



T Footnotes



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President's Message



"Before everything else, getting ready is the secret of success."

Henry Ford

Henry was good at one liners. I thought this one was apropos to our season start ups.

The Presidents Tour to The Iron Horse Train Site on May 28 (really a 'spring shakedown' of things to come). And, the real "getting ready" with a safety check at Ted Zylstras' on the 29th.

With touring, show 'n shines and senior home visits, this spring and summer is jam packed with something for everyone. . . Be Ready! Also, stealing a thought from Troy Dillabough, the Model A Club president, if you are out and about in your neighborhood, get the kids involved with rides, cranking demos, or other Model T related chores. We need the youth to carry on our hobby! One ride could be the spark to a new enthusiast. Let's embrace the chance to bring along a son, daughter, grandson or granddaughter, or a distant young relative, or neighbors child to our outings, too. But, be sure to have parental approval.

From the Editor

At the April meeting it was decided to wind up the former Club website and re-direct traffic to www.foothill-t.club.

The re-direct is in place and the archived newsletters can now be accessed on the new site.



The Club's annual safety check is always a fun social event but more importantly we regularly correct significant safety issues that help insure trouble free touring. See you Sunday, May 29th at Braeside Auto, 11440 Braeside Dr SW, Calgary, (403) 251-7300





Minutes of the Foothills Model T Ford Club Meeting April 27th, at Woodridge Ford

President Ross Benedict called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. 31 members attended. Guests for evening were Dave Kirkby, Trevor Landage and Ernie Taube. Ross welcomed the Alberta Fairground T Racers to the meeting. They will be having an event in High River, June 18, 2016, in celebration of the 75th Anniversary of T Racing in Alberta.

Minutes – Kristen moved the minutes be adopted, as circulated, seconded by Eileen Jewell. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – Ross Benedict presented the finances in Larry's absence and moved that the finance statement for March be adopted, seconded by Keith Robinson – carried. Larry is recovering well from hip surgery.

Membership –Eileen reported that we now have 89 paid members and 8 paid for 2017. 56 members have MTFCA memberships. We have a new member Roy Gale, he is 95 years young and has a restored 1926 Touring.

Correspondence –

1. MTFCA Insurance Compliance – Kristen reported that we have met the membership requirement for the MTFCA, so we meet the compliance requirement that states 50% of club members must also be members of the Model T Ford Club of America. We have received our insurance certificate.

Newsletter – Robb Wolff reported that newsletter is available online. Robb asked if everyone was receiving the newsletter. Five members did not receive the email notification. Color printing for the year for the printed newsletters for the year will be an additional \$70.00.

Al Riise moves that the old website and new website be consolidated. Seconded by Larry King. Discussion the old website has been hacked. We should see if the back issues of the newsletter can be transferred from the Foothills Model T site and then have Chris shut down that site.

Tools – Glen McDonald informed everyone all tools are accounted for.

Librarian's Report – Jonathan received the latest issue of the Vintage Ford for the library.

Directors Report – Keith reported that the Tin Lizzies of Albuquerque, New Mexico would host the national tour - The Land of Enchantment Tour 2016. There has not been any news on a 10-year reunion tour in Indiana in 2018.

Jackie Bent has arranged two show and shine visits to Senior's Homes this summer. The first, at Amica, Aspen Woods will be held on June 25th (date changed from June 18) from 12 – 2 pm. A BBQ lunch will be supplied. There is tons of parking. They would like someone to visit on June 8th at 2:00 pm to give a short presentation on the Model T. Robb and Ross will go on June 8th. Jackie is looking for a count of who can attend, so that they can let Amica staff know. 16 can possibly attend.

Tours-

1. June 4th, is show and shine at Okotoks Ford. Gerry Ford has asked the T and A clubs to participate. The A club will leave from Keith's place and the T's from somewhere in the south, maybe Shawnessy Co-op. Cars should be at Okotoks Ford by 11:00 am. Tom van Dijk will coordinate the possible T's touring to Okotoks.
2. Dino T Tour II will be July 22 – 25th from Drumheller to Stettler and back. Stops in Carbon, Wayne, Big Valley, and Stettler and out to Bent's cabin at Buffalo Lake, the Bleirot Ferry and stops around Drumheller. See the newsletter for more details and registration forms. Larry King reported that Joe DeMott would pay admission to the Homestead Coulee Museum if we wish to stop there during the tour. Keith Robinson will look at the itinerary and see if the museum can be fitted in.

