# Bylaws of the Utah Valley Model A Club (A Chapter of the Model A Ford Club of America)

#### Name

The name of the club shall be the Utah Valley Model A Club.

#### **Purpose**

- 1. To serve as a medium of exchange of ideas, information, and parts for admirers of Model A Ford cars and trucks and to aid them in their efforts to restore and preserve these vehicles in their original likeness.
- 2. To unite in a central organization, all individuals who are interested in restoring the automobile in a manner to attract prestige and respect within the community. It shall further be the purpose of this club to help these individuals become better acquainted and encourage and maintain among its members the spirit of good fellowship, sociality, and fair play through sponsored activities including the use of the Model A Ford and family participation.
- 3. The club shall be non-commercial, non-sectarian, and non-partisan.

#### Membership

- 1. Membership in the club requires only an interest in preserving and maintaining the Model A Ford in its original likeness. Ownership of a Model A is not required.
- 2. There shall be five (5) classes of membership:
  - a. Charter Members shall consist of those electing to participate in the formation of the club. (see Schedule 1)
  - b. Active Members shall consist of those people who pay annual membership dues and who take part in regular meetings.
  - c. Lifetime Members shall consist of any person qualified for membership and payment of a one-time fee (see Table 1). Lifetime membership will also be granted to club members upon reaching their 90th birthday.
  - d. Associate Members shall automatically be those who are immediate family members of any active member of the club.
  - e. Individuals shall be eligible for Youth Membership if they have not reached their 22nd birthday at the beginning of the current calendar year. Individuals age 18 or younger shall have parent or guardian permission before being granted Youth Membership.
- 3. Voting Privileges shall be granted as shown in Table 1.

**Table 1: Membership Classes** 

Membership Class	Annual Dues	Voting Privileges
Charter Member	\$25 (Note 1)	Yes if Active Member
Active Member	\$25 (Note 1)	Yes
Lifetime Member	N/A after one-time	Yes
	payment of \$250	
Associate Member	\$0	No (unless spouse of Active Member)
Youth Member	\$0	Yes

Note 1: Annual dues renewal paid after March 1 will have a late fee of \$5 applied.

- 4. Expulsion Any member may be expelled for infraction of club rules or such other causes as may be determined by the majority of the Board of Directors as being in the best interest of the club. Before such action is taken, the member shall have an opportunity to submit, in writing or in person, their position on any charge of which they are notified. They will have the privilege to appeal a negative decision of the Board of Directors to the general membership at a regular club meeting. A 2/3 vote of the membership present at the meeting will be required to over-rule the decision of the Board of Directors. No refund of club dues paid, in full or in part, will be made in the event of expulsion.
- 5. Resignation Any member may resign by notifying a member of the Board of their resignation. No refund of club dues paid, in full or in part, will be permitted in the event of resignation.

#### Dues

Dues shall be as shown in Table 1. Annual dues will be due at the January club meeting. Dues will be considered delinquent and membership will automatically lapse after March 1. Renewal dues paid after March 1 will have a late fee applied. New members who join in the 4th quarter of any calendar year will not be charged dues in the following calendar year. Changes to dues shall be approved by the Board of Directors.

# **Meetings**

- 1. An annual meeting of members will be held in November for the election of officers and board members, reports of officers and committees, and any such other business as may come before the meeting.
- 2. Regular monthly meeting will be held on the third Thursday of each month. Board meetings will be held on an agreed upon night a week before the regular monthly meetings as necessary and will be open to any club members.
- 3. Special meetings of the membership may be called by the president or by the majority of the Board of Directors.
- 4. Notice of meetings will be sent out by e-mail stating the place, day, hour, and purpose of any special meetings of the members and shall be given by the secretary and sent not less than seven (7) nor more than ten (10) days before such meetings to each member. Meeting times and dates will also be advertised on the club website: (utahvalleymodelaclub.org)

5. At all meetings of the members, the members attending shall constitute a quorum. All actions shall be by majority of those present unless otherwise specified.

## Club Officers and Board of Directors

- 1. The elected officers of the club shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and up to three (3) elected members. Each officer shall serve one (1) year or until their successor is elected and qualified. Their term will coincide with the club's fiscal year. Club officers shall be Active or Lifetime members.
- 2. Nominations of Officers -- The president shall appoint at least three (3) Active members to act as a nominating committee. The committee will nominate officers and members of the Board of Directors for the following year. Nominations from the committee and from the floor will be made one (1) month before the annual meeting or at the annual meeting.
- 3. Election of officers and members of the Board of Directors will be at the annual meeting. All elected positions will be decided by the majority vote of those attending. No absentee or proxy votes will be permitted.
- Vacancies of elected positions will be filled by appointment by the president for the remainder of the term. The appointment will be subject to the confirmation by the Board of Directors.
- 5. The Board of Directors will consist of past-president (director of the board), president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and up to three (3) elected members.

