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"Bathing Beauties" Carolyn Hurst, Jane Hawkins / Taylor

A GLANCE IN THE REAR VIEW MIRROR

By Eileen & Art Jewell

We thought newer members of our Foothills Model T Ford Club might be interested in some of the fun-filled events the Club has hosted in the past. We decided to look back at the Steam 'n T Party National Tour held from July 18 to 21, 1995 in Stettler, Alberta.



Tour logo on Door magnets, dash plaques and train hats.

Eighty-two Model Ts were registered for our Club's second MTFCA National Tour that was notable for the variety of events and the way the whole town of Stettler embraced the tour participants. There was no "host" hotel, so the new town Community Centre provided the

centre for the events of Day One. These included registration, where each participant was outfitted appropriately with a railway engineer's cap, hospitality, safety inspections, a 30 mile warm up tour to the Nevis Gas Plant, and later that evening an opening banquet. At the banquet, drivers were informed that any car caught with the hood up or broken down, while on tour, would have a rubber chicken hung on their radiator cap until they found someone else in a similar situation to pass it on to.



Oh, Oh, Unlucky #13







'T' Wreck at Royal Tyrrell Museum

Day Two began with a tour to the Royal Tyrrell Museum in Drumheller with a coffee break, on the way, in Big Valley. We had a BBQ lunch at the museum, and time in the afternoon to tour the museum and other sites in and around Drumheller. In the evening an ice cream social, "with Model T era pricing", was held at the Stettler Town & Country Museum.

Day Three was one of the many highlights of the tour. After a pancake breakfast at the Agricultural Building, we parked our Model Ts at the Stettler Station and boarded the Alberta Prairie Railway Steam Train for a day long trip to Edberg and return.



1920 Baldwin Consolidation 2-8-0 Engine

Club members loaded seven Model Ts on to two flatcars to accompany us on the trip.



Steam Driven Ts

Just before noon, a band of horse-riding bandits forced the train to stop, and took Donna McGinnis, who was a past secretary and director of the Model T Ford Club of America, "hostage". She was taken off the train, loaded into Emil Hermary's 'C' Cab Model T truck and disappeared. She was pretty confused by this turn of events. It seems we had neglected to tell her it had all been planned. The bandits meanwhile collected a ransom, for a children's charity from the passengers and her husband, and let the train proceed on its way. We had lunch in Edberg, where Donna McGinnis was rescued, and then on to Donalda where we enjoyed a visit to the famous Donalda Lamp Museum.



"T" Parade in Downtown Stettler, Alberta

Upon our return to Stettler, we picked up our Model Ts and paraded through town, much to the delight of the residents who turned out in huge numbers.





The parade ended at the Agricultural Society Building where the Town of Stettler hosted a wonderful BBQ dinner and invited townspeople to join us for dinner and a look at our cars.

Day Four was a trip north of Stettler to the world class Reynolds Alberta Museum. We had a coffee break in the town of Bashaw, and proceeded on to Wetaskiwin, where we paraded through the historic downtown area. We then drove about a mile west of town and stopped at a staging area outside the museum. A television crew filmed the cars as they paraded into the museum and parked around the racetrack. We had lunch at the Museum and a unique tour of their huge warehouse area.



1911 Touring restored by The Foothills Model T Ford Club for the Reynolds Alberta Museum 1990-1993

Prior to the Museum's opening in 1992, the Foothills Model T Ford Club restored a 1911 Model T Tourabout as part of the Museum's Foster Wheels Program. The car was placed on display in 1993 as part of the Museum's incredible collection. The afternoon was free to tour the Museum and the Aviation Hall of Fame hangar. Antique airplane rides were available for those who wished, from the hangar, and a few participants did go for rides. A BBQ steak

dinner was served in the Museum's Galaxy Cafe before our return trip to Stettler.

Day Five was a tour to Rochon Sands Provincial Park and our Closing Banquet. The day started with a Western breakfast at the Stettler Town & Country Museum, cooked by the Foothills Model T Ford Club members. Then a tour to Buffalo Lake, and Rochon Sands Provincial Park, where lunch was served. After lunch the infamous antique bathing suit contest began. The judges for the women's and men's bathing suits were selected from the tour participants.

"Hi, I remember you two from the Antique Bathing Suit Contest in Stettler".



