



## President's Message

As we start another year, 2018, I look back on what got me into Model T Fords.

Over 35 years ago I saw a pile of dis-assembled Model T parts in the corner of Leigh Robertson's garage in SW Calgary.

The parts were the remains of a 1924 roadster. The car had been a US car driven from Minnesota in 1924 or 1925 to a farm just north

of Edmonton. The turtle deck had been removed and stored in the loft of a barn. It was in perfect condition. The little single door roadster US models only had a passenger door) had been fitted with a wooden pickup box most of its life.

In the mid 50's the engine was getting tired so it was driven to Edmonton for a rebuild. On the return trip home, after the rebuild, the engine seized and the car was parked until the 70's when it was purchased by Bob Heath in Fort St John BC. The car was taken apart and the bottom end of the engine was found to be too tight which caused it to seize. Leigh purchased the car from Bob Heath as a pile of parts. I later purchased it from Leigh as 6 truckloads of parts. The only major parts missing were the differential housings. It took me two years to complete the restoration. I did the mechanicals, body and paint. Rosalie upholstered the car and installed the top. Our two boys were young so all four of us fit in the car which we drove until 1993 when we sold it. I then completed our white 1913 speedster in 1995.

I joined the Foothills Model T Club before the roadster was finished and have enjoyed my friendship with like minded T folks over these many years. Our Model T stable has grown to over 10 cars, many modified, and some dead stock like our 1921 coupe. We enjoy them all, but mostly we enjoy the friendship of other Club members which is the reason we continue to play in this old car hobby.

## From the Editor



Happy New year.

I am excited to be creating my first newsletter. I have done a little work to the website and started a YouTube channel . If we can get a few videos I'll link it to the homepage. You can see the River Fording Video I put on there already. I've written this months "Darren's Garage" on the history of my car. I'm looking forward to "Ross's Garage" next month. He mentioned waiting for a book to arrive and having something interesting to share.

## Things of Note:

- Still looking for someone to write an article for the October issue
- Check out the website's blog post for information regarding:
  - History Road: The Ultimate Car Show in June
  - Ya Ha Tinda Ranch - 100 years old. Rod Wallace to give talk January Meeting
  - New Member Bemifits to Model T Ford Club of American
  - Winternational Valve Cover Races on February 3, 2018
- New Club Email – [foothillsmodeltclub@gmail.com](mailto:foothillsmodeltclub@gmail.com)
- YouTube Channel Name - Foothills Model T Club
- If you have any interesting videos to share please let me know



## Minutes of the Foothills Model T Ford Club Meeting November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 The Hangar

President Ross Benedict called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm. 35 members attended.

**Minutes** – Kristen moved the minutes of the October meeting be approved as circulated, seconded by Rick Vanderpol. Carried.

**Treasurer's Report** – Larry presented the finances for October and moved the report be adopted, seconded by Art Jewell. Carried.

**Membership** –Eileen reported that we now have 47 paid members for 2018, there are 47 still outstanding. As we must submit our roster to the MTFCA, Eileen asked that if anyone had recently joined that they provide her with their membership number. As noted in the newsletter memberships are due for renewal by December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017. Keith also reported that you can purchase a lifetime membership with MTFCA if you wish.

Eileen also reported that she is selling tickets for the Christmas party. She has sold 30 tickets to date and would like to sell at least 40 tickets for this event.

Eileen and Art also will also order name tags if members would like them. They are \$5.00 paid in advance and name tags are ready at the next meeting.

**Tools** – Glen reported that many tools are out, but that they are all accounted for

**National Club** - Keith reported that the National Tours will be in Indiana and the Western one is in California and January 1 registration will open. Directors ballots came with the September issue of magazine and they need to be mailed in shortly. Chris Brancaccio is now a Director, so the Canadian clubs have a voice on the board.

### Correspondence –

1. Alberta Rides Magazine is now available. Note there is an article and photos in the magazine about the Alberta Fairground T Racers.

**Newsletter** –Robb reported that the newsletter is on the website. Darren will also be taking over responsibility for the website.

### New Business

- SVAA Meeting will be held on February 10<sup>th</sup> 12:30 pm at the Lethbridge Swap Meet.

**Elections** – Motion by Peter Anderson to suspend the meeting, in order have the election of officers for 2018. Seconded by Rick Skibsted. Carried. Election results follow. The meeting was reopened at 8:35pm

After the election Ross thanked the new members of the Tour Committee as we haven't had a designated committee for a couple of years.

