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Rogue Valley A's A Chapter of the Model A Ford Club of America

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER, By Joe Davis

Looks like spring is in the air at least for the moment, coming up fast. After the meeting in March, there will be a short tour to the "Mad Hatter," then in April, the Antique Radio Museum (see below),



I have been speaking with the Siskiyou A's and they are planning a weekend trip out to the Lava Beds in late May. We would drive down to Yreka Friday night, then Saturday a.m. take off for the Lava Beds, spend the night there and return on Sunday.

There are evidently several things to see besides the Lava Beds. More information coming soon.

Anyone needing any help getting their "A" running or road worthy, please contact me.

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Here's information on our April 18, Old Radio Museum Tour. <https://www.russoldradios.com/>

Russ Webb is a professional electronics technician (retired) with over 35 years of experience repairing two-way radios, telephone switching systems, cellular and microwave equipment. He has been recognized and awarded numerous certificates of leadership and excellence. He has actively pursued continuing education to keep up in his chosen field, however his real passion is tube type electronics. He began repairing vintage radios while in high school. Over the years, repair evolved into restoration. He renovated so many early electronics--at his wife's insistence--he created Russ' Old Radio Museum, a 1000 sq. ft. section of the radio repair shop, where sounds of the Big Band Era welcome visitors. The Old Radio Museum displays painstakingly restored works of exotic woods-- birds-eye maple, walnut, mahogany, elm and others not seen today. He has also completely restored each radio's electronics. Every radio works!

Reminder: the Model A Ford Club of America has a website (our Rogue Valley A's webmaster, Rick Black, also is the webmaster for MAFCA's site).

Check it out : <http://www.mafca.com/index.html>

ROGUE VALLEY-A'S MINUTES FOR: February 15, 2020

President Joe Davis pounded his gavel to call the meeting to order at 10:05 am. at the Royal Mobile Estates Clubhouse. 30 members were present and there were no guests. The Secretary recorded members present on the sign-in membership clipboard. The President led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Motion to approve last month's minutes was made by Jim Pringle and seconded by Jim Martin. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's report was given by Kitsy Wikkerink. Motion to approve was made by Jim Martin and seconded by Jerry Mathern Motion Passed.

CORRESPONDENCE: Birthdays and anniversaries were announced by the President. Birthdays: Dotty Pearson, Paul & Tanya DeHart, Mary Mason, Cathy Noble, and Pete Pringle. Anniversaries. Paula & Mike Stitt, and Rick & Dana Black

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS : GOOD OF THE ORDER: New member, Sandra Dee Robinson, purchased a Fordor today and will be going to pick it up after our meeting. Everyone applauded the new baby in the club. Victor Wigginton brought some auto-related treasures and a Ford manual for any club member to take.

SUNSHINE: A card will be sent to Vern Pearson regarding the recent hospital visit he had with a series of mini-strokes. The report came from Dotty Pearson through the Henry's Lady Club.

TOURS: March Hat Guy- Jim has details. April Radio Guy—details forthcoming. Kitsy Wikkerink will contact the Llama Ranch regarding a future tour. More information will be sent to the Manifold News Editor and the Secretary for email blasts when the information is available.

50/50: No 50/50 today as the Rambos couldn't attend. It has been decided to keep the Raffle Ticket Can with tickets at our Rogue Valley A's shelf in the Clubhouse's locked storage so that the tickets will always be available . Gladyce or Hospitality has the key to open our special storage area for the Ticket Can.

Meeting adjourned: 10:20 am. Motion by: Jerry Mathern; seconded by Reid Williams.

Respectfully submitted,

Nell Mathern, Secretary 2020

1928 ~ 1929 ~ 1930 ~ 1931 Tidbits

The cartoon star Mickey Mouse appears in Steamboat Willie, an animated 1928 short film produced by Walt Disney.

Herbert Hoover is inaugurated as President of the United States on March 4, 1929, succeeding Calvin Coolidge.

Pluto is discovered during February of 1930. It was discovered by astronomer Clyde W. Tombaugh at the Lowell Observatory in Flagstaff, Arizona.

The "Star Spangled Banner" is officially adopted as the national anthem of the United States during March 1931.



CHINESE NEW YEAR PARADE IN JACKSONVILLE



Gladysce in rumble seat of Jerry Mathern's coupe



Reid Williams and Jerry Mathern's vehicles got attention from parade goers

Kung Hee Fat Choy!



Evan Mason's Model T getting a closer look from a young chap





Donut List for 2020

January: Jerry and Nell Mathern—

February: Lee and Gloria Jackson

March: Phil and Lois Kessler

April: Joe Davis

May: Jerry Noble

June: Pete Pringle and Sandra Dee

July:

August:

September: Eileen Mace

October: Mitch Mace-Hall

November: Jim and Kathy Martin

December: no donuts. Our Annual Christmas Potluck, Election & Installation of Officers for 2021. will take place.



