

President's Ramblings



Wow, where did summer go?

Our club lost several members that will be truly missed by their families and our club. Our well wishes are extended to the families and friends of Judy Pearson (July 23), and Sally Stotts (August 2). "Life is a series of experiences, each one of which makes us bigger, even though sometimes it is hard to realize this. For the world was built to develop character, and we must learn that the setbacks and grieves which we endure help us in our marching onward".

Henry Ford

We had a busy spring and summer with the annual 'safety check' kicking things off May 28th. Our President's tour took us to Turner Valley to help celebrate their "Discovery Days". July 1st saw a number of T's at Heritage Park. A combination Model T / A tour took place on August 26, and then a 3 day '150 Dam T Tour' was held in Southern Alberta, with 8 cars and families in attendance prior to the September long weekend. Thanks to all who assisted in and organized these tours. Members, I think we have a new tour committee!!

I am winding down my role as President, and am seeking a new President. Our VP is moving north to semi-retire and will not be able to take on the role of President. Please think about taking on the leadership of our awesome club we need a several new faces to lead us.

I'm looking forward to the Fall Colour Tour September 30th. Then, I suspect, begins a long winter of bringing our 'babies' back up to snuff for that first 2018 tour.

From the Editor



This summer several members of our club enjoyed driving vintage cars and trucks on the set of a TV series. It is a fun job if you can spare the time. I am glad we are paid by the hour and not by miles driven. There is plenty of time for visiting but I think all of us, except perhaps for Red Fulton, Roy's brother, are running out of stories to tell.

Before you decide to rent your car to a movie company you should be aware that movie sets can be hard on old cars. There is a lot of starting, stopping and idling and not much driving. Several of the cars

experienced break downs, not necessarily directly related to the movie. Two cars lost magnets, one starter locked up, and a transmission drum broke just before arriving on set. Picture cars are sometimes driven by people who have little knowledge of Model Ts and their unique characteristics. Maggie and I also enjoyed the late summer tour and the T races in High River.

Like Ross I am winding down my role as Newsletter Editor and look forward to passing the pen or keyboard onto a new editor.



Minutes of the Foothills Model T Ford Club Meeting May 24, 2017 Aerospace Museum / The Hangar

Tailgate Swap Meet and KMS tool drive at 6:30 moved inside due to rain.

President Ross Benedict called the meeting to order at 730 pm. 28 members attended.

Ross thanked everyone for bringing tools for the KMS tool drive. KMS will refurbish the tools and they will be donated to those in need.

Minutes –The minutes were posted on the website so Kristen moved the minutes of the April Meeting be adopted, as circulated, seconded by Robb Wolff. Carried.

Correspondence –

1. Alberta Rides Magazine
2. Porcupine Hills 25th Anniversary Show and Shine Sunday August 13th – invitation to attend

Treasurer's Report – Larry presented the finances for April and moved report be adopted, seconded by Paddy Munro. Carried.

Membership –Eileen reported that we now have 87 paid members for 2017, and 45 MTFCA memberships. The following have not responded to email or phone calls; Colin & Rebecca Frostad, Rob Pederson, Wallace & Dee Ryrie and Dennis Swift.

In the September issue of the "T Footnote" there will be an announcement reminding members that club dues will now be due by December 31, 2017. This is to facilitate Kristen's membership list that must be sent to the Model T Ford Club of America by the beginning of the new year. In the current – May issue, Robb has included our club application, which includes the amount of the dues and where to send them. Robb has also included the MTFCA application. In order to maintain our chapter status, 50% of our membership must also belong to the MTFCA. Belonging allows member to participate in national tours. Please check your renewal date and if you have joined recently can you please let Eileen know your membership number.

Newsletter – Robb reported that the newsletter is on the website

Tools – No report

National Club - Keith strongly recommended membership in MTFCA.

Librarian's Report – nothing new to report.

