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Marie and Cliff Proctor, are the proud owners of a 1909 Model T Ford



Picture taken at the Centennial T Party at Richmond Indiana

Marie and I were fortunate enough to purchase a 1909 Model T Ford serial number 10249 that was built September 11, 1909 at the Piquett Avenue plant in Dearborn Michigan. We purchased the car from Florence Forest in Salem Oregon in March of 2005. Florence had the car for sale on E-Bay and it didn't reach her reserve price. We got hold of her after the sale and made an offer that she laughed at and told us that she had two other offers that was better than ours. She also told me to call her in the morning. We called her back in the morning and she wanted to know what we wanted it for and would I hot rod it or part it out. We told her that we had no intention of doing anything of that kind, we wanted it for our collection to drive and enjoy. Florence said if you promise to have as much fun with it as we had you can have it. Our next question was what is the name of your Bank and your account number? We bought the car sight unseen.

We found out after we got it home that it smoked badly and nobody wanted to be behind us in a parade, so we rebuilt the engine and had it bored out to .080 over size. After we ironed out a few wrinkles it has run well ever since.

To give you a little history on the car, it was purchased new by a Dr. Crain in Salem Oregon. Dr. Crain's son, Dr. Don Crain, who went in for a psychiatrist upon graduation, got Dad's 1909 Model T. Dr. Don Crain removed a few dents from the body, painted it in 1962, and to this day it has the same paint job. Dr. Don Crain is the Psychiatrist in the movie *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*.





Marie and I are the third family to own this the car. The first was the Crain family next was the family of Florence Forest and now Marie and I and it's *not* for sale.

The car, as far as our research tells us, is totally original except for paint and the engine work. The top has been replaced, the leather seats are original, in that model of a 1909 the floor mats in the rear had carpet and our car still has the carpet, in later years they had Coco mats. The front floor mat has been replaced with the proper material in our car.

Marie and I have had a lot of fun with this car on tours, parades and shows. The car is a pleasure to drive and attracts a lot of attention from spectators.

By Cliff Proctor & Lawrence Gould



The seats in our car show very little wear and are the original leather seats, not a composition.



The rear seat looks like it has some wear, but it is from the camera flash.



There are some very unique things about the 1909 Model T's that are not found on other years of the Model T's. The Ford script on the radiator is different on the ones built in the Piquett Avenue plant is different than those built later.



This Ford script was on later cars after moving to the Highland Park Plant.









The Hogshead has a very different configuration, with a square top plate and the oil pan had no inspection plate, unlike the later model cars that had an inspection cover you could remove to check the rod and main bearings.



The engine had open valves that dirt could accumulate in and on. They have to be lubricated regularly



The differential housings on the 1909 cars were drawn, one piece housings, with no rivets.



The front spindles were made in one piece, and the arm for the steering was not removable.



The anti-rattle devices, on the brake rods, actually had a roller for the brake rod to run on!



What is a Speedster?



President's message:



Speedsters can have:

- Boat tails, bustle tails or no tails
- Stock or fire breathing engines
- Doors or no doors
- Full fenders, no fenders or motorcycle fenders.

They were called various names back in the '30s such as Gow Jobs, Bugs, Speedsters, but never Hot Rods. The term Hot Rod was coined later. We create speedsters today because it is fun, challenging, rewarding, an art form and a good way to use up old parts.

Harry Lillo

created equal.

Good judgment comes from experience, and most of that comes from bad judgment

From the Editor:

This month's article is written by Cliff Proctor and Lawrence Gould on Cliff and Marie's '09 T. We look forward to the Jewells' article on past tours 'fun and frolics' in May. Thank you Glenn McDonald for your continued contribution to our *Tool Time* section, and to Chris Bamford for his proof reading and making me look good.

Ross Benedict

A number of us have Model T speedsters and people often ask if it is a Model T that Ford would have built? The answer is "No"; but then they ask "Then what is a speedster?" Ford never sold a

speedster. A speedster is a custom bodied, street legal (in most cases) modified Model T. It is modified for speed and handling and typically seats two. A single seater is usually a dirt track racer. Speedsters are usually made from scratch and no two are

production speedster; some companies produced an aftermarket body that fit a T chassis and then it became a

FULTON GARAGE SALE

Saturday April 27th 10 to 3 - 1630 Strathcona Street, Crossfield, Alberta
Model T & a few A parts, one refurbished 1923 T motor, along with other
automotive gear, will be on sale. Come for the bargains!

Call Bruce Brander at 403-507-5199 for more information.

PLEASE NOTE: Our April 24 meeting will be held at 7:30 at:

WOODRIDGE FORD @ 11580 - 24 Street SE Calgary 403-253-2211





Minutes of the Foothills Model T Ford Club Meeting March 27, 2019 – The Hanger

Vice President Rod Wallace called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm. 32 members attended. Guest at the meeting was Devan Hauswirth, Bob's son and chauffeur.

