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President's message: "Audacity, audacity, audacity, always audacity" General Patton. I was reminded of that quote in Alex Trebek's autobiography when he's giving advice of how to win at jeopardy and at life. I think trying to book in-person meetings this spring was my attempt at that but both failed. I've since realized that I've been predicting the end of Covid restrictions to be three months from now for the past 18 months. We did meet via zoom on the evening of May 1st. I was grateful to all those that attended. It's great to hear reports from the team. I know Ross has been working lots on these newsletters as it can be hard to collect stories and classified ads when everyone is locked down. I believe we have an article on a fall tour and antique plates this month. Thanks to all those that contribute to the effort.

We have some "50th Anniversary" projects underway. Al Riise is working to get the club some newspaper coverage. I suspect this will not only be good for the club but could generate interest in Model T ownership and caretaking when facts like part availability and prices are discussed. Harry is working on clothing memorabilia and the license plate topper project is still ongoing with a possible 50-year addition. Chris and Berry are working together to get older newsletters online. The tour committee has got plans and ready to roll them out as soon as we're allowed.

We'll get the date out for the next meeting as soon as we can. As always, I'd like to meet in person, but we'll keep an eye on the provincial policy.

Darren Lloyd



From the Editor: Thanks to Chris Bamford for his article on a recent fall tour. (Hmmmm . . . I wonder who proofread it??) Al Riise for his assistance with the antique license plate information. I'm searching for Model T tales, suggested maintenance, or just general interest articles. It is my plan to carry on with monthly Footnotes, to keep our Model T Family active, even if just here in the newsletter, or on your screen.

Ross Benedict

Sound Advice: Marry a short gal and keep your guns on the top shelf. She may still get ya, but you'll hear her dragging the chair across the floor in time to possibly react.....

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Foothills Model T Club Meeting May 1st, 2021 – via Zoom

President Darren Lloyd called the meeting to order at 8:05 pm. 20 members attended.

Minutes – Kristen moved minutes from the February 2021 be approved as circulated. Seconded by Robb Wolff. Carried.

Treasurer's Report – Larry presented the finances for March 2021, and moved his report be approved as presented, seconded by Larry Danserau.

Membership – Larry reported on behalf of Eileen; as of tonight, she has received 79 paid memberships for 2021. Currently Larry is mailing newsletters to four members without email access. Eileen reported that Art is doing well and has been doing some light yard work.

Newsletter – Ross reported that all is well with the newsletter and he will keep producing newsletters into the summer. He will be looking for articles in the coming months. Ross has been reviewing some of the old newsletters that he picked up from Al Riise. Chris Brancaccio has found electronic issues September 2005 – November of 2014. Barry will add them to the website with the others.

Website – Barry nothing new to report.

Tools – Glen reported that tools are accounted for. Robb has borrowed the pipe wrenches. The purchase of the line boring tool is on hold until the border opens, as the expense to ship to Canada would be quite high.

National Club – Chris reported that the next meeting of the MTFCA Board Meeting, will be held in Spokane during the tour. If the border does not open, Chris will attend the meeting by Zoom. Chris also recommended club members join the MTFCA.

Librarian – No report

Tours

- Tom has been researching the tour to Rocky Mountain House that was held in 1971 with the possibility of running a version of that tour this summer, as part of our 50th Anniversary Celebration. Everything, of course, depends on Covid restrictions. Tom and Rod will continue to investigate. We could potentially leave from Rod's place and spend a day to travel to Rocky, spend a day in Rocky, and then head back to Rod's. It is approximately 195 km to Rocky and we could take back roads, potential to go to Crimson Lake, and tour some sites in Rocky.
- Chris Bamford reported on the VTAA Tours June 25 27th, 2021 Sundre Hub, Aug 12 15th, Rimbey/Lacombe/Innisfail Progressive, Sept 24 26 * Rocky Mountain House





Adventure / gravel. They really hope that some members will be able to join them. Watch the Footnotes for updates. * Confirmed after the fact.

