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President's message: I hope everyone has a few miles on their Ts by now. I have a detailed account of my first T venture home in the article below. A bit of postscript to that is, I bought a new part from George Moir auto parts in Edmonton. info@georgemoir.ca
Included in the package was a note that they were selling the business. I hope it's bought locally, and we continue to have a supplier this side of the boarder. I fail to understand shipping cost. RockAuto.com and Amazon get items to my door sometimes cheaper than what I think it would cost to manufacture them. RockAuto is selling Model T parts, but still, a very limited selection.

www.rockauto.com We've had two meetings in May. The postponed March meeting early in the month and the normal meeting at the end. We don't traditionally have a meeting in June. With the most

recent provincial "open for summer" announcement we're hoping (again) to gather. Keep an eye for upcoming announcements.

Darren Lloyd

SAVE THE DATE!! We're hoping to gather at Harry Lillo's place JULY 10th. Activities will depend on Covid precautions, but we're hoping to have a normal day with inspections, etc. WATCH YOUR E MAILS FOR UPDATES



From the Editor: Two articles this month, thanks to Eileen Jewell for sharing an article Art wrote for the AUTOMOTIVE CLASSICS MAGAZINE's Fall / Winter 1994 publication and, Darren Lloyd sharing his "T" mystery. We have four new classifieds for your review, and minutes of the late May Zoom meeting. If you are thinking of the VTAA spring tour around Sundre, check out the tour committee's letter. As always, thanks to Chris for keeping the letter well-edited.

This newsletter is published to keep the membership and similar organizations aware of club activities and articles of interest to the Model T family. Permission is given to copy the contents, with proper credit, unless otherwise restricted or specified.







Foothills Model T Club Meeting May 26th, 2021 - via Zoom

President Darren Lloyd was the host for the meeting. The meeting commenced at 7:35 with 12 members present. The numbers increased to 16 by the conclusion of the meeting.

Minutes: The minutes of the May meeting were approved. Moved by Robb Wolff and seconded by Barry Moyer. Carried.

Treasurer: Larry Kynoch presented the current financial statements and moved they be accepted Seconded by Chris Brancaccio. Carried.

Membership: Eileen reported through Larry that the Club has 81 members, down from 89 in 2020. Some of the US members have not renewed. Larry also reported that Art is continuing to improve and had been doing light yard work. Harry reported during the meeting that past member Stan Howe from Montana, had recently passed away.

Tools: Glen indicated all tools were accounted for.

Librarian: Jonathan has the new FMTC stamp to identify books in our collection.

MTFCA: Chris stated that the parent club is meeting virtually, and the next board meeting will be in Spokane during the National Tour.

Website: Barry reported that the email addresses have been updated and some changes made to the website in ads and community events.

Tours:

- Tom indicated that there were no updates on tours as we are waiting for the COVID restrictions to be lifted. The Rocky Mountain House tour is still a possibility.
- Chris Bamford reported the Touring Association's Sundre tour was proceeding, with 11 cars currently registered – June 25 – 27. (Update: 18 vehicles 1911 though 1931 registered as of June 10)

Old Business: Larry, Robb and Harry are looking at 50th anniversary T Shirts and polo shirts. First Impressions can provide artwork at a very reasonable cost if we provide the images and wording. They will continue to work on the project with a July/August delivery date.





New Business:

Al Riise has been in discussions with Greg Williams of the Calgary Herald to publish a story about the 50th anniversary of our Club.

SVAA:

The Foothills Model T Club has not rejoined the Specialty Vehicle Association of Alberta (SVAA) nor the federal NAAACCC for the past two years. The cost of joining these associations had been \$12.55 per member in 2019 (or approximately \$1100 per year). The main reason for not rejoining the associations was that SVAA dropped Director's insurance from its program. That was the previous justification for renewing membership, without that insurance, the Club saw little benefit in continuing its relationship with SVAA. The Club has determined that MTFCA provides similar coverage at no cost other than individual memberships.

It was pointed out that SVAA provides a voice with the Provincial Government. No recent examples were provided and there was discussion that our Club is broadly based in the province and can speak for itself as it has already done in some cases.

Al Riise moved the FMTC renew its membership with SVAA. Not seconded. Larry Kynoch moved that the motion be tabled until a future meeting Seconded by Robb. Carried unanimously.