3. June 18th is show, shine, and many other activities in High River. Tractor pull, garden tractor, races and Alberta Fairground T Races.
4. Red Deer Swap Meet is April 29 - 30
5. May 28th, Presidents Tour, Iron Horse Museum will open for us. The Model A club will have their own tour that day and meet up with us at the Museum for a potluck BBQ and an afternoon of train rides and viewings.
6. May 29th Safety Check at Braeside Automotive.

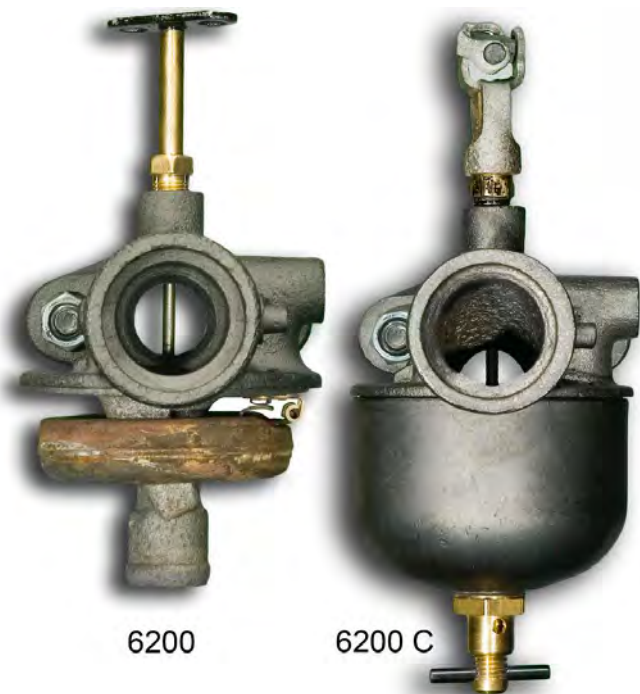
New Business –

1. Ross, received an email from a couple getting married on August 6th. They are looking for a T to drive them around from McKenzie Town to Scotchman's Hill, to Heritage Park. Many felt that was too much traffic and too busy roads.
2. Al Riise reported that the Horseless Carriage Club has various issues of Vintage Ford available if the club wants them. Al will pass the information onto Jonathan.
3. Art Bent found a place to get replica licence plates. He has the contact information.

Bob Hauswirth won the 50-50.

Murray Walkemeyer gave a presentation on carburetors. Les had his aluminum block on display.

Thanks to Bob Hauswirth for picking up the donuts, coffee and hot chocolate.



Holley NH Carburetor: straight-through on the left and swayback on the right. Shortly after “shop rights” were acquired from Holley by Ford the “swayback” design was introduced to improve vaporization of the poor gasoline available in the late “teens” and early “twenties”.



Murray Walkemeyer

National Park Vehicle Entry Passes

1925 – 1940

Vehicle entry into our National Parks began in the early 1900's after construction of dirt paths and gravel roadways were introduced into Banff National Park during the 1920's. Previously, only railway access to Banff and Jasper allowed visitors to depart the train and visit via horseback or "Tally Ho" wagon from the train Station.

A "new" metal Buffalo style vehicle pass was introduced in 1925, and used as a roadway National Park pass in the mountain Parks until 1940. These annual passes originally cost \$1, and later \$2, and were intended to be mounted to the front bumper or radiator shell of the vehicle, so the gate attendant could see them on vehicle entry to the Park. The first metal used was a copper "walking" buffalo with "CANADIAN NATIONAL PARKS" on the base and no date on it. Each year after the metal used was alternated between aluminum, brass and copper (A,B,C). Six mounting screw holes were drilled in the original plates, until 1930 when the number of holes drilled was reduced to four. The first three years (1925, 26, & 27) did not have a date on them, but were made of copper, aluminum, and brass to distinguish each year. 1928 & 1929 (copper & aluminum), only had .8 and .9 dates to distinguish them, and the name was changed to "CANADA'S NATIONAL PARKS". 1930 and 1931 (brass & copper) used .30 and .31 to date each.