Old Business

Decals Still works in progress.

Peter reported that he could get more of the Wings & Buffalo decals if needed.

New Business

The Foothills Model T Club is 50!

- Pete reported that he was not happy with the 50th design that he and Phoenix Graphics had been working on. He will meet / talk to her again to see if they can figure something out.
- Al Riise has been talking with Greg Williams Calgary Herald reporter -about an article on the club and the 50th Anniversary. Al has asked that he contact both Darren and Chris Brancaccio. Greg also wants more information on how the club plans to celebrate this year.
- Harry has spoken to a T Shirt vendor and we could investigate this for the 50th. Most are interested in a golf type or collared shirt. He likes to work with black background and up to three colors. Harry suggested maybe a 1909 head on shot with brass, maybe something with Canadian Flag, or Foothills (on the back of the shirt) and then perhaps club crest on the front. i.e., Cliff's red car with brass and the white tires. Harry will follow up and get more information.
- More discussion at the next meeting.

SVAA Meeting was held on May 1st, they are looking for a secretary and have some new projects in the works. i.e., Scholarship program, eblasters and enewsletters. Robb thanked Al for all his work with the SVAA and for keeping our club updated.

Next meeting to be determined, ideally in person but likely by Zoom.

.Meeting adjourned at 8:51 pm Al Riise.

Tech talk –

Robb discussed his current projects – powder coating, Fordite / wood finishing, and working with epoxy.

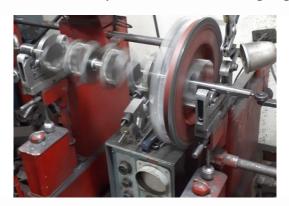
Harry talked about the laser cutting sheet metal for the fire truck project.





Chris & Jerry's Excellent Adventure

I'm approaching 30 years ownership of my '24 Speedster; first on the road in 1992 as a running chassis, it's seen many changes over the years, including a cycle fender stage and six years of road use as a single seat barnyard cruiser. Good friend Jerry de Jong and I made our first run to the Pacific Northwest Labour Day weekend in 2011; we've been back most years since for the Northwest Vintage Speedsters' signature 200-mile endurance run — every trip an adventure and some of the best old car fun we could imagine. There was no Endurance Run in 2020 and no way to cross the border (we thought); to get our annual fix, Jerry and I headed south to Cardston, east into Saskatchewan and back home through some new-to-us territory. Here are some highlights along the way...



First up was a new engine — with my last overhaul wearing out, I splurged on a Tim Pearson full-meal deal. The lightened flywheel and Scat standard crank were balanced up to 4000 rpm.



Along with the shiny new Scat, the '24 block got new pistons, rings, valves, babbitt, drums, cam, lifters, etc. (while-we're-at-it-itis). The Z-Head and my Les Schubert Flexi tail shaft date back to 2010.



Friday Sept 04 got us to Chez Tim in Cochrane, then up early Saturday and off to Lillos' for the FMTFC Model T day. Car is running like a watch and we averaged. an easy 55-60 mph on the Stoney.



We had a great time at Harry and Rosalie's, with camaraderie, good food and Robb Wolff's offer to give my coils





a check over. These Ron Patterson 2006 rebuilds were still pretty much within spec.



Road Hog! The country roads were thick with equipment and the harvest going full tilt wherever we wandered.



Captain Jeff of the Crowfoot ferry is in his dream job and looking forward to 15 more years at the helm before mandatory retirement at 65.



Saturday night in Planet Vulcan. We lock up the tempting bits and half-tarp the car every night — and have never had a problem (knock on wood!)



Our first and only mechanical problem: one of the newly tweaked coils started to falter (go figure) and was quickly diagnosed and replaced.



This 45K-mile '28 Essex truck conversion and an older-restoration '28 sedan are available in Cardston, contact me for the owner's info.







