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President's message: One thing our members have in common is we're "makers". We build, restore and repair because it's in our blood. Adam Savage (from MythBusters and <u>tested.com</u>) said in his book "Humans do two things that make us unique from all other animals; we use tools, and we tell stories. When you make something, you're doing both at once." This quote is never truer than when working on a Model T.

Every T has a past and a connection to many others. It has previous caretakers and will have others after us.

I think February is makers month. We're never more in our garages, basements, or makeshift work areas. We're learning, we're altering and we're creating something that was not there before. Sometimes these projects become overwhelming. The learning curve was larger than expected. The materials are out of reach. The time wasn't available. This is one of the greatest benefits of our club: To be around other makers who have knowledge and experience but most importantly the time in the trenches of projects that have gone off the rails. To see completed projects and be inspired to finish ours while enjoying the process.

Spring will be in the air this time next month. I look forward to seeing everyone's creations soon. Warm Regards,

Darren Lloyd

From the Editor: Less than 60 sleeps till April 1! Unless I'm wrong, we might see sunlight and WARMTH!! While I work away at the next number of newsletters, **please**, **please** forward pictures and story of what you worked on this winter and now look forward to showcasing when we can get our Ts out again. I know there are some great creations, finished work and even some that are ongoing projects. Tell us about them.

Ross Benedict



A little bit of grey hair is a small price to pay for all our wisdom!

What a treasure!

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Minutes of the Foothills Model T Ford Club Meeting January 27, 2021 – via Zoom

President Darren Lloyd called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. Sixteen members attended, and we welcomed guest Rich Paytor.

Minutes – Kristen moved minutes from November be approved as circulated. Seconded by Peter Anderson, Carried.

Treasurer's Report – Larry presented the finances for December 2020 and January 2021, and moved his report be approved as presented, seconded by Robb Wolff. Larry reported that he sent a \$200.00 donation to the Model T Ford Club of America Museum. Larry also reported that the 50 decals Rod Wallace had created were ordered and have arrived.

Membership – Kristen presented Eileen's report; as of tonight, I have received 52 paid membership for 2021. Two more are sending in their dues that I have heard from. I am still waiting for 36 members to renew. Kristen must send a report of our membership to the MTFCA by the end of February. We must have 50% of our members belonging to the MTFCA to retain our Chapter status. Please renew as soon as possible. I will include a list of the members who have not renewed in the February Newsletter. Kristen will get a list of members that have not yet paid dues and club directors can do some follow up phone calls. Darren shared on behalf of Eileen that Art has had a stroke. He is currently at the Fanning Centre. His fine motor skills and speech have been affected. Eileen added that "Art's walking skills and climbing stairs have been exceptionally good following his first few days at Fanning. He can now move around unaided and he can walk to his physio, speech, and occupational therapy appointments. His physiotherapist has had him walking outside the building complex twice and that is one km each time." We wish him well and Kristen has sent a get-well card on behalf of the club.

Newsletter – Ross reported that he is working on the newsletter and will be looking for articles in the coming months.

Website – Barry reported that all was well with the website. Emails are being received by members. Barry talked briefly about digitizing the back issues of the Footnotes so that they are archived, and subjects / topics are searchable. There is more tech work involved in the process, but it is possible.

Tools – no report

National Club – no report - letter was sent by Rachel Hughes, Executive Director, regarding insurance and membership requirements. Our club information must be forwarded to her by March 1^{st} , 2021.

Librarian – no report





Tours

- Spokane Tour will be July 2021 if COVID-19 restrictions are lifted.
- Briefly discussed a camping tour can be held this summer Johnson's Canyon or Chain Lakes, or Kananaskis. Tom will ask Rod for some assistance and we will hope that COVID-19 restrictions will be lifted.
- Larry reported that the Call of the West Museum is not open yet, but a new tenant is
 moving in soon. They hope to have it reopened once the Barber Shop tenant gets open and
 set up for business. Hopefully as restrictions are lifted, we can schedule in-person meetings
 etc.

Old Business

Decals / License Plate Toppers - Still works in progress.

- Rod's decals have arrived and we hopefully we can meet soon to purchase them.
- Peter had a few of the Wings & Buffalo decal made up, cost about \$3.00 each and some have been mailed out. They are larger in size. Les is looking into getting them laser cut. They are looking into a pin maker to see what is possible. Comment that maybe we lose the car logo with the buffalo. This design can still be refined as needed.