Robb moved the meeting be adjourned.

Glen McDonald provided a tech talk.

POST MEETING MINUTE:

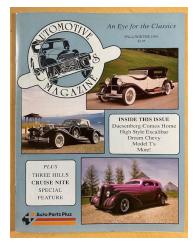
Al Riise on behalf of the SVAA requested the Foothills Model T Club decide immediately if it wanted to continue with its membership or resign from SVAA.

Harry Lillo sent a letter to SVAA on May 27th stating the FMTC was not renewing its membership based on the fact the SVAA had dropped Director's insurance as part of its membership package.





The following two pages were history in the making. An article *Art Jewell* wrote for the **AUTOMOTIVE CLASSICS MAGAZINE**'s Fall / Winter 1994 publication.







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HISTORY IN ACTION Foothills Model T Ford Club

I've taken the liberty to re-type the article, so it is readable for our tired eyes. Ed.

THE FOOTHIILS MODEL T FORD CLUB, a chapter of the Model T Ford Club of America, was formed in Calgary in 1971 to encourage and promote active interest in the Model T Ford automobile. It is interesting to note that from the car's entry into the market in 1908 until its demise in 1927, over 15 million Model T's were produced.

The Foothills Model T Ford Club is dedicated to providing information. assistance and direction in the preservation and restoration of this remarkable automobile. The club is structured to provide a variety of activities designed to encourage members to drive, show and enjoy their vintage automobiles. The club's

activities include auto tours ,garage tours, social events, and participation in community activities such as parades, fund raisers and heritage events.





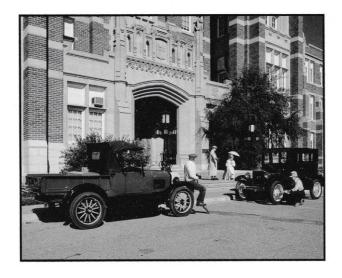




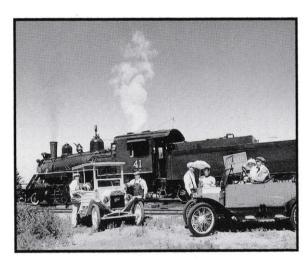
Happenings

In 1992, the Foothills Model T Ford Club completed the restoration of a 1911 Model T Ford Tourabout automobile for the Reynolds-Alberta Museum in

Wetaskiwin. The car is currently on active display at the museum.



In July 1995, the Foothills Model T Ford Club will host a five day "National Tour" for the Model T Ford Club of America. The national Tour will be headquartered in Stettler, Alberta. This venue will provide an opportunity to organize auto tours to the Royal Tyrrell Museum in Drumheller, the Reynolds-Alberta Museum in Wetaskiwin and to enjoy a day trip on the Alberta Prairie Railway Excursion's steam train. The National Tour is expected to attract 300 people and 125 Model T Ford automobiles from Alberta, Saskatchewan, British Columbia, and several U.S. states.



The club looks forward to a memorable and fun-filled five days with the beloved Model T Ford.

Art Jewell, Foothills Model T Ford Club

The tour mentioned above was featured in the FOOTNOTES in May of 2019







VTAA Spring Hub Tour — June 25-27, 2021

Join us for a low-stress, high-fun weekend in West-Central Alberta. Enjoy quieter roads, small-town ambiance, and a great bunch of like-minded folks.

The following was recently received from the VTAA Tour Committee. The full itinerary and application for this tour and planned tours are on our web page under the link:

Community Events — Foothills Model T Ford Club (foothills-t.club)

Hello all,

This is a communication from the Vintage Touring Association of Alberta (VTAA) the touring group for individuals with vehicles built prior to 1932.

Well, Covid has struck once again but we are not to be discouraged....

As you may be aware our Inaugural Tour was to be held this June in Stettler however because the train is not running at the moment (and was going to be part of the festivities) we decided to move the June tour and headquarter it in Sundre.

We have some beautiful drives arranged and the hotel has rooms on hold for our group. Also across from the hotel is a lot (owned by the hotel) which will accommodate trailers and tow vehicles.

We have developed the tour with Covid restrictions in mind and in the event we do have to cancel your registration fees will be refunded. As mentioned above we are a low-key group interested in driving our pre-1932 vehicles and hope that you will join us for some fun. Attached to this e-mail is our new Brochure and Tour Registration form. For insurance purposes in order to attend the tour you must also join the VTAA.