Not fifty feet away from the Essexes and likely available are a very tired '20s White truck and this rather toothy DeSoto.



The border road east of Cardston is on the US side of the line for nine miles. CBP guy says we need to stay on the road, and "Don't take my picture!"



Third-generation rancher Bill Ford farms both sides of the border and offered to convoy with us a ways and guide us through Writing on Stone Park.



Fun and funky windmill museum at Etzikom, AB features dozens of exhibits, including this gem made by a Leduc blacksmith from Model T parts.



The Tom Trott Memorial Forestry Museum in Cypress Hills is worth a visit; this Case tractor is entirely unmolested, right down to the sight glasses.







The Lancer SK ferry captain suggested a shortcut to the Lemsford ferry that cut across a nearby ranch; rancher's kid said, "knock yourselves out!"



We took a wrong turn somewhere and never found the shortcut but were thrilled to be escorted part way by the four-HP outfit up ahead.



Sceptre, SK may have the world's greatest number of parked and weathering old cars on a per capita basis. The old building is kind of fun too.



Your reporter risks life and limb at the Great Sand Hills of SW Saskatchewan. Some sort of ski lift here would be an improvement.



The Estuary SK ferry captain suggested we drive across the nearby Hutterite colony to view the confluence of the Red Deer and South Saskatchewan rivers.







George the bachelor (thus unshaven)
Hutterite wandered along to say hello and point out a nearby nest of rattlesnakes.
Very amateur video HERE



We experienced a surprising number of bugs considering the engine was brand new. Guess I need a word with Tim about that...



Driveway-to-Driveway stats. That max 76.7 mph was on a looong downhill north on Highway 41. We run standard rear gears and a period Warford O/U/D.



Battery recharge for the '24T42'

Chris Bamford



WANTED:

We are seeking articles like Chris', of your Model T - on remodeling? rebuilds? family photos? tours? your Model T' life experiences.





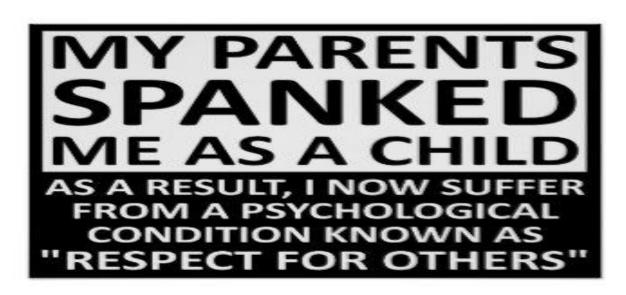
CLUB BULLETIN BOARD

2021 'Ts on Tour' MTFCA International Tour sponsored by the Spokane Inland Empire Model T Club is still a go! With Covid 19 being an issue, they have advised that any registration we might make is FULLY refundable due to the border issues we Canadians may face.

An overview and application form are available on our website under Meeting and Events - Community Events



May: 1 JOHN JORGENSON, 5 AL RIISE, 7 MICHAEL ZUBKOW, 10 ROBERT CALLFAS & CHRISTOPHER LANG, 18 SHANAYE RICHARDSON, 21 MURRAY WALKEMEYER, 23 BARRY PROCTOR, 25 MARC BREMONT & BRENDA ZUBKOW, 26 JOHN SANDEN, and 27 JAKE VISSER.







2021



Date: May 29, 2021

Location: "Sunset Drive-in"
High River Rodeo Grounds
Hwy # 543 & 2A

Contact: Trevor @ 403-982-5984

landage@telus.net

General Admission: \$5.00 from: 09:00-04:00

Tables Stalls: \$25.00 (10'x10' & table)

Drive Through stalls: \$40.00

Overnight dry camping: \$10.00

Vendors' setup Saturday May 29, @ 06:00

Hosted by: Call of the West Museum

Alberta Health Regulations in effect





Vintage Touring Association of Alberta

Got a Pre-'32 Vehicle?