Two dozen (24) donuts are provided by Members at our monthly meeting.

Each issue of Manifold News will have the list of who will provide the donuts each month. If you can't provide donuts during your month, please arrange to have someone on the list fill in for you and you can help them out at another time. Thank you.

February Birthdays

- 11 Dotty Pearson
- 12 Paul DeHart
- 14 Mary Mason
Cathy Noble
- 16 Pete Pringle
- 27 Tanya DeHart



February Anniversaries

- 12 Paula and Mike Stitt
- 14 Dana and Rick Black



Important things to remember:

You can find your **MAFCA membership number** on the Restorer wrapper and write it on the back of your MAFCA membership card that's included in each January/February issue. You can then keep the membership card in your wallet and always have your membership number handy.

Don't forget: when you drive your Model A to the meeting, you get an extra 50/25/25



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Mark Your Calendar



TOURS AND EVENTS:

- March 7** Dairy Queen at 4 pm
14-15 Roseburg Benefit Car Show
 for info call Larry 541-817-5044
21 Meeting day at RME Clubhouse
 Hat Tour
- April 4** Dairy Queen at 4 pm
3-5 Portland Swap Meet—Portland Expo
18 Meeting day at RME Clubhouse
 Antique Radio Tour, Eagle Point
26 Corvallis Auto Swap Meet and Car Show
 for info call 541-754-8889
- April 30-May 3** Lake County A's Spring Opener at The
 Lodge at Blue Lake, CA —check MAFCA website for
 details
- May 2** Dairy Queen at 4 pm
16 Meeting day at RME Clubhouse
- June 6** Dairy Queen at 4 pm
20 Meeting day at RME Clubhouse

Upcoming Events-dates not set

Larry and Marianne Fuller's annual party, Sam's Valley
 June tour into North Eastern California, Mike McKey
 organizing

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For Sale/Wanted/Services

FOR SALE: Four (4) Firestone 4.50/4.75 - 21" Whitewall tires.
Excellent shape, no cracks, 90% tread. Came off my 1929 Model A. \$125.00 each or all 4 for \$450.00. Shipping extra.
Call Mike, [541-944-6491](tel:541-944-6491)

FOR SALE: Chopped Model A flywheels, balanced, new ring gears, set up for V-8 clutch \$325. Many other Model A parts, new and used, call for availability. New King Pin sets. I will loan you the reamer. Joe Davis 650-279-6609

I can get Brand New Blackwell 19" or 21" tires from Coker. They are about \$89.00 each. These say "UNIVERSAL" on the side, but are made from the Firestone molds, so Coker can sell them for much less.

If you want 'Firestone' on them, they are \$140. Coker has a new supplier of tubes and they are \$13.

If interested, contact me. I have to set up the order. Then, you call in and give them your credit card number and they are shipped to my shop in Medford.

Joe Davis 650-279-6609



Zenith Carburetors \$195 Exchange, Rebuilt Leakless Water Pumps \$110 Exchange, Rebuilt Distributors \$175 Exchange, includes distributor cap and rotor.

Contact: Jerry Mathern 541-941-1424



I have a 1930 Murray Model A 4-Door Deluxe Town Sedan, original. I have owned this car since 1964, and drove it off and on until 1978. I have always stored this car in a garage, no rust and the wood is good. A great car to restore. I'm wanting to sell the car.
George 503-477-2917

Please send a picture and description of your vehicle for sale to the newsletter editor for inclusion in the next issue of Manifold News. When you sell your vehicle, please let the editor know when you want your posting removed.



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FOR SALE: 1930 Model A Sport Coupe

Rebuilt Iron Duke 4 cylinder motor, 12 volt, 39 transmission, hydraulic brakes, 16" Kelsey-Hayes wire wheels with radial tires, air conditioning, pull-out trunk rack, trunk instead of a rumble seat.

Only **550** miles since completed. Beautiful professionally installed interior and top. Could not be duplicated for the asking price.

\$40,000.

Kitsy Wikkerink

541 878-8297 or 541 474-1516

NOTE: Help us make the Rogue Valley A's newsletter a **collaborative** success. We would be grateful for any material you feel might be appropriate to include in our Club's newsletter. The views expressed in this newsletter are personal opinions of those who contribute and do not necessarily represent the views of the Rogue Valley A's Model A Ford Club. Thanks go to other club newsletters and the MAFCA website as well as other sources who supply material to our club which we reprint in our newsletter from time to time. When known, sources will be included.