Minutes – Robb moved that minutes from the February meeting be approved as circulated. Seconded by Peter Anderson. Carried.

Treasurer's Report – Eileen, (filling in for Larry Kynoch) presented the finances for February. She moved that the report be approved as presented. Seconded by Chris Brancaccio. Carried.

Membership – Eileen, As of tonight we have 92 memberships, with two more expected to renew. Of this number three are Lifetime Memberships. As I mentioned last month, one Lifetime Member passed away. We have 89 paid memberships for 2019. So far 46 of our members are MTFCA members. Therefore, we are just over the 50% mark to retain our chapter status. If anyone is planning to join the MTFCA, will you please let me know your MTFCA number when you receive it. For joining the MTFCA, the application form and information is in each newsletter. This past month I sent a get well card to Christine Robinson as she was in the hospital for a few days with pneumonia. If any member wishes to purchase a magnetic club name tag, please let Art Jewell or myself know. The cost is \$5.00 when ordered and we try to have them ready for you at the next meeting. The backing choice for these pins is either a magnet or a pin.

Website – We had an inquiry if we wanted to take advertising. A bed and breakfast wanted to place an ad. If we accept paid ads who will manage the project? Les suggested that those who want to submit an ad have an MTFCA number. There was a general consensus to not accept paid ads. Darren had suggested a blog that one could add, by relating to there Model T meeting experience.

Newsletter – The newsletter is getting bigger and will cost more to print. Four vehicles were sold from the classifieds in the last two newsletters.

Tools – Several tools are signed out. All accounted for.

National Club – Chris Brancaccio - MTFCA Webmaster. He let us know that the western tour is in Billings MT this summer. When did Chris become a director? He did not.

Librarian – Jonathan was not at the meeting. Rod Wallace is looking for a documentary on Ford that he had seen on TV. Club members will see if they can find a copy on YouTube. Several members suggested other sources.

Tours – Tom Van Dijk spoke about the Cremona tour which will take place on backroads north of Cochrane on June 23. The destination is The Heritage Centre (Deb Solomons).

Rod spoke with Panther River Resort regarding our summer tour and the owner felt that they will easily be able to accommodate our tour. The resort has a combination of luxury cabins, RV and tent camping. There will be a day trip up to the Ya Ha Tinda Ranch. We will need pilot cars before and after our touring Ts because of horse trailer traffic on the roads. There is a small restaurant for meals. They are flexible regarding booking. They take a credit card number that will not be charged until 3 days prior to the tour. The tour will take place August 13-15. Should this be not charged until 3 days...Yup. Les said that when they did the pre-tour the gravel road was excellent. He suggested a stop at the Fallentimber Meadery. Les suggested we cook a couple of community type meals. Bring your own meat. There will be a couple of seniors' residence tours likely in





early August. Ken Canning has invited us to his seniors' residence in Cochrane. **President's tour, safety check** and **T games** on June 1st at Harry and Rose Lillo's. Okotoks Ford, Show 'N Shine June 22nd, an all Ford get together (primarily Ts and As).

Old Business -

New Business - The Ralph Klein Environmental Park south of Shepard could be a place for us to hold meetings. Peter Anderson has a flyer.

Red Deer Swap Meet, May 3-4. Car show at the swap meet on Saturday May 4th. SVAA meeting? Chris Brancaccio won the 50/50

Show and Tell – Les talked about replacing valve stems on inner tubes. Ross demonstrated a tool for dimpling a metal felloe to tighten spokes. Robb and Murray did a presentation on retrofitting tail lights with LED modules from tail lights available at Princess Auto.

Thanks to Art & Eileen for the donuts and cookies.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 24 Club Meeting – WOODRIDGE FORD SE – 7:30

May 3 & 4 CAVAC Swap Meet - Red Deer

Ex. Park Fri: 3PM to 8PM, Sat: 8AM to 4PM

May 22 Club Meeting – The Hanger, Calgary - 7:30 PM

With Pre meeting Parking Lot Swap Meet - 6:30

June 01 Safety Check and T Games @ Harry Lillo's

June 22 Okotoks Ford Model T & A Show & Shine

June 23 Cremona / Perronoud Club T Tour

June 27-30 - 58th International Antique Auto Meet –

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

July 1 Heritage Park Canada Day Parade and

Celebrations

July 4-6 – Cherries to Prairies Tour with Inland Empire

Chapter, Spokane, Washington.. Click for more

July 12 10th Annual Collector Car Appreciation Day

July 27 - The Hagerty Driving Experience

Wetaskiwin

August 5 Colonel Belcher Show & Shine 1 – 3 PM

August 13-15 Ya Ha Tinda Ranch T Tour

August 15 - Hagerty Kids "You Be The Judge Camp."