New Business – SVAA AGM was held at the Red Deer Swap Meet. 58 clubs have memberships in SVAA and 23 clubs have membership in the National Club. Enthusiast Ltd / Okotoks Collector Car Auction / SVAA will be hosting an event - Horsepower at Spruce Meadows October 1, 2016. Will include show & shine, auction and swap meet. SVAA needs to promote Alberta Rides Magazine i.e. advertising

Tours –

- May 27 Innisfail Historical Village 150 Celebration Pancake breakfast, show shine, tour, stop at senior's centres
- May 28 Spring "Check up" - at Braeside Automotive (Ted Zylstra)
- June 3 President's Tour Turner Valley – meet at Les and Karin's for short drive to Turner Valley – there will be show and shine, as part of day's activities
- June 17 High River Museum Fair Days
- June 17 – 18 The Hangar Flight Museum Wings & Wheels event
- June 24 Show 'N Shine at Okotoks Ford with the Model A Club Tom van Dijk will organize parking at Walmart in Shawnessy.
- July 1 Heritage Park parade and Show & Shine – Art, Rod, Chris, both Tom's
- July 14 Collector Car Day

- July 17 Maclin Ford 100th Birthday – First Ford dealership in Canada to be 100 years old.
- August 26th joint event with Model A Club at Water Valley – rent Beaupre Hall
- National Park Tour - August 30 – September 2 – Waterton – registration forms available
- September 23rd Swap Meet High River

Rod Wallace won the 50-50 draw and donated back to club

Thanks to Larry for picking up the donuts and cookies.

Tech talk: Brake drums – cracks, repairs, what is good & what is bad.

The Fall Colour Tour will start at the Cochrane AG Society , 1km west of intersection Hwy 22 on Hwy 1A.

Arrival **Saturday September 30, after 9:30 AM, tour will be starting at 10:00 AM.**

Trailer parking is available at the upper lot. at the western end.

Total distance is 115 km. with BBQ lunch at the ‘Wallace Ranch’ on Richards Road.

Hamburgers / smokies and buns will be provided at a nominal cost. Bring you own “potluck dish”.



Wheels and Tires

During the early days of the Model T, tires were very expensive in relation to the rest of the car. Latex rubber was harvested in South America and shipped to the United States. It took armies of workers and vast forests to produce the needed raw material. Tire manufacturers would add sulfur and other vulcanizing agents to make the rubber pliable over a wide temperature range. Fillers like chalk, talc and zinc oxide added elasticity and durability and made the expensive latex go further, reducing the cost of each tire. Zinc oxide was the filler of preference because it produced bright white tires.



Cliff Proctor's 1909

About the time the Model T was introduced, Firestone added tread to the then smooth tires by embossing the words Firestone and Non Skid into the rubber. Most of the early Ts however would have been delivered with smooth white tires.

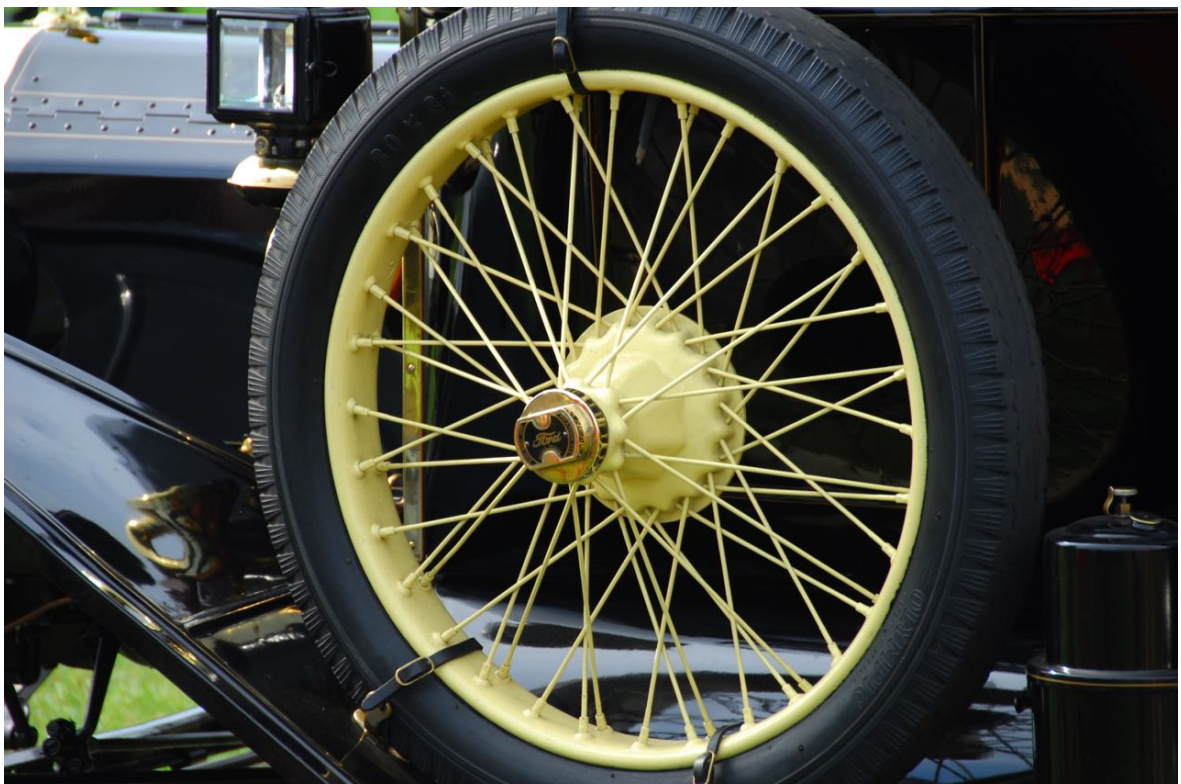
During the First World War, zinc oxide was in short supply and was replaced by carbon black which increased the price but improved tire wear significantly. Consumers were slow to adopt the new gray or black tires and after the war many cars were again delivered with white tires. However, by the mid 20s black treaded tires were pretty much universal.

