and Lloyd Barker, Reid Carlton, Vern Cope, Joe Fazzio, Karl & Aaron Furr, Jim Haire, Clyde & Jenn Munson, Becky, Greg, Nicholas and Robert Mack, Butch Scott, and Kipp guests.

Aaron Furr, Butch Scott and Kipp were first-time guests, but because of the president's short-sidedness, we didn't give them an opportunity to introduce themselves.

Wayne and Jan Atkinson, visitors and presenters gave us several more names of possible members that we will follow up on.

We will have two newspaper articles written this spring. One in the Daily Herald and one in Pay It Forward. We would like to have as many cars and people at the photo shoot as possible. More details pending.

Web Page: Nicholas Mack has more information up on the web page, but is still asking for pictures of members and their cars. So please dig into your archives and see what you can find.

<u>Treasurer:</u> Clyde Munson gave a report of the state of the treasury. It is growing as members pay their dues. We appreciate your help in this matter since we will be applying for Model A Ford Club of America membership soon.

<u>Club Logo</u>: Greg Mack is still working on the club logo so it more accurately represents the Model A.

Car Shows/Cruises:

We would like a presence at each of the car shows to promote the club. If you are planning to enter the show please let us know. If you are going as a spectator, pick up a bunch of fliers to leave with any Model A's at the show.

April 17th 6-9 p.m. State Street Grill Cruise Night, 656 N. 2000 W. Pleasant Grove.

April 23rd 6-9 p.m. Cruise night at Rib City Grill at 648 E. State Rd., American Fork.

April 27th 11-4 p.m. Car Doctor's Car Show, 2158 N. Redwood Rd., Saratoga Springs.

May 7th 6-9 p.m. Cruise night at One Man Band in Lehi at 1220 E. Main St.

May 10th 4-10 p.m. Lindon Collision Car Show, 465 N. 1030 W. in Lindon.

May 11th 11-4 p.m. Just for Kids Car Show, 180 N. 500 E. Lehi.

May 17th 5:30 p.m. crusin' at Barber Brothers "UVU Cruise Night" 1341 N. Main St. in Spanish Fork.

May 18th UVU Expo at Thanksgiving Point. See Calendar of Events (below) for more details.

June 8th 11-4 p.m. Orem Summerfest Car Show, 200 E. Center Street, Orem (801) 654-1169.

July 13th 12-7 p.m. American Fork Car Show, 200 E. 400 S., American Fork (801) 654-1169.

August 3rd Santiquin Orchard Days Car Show, Centennial Park, 300 W. 100 S., Santiquin (801) 602-1634.

August 16th Utah County Fair Car Show, 3- 9 p.m. 450 S Main St. (801) 360-6624.

August 18th, 9-4 p.m. Springville Sunday in the Park Car Show, Rotary Park in Hobble Creek Canyon (801) 362-2054.

September 28th 9-4 p.m. Arnie B's Car Show, 2nd Payson Exit (801) 225-0737

2013 Calendar of Events

April: Spring Safety Check. Location: Larry H. Miller dealership.

May: May 16th, monthly meeting; no topic as been selected as of yet.

UVU Auto Expo



May 18th from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Thanksgiving Point. Many of the club members are either in the car show, vendors at the swap meet or are going as spectators. Because of this the club would like to piggy-back a cruise from Thanksgiving Point to Sonic in Pleasant Grove. We will leave Thanksgiving Point at 5:00 p.m. and travel together to Sonic (855 W. State Street) for dinner.

For more information about the UVU Auto Expo, here is a link to their webpage: http://www.uvu.edu/autoexpo/

Salty A's Jackson Wyoming Memorial Day Weekend



Jackson, Wyoming the "Last of the Old West" trip is on Memorial Day Weekend. Originally we thought the dates were August 30 through September 1st. An itinerary has been published and the trip is scheduled for Memorial Day weekend, not Labor Day weekend, so if you wanted to go with them, you may want to ramp up your car's maintenance so you will be ready in time.