Cut-away Engine – On hold currently due to COVID-19 restrictions. The engine has been sandblasted and a frame is available that can be used to make a stand / frame. Discussed ways of making the cut-away stand mobile.

New Business

The Foothills Model T Club is 50! Not sure what type of celebration we will be able to have but we hope to recognize this milestone, this year!

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Tech talk - Project discussions

- Peter reported on his snow machine.
- Harry talked about the fire truck project.
- Steve mentioned that powder coating his fuel tank had not worked and he had to order new one.
- Pete working on coils.
- Robb has a frame and wheels back from powder coat and they are currently being stored in his living room.



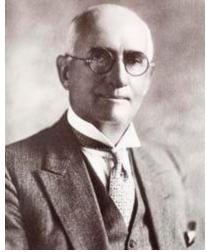


The white line on the road, it also has its history!

Borrowed with permission from Mario Lacroix with Passion Auto Retro.

<u>Check out the site: https://passionautoretro.tv/</u>

In North America, the first white line painted on the roadway dates to 1911. It was found on the road along the Trenton River in Michigan. We owe the idea to Mr. Edward N Hines who was chairman of Wayne County City Council. The idea came to him when he was following a



milk delivery truck whose load was leaking and leaving a white trail on the road. Only 1972 will he be posthumously inducted into the Michigan Transportation Hall of Honor. Later in 1917 the idea of painting a line on the roadway goes its way and wins 3 states including (Michigan, Oregon, and California). Oregon will use the color yellow instead of some white.

Peter Rexford Deputy Sheriff preferred yellow and the idea came to him on a patrol night when he followed a yellow bus on a dark rainy night. So, he asked for a median line to be painted but the city committee refused to fund the project. Later when he was named Sheriff, he decided to pay for the painting out of his pocket

so that the project could come true. Today history reflects the first median yellow line painted in the United States.



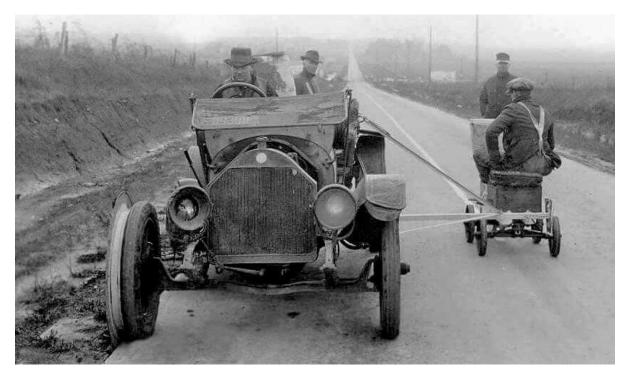
In California, still in 1917 after a series of car-truck crashes on noline roads in the center. Dr. June McCarroll has communicated her idea of painting a central line to the Chamber of Commerce without success though. She decided to hand paint a white stripe in the middle of the road thus establishing the actual width of the lane and thus avoid frontal accidents. In 2002 a part of Interstate 10 was nominated for the Doctor June Mc Carroll Memorial Freeway in his honor. Yellow or white? This has always sparked a debate! In 1954, 47 of the 48 states had adopted white as standard for highways except for Oregon, which kept them yellow. 1958, American road axis office adopts white as official color for

highways. The yellow was officialized for the roads with opposite traffic and this is the national scale. Yellow was also the standard color of warning signs and it was easy for drivers to link the yellow lines to the traffic division. On the other hand, to make the yellow color more visible especially at night, we added lead chromate to create maximum contrast. This very toxic product had a run until the 20th centuries. Workers need to pay special attention today during road work when they delete them.

Mario Lacroix Passion (Auto Retro)















DR. JUNE ROBERTSON McCARROLL

DR. JUNE ROBERTSON MCCARROLL WAS BORN JUNE 30, 1867. IN THE ADIRONDACKS AND BEGAN HER MEDICAL CAREER IN CHICAGO. SHE LEFT A PROMISING PRACTICE FOR INDIO IN 1904, BECOMING THE SOLE PRACTICING PHYSICIAN FOR THE ENTIRE COACHELLA VALLEY. SHE TRAVELED BY HORSEBACK, HORSE AND BUGGY, AND AUTOMOBILE, TO PROVIDE MEDICAL CARE THROUGHOUT THE VALLEY UNDER VERY PRIMITIVE CONDITIONS.