## <u>Duties of Elected and Appointed Positions</u>

- 1. President -- The president will preside at all meetings of the members and Board of Directors. The president shall sign all contracts made on behalf of the club. The president can also call a special meeting of the members. The president shall also establish committees deemed necessary by the Board of Directors or the majority of the membership.
- 2. Vice President -- In the absence of the president, or in the case of vacation of the office, the vice president will assume the duties of the president. The vice president will also assume or delegate responsibility for the monthly newsletter.
- 3. Secretary -- The secretary will attend all meetings of the members and record all minutes and votes. The secretary will give all notices of meetings of the members and perform all duties incident to the office. In the absence of the secretary from any meetings, a secretary pro-tem will be chosen by the presiding officer.
- 4. Treasurer -- The treasurer will have custody of all club monies, subject to restrictions made by the Board of Directors or contained within the bylaws. The treasurer will receive all club monies and deposit them in club account(s). The treasurer shall make all payments of club debt upon the approval of the president. Two members of the Board of Directors will be required to sign any checks in the club's name. The treasurer will give a report on the financial status of the club at the

annual meeting, monthly meetings, and if requested, at any other meeting of the officers. No obligation, debt, or liability will be incurred by the treasurer without the specific approval of the Board of Directors or authorization of the membership majority.

- 5. Webmaster The webmaster will maintain the club website and post pertinent information relating to club endeavors. Past issues of the club newsletter, a calendar of upcoming meetings and activities, club membership application forms, by-laws, contact information, and other documents pertaining to club interests will be posted and maintained on the website. To ensure privacy, no personal information of club members will be posted.
- 6. Activities Chair The Activities Chair will be responsible to plan and coordinate monthly club activities. In doing so the activities chair will solicit the help of members to suggest ideas, plan, organize and carry out activities. The activities chair will prepare advertisements and inform the newsletter editor and webmaster of upcoming activities. Activities will be approved by board members in regular board meetings or by consent via electronic communication.
- 7. Newsletter Editor -- The newsletter editor will prepare, edit, format. and distribute a monthly newsletter to all members of the UVMAC. The editor is responsible for collecting material to be included in the newsletter. This material may come from club members, MAFCA resources, and other clubs' newsletters, etc. Permission must be given by the author of the article, illustration, or photograph to use their material. (This permission is often extended from another club's newsletter editor.) Minutes, monthly activities and a calendar of events should appear in each issue. The deadline for submissions is the 23rd of the previous month. (For example: the submissions deadline for a February Motometer is the 23rd of January). It is expected that the newsletter will be distributed by the end of the first week of each month. Exceptions include late submissions of articles, news, or announcements and/or situations that are not the fault of the editor.
- 8. Elected Members -- Up to three (3) Active or Lifetime club members will be elected by majority vote of those present to be seated on the Boards of Directors. These members will help coordinate the club's activities.
- 9. Board of Directors -- the Board of Directors will manage the affairs of the club.
- 10. The elected officers (President, Vice-President, Past-President, Secretary, and Treasurer), in order to comply with MAFCA liability insurance requirements will be MAFCA members.

#### Personal Liability

All persons or corporations extending credit to, contracting with, or having any claim against the club or the officers shall look only to the funds and property of the club for payment of any such contract or claim for payment or any debt, damage, judgment or decree, or any money that may otherwise become due and payable to them from the club or its officers. Neither the officers, Board of Directors, or members shall be liable.

## Amendments to the Bylaws

- 1. Any active club member may propose a change to the bylaws. Proposed changes shall be submitted to the secretary for consideration by the Board of Directors.
- 2. Changes shall become effective when approved by a majority of the Board of Directors present at a Board meeting.
- 3. The Secretary shall notify Club members promptly after changes are made by the Board of Directors. Acceptable methods of making this notification include email, announcement at a monthly club meeting, and/or an article in the club newsletter.
- 4. Changes approved by the Board of Directors may be over-ruled (i.e. cancelled) by a 2/3 vote of the members present at a monthly meeting.

#### Dissolution

In the event of dissolution of this club, funds remaining in the treasury shall be applied to any obligations of the club, and any assets remaining after such payment of obligations shall be donated to a non-profit organization as directed by a majority vote of the remaining membership at the time of dissolution.

# **Schedule 1 - Charter Members**

- Robert Mack
- Greg Mack
- Nicholas Mack
- Vern Cope
- Lloyd & Kelly Barker
- Joe Fazzio
- Dan and Georgia Berg
- Jim and Janette Haire

# **Revision History**

Date	Summary of Changes	
3/12/2014 (Addendum I)	As the club now stands, the dues for new voting members are twenty-five dollars (\$25.00). The cost of dues for renewing voting members is twenty dollars (\$20.00) with the stipulation that they must be paid before the end of February, after-which the dues will be considered delinquent and an additional five dollars (\$5.00) will be assessed.	
	This dues schedule will stand until the board deems, in the best interest of the club and it's members, the need to change.	
11/18/2021	It was proposed and approved by a unanimous vote of the members present	
(Addendum II)	at the regular November 2021 club meeting to increase dues from \$20 annually to \$25 annually beginning January 1, 2022. The fee for delinquent payments continues to be \$5 after March 1 of any fiscal year.	
8/15/2024	Created a Youth Member class with no dues	
	Clarified spouse's voting privileges	
	• Deleted the list of Lifetime Members from the Bylaws. (This list will be maintained in the membership records.)	
	• Allowed the Board to make future revisions to the Bylaws (vs. 2/3 vote by the members)	
	Minor editorial and formatting changes to improve clarity	