They will drive up together on Friday and stay at the Cowboy Village. Sightseeing will occur on Saturday and Sunday. Then, they will drive back together on Monday. They've done a good job planning it out. It looks like a lot of fun. Keith Painter is the coordinator and he can be reached at (801) 712-3147. Here is a link to their itinerary:

http://www.beehivea.com/uploads/Jackson Tour May 24-27 2013.pdf

June: Meeting on Jun 20th. Carburetor rebuilding demonstration by Joe Fazzio.

Model T, A and B Reunion:

Wayne and Jan Atkinson came and presented a detailed outline of the activities planned for this event. It sounds like participation will extend from as

far as clubs in Las Vegas, Ely, and all of the Utah clubs. This should be a fun even.

Friday afternoon -- 2:00 p.m., tour to Mani to visit the Ed Big Daddy Roth (Rat Fink) Museum. When Ed Roth retired he moved to Manti. He has passed away, but his wife opens the museum for private viewing.

Friday evening -- Drive to Mount Pleasant's drive-in theatre to watch American Graffiti

Saturday morning --10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Fountain Green Car show (open to all cars), \$20 entry fee includes turkey dinner and dash plaque. Lunch at noon.

Saturday afternoon -- 1:30 p.m. in Fountain Green, F.A.S.T (from California) is coming to time and stage a hill climb. It is for vehicles 1935 and older with four cylinder engines (can be modified). Again, \$20 entry fee includes dinner and dash plaque. If participating in both, \$25.

If you plan to attend, make arrangements for accommodations now. The Manti pageant starts that weekend.

July: Monthly meeting on July 18th. No topic as of yet.

July 24th, Antique Car Show in the Park. BBQ and Car Games afterwards for the whole family.

August: Monthly meeting on August 15th. No topic as of yet.

September: September 3rd - 9th, the Northwest Regional Meet in Bend, Oregon.

September 19th monthly meeting.

September 28th International Model A Day.

October: Monthly meeting, October 24th

November: Monthly meeting, Nov 21st. Winterizing Model A's.

December: 2nd annual Christmas Dinner meeting. No date as has been set as of yet.

Member Spotlight

Dan and Georgia Berg



Dan and Georgia with their Sport Coupe (I dare say the lab is not one of their six children)

Dan and Georgia Berg have lived in Utah for over 15 years and are most known in the community for their love and compassion. They are willing to help anyone that is in need, from little things around the house to advice about cars and fixing them. The Bergs are always there and reliable for those that are in need.

A few more years from retirement, Dan and Georgia work hard to reach that goal of retirement, so that they may relax and enjoy their family a little more. They have worked extremely hard and deserve the retirement ahead of them. Though it may seem that retirement slows folks down, the Bergs' are a different breed. They have desires of getting more involved in the community and ideas of starting a new business.

Above all Family is their greatest joy in life with 6 kids and 4 grandchildren, Dan's and Georgia's ultimate joy in life is spoiling their grandchildren, and getting to see their children. These two continually create opportunities and activities where they invite their family and friends to get together. They love to see their children and how they grow and spend time with them as much as possible. Not only family, the Bergs enjoy time with friends and make them feel like family.

The greatness of the Bergs does not stop there, in their spare time their hobbies have become a example to others to follow. Dan loves and enjoys fixing cars as well as other handyman type jobs around the house. His passion as of late has become the 1929 Model A. He has tried to recreate the Model A to resemble the old vehicle, with slight modifications.



The Paint job is really what makes this Masterpiece stand out, creating a flawless paint. We all know how hard it is to create a great paint job with black, he has done it here. There has been talk that he will eventually put a nice pinstripe on the vehicle, so that may be in the works soon.



As he has done with the Model A, he has done to all his classic vehicles. He has created numerous masterpieces that he enjoys taking to car shows and presenting them to the community. These vehicles have become beautiful restored vehicles, with minor modifications of the Classics. He has completely restored one corvette and eight mustangs and currently owns a 1969 Mach 1 Mustang (428 Cobra Jet), 1968 GT/CS Mustang and an 1966 Mustang restomod convertible. Can a man have to many cars? Dan works tirelessly on repairs and restoration, because of how much he enjoys the beauty in recreating classic cars.