Early Ts used 30 x 3 (front) and 30 x 3 ½ (rear) non-demountable clincher wheels and tires. Starting in 1919 demountable rims made by Hayes, Kelsey and Ford were phased in and 30 x 3 ½ tires became the standard for all four wheels. Hayes, Kelsey and Ford demountable rims were not interchangeable. In 1923 Ford standardized on the Hayes style rim. 21 inch “balloon” tires were introduced in on split rim wood spoke wheels and later, welded spoke wire wheels. Many types of accessory wire and disk wheels were also available and today are a sought after though pricey addition to any T restoration.

Rims

A 30 x 3 tire fits on a 24” rim. 30” is the tire diameter; 3” is the depth from the bead to the tread. Rim size is the diameter minus 2 times the tire depth e.g. 30” minus (2 x 3”) = 24”. A 30 x 3 ½ tire fits a 23 inch wheel. If your 30 x 3 inch tires slip easily onto the rim you may be using the wrong rims. And conversely if your 30 x 3 ½ tires seem hopelessly small for the rims, well you get the picture. Even when using the right tire/rim combination, mounting clincher tires is an acquired taste. Photo of mounting clinchers with garbage bag

Balloon tires used a different measuring convention based on rim size not tire diameter. A 4.40 x 21” tire is almost 30 inches in diameter: $21 + (2 \times 4.40) = 29.8$ ”



2017 Summer Tour – by Art and Jackie Bent

Day 1 – we arrived at the Glenwood Lodge and had a beautiful hot lunch and greeted all participants.



Off to Cardston to the Remington Carriage Museum coordinated with Joyce Zemp. From there, we continued to the Cardston Temple for photos. Once done, we showed our wonderful cars to 2 senior homes; the Chinook Lodge and the Lee Crest Nursing Home. We received ear-to-ear smiles from the seniors. We continued onto the town of Beazer, passing through and stopping in Mountain View to see Doug Murray and his 1906 Model N replica. We appreciated their hospitality and awesome snacks / lemonade to cool us down during the hot +30 degree weather.

Off to Hillspring to see the Long Arm Quilting Club's wonderful demonstration and Brian Hall's red barn

antiques and treasures which he did make some sales to members. From there, we continued on to the Meadows where we enjoyed an outdoor corn-on-the-cob and hot dog BBQ hosted by John and Patty Gibb.

Day 2 – Les and Karen Schubert prepared their famous corn beef hash breakfast for us all to enjoy. We departed and went straight to the Blue Ridge Hutterite Colony. They provided us with a tour of their colony led by the children. We got to show off our cars by offering rides to whomever wanted to partake; even grandma enjoyed a car ride. We are off to proceed to the town of Waterton where we were met by an police officer and RCMP snapping pictures at the local gas bar and looking at Roy's ID. These friendly chaps faked an arrest and handcuffed Roy for pictures. After our lunch in various amenities in the park, we continued onto Red Rock Canyon where some



Rose Lillo watches Les Schubert demonstrate his quilting skills.

visitors saw a grizzly bear on the way up. Rod Wallace told some stories of his day as a Warden while others hiked up the canyon and surrounding area for a very scenic view. Onto Twin Butte for a small break and cold drink. Then, off to Saint Henry's church perched on a hill for a scenic photo of our cars where we viewed this historic church hosted by Glen Christman and Janice Sjodin. Back to Hillspring to view the Stain Glass Studio presented by Heinz and Patricia Demes. We enjoyed a wonderful supper when we returned to the Glenwood Lodge hosted by John and Patty Gibb.