Call of The West Museum in High River

August 21-25 – Central Lakes Oldies Tour with

Edmonton Antique Car Club . . Click for more

September 12-15 41st Annual Can Am T Tour out of

Chilliwack B.C. .. Click for more

September 25 Club Meeting – The Hanger, Calgary

October 23 Club Meeting – The Hanger, Calgary

November 27 Club Meeting – The Hanger, Calgary

APRIL BIRTHDAYS:



APRIL 1st- EVELYN CAMPEAU, 5th - JACK WATT, 7th - VALERIE DAWSON, 9th - KEN

TODD and MICHELLE ZELINKA, 16th - JUDY KOBER, 17th - CHRIS BAMFORD and ANN

MC DONALD, 24th - LYNN POLLOCK and LEIGH SCHUBERT, 27th - SHARON

WALLACE, 28th - SUJUNG KIM, 29th - JANET CARROLL, and 30th - ROSALIE LILLO





Inspiring and Motivating the Next Generation.

Following last year's successful creation of several new car events created by Hagerty Insurance, this success has led to the continuing of these events for this year. Also, there maybe other new events to be announced later in the year.

July 27, 10 am to 5 pm. Reynolds-Alberta Museum-Wetaskiwin.

<u>The Hagerty Driving Experience.</u> - This year, following a successful event last year, the experience of learning to drive a classic car with a manual transmission is scheduled. If you are between the ages of 15 and 35, then you don't want to miss this event.

Thursday August 15, 2019 Call of the West Museum.

<u>Hagerty Kids "You Be The Judge Camp."</u> Last year, at the Call of The West Museum in High River, Hagerty Insurance sponsored a one day Hagerty Kids - "You be the Judge Camp. With 15 youths present, they judged 14 classic vehicles on a score card on a scale of one to five, through various categories. The idea is to get children interested in classic vehicles because hobbies of children have changed over time. This year, the event will be on **Thursday August 15** at the Call of the West Museum and Eamon's Garage.

If you are available to supply a classic car and some time, for these events, call Bryce Walsh - Regional Account Exc., Alberta 403-681-1529 or bwalsh@hagerty.com. We look forward to hearing from you.

T Tool Time



This tool, from the period, was used to crimp the felloe inward to tighten the spokes. 1/2 to 1 turn was all that likely was needed. Always do the one opposite the one you were doing.



Many, when shown this on the MTFCA Forum recently, are opposed to this method. You basically ruin the felloe for future respoking.



As a follow up to the technical session at last month's meeting showing various ways to tighten loose wooden spokes. The club has a spoke jack tool, as shown in the photo. It pushes the felloe out enough to insert a horse shoe shaped shim.



A wood felloe (photo) can easily be ruined for future respoking, use a spoke jack *only* on metal-felloe wheels.







Join the Clubs

The Model T Ford Club of America

Membership Application

Name

Address

City, Province

Postal Code

Annual Dues Includes six issues of THE VINTAGE FORD regardless of the date of initial enrollment: \$50.00 (in U.S. funds) for outside the U.S.

Mail To: The Model T Ford Club of America

P.O. Box 126

Centerville, IN 47330-0126

You can register online at www.mtfca.com or phone the MTFCA office 765-855-5248

Please phone Eileen Jewell 403 282-3753 and let her know your MTFCA Membership #

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Directors: Tom Cerkvenac,

Bob Hauswirth, and

Keith Robinson

*e Mail: rbmanagement@shaw.ca

Foothills Model T Ford Club Membership Application

Please send form along with \$35.00 dues of to:

Eileen Jewell, 2728 - 18th Street N.W., Calgary, Alberta T2M 3T8

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Name

Spouse

Address

City, Province

Postal Code Phone

E-mail

MTFCA#

Your Birth Month and Day

Your Spouse's Birth Month and Day

Year and Style of Ts You Own

Present condition of Ts You Own. - 'R' Restored, 'PR'
Partially Restored, 'UR' Unrestored, 'BC' Basket Case, or 'O'
Original

Club Meetings: Meetings are held at 7:30 on the fourth Wednesday of the month, excluding April * June, July and December at: The Hanger Flight Museum, 4629 McCall Way, NE Calgary

*Note April meeting location varies.

Did You Lose a Crank?: I am looking for the owner of a T crankshaft that was left at a Balancing shop some five years ago. If you think it is yours, please give me a call at 587-888 9393.





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 by e mail to the editor at rbmanagement@shaw.ca or call 403-651-1612 Check the website for current classifieds. http://www.foothills-t.club/classifieds/



For Sale: 1925 Tudor, Running, good tires and upholstery. Contact Ken Canning at 403-932-5522.