With Dan in the Garage, or Man Cave as they call it, Georgia is in the house, creating masterpieces as well, from cross-stitching, to crocheting and sewing, she is a regular "Suzy Homemaker". She enjoys making quilts and sharing her ideas and designs with others. She can make the most amazing blankets, that are so comfortable and cozy. They are great for those cold winter nights. The sewing and stitching has become an art in itself.

Dan and Georgia Berg have a great deal of expertise and enthusiasm that they are excited to share with the club members. They are overjoyed to be a part of this organization and are interested in getting more involved. Take an opportunity to get to know them more.

Preston Berg (their son)



Let's Celebrate!

We've had a few birthdays we've missed and one this month we want to recognize.

January: Jennifer Munson -- January 18th

February: Joe Fazzio -- February 17th Jim Haire -- February 17th (Hey, are you guys twins?)

March: Karl Furr -- March 10th Nicholas Mack -- March 31st

April: Diane Furr -- April 2nd

March Brake Adjustment Seminar

We want to thank everyone who participated in the brake adjustment seminar. Many of us learned a lot, had a chance to discuss brake related issues and just chit-chat with each other. A special thank-you go to Kelly and Lloyd Barker for taking the lead on this seminar. Also thanks to Clyde and Joe who provided additional assistance and information. Here are a few photos Greg took of the "crowd."









Tech Tips

One Thing to Consider When Bringing Your Model A Out of Winter Storage

Sid Gough

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One thing to consider is what is in your fuel tank. What they are selling at the pumps is not what we used to have.

With the greater Ethanol content there is a greater risk of water in the tank and even the carb.

It may be worthwhile to disconnect the fuel line at the carb and drain off about half a litre of fuel into a glass jar. Let it sit for a couple minutes. Look for evidence of water in the fuel. Water will appear as a bubble on the bottom.

If you did not add a fuel stabilizer in your tank last fall you may have to drain more fuel, and replace it with fresh fuel.

That spare can you keep handy may not be any better, so you ought to check that too.

Keeping Your Model A Looking Good

The following article appeared in the April 2009 issue of the Sparton, the Hangtown A's newsletter.

Written by Glenn Johnson, who has a long history serving MAFCA.

Glenn presented this subject matter at the 2002 MAFCA National Convention.

At the Hangtown A's March meeting, I gave a short tech talk about how I detail my Model A. I brought along many of the cleaning and polishing products that have used over the years with good results. I went over all of these products rather quickly so was asked to write them into an article for the Sparton news letter.

WARNING! THE MOST IMPORTANT INGREDIENT IN ALL OF THE FOLLOWING

IS ELBOW GREASE. THE YOUNGER, THE BETTER.



Engine -- Painting & Cleaning

When I'm having a new engine built first I have the block and the head chemically stripped to remove all rust and other gunk inside and out. I have all of the other external parts sandblasted.

Engine Painting on Bare Steel or Cast Iron

Prime everything except the exhaust manifold with one coat of red Rustoleum primer #7769, either brush or spray.

Mix Ford Engine Green out of Rustoleum paint with this formula:

2 parts hunter green #7738, 1 part royal blue #7727, and 1 part black #7779

I use Rustoleum paint because it is very durable, heat resistant and, once dry, will not come off if you clean it with a solvent based cleaner

If some of your cad plated nuts and bolts have become tarnished or stained, touch them up with Rustoleum aluminum #7715

Paint the sandblasted exhaust manifold and muffler with VHT #SP104 flat gray VHT exhaust paint is heat resistant up to 1500 degrees.

Cleaning and Maintaining Your Engine

After a week or longer tour, especially if some of the tour has been in the rain, I cover my distributor and carburetor with plastic bags and spray the whole engine with Simple Green. Mush it around with a

paint brush and into all the tight spots to loosen the dirt and grease. Then rinse with a hose.

Blow off the excess water with your air hose and then spray everything with WD40.

Wipe everything dry with paper or terry cloth towels. Your engine will be beautiful again.



Radiator

Your radiator is the most visible part of the front of your car. If it looks stained and dingy mask your radiator shell and headlight bar. Throw some old blankets or drop cloths over your hood and front fenders and spray can the front of your radiator with a light coat of semi flat or semi-gloss black enamel. A light coat will not affect the efficiency of your cooling system and a clean, black radiator will make your whole car look better.