Beginning in 1932, a more detailed "standing" buffalo was crafted, with the full date. In 1939 & 1940, mounting holes were removed, and a base plate with a slotted mounting bar opening were added. The use of metal for entry passes was

discontinued during the Second World War to help assist the war effort. Paper receipts were then used, until window stickers: first buffalo (1940s), then elk (50s-60s), and eventually stylized beaver were used into the 1990's.

In 1938, 39 (aluminum) & 1940 (copper), circular metal passes were produced for use in the prairie National Parks. They had a single mounting hole base, and the date in the beaver lodge the beaver sat on. Again the use of metal was discontinued for

the Second World War. 1942 saw a paper bison sticker replica produced for a few years. During the 1930's Saskatchewan Natural

Resources produced an aluminum beaver, "S,NR Parks" for use in that province at that time.

Other provinces and local communities used a moose, elk, or fish (Waterton) metal format promoted by local Chamber of Commerce groups.

Many "commemorative plate reproductions" have been produced since the National Parks centennial in 1985. Banff National Park did one of the first, then Elk Island in 2006, and Jasper in 2007 (100 year Park commemorations). The Jasper museum also produced replica's in a metal alloy format for use as a fund raising effort in the early 2000's.

The metal plates were stamped in three different locations, Winnipeg, Ottawa, and Vancouver where various contracts were let to produce them. Some have the maker's location stamped on the back. Counterfeit copies were common, and may have had the dates altered in an effort to avoid paying the next year's fees when entering the park. Examples of all these plates and stickers are rare, and of great value. Article by Rod Wallace





PARK GATES, 1920's

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Don't Forget to Check Your Car Hauler

We inspect our Ts annually. It is also important to inspect our trailers. This is what I found two years ago.



Touring Tool Kit

Recently Rod Wallace asked what parts and tools he should carry when touring. The original Ford tool kit was sparse and changed a bit over the years. These are the tools for the 1909-1913 model years: T1349 hub cap wrench. T1387 adjustable wrench. T1902 screwdriver. T1903 pliers. T1904 spark plug wrench. T1917 wrench. T2336 tool roll. T2337 oil can. T2338 tire pump. T2340 tire iron.

After you have toured a bit your “kit” will in part be determined by the breakdowns you and other T friends have experience while touring. We tease Keith Robinson about carrying an anvil because on one of our tours he could have used one to effect a coffee stop repair.

Here is what I carry. It is not a complete list and reflects my own quirks and experience. I will post this article on the www.foothills-T.club blog so that others can add to the list by commenting on the article.

Tool Roll

I transfer this “roll” between Ts and often take it with me in our modern vehicles. It has a zipper pocket for odds and ends.



Spark Plug Wrench

The open end (15/16”) works for original plugs, rear axle nuts and the lock nut on the low band shaft.

The socket (5/8”) fits head bolts if you need to replace a head gasket. The wrench is the right length to approximate the proper head bolt torque. No need for a torque wrench.



Spark Plugs

Travelling along HWY 1 on our way to Medicine Hat our T pickup began acting up. I turned out that the porcelain on one of the plugs had cracked. I was glad to have a spare plug.

Head Gasket

Replacing a head gasket can be done at the side of the road using the spark plug wrench. You will need a bucket to hold the antifreeze.

Jack

I chose this jack because of the brand name, CANUK.



Tire Wrench

I use a ratchet and speed wrench (wire wheels).

First Aid Kit

Most of the problems we experience while touring relate to cuts, abrasions and burns. My first aid kit is set up with Band-Aids, antiseptic ointment some gauze pads, medical tape and rubber gloves. I also keep a generic Swiss Army Knife in the kit.



Extra Coil

I spend a lot of time fine tuning the coils to get them to run “just right”. Allowing spare coils to bounce around under the car seat unprotected is a quick way to undo my hard work.

I want to thank Harold Fricshé for making me this “bespoke” coil box that protects the points from being knocked about. Wrapping the coil in cardboard is another way to shield the fragile points.



Extra Carb

Once a carb is properly set up there is little that will go wrong except perhaps dirty gas clogging the float needle. I carry a spare carb because when a car is

running poorly the easiest way to eliminate the fuel system as the problem is to swap in a known good working carb.