Day 3 – after eating another magnificent breakfast prepared by a joint effort from the club, off to Pincher Creek to the Kootenai Brown Pioneer Village hosted by curator and tour guide, Farley Wuth. We were instructed when we arrived to display our vehicles on the village grounds for pictures by the town's local newspaper's editor Andrew Glen McCutcheon of the Pincher Creek Echo. Andrew interviewed Robb Wolff for some model T



Paddy Munro, Les and Karen Schubert at The Meadows

history to add to his piece. Yes, we made the news!!! Heading onward west to Beaver Mines where we enjoyed a wonderful spaghetti and meatball lunch provided by the owner, Stella at Stella's Restaurant. Max ate too many meatballs that night and wasn't feeling quite himself the next morning. We left with full bellies and continued onto the town of Lundbreck where we saw some beautiful cars owned by Dennis and Rose Olson who are friends with Fred and Teri Holt. We enjoyed great hospitality and coffee and baked goodies. Two beautiful cars that caught my eye were a 1959 Cadillac with rocket launcher



The kids at the Blue Ridge Colony sure loved Fred Holt.

taillights and the 1929 Durant Coupe which was used in the Damnation TV series. Off to Cowley to see our newest T member, George and his wife's collection of various cars, trucks and tractors including an old C cab T in his quonset. Running behind schedule, we sped off to the Red Barn round-up dinner and show at the Great Canadian Barn dance. Thanks to Tanya for holding our reservations even though we were a tad late. Quite the trip leaving with our convoy of poor headlights. Thanks to Ross Benedict who shone bright lights behind us in the trouble truck to ensure safe arrival back at the lodge.



Day 4 – once again, we enjoyed a pancake breakfast prepared by club members. Art Bent had presented the hard luck trophy to Rod Wallace as he had the hardest luck with his T.

Youngest and oldest on the tour,
Jackie James age 2 Roy Gale age 97.

We hope everyone had as much fun as we did. Looking forward to the next tour!!





Join the Club

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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

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 T's You Own

The Model T Ford Club of America Membership Application

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City, Province

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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.

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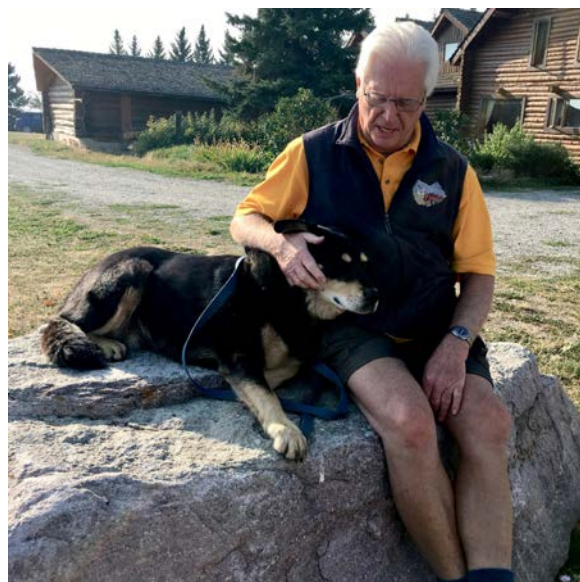
You can register online at www.mtfca.com
or phone the MTFCA office 765-855-5248
Please phone Eileen Jewell 403 282-3753 and let her
know your MTFCA #

You can also register and pay online at:

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Events

Sept 30 Fall Tour

Birthdays

SEPTEMBER	7	SHIRLEY FUTON
	10	LARRY DANSEREAU
	11	PETER GILDING
	14	DAN MEIER
	16	ANNE HUDGEON
	19	SHIRLEY WATT
	21	ROSEMARY VANDERPOL
	23	JUDY PEARSON
	24	CHRIS CARROLL
		ROD WALLACE
	25	PAULINE RIISE
	26	SAM SQUIRE
	29	CHAR BONEBRIGHT
		MARY REID

Classifieds

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