Cleaning and Maintaining Your Chassis

This is pretty much the same process as with the engine. Wash it, blow it off, spray it with WD40, wipe it dry, and touch up the cad plating.



Wheels and Tires

I use Bleach White, water and a scrub brush to clean my tires. While the wheels are still wet and soapy I use an old paint brush to clean the spokes where they're welded to the rims. I usually jack up the wheels to make it easier to also clean the backs of the tires and wheels. I then spray on some tire dressing and work it into the sidewall design with a scrub brush. Wipe off the excess and let dry.

Use tire dressing that will actually dry. Some tire dressings stay sticky and collect dust and dirt the first time you have to pull off on the shoulder or a dirt road. Black Magic Tire Wet works well and seems to dry pretty much overnight. Next time you take your wheels off clean and maybe wire brush your lug Nuts. Set them all on a board and spray them with a spray can of silver paint. While they're drying is a good time to wash the backs of your wheels and tires.

When you're ready to reinstall the wheels and lugs tighten the lugs as much as possible with your hands. Then cover each lug with a plastic baggy and tighten them with a SIX POINT socket. The baggy will keep the socket from scratching the silver paint much and your lug nuts will look new again.

Black Tops, Running Boards and Rubber Floor Mats

This is pretty much the same process as the tires. Wash, spray with tire dressing and wipe dry.



Tan Tops, Side Curtains and Top Boots

Usually a periodic good vacuuming works well but if they are really dirty, use water, laundry soap and a soft brush. Rinse thoroughly to avoid water stains.

On my side curtain plastic I use Meguiar's Mirror Glaze Clear Plastic Polish to clean and remove any scuffs.

Paint Chips

If you are lucky enough to have some paint left over from your restoration, use a small brush to fill just the chip to a level just above the surrounding paint. This may take a few coats. Let dry for several days. The longer, the better. Then use a small wood block, a piece of #800 wet/dry sandpaper lubricated with mineral spirits, (regular paint thinner) and color sand the filled chip down almost to the level of the original finish. Do the same thing with #1000 or \$1500 wet/dry sandpaper until your filled chip is the same level as the original finish. Wipe dry often to check your progress. Use fine rubbing compound on a damp paper towel and polish the touch up area to match the surrounding area. Chip gone.

If you don't have any left over paint take a piece of your hood or whatever you want to match to Home Depot and have them computer match the color in gloss enamel. They will make a quart of your color for about \$10.

With a small brush touch up just the chips. This paint doesn't color sand like auto paint but it's cheap and chips that are the same color as your car will look a lot better than primer or bare metal spots.



Rubbing Compound, Polishes and Waxes

I buy rubbing compound at the auto paint store. The stuff they sell at the chain auto parts stores just doesn't work very well.

When I use polish I use Meguiar's Mirror Glaze Professional Show Car Glaze #7. It will take out minor scuffs and remove oxidation.

I wax the top surfaces of my cars fairly often. I usually use Meguiar's PURE WAX carnauba blend,

(blue bottle) or any brand of pure carnauba wax with no cleaners or other abrasives. Pure carnauba wax will not remove any of your paint and it dries clear so it will not leave any white residue around your fender welt or other details.

If you already have white residue in hard to get to places, use a soft tooth brush with some grease and wax remover to eliminate it.

Glass

Clean any overspray off your glass with a single edge razor blade. I clean my glass with Stoner Invisible Glass. It doesn't streak or haze and leaves no residue.



Chrome and Nickel

Most any chrome polish will do the job but if your chrome is really bad, try some rubbing compound.

Don't forget to paint the indentations in your bumper clamps Ford Blue.

I polish my nickel plating with Semichrome or Meguiar's all metal polish. Up here in the clear air, nickel doesn't tarnish like it did in Orange County.



Upholstery

If you have leather upholstery you can't beat Lexol cleaner and preservative.

For removing spots from cloth upholstery or clothes, I use K2R spotlifter. I have not seen K2R in local stores but you can order it direct at www.K2rbrands.com.