Janet Robertson, Leigh Robertson, Tom Taylor, Jayne Hawkins / Taylor, Terry Hurst, Carolyn Hurst, Eric Wilberg, Phyllis Wilberg



Sitting / Kneeling, L-R: Shirley watt, Phyllis Wilberg, Eric Wilberg, Tom Taylor, Leigh Robertson, Terry Hurst, Carolyn Hurst, Standing L-R: Stub Stafford, Avis Stafford, Eileen Jewell, Jane Hawkins / Taylor, Janet Robertson, Art Jewell





A BIG MISTAKE! As we paraded around in our antique suits, we were subjected to all kinds of pokes, prods and peeks down the suits from the judges, urged on by the whoops, hollers and laughter of the audience. What a memorable way to wind down the tour. Our Closing Banquet was held at the Stettler Community Centre where trophies, door prizes and bathing beauty awards were presented. The evening concluded with our Tour Registrar, and resident lawyer Tom Taylor, setting up court and making people account for their misdeeds during the week and explain why some had to drive with the notorious "Rubber Chicken" attached to their car. A hilarious way to end a fun filled week of T'ing.



Rubber Chicken Kangaroo Court

Tours and events like this make Model T touring a 'T'riffic reason for owning and driving our T's.



Art and Fileen

As a side note, a year later, Eileen and I were attending the Monroe Swap Meet in Washington State, a fellow came up to us and said "Hi, I remember you two from the Antique Bathing Suit Contest in Stettler". I guess it's nice to be remembered for something.

Art and Eileen Jewell

Business is never so healthy as when, like a chicken, it must do a certain amount of scratching around for what it gets. President's message: The Red Deer swap meet has come and gone. We had a table with mostly Model A parts and sold almost everything. I sold my two Model As a couple of years ago and had no need for those parts anymore. We did have the pleasure of meeting many of our Foothills Model T Club members who live outside the Calgary area. Although they don't attend our meetings and tours regularly they are an important part of our Club. They too are able to keep the history of the Model T alive in their communities and allow others to appreciate our century old automobiles. At the swap meet Rosalie commented a couple of times about how many people said they owned a Model T. Many of them were not Club members and in a number of cases were not aware of the Club. Hopefully some of these people will join our Club and continue to

promote our fine cars. Perhaps we should be taking a table at the major Alberta swap meets and promoting our Foothills Club. We could then help Eileen collect memberships. Other Model T clubs do so at their swap meets. This could be a topic for discussion at our next meeting. Rosalie and I are looking forward to seeing you at our car games/ inspections/ driving school on June 1st. Harry Lillo





REMEMBER HOW WHEN YOU WERE LITTLE YOU COULD JUST RIP OFF YOUR DIAPER AND RUN AROUND NAKED AND EVERYONE THOUGHT IT WAS SO CUTE AND FUNNY?

ANYWAY, I NEED BAIL MONEY.

From the Editor: This month's article is written by Art and Eileen Jewell, discussing memories of days gone by. I suspect June will see a shorted version dealing with and outlining the upcoming tours. 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

This newsletter is published to keep the membership and similar organizations aware of club activities and articles of interest to the Model T family.

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Minutes of the Foothills Model T Ford Club Meeting April 24, 2019 - Woodridge Ford

President Harry Lillo called the meeting to order at 7:32pm. 27 members attended. Harry thanked all those that stood in for the executive at the March Meeting (Rod, Robb and Eileen).

Minutes – Kristen also thanked Robb for looking after the minutes and moved minutes from March be approved as circulated. Seconded by Peter Anderson. Carried.

Treasurer's Report – Larry presented the finances for April. He moved his report be approved as presented, seconded by Robb Wolff. Carried.

Membership – As of tonight's meeting we have 93 memberships, with one more renewal expected. Of this number 3 are non-paying lifetime memberships. In September I will start reminding members that 2020 dues are due by DECEMBER 31 of this year.Right now we are at the 50% mark for our Club to retain our Chapter status with the MTFCA. If any member joins the MTFCA, will you please let me know your new membership number? Your number will be in the 50,000 range. The form for joining the MTFCA is in each monthly newsletter. If any member wishes to purchase a magnetic club name tag, please see Art Jewell or myself. The cost is \$5.00 when ordered and we try to have the pins for you at the next meeting. The backing choice for these pins is either a magnet or a pin.

Website – Darren sent along a message about a concern with the number of emails we can distribute each month using Mailchimp.