Darren discussed format for future newsletters and will be asking for a new article from members for every newsletter. He has had volunteers come forward already. The newsletter should be club oriented as it is the lifeline of the club and keeps everyone informed.

Harry thanked the past executive for all their hard work.

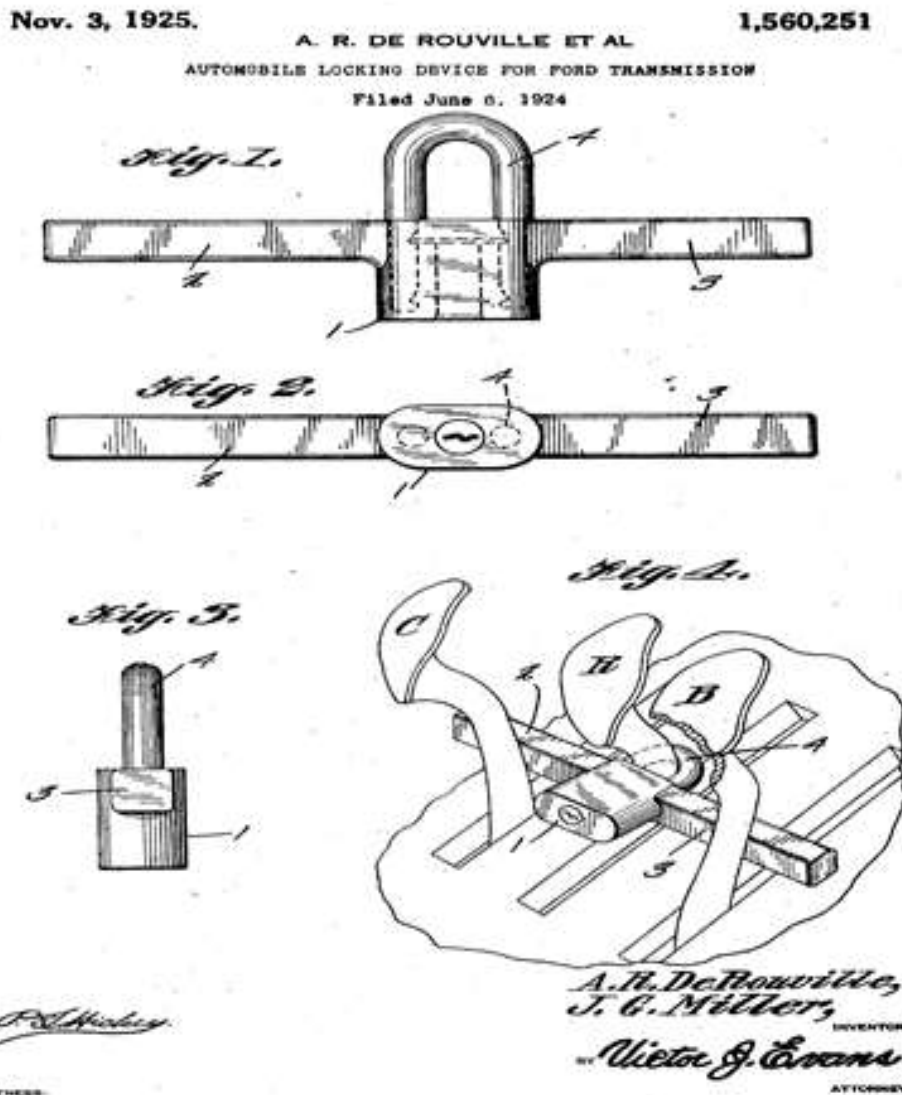
Rick Vanderpol won the 50-50 draw. Thanks to Larry for picking up the donuts and cookies.

Discussion on driving Model T's in every month of the year. Bruce completed this task in 2015. Harry reported that he had been out for a drive prior to the meeting.

## Election of Officers for 2018

President:	Harry Lillo	Librarian / Historian:	Jonathan Watson
Past President:	Ross Benedict	MTFCA Rep	Keith Robinson
Vice President:	Rod Wallace	Tour Committee:	Art Bent
Treasurer:	Larry Kynoch		Rod Wallace
Secretary:	Kristen Anderson		Tom Van Dijk
Membership Secretary:	Eileen Jewell	Directors:	Tom Cerkenac
Editor/Website:	Darren Lloyd		Bob Hauswirth
Tool Curator:	Glen McDonald		Keith Robinson

Thank you to Art Jewell for running the election. **All positions were appointed by acclamation.**



### Automobile locking device for ford transmission

This invention relates to improvements in locks, particularly adapted for locking the foot pedals of an automobile to prevent unauthorized use thereof.