Courtesy of MARC Model A News

Classifieds:

Joe Fazzio is looking for a pair of 1931 **Utah license** plates. (801) 491-8439.

CR Christensen has a sandblasted 28/29 rumble seat lid and 30/31 chassis for sale and is looking for a 30/31 trunk lid (not rumble seat lid) to purchase. crchristensen@hotmail.com

A message was received through our webpage concerning the sale of a **truck** and **sedan delivery** for sale in Slaterville west of Ogden. The father past away, so the son is selling the vehicles. Contact Bandon (801) 791-2021 for information.

If you want to include something in the classifieds send your items to <u>mack4759@yahoo.com</u> by the 20th of each month for inclusion in the next letter; or call Robert at (801) 489-9808. Pictures help sell

items, so if you can submit a picture, or want help with getting a picture taken call, we'll help you.

April Safety Check -- Monthly Meeting

Next month's meeting is an open forum on safety. We will have a spring safety check for the touring season so bring your car so we can enjoy it together.

A safety checklist we've adopted from the Stampede City Model A ford Club can be found on the last two pages. Print it out and bring it with your car.



Georgia is ready for a ride regardless of the weather, or the fact that the car is not completely finished.

Final Thoughts

This is what we've been waiting for, spring is right around the corner accompanied by warmer weather and perfect touring conditions. Please mark the above activities on your calendar and come join us. These first few years are crutial to the success our club, so your participation will contribute to the club's longevity. Thanks for all you do!

Utah Valley Model A Ford Club Vehicle Safety Inspection

Owner name
Vehicle modelModel year
Vehicle serial numberLicense number
Inspection date
STEERING
☐ Steering wheel 3" to 4" maximum rotational play; steering column not loose.
☐ Pitman arm tight on shaft.
☐ All ball/socket joints tight with necessary cotter pins.
☐ Check toe-in. BRAKES
☐ Brake pedal travel 1" free travel; no side play on pedal
☐ All brake rods tight with clevis pins and necessary cotter pins in place; front operating arms tight on cross shafts.
☐ Correct wheel drag
☐ No noticeable squeal or grinding in brake shoes.
☐ Emergency brake functioning.
☐ Early '28 brake cross shafts system tight SPRINGS AND SHACKLES
☐ Center bolt properly seated front and rear
□ No obvious sag in body
☐ Shackles not worn excessively or broken
☐ Shock absorbers functional; all bolts tight and links to arms and perch balls tight and operational WHEELS
☐ Lug nuts tight – 50 lbs.
☐ Spokes straight and not broken.
☐ Hub cracks.
☐ No excessive wobble.
☐ No excessive rust.
☐ Repack front wheel bearings. TIRES
☐ No serious weather checking or bulges, including spare.

L 1/8" tread. REAR AXLE NUTS
☐ Torqued to specs; cotter pins in place. ENGINE
☐ No gas leaks at carb, tank, valves. GAS TANK
☐ Flame arrester screen in place.
☐ Proper vented gas cap with gasket. EXHAUST SYSTEM
☐ No leaks at manifold.
☐ Take off manifold heater for summer touring.
GLASS
☐ Safety glass in windshield; should also be in all other windows.
☐ No glass cracks or sharp edges LIGHTS
☐ Light switch operates correctly to give park bulbs, if equipped, low and high beams
☐ All bulbs functional
☐ Brake light switch functional with reasonable pedal pressure
☐ Dash light functional
☐ Head lights aimed correctly and focused
☐ All bulbs grounded properly for maximum brightness
☐ Wiring in good condition WIRING
☐ Wiring in good condition throughout.
☐ Routing of wiring to be safe. HORN
☐ In condition to operate at all times when engaged. WINDSHIELD WIPER (ELECTRIC, VACUUM, OR MANUAL
☐ Must be in reasonable working condition.
☐ Wiper blade in good condition. BODY
☐ Doors must close properly on latches. REAR VIEW MIRROR
Require one mirror in center in good condition SUGGESTIONS Brighter tail light bulbs – halogen available. Fire extinguisher. Carbon monoxide testing card for interior