Newsletter – Ross thanked Cliff and Lawrence for article and Glen for pictures of tools. He says that Chris Bamford has been assisting with editing and the Jewells are working on an article for next month. Ross reported that the Roy Fulton garage sale will be held April 27th, from 10 – 3. Members have been out and had many work bees helping Shirley get things organized to sell, trash or recycle. Ross advised that people should park on the street not the alley. There will be Model T & A parts, some Willys parts, some oil lamps, headlights and collectible tools. There is also a 1923 T engine with transmission. Kristen stated that there may be books and or magazines available as well. Shirley was unsure what she would do with them. Ross reported that Roy Fulton's cars have been sold and that could generate some new memberships. Six Model Ts have changed hands since January of this year.

Tools – Glen reported that everything is accounted for.

National Club – no report. Les noted that it may be possible in the future to request your Vintage Ford in digital format. Keith having cataract surgery and Chris is away.





Librarian – Jonathan received the latest Vintage Ford today and the CD set was returned.

***Tours – Busy summer for planned tours.

April 26 – 28th Rendezvous Days in Eureka Montana

May 10 – 12th Horseless Carriage Tour - Innisfail

June 1st Safety inspection and Car games at Harry & Rose Lillos'. Club will advertise to non T club members to generate more club interest. Some of the new owners may be interested.

June 15th Call of the West Museum – Car Show, Barnyard Cruiser Demonstration, Antique Tractor Pull 9 – 3pm June 22nd Okotoks All Ford Show & Shine with the Model A club.

June 23rd Day tour Perronoud Homestead / Cremona Heritage Centre. Leave from Weedon Hall with the Model Ts at 10 am tour the site and proceed to Heritage Barn at Cremona via Water Valley, where we will have lunch. An 'Ice Cream Sunday' is planned for the afternoon, at the Heritage Barn. Model T Fords will be on display from approximately 12:30 to 2:30 pm. with their owners present for discussion and viewing of the vehicles. Other day attractions are planned for the site. Several senior groups plan to attend and will be arriving by community bus.

July 1st Heritage Park looking for Ts to parade and an afternoon show and shine.

Show & Shine at Colonel Belcher and in Cochrane at Canning's would be welcome.

August Ya Ha Tinda Tour – Greg Stapleton is available to run trouble truck. Panther Ridge has cabins and camping available. Should book soon. (pantherriver.com or (844) 563-4377).

Old Business- Christmas Party, due to lower numbers, a suggestion was made to change the venue and time of the event. Les and Karin have been researching and found that The PZA Parlour has a private room that and can provide an Italian Buffet for our Christmas Party. We would meet at 11:00am rather than in the evening in the hopes that weather and day light travel will be more accommodating. December 7th is the date they have available. **Motion** by Karin that we move our Christmas Party to PZA Parlour on December 7th at 11:00 am and that we continue with the gift exchange portion of the party. Second by Rob Manderson, carried.

Further to the discussion Harry lead in February around technical sessions and guest speakers attending meetings a couple times per year to share knowledge. He has approached the Calgary City Police to discuss trailer safety, requirements and regulations and has not heard anything back. He is going to continue investigating this. Further suggestions were to contact the AMA or company that installs hitches...

New Business- Harry reported that we will not be able to meet at the Hangar on Wednesday, May 22 as they are having an executive event that evening that will impact the whole museum. We will be looking at a different venue or different date. *Editor's Note: This Meeting will now be held on THURSDAY MAY 23 with the Tailgate / Suitcase sale commencing at 6:30*

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm. Larry won the 50/50 which he donated back to club. Rod Wallace won a Neosocket, donated by Art Bent

Show 'N Tell- Les briefly discussed Multi-lift Valve Actuators and Harry brought along a Dectorphone from the Boston Talking Machine Co., which he will bring back to another meeting. Thank you to Larry for donuts and cookies.

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May Birthdays

MAY 1^{st} - JOHN JORGENSON, 5^{th} - AL RIISE, 7^{th} - MICHAEL ZUBKOW, 8^{th} - GERRY STOTTS, 10^{th} - ROBERT CALLFAS and CHRISTOPHER LANG, 18^{th} - SHANAYE RICHARDSON 21^{st} - MURRAY WALKEMEYER, 23^{rd} - BARRY PROCTOR, 25^{th} - MARC BREMONT and BRENDA ZUBKOW and 27^{TH} - JAKE VISSER







UPCOMING EVENTS:

NOTE: May 23 Club Meeting - 7:30 PM IS ON THURSDAY NIGHT!