Folding Chock Block

For peace of mind when you park on an incline. These came from a Princess Auto sale.



Warning Pylon



Exhaust Pack Nut Wrench

On my wish list.

Wheel Bearings

Two outer bearings and nuts (left and right), 1 washer, 1 outer race, 1 inner bearing and race, nitrile gloves, cotter pins and paper towel. I pre-pack the wheel bearing and store them in freezer grade Ziplocs.



Spare Rad Cap

I take the MotoMeter off when leaving our car overnight in the parking lot.



Spare Rod

This is a bit much for a typical three day tour, but if you are going cross county like Chris Bamford it can save the time of carving a new leather bearing.



Fire Extinguisher

From what I have read, the small ones are convenient but useless.

Gloves

Gloves make it easier to unscrew a hot rad cap.

Oil and Water

Coveralls

Cheap paper-like fabric disposable coveralls.



Bendix Spring

Years ago I broke a Bendix spring. Keith Robinson had a spare in the trunk of his Coupe. Thanks Keith. I now carry a spare Bendix. A spring and tabbed washers would be adequate but my T toolbox gives me a place to store my spare Bendix.



Tow Strap

Every so often these go on sale for about 9 bucks at Princess Auto.



Exhaust Pack Nut Wrench

On my wish list.

Rain-X



Small Stuff

Freeze plug, valve keeper and pin, haywire, duct tape, fuses, hose clamp, cotter pins, nuts and bolts, flash light, JB Weld, electrical wire and so on.



Spare Timer

I keep a worn out Anderson timer under the seat.

Registration, Insurance, Recent Safety Checklist, Money & and Extra Key

Tour name-tag holders are a great place to store these.



Throw in a gas stick for good measure.



Events

May 28 President's Tour – meet at Canning's at 9:30 am.
Hwy 1A East of Cochrane, turn South on Glendale Rd.

May 29 Spring "Safety Check" 9:30 am
Braeside Automotive. 11440 Braeside Dr SW

June 4 Okotoks Ford Show and Shine 10am-4pm
The Model T and Model A club have been invited to participate. Meet at MacDonald's inside Shawnessy Walmart at 9:15am.

June 11-12 Reynolds-Alberta Museum History Road

June 18 – High River Ag Museum fund raiser.

June 25 – Amica at Aspin Woods Show and Shine
Noon – 2 pm, BBQ Supplied

July 1 – Canada Day Parade at Heritage Park by invitation

July 22 -25 Dino T II Tour

Aug 11 – Trinity Lodge Show and Shine
Noon – 3 pm, BBQ supplied

December 10th – Christmas Party

Classifieds

Please note: All Advertisements from club members will be published in three consecutive issues, free of charge. Non-member advertisements relating to the Model T will also be published free of charge as space permits. Send info to the editor: phone 403-540-2093, or email rw@chb.ca

Wanted - Model T Tudor

I am a member of the Stampede City Ford Model A Club and was possibly looking to purchase a Model T to enjoy. Please give contact me if you know of a Tudor for sale, thanks,
Bart Campbell
403 527 3800 blsec@telus.net

1909-11 Rear Axle For Sale

I have for sale a late '09- early '11 T rear axle. It has been suggested that I should ask \$5,000.00

Les Schubert

Wanted Door Latches

1920 Model T Coupe Driver's side door latch. Contact Art and Eileen Jewell.
TheJewells@telus.net (403) 282-3753

26/27 Touring (for sale)

Ruckstell axle

Both carburetor (currently on car) and vaporizer

Appraised at \$16,400 in 2014 selling for \$11,900 to make room for a new project

Serious offers will be considered

Contact Glenn Burke @ (403) 835-1380 (please leave a message if not answered)

Birthdays

May	1	JOHN JORGENSEN
	5	AL RIISE
	8	GERRY STOTTS
	10	ROBERT CALLFAS
	15	BOB LONG
	17	ERHARD GORSKI
	21	MURRAY WALKEMEYER
	23	ROY FULTON
		BARRY PROCTOR
	25	MARC BREMONT

Model T Races
Saturday, June 18, 2016
High River Ag Society Race Track

Commemorating the 75th Anniversary
of organized Model T Racing in Alberta

Time Trials at 11:00 am
Races at Noon

Alberta Fariground Racers