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For Sales. 1927/28 Graham artillery wheels, 5.25x75-19 inch (not 17), with riveted-on-brake drums. Lockheed hydraulic brakes with outer shoes only, INNER shoes Stolen. Spindles and some linkage too. Open to offers, Ernie T. 403-289-9512. detauble@shaw.ca.





Wanting to buy: I'm working on a 1926 TT. Looking for 1926 complete engine. Would prefer a running unit. Would also entertain buying an entire truck if it was cheap enough, because I'm cheap! Christopher Lang, 250-652-5552 christopherlang@shaw.ca



For Sale: Mid '20s Model T Fire Truck complete with Ruckstell rear axle, Hassler front springs, and new radiator. Starts and run great. \$20,000, OBO. Ted Zylstra, 403-809-0250, tzylstra@braesideautomotive.com (1)



For Sale: 1926 Model TT Ford TOW TRUCK c/w
Weaver winch. New tires, new radiator, rebuilt coil
box with plastic wood kit, upgraded to a new day
timer, new e-brake shoes, new carb, has starter.
Hand crank Weaver Auto Crane. Starts and run
great. \$13,000 OBO, Ted Zylstra, 403-809-0250,
tzylstra@braesideautomotive.com (1)









Classifieds continued:

Parts Wanted: Steering box (or complete column) for a 1947 Canadian Dodge sedan. Hollander claims any 1942-48 Plymouth or Dodge car except 7-pass & limos will interchange. Mine is worn and I need a decent replacement box or a tired one to rebuild Chris Bamford, 780-445-0156,

chrisjbamford@hotmail.com (1)

For Sale: 1927 Ford Model T Roadster, (barn find), wire wheels, would run, missing top bows & hood, has turtle deck with lid, \$4000.00. He is looking for a 1957 TR3 project. Andy McGywer, Gibbons, AB 780-975-9091.

These classifieds are generating good results! We have seen six Model Ts change hands in the last two to three months! Please check out our web page CLASSIFIEDS for possible additional ads and photos of listed vehicles and other listed items.



For Sale: 1927 Ford Roadster Pickup. Great winter project. Wire wheels, no fenders, splash aprons, or running boards. The box is made from pine wood from the owner's acreage and is a 1925 box pattern. Motor is good. Hood included, radiator (high) and grille shell, running board brackets and many extra parts. \$5000. Willing 'to flip (split??) the shipping' Marcel 204-742-3475 in Manitoba. Additional photos on Web Classifieds. (2)



ground up, Rocky Mountain brakes and Ruckstall axle. An excellent driver. Requires new battery. Has not been driven for the last 6 years, properly winterized and stored inside. I bought the engine from Gord Watt just before his passing. Gord was planning to use it in his future T racer. He told me that it has an A crank and hi compression head. Some minor paint chips. Located in NW Calgary. Call 403-275-6248; or, Email artview@shaw.ca Asking \$ 12,500

For Sale: I have done a production run of 25 of these '26-27 Canadian Licence plate holders. They attach to the front fender arm, so the plate is below the driver's side headlight. They will be available at the May club meeting for \$22.00 each. Les Schubert (1)









Classifieds continued:



Wanted: I am looking for a 10 tooth pinion. I figure someone in the club maybe has one lying around. email jakevisser@hotmail.com. Jake Visser



As found 20 years ago, barn stored since.



Some of the extra parts needed to complete it.

For Sale: Canadian Built 1926-27 Tudor. Car was converted to a Delivery Sedan. Many added parts and, an 'A' converted Crankshaft. \$4500 US / \$6000 Cnd. OBO. Call Bob Hauswirth Phone: 403-288-9284 Carlorna@Telusplanet.net (1)



For Sale: Model T Parts 5-26/27 headlight buckets, bar mount, 3-Headlights 1926, fender mount, 26 fender mount sealed beam, various reflectors and some lenses. Model T coil box wood T-5000-w, 1915-25, New 26/27 Model T Headlight, includes 2 chrome rims, 2 lenses, 2 reflectors. Wheels, various wood felloe wheels / metal, non-demountable, or demountable and different types of lugs. 26 -27 T Roadster body, no turtle deck or box, front fenders, running boards, splash aprons, hood, windshield frame, on rolling chassis wood spoke wheels, motor stuck, \$ OBO. 1916 T engine block only, Cast USA. Model A front axle and spindles. Al Riise 403-274-4474. Calgary



Wanted: I am looking for a 26-27 Model T Ford coupe driver's door. Ron Felzien, 780 678 4019, ron.felzien@gmail.com (1)







BEWARE OF SPRING THAW



Spring has sprung, the grass has riz, I wonder where the Model T's iz?



Sometimes one more horsepower is all you need.