With Pre meeting **Parking Lot / Suitcase Swap Meet** at 6:30

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

June 22 Okotoks All Ford Model T & A Show & Shine

June 23 Cremona / Perronoud Club T Tour See note below

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

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

July 1 Heritage Park Canada Day Parade and S & S

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
at The Reynolds-Alberta Museum

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 Colonel Belcher Show & Shine 1 – 3 PM

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

Club and other Tours and Events

Saturday June 1st - Safety Check and T Games Day.

Learn to Drive a Model T

Driving a Model T - Challenge Events

Lunch provided by the club

Starts at 10 AM

Wives and friends welcome for a fun day Please let us know if you are going to attend for the food count.



Tuesday June 11 - Model T Visit to lodge and home of Ken & Barb Canning Grand Avenue Village, 50 Grande Avenue, Cochrane, AB 1-3 PM

Saturday, June 22 we are invited for the all Ford Show & Shine with free BBQ lunch at Okotoks Ford. The T's are leaving from Walmart in Shawnessy (free trailer parking) and Keith is leading the Model-A delegation from his place in Springbank. See Map

Tom Van Dijk

Sunday, June 23 we plan to leave Weedon Hall with the Model Ts at 10 AM, and proceed 3 km west to the Perronoud Homestead. There will be a number of Parks Canada Heritage Society participants meet us there for a tour of the sight. From there we will proceed to Cremona via Water Valley. The PCHS is welcome to follow the Model Ts, or, proceed directly to Cremona. We will have lunch, or picnic at Cremona or the Heritage





Barn site, 1.5 km east of Cremona. An 'Ice Cream Sunday' is planned for the afternoon, at the Heritage
Barn. Our Model T Fords will be on display from approximately 12:30 to 2:30 pm. with their owners present
for discussion and viewing of the vehicles. Other day attractions are planned for the site. Several Senior
groups plan to attend, and will be arriving by community buses. From there, the Model Ts will proceed east &
south, back to Weedon hall. See Map

Rod Wallace

Saturday, July 27 <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. * 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.





Magnet Charging Cables

The club owns a set of battery cables specifically designed to recharge the magneto in the car. To do this a DC current is needed of at least 24-volts and 50 to 60 amps. Two 12-volt auto batteries connected in a series will accomplish this. If you refer to page 33 of the Electrical System Guide booklet published by MTFCA there is detailed description on how to do this. If the directions are followed correctly you will have re-magnetized the magnets to at least 80% of their original strength.

Glen McDonald







Club Membership Application

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

Executive

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Tour Committee: Art Bent, Rod Wallace, Tom

Van Dijk, and Paddy Munro,

Directors: Tom Cerkvenac, Bob Hauswirth,

and Keith Robinson

*e Mail: rbmanagement@shaw.ca

Club Meetings: Meetings are held at 7:30 on the fourth Wednesday of the month, excluding April * Museum, 4629 McCall Way, NE Calgary *Note April meeting location varies.

Foothills Model T Ford Club Membership Application

Please send form along with \$35.00 dues to:

Eileen Jewell,

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

| Name |
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| 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 |

AL Riise has sadly reported from the SVAA meeting in Red Deer that the Calgary Cruise Calendar has reached the end of the line.
The 2019 calendar will be the final edition.

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. Please send info by e-mail to the editor at rbmanagement@shaw.ca or call /text 403-651-1612 Please check out our web page CLASSIFIEDS for possible additional ads and photos of listed vehicles and other listed items. http://www.foothills-t.club/classifieds/



For Sale: 1925 Tudor, Running, good tires and upholstery. Contact Ken Canning at 403-932-5522. \$13,000 OBO







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 - 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, Offers. 1916 T engine block only, Cast USA. Model A front axle and spindles. Al Riise 403-274-4474. Calgary



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



For 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









Classified Continued:

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

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

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.



For Sale: 1927 Ford Roadster Pickup. Great 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.



As found 20 years ago, barn stored since.



Some of the extra parts needed to complete it.



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





PUZZLE: Anyone have an idea what this bar code reads? A \$5.00 Tim's card for the <u>first</u> correct answer. Text or e Mail me at 403-651-1612 or rbmanagement@shaw.ca Ross





Alice Huyler Ramsey (November 11, 1886 – September 10, 1983), the first woman to drive across the United States from coast to coast, 1909. Only 152 miles out of the total 3600 mile trip were made on paved road.