Want to drive it more, and tour with like-minded 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. Member, Specialty Vehicle Assn. of Alberta

2021 Touring Schedule

Spring: June 25-27, Fri-Sun Sundre area

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

Fall Adventure/Gravel Tour, Sep 24-26 Fri-Sun Rocky Mountain House 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)

Name Mailing address		
Telephone #1E-mail	Telephone #2	
Pre-1932 Vehicle(s), attach addition Year/Make/Model/Body style Year/Make/Model/Body style Year/Make/Model/Body style	onal information if applicable.	





ANTIQUE AUTO and PERIOD LICENCE PLATES in ALBERTA











A member's enquiry at a recent ZOOM club meeting on antique plates for our Ts gave way to the following research by both Al Riise and me.

The following is taken from this link: Licence plates | Alberta.ca - Government of Alberta

An antique passenger or motorcycle plate is available for vehicles or motorcycles that are 25 years old or more and will be only used in the following ways:

- as a collector's item in exhibitions
- in club activities
- in parades
- as transportation to and from these events
- as transportation to servicing appointments

To get an antique plate, you must meet the following criteria:

- provide acceptable identification
- the vehicle must be a minimum of 25 years old
- if it's imported, you need an import form
- have proof of ownership
- if the vehicle is from outside Alberta, you have a vehicle inspection



Toutnutes



As well, the following is excerpted from this document:

https://www.qp.alberta.ca/documents/Regs/2002_320.pdf

OPERATOR LICENSING AND VEHICLE CONTROL REGULATION 50

Antique motor vehicle plates 65

(1) The Registrar shall issue a Licence plate that has "antique" on it if the Registrar issues a certificate of registration for an antique motor vehicle.



- (2) Despite subsection (1), if the owner produces a Licence plate that was issued in Alberta, in the year an antique motor vehicle was manufactured and that is in a condition satisfactory to the Registrar, the Registrar may approve the use of that plate on the antique motor vehicle.
- (3) The owner of a motor vehicle registered as an antique motor vehicle may attach either the antique Licence plate issued under subsection (1) or a Licence plate approved under subsection
- (2) to the antique motor vehicle, but not both.
- (4) A person may, with the consent of the Registrar, transfer the Licence plate issued under subsection (1) to another antique motor vehicle.
- (5) Both an antique motor vehicle and its Licence plate approved under subsection (2) may be transferred to a new owner with the approval of the Registrar. Vintage plates 66 Despite section
- 70(2), the owner of a motor vehicle that is 25 years old or older and registered as a private passenger vehicle may attach to the front of it one, but not more than one, Licence plate issued in Alberta in the year in which the vehicle was manufactured.

Early cloth registration, while mentioned in earlier government information, does not appear now.

The link Vehicle registration plates of Alberta – Wikipedia gives interesting details on Alberta plates from 1912 to the present.





Club Decal

Your committee have been working thru numerous ideas to arrive at the four designs being considered for a club decal. It is not to take place of our winged logo but be an added ID club marker.



#1



#2



#3



#4

Please review these 4 graphics, and relay your thoughts to Rod Wallace

wallacerod1@gmail.com or

Tom Van Dijk tvandijk@telusplanet.net





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/



For Sale: Ruckstell rear axle, big drum, complete with torque tube and radius rods. Not rebuilt. \$1500. Chris Brancaccio 403-660-1303 chrisbrancaccio@hotmail.com

WANTED:

With only one swap meet so far this year, we are always looking for new classifieds. What's hidden away in your stash, that someone else can use ??

For Sale: 1922 Model T Touring project. I have a 1922 US touring body (3 door) that has been re-wooded and primed and nearly ready to paint. It has a steel firewall. Comes with: frame with battery box and fender supports, fenders, running boards, top irons \$2200. Chris Brancaccio 403-660-1303 chrisbrancaccio@hotmail.com















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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Past President Harry lillo
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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