AN ENCOUNTER WITH A LARGE TRUCK ON A NARROW ROAD IN 1917 RESULTED IN HER MODEL T ABANDONING THE ROAD FOR A SANDY DITCH. THIS LED DR. JUNE TO THE IDEA THAT A WHITE STRIPE PAINTED IN THE CENTER OF THE ROAD WOULD MAKE AUTOMOBILE TRAVEL SAFER. SHE PERSONALLY PAINTED THE FIRST KNOWN STRIPE IN CALIFORNIA ON INDIO BOULEVARD, THEN PART OF HIGHWAY 99, DURING 1917. A LETTER WRITING CAMPAIGN INITIATED BY THE INDIO WOMEN'S CLUB EVENTUALLY LED TO ADOPTION OF THE PRACTICE BY THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY COMMISSION IN 1924.

DR. JUNE ALSO STARTED THE FIRST LIBRARY IN THE COACHELLA VALLEY. SHE DIED ON MARCH 30, 1954. A NEARBY PORTION OF THE FREEWAY WAS NAMED IN HER HONOR ON APRIL 24, 2002.

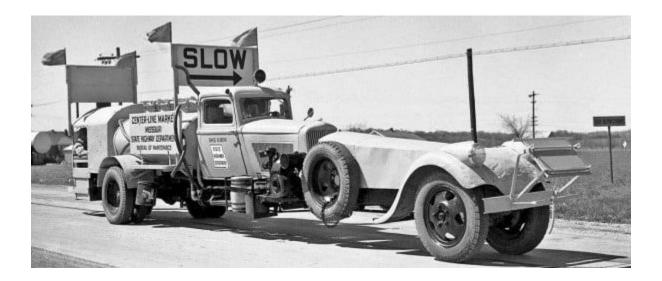


THIS PLAQUE DEDICATED ON OCTOBER 12. 2003 BY THE BILLY HOLCOMB CHAPTER OF THE ANCIENT AND HONORABLE ORDER OF E CLAMPUS VITUS IN COOPERATION WITH THE CITY OF INDIO











I posted a question on what I thought to be 'Copper topped' coils on the MTFCA Forum – "What is history on Copper Topped coils vs Brass topped coils? Should the copper be 'just copper' in appearance? polished? clear coated? They appear to be less in numbers from what I've seen when collecting 'metal topped' coils. Thoughts??" – Turns out they are all Brass- just 'yellow or red' brass.

The following was posted:

Re: Copper topped coils

Post by Ron Patterson » Thu Nov 19, 2020 8:18 am

The KW (Williams) designed stamped metal top coils were jointly made by Ford and KW Ignition Company and used in Model T's from mid-year 1913 to mid-year 1917. Both the yellow and red metal tops are both Brass. Red Brass consists of at least 85% Copper and yellow Brass typically has 60% or less of Copper. Red Brass is less expensive to manufacture and also contains more mixtures of metals, such as Tin, Lead and Zinc. These metal tops were raised stamping and were not finished (no polish or clear coat) with the exception that some early KW made coils had a black oxide coating on coils with the six-screw metal top. As with most of the Brass on Model T's, it fully disappeared during WWI and I suspect the use of red Brass on the coil tops was part of a cost reduction effort and support of war production requirements. Thanks Ron.









REMINDER: 2021 Dues were due December 31.

Please forward to Eileen at 2728 - 18th Street N.W.,

Calgary, Alberta T2M 3T8

Next Zoom meeting is on February 24th. Instructions to join the meeting are on the on the Foothills Model T Club website under the Club Meetings page. The password to join the meeting is 'foothills'.

The Vintage Touring Association of Alberta are planning three tours this year. See page 10 and our Foothills Model T Club website under the Club Meetings & Events - Community Events for dates, locations, etc.





FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS- 1 MARILYN LUNDQUIST, 8 MIKE REID, 11 MARJORIE PATTERSON, 15 CHRIS BRANCACCIO, 16 LAWRENCE GOULD, 17 DANIN BODNAR, 20 CLIFF PROCTOR, 22 DOROTHY GOULD, AND 28 MARGRIET VAN DIJK.



Welcome to our newest members in Calgary, Tyler Pederson & partner Gail Montieth with a restored 1922 Model T Touring. Beware these Ts have a tendency to multiply!

I would like to thank all who personally contacted me, sent cards, or texted words of condolences on the recent passing of Christine. Your thoughts and words mean a lot.