Tiny Tips From MAFCA Members

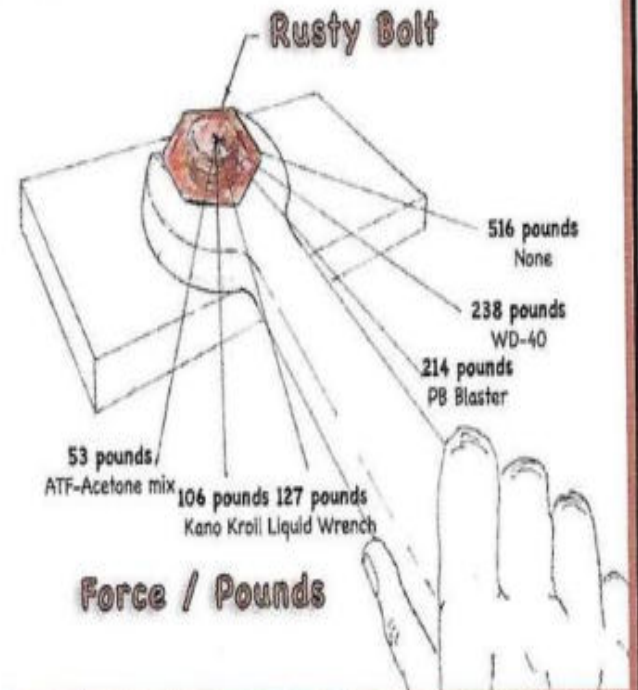
From Charles I. Cheshire, Dallas, Texas
Illustrated by Norm Ellis, Rochester, New Hampshire

Rust Relief

A scientific test of penetrating oils from Machinist's Workshop magazine, where bolts were rusted artificially and equally, revealed the amount of torque needed to remove the nuts. Here are the results, with price per ounce:

None / 516 foot pounds /
WD-40 / 238 foot pounds / \$0.25
PB Blaster / 214 foot pounds / \$0.35
Liquid Wrench / 127 foot pounds / \$0.21
Kano Kroil / 106 foot pounds / \$0.75
ATF-Acetone mix / 53 foot pounds / \$0.10

ATF (automatic transmission fluid) with Acetone is usually mixed at 50/50. Hope this helps with your rust relief!



If you have a helpful tip about Model A restoration or maintenance that you'd like to share with MAFCA members, please forward it to the MAFCA Office, 250 S. Cypress St., La Habra, CA 90631-5515 or e-mail to: restorer@mafea.com.

According to Census data, there are 39.6 million American who claim Irish heritage including five million who say they are of Scots-Irish heritage. That number is almost seven times larger than the entire population of Ireland (6.3 million).



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**ROGUE VALLEY A'S 2020 MEMBERSHIP & RENEWAL FORM***(Please be sure to update any changes to your information)*

NAME: _____ SPOUSE: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY _____
ZIP _____

HOME PHONE NUMBER _____ E-MAIL _____

YOUR CELL: _____ SPOUSE CELL: _____

INSURANCE CO. _____ MAFCA NO. _____

YEAR AND BODY STYLES _____

YOUR BIRTHDAY _____ SPOUSE'S BIRTHDAY _____ WEDDING ANNIVERSARY _____

Dues are \$15 per year (per household) and due by December 31, 2020

Make checks payable to "Rogue Valley A's" (An Oregon Non-Profit Corporation)
 Mail to: Rogue Valley A's, P.O. Box 1326, Shady Cove, OR 97539

2020 MAFCA Membership Renewal

***Please select your membership type?** * Required Fields

☐ U.S. Renewal - \$50
 ☐ International Renewal - \$70

☐ Canada/Mexico Renewal - \$60
 ☐ International Renewal w/ only online publication of *The Restorer* magazine - \$50

The Restorer Print Publication is included with every membership.

Digital Edition E-mail (optional) _____

☐ Check here to purchase the 2020 Roster with your membership renewal.
 For U.S. delivery, the price is \$16 (Free Shipping if ordered by December 31, 2019)
 For international delivery, the price is \$22

Member No. _____

*First Name _____ *Last Name _____

Spouse's First Name _____ Last Name _____

*Address _____

*City, State, Postal Code _____

*Country _____

E-mail _____

*Telephone _____

☐ Permission to publish my telephone number in future Membership Rosters

Return this form with check payable to Model A Ford Club of America to**MAFCA**

**250 South Cypress Street
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Rogue Valley A's is an Oregon Non-Profit Corporation with chapter affiliation with MAFCA. The organization is dedicated to the preservation and the restoration of the Model A Ford automobile and supports membership in the national organizations dedicated to the same purpose.



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We encourage all of our members to join MAFCA

Monthly meetings are held at the Club House of the Royal Mobile Estates

1055 N. 5th Street, Jacksonville, Oregon

on the third Saturday of every month

9:30 a.m. for coffee & donuts/snacks

Business meeting is held at 10:00 a.m. sharp

**unless a club-sanctioned event
is scheduled elsewhere**

SUBMISSION DEADLINE:

25TH of the current month to be published in the next issue.

Send to: Gloria Jackson

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We are happy to share our information with other clubs; please give credit. We will honor another club's information with credit.

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On the first Saturday of the month, we meet at the **Dairy Queen** on West Main Street in Medford at 4 p.m. for a time of fellowship.