A further object is to provide a lock that clamps the foot pedal of an automobile in such a position so as to make it impossible to operate the transmission thereof. A further object is to provide a locking means for foot pedals that can be applied thereto in an expeditious manner and consists of a minimum number of parts to accomplish the desired purpose.



## Darren's Garage – The History of my Depot Hack

My first love and my second wife is my 1926/27 depot hack. In fact my grandfather had two ownerships with both years and the same serial number. He bought the car as a fun car that his whole family could ride in his mid twenties. I've attached the only remaining photo on the left. The year I was born he finished a 10 year restoration and conversion to the depot hack. He was regularly distracted with other projects. After the restoration he drove it only about once a summer as he was still working on other projects and other cars.

The summer after getting my driver's licence I decided to not do another season of stock car racing. That summer I asked my grandfather if I could take his T for a one-time short trip.



He responded with I could use it anytime. While.... I took his offer literally and basically parked my driver for the summer. Although the restoration was nearing 20 years old, it had limited miles on it and I fell in love.

As luck would have it my grand-folks caught word of number of miles the old girl was doing and it was decided I could have the car if I would put insurance on it. They had a very limited policy.



Years later, I brought the car west to my wife and I's first house. Unfortunately, the old restoration nearing 30 years in the history books had the car pretty tired.



The learning curve was larger than I anticipated. My modern car knowledge was less transferable that I though. Fortunately, with help from the club elders and amazing online resources I slowly got her back on the road. Les Schubert towed her around his field and many others offered invaluable wisdom.



I haven't hardly touched the body as I love the patina. I think ageing wood will be my future pass time to keep her looking barnyard fresh but intact.

I couldn't be happier to be apart of the club and contribute as editor.







## 2017 Adventures



**Thank you to everyone that helped  
help organize the Holiday Party and  
all the other actives over 2017!**



## Happy Birthday to Members

### 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:

Check the website for more classifieds.

<http://www.foothills-t.club/classifieds/>

- Wanted Rear doors for 26 27 model T touring. Please contact Ron 780 678 4019. Phone or text.
- Pre 15 Headlight hinges?  
I am looking for sets or specifically the door side of a hinge set for some pre 15 Carbide Headlights that I am restoring. Would you have any damaged doors that would still have this side attached? Or, complete sets?  
Ross Benedict 403-651-1612  
[rbmanagement@shaw.ca](mailto:rbmanagement@shaw.ca)
- Wanted Rear doors for 26 27 model T touring. Please contact Ron 780 678 4019. Phone or text
- Looking for 26-27 Running Roadster Don Gordon (403) 823-0738  
[roundtankbsa@yahoo.com](mailto:roundtankbsa@yahoo.com)
- Seeking a CLASCO UNIVERSAL oval twin Rear Light Unit 7 ¼" X 3 ¾" Has 2 red 3 1/8" Diameter lens Right one marked "STOP" Any assistance would be appreciated. John Middleton The Old Station, Camelford, Cornwall PL32 9TZ ENGLAND (01840) 212911

JANUARY	1	MICHELLE BELANGER
		ANNA KYNOCH
	5	MAURICE CAMPEAU
		DEBRA FENWICK
		WILMA SQUIRE
	14	GREG STAPLETON
		LORETTA WHITE
	17	MIKE CUFFE
		GLEN HOWTON
	18	KEN CANNING
		OREST KITZUL
	21	TED ZYLSTRA
	22	ROBB WOLFE
	25	RICK SKIBSTED
	27	GAIL BENEDICT
	29	MARTINE BURGESS
	31	JANE TAYLOR



Ya Ha Tinda Ranch - 100 years' old



## Executive

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## Join the Club

You can also register and pay online at:

<http://www.mtfca.com/clubpages/joinamember.htm>

## 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](http://www.mtfca.com) or phone the MTFCA office 765-855-5248  
 Please phone Eileen Jewell 403 282-3753 and let her know your MTFCA #

## Foothills Model T Ford Club Membership Application

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

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

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Spouse

Address

City, Province

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Your Birth Month and Day

Your Spouse's Birth Month and Day

Year and Style of T's You Own