Sincerely, Keith Robinson





Can you even imagine?? A frame up restoration, happening in your living room??





This is a 1912 'mother-in-law' T roadster being restored from the frame up in Marg Wolff's living room. WHAT A GAL!!

The barrier is broken guys, we can all get at it!! Or, NOT, as 'they' may see fit.

We hope to have updates, and a story, as this proceeds in the next few newsletters.





Vintage Touring Association of Alberta

Got a Pre-'32 Vehicle?

Want to drive it more, and tour with likeminded folks? — Now you can —

Join the VTAA today, then pack your toolbox and change the oil, 'cause we're going touring!

Welcoming all pre-1932 original, restored and/or period-correct vehicles and owners.

No car shows, no judging, no meetings, and definitely no street/rat/hot rods!

Varied tour formats: progressive, hub and adventure/gravel.

Secondary and back roads, slower speeds, interesting destinations, car games and more.

Occasional email newsletter/updates.

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2021 Touring Schedule

Spring Hub Tour, June 25-27, Fri-Sun Stettler/Big Valley Area

Summer Progressive Tour, Aug 12-15 Thu-Sun Rimbey/Lacombe/Innisfail

Fall Adventure/Gravel Tour, Sep 25-26 Sat-Sun Victoria Crossing/Bellis area —

Dates & details subject to adjustment —

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Membership Application

Please enclose \$20 Annual Dues payable To VTAA c/o Bob Callfas (Address above)

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Name	
Mailing address	
Telephone #1	Telephone #2
E-mail	
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Year/Make/Model/Body style	
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	Signature





Classifieds:

Please note: All advertisements from club members will be published 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/



Wanted: I'm looking for the upper cylinder water outlet housing for a project on my

1925 T. Barry at iamvirtual@gmail.com





For Sale: I have a left rear Model T fender for sale, I believe it is for a '26-'27 coupe or roadster, but not sure. It has a couple of small dings in it, but it is solid, not rusted out. Located near Red Deer. \$100, Ken, 403-314-9404

Wanted: Does anyone have a spare T jack? Also seeking a manual for a 1926 T. Vincent Pratt in Lacombe. 403-872-7097.

For Sale: A pair of repaired Pre 15 Carbide Headlights. These lamps are not 100% restored lamps but have been assembled from salvaged lights and parts collected over the years. Buckets: Steel, sand blasted, primed, and painted. Chimneys: Brass E & J 656. Doors: New Brass. Assembled using Brass and Brass plated slot less bolts, to appear like round headed rivets. Reflector: Polished aluminum dish (NOT vendor supplied reproductions at \$100 + each) Correct burners and stands. Contact Ross Benedict @ rbmanagement@shaw.ca 403-651-1612















For Sale: Fresh out of 30 years of dry storage: Four . . . 26/7 Model T front fenders. Choice at \$200 each. Two...26/7 Gas tanks. Solid/ no dents/ need cleaning \$65 each . . Harry Lillo 403-273-6310 1936cord@telus.net





WANTED:

Without swap meets this year, we are always looking for new classifieds. What's hidden away in your stash, that someone else can use ??

For Sale: After decades of collecting and receiving gifts, this truly one-of-a-kind collection is being placed on the market. The family of our late member, Roy Fulton, would like it to go to a like-minded antique auto buff. Their hope is to see the entire collection sold as one unit. For further information, details, and additional photos, please contact Nicole Brandrick at 403-805-5015 or nicolebrandrick@hotmail.ca

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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 996

Richmond, IN 47375-0996, USA

You can register online at www.mtfca.com or phone the MTFCA office 765-373-3106

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

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Foothills Model T Ford Club

Membership Application

Please send form along with \$35.00 dues to:

Eileen Jewell,
Membership Registration
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 Ts You Own

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

Tour Committee Art Bent, Rod Wallace,

Tom Van Dijk, and

Paddy Munro

Directors: Tom Cerkvenac,

Peter Anderson, and

Keith Robinson

Club Meetings: Meetings, <u>when we are able</u>, are held at 7:00 PM on the fourth Wednesday of the month, excluding April*, June, July, August, and December at: The Hanger Flight Museum, 4629 McCall Way, NE Calgary. *April's date & locations may vary.

With Covid-19, WATCH FOR ZOOM AND Saturday MUSEUM MEETING NOTICES