Looking forward to seeing you in Sundre!
Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

Best regards,

The VTAA Tour Committee.
Mike Reid
Chris Bamford
Bob Callfas







WANTED:

We are seeking articles like Art's and Darren's, on our club, your Model T - on remodeling? rebuilds? family photos? tours? your Model T life experiences



CLUB BULLETIN BOARD

July 9th is Collector Car Appreciation Day.

<u>Take your neighbor for a ride!</u>

The anticipated High River Swap Meet date, now is yet to be determined, due to Government Covid Regulations



JUNE

1 CYDNIE WATT, 2 JULIE MEIER, 3 SYLVIA LAMPMAN, 7 BOB HENRY, 9 DOREEN PATTERSON, & LES SCHUBERT, 10 KRISTEN ANDERSON & JOHN GALLAGHER, 11 DARREN LLOYD, 12 DYLAN PROCTOR, 13 BOYD LAMPMAN. 15 STEVE McCAIG, 17 TERRY HURST, 22 ROY GALE & TIM PEARSON. 23 BRITT CERKVENAC & RICK VANDERPOL, 26 RON RIGBY, 27 JAKE VISSER, 28 ROSEMARY BRANCACCIO, TERI HOLT & IRENE MUNRO, 29 KEITH ROBINSON, 30 JOAN SCHUBERT. JULY

2 TOM VAN DIJK, 5 PETER ANDERSON, 6 EILEEN JEWELL, 7 BRENDA GALLAGHER, 9 PATTY VISSER & MARGE WOLFF, 10 LAURALINE FRISCHKE & ART JEWELL, 11 KAREN GREENIZAN, 12 HAROLD FRISCHKE, 14 JONATHAN WATSON, 19 DORIS KING, 20 LARRY KYNOCH & GAIL MONTIETH, 21 JOE NAGY, 31 COLLEEN HAUSWIRTH & LINDA HENRY





A 'T' mystery, for sure!

By Darren Lloyd

My beautiful record of always getting Ms. Henry home under her own power officially came to an end.











I built a storage trailer 10 years to the day prior and normally spend a couple days a year getting it "road worthy" to drive to and from where Ms. Henry spends the winter.



This spring I decided I would drive the 30 km home in Ms. Henry instead. I put my new "Anderson Coils" (Peter Anderson's rebuilt) in, and she fired right up. After a few checks

like fluids, I was heading home. She made it 21 km and she turned off like I bumped the key.

I had compression when I turned the crank. I had strong sequential spark at the top of the spark plugs. I had aerosol sea foam with me as liquid fuel. I sprayed it at the carb, but I was by myself (on the side of Glenmore) and getting to the starter button while spraying, while seeing what was happening was almost impossible. No change while spraying in the direction of the carb and holding the button but I was thinking the carb is plugged.

Leaving the carb on the car I pull the bowl and confirm it was full and I had good flow. The float worked. I pulled the spray nozzle out of the bottom and the needle out of the top. I sprayed it all with my sea foam and put it back together . . no change.

I pulled the carb and cleaned it as well as I know how. Everything looked good. Back together... no change. I pulled two spark plugs. Both have strong spark, and they are both dry. While cranking it sounds like the gas or ignition is off. Not even a sputter.

I break out the big guns and call Les Schubert. "Pro Schubert tip" you can put a plastic bag over the carb air intake while you crank it over. I couldn't reach the starter button and the carb at the same time. It lets you see if you have suction and if it makes the bag wet with gas. ... Intake was good, but the bag is dry. I open the needle many turns, and it popped back through the carb.

Carb apart for a third time. ... I blew through





every port I could see in the carb and cleaned everything again. Back together. Now the gas flows through the air hole on the top under the plate while cranking. Not as much as a sputter from the engine. The record is over!



She's towed home.

In the morning I ask Robb Wolff if he would look at the carb for me. During our conversation we discuss mechanical timing. I thought about modern engines and if it had a rubber timing belt, I would suspect it jumped a tooth. He suggested checking the valve keepers and the timer.



The timer was in three pieces with lots of shavings. Totally destroyed. Yet the bits had collected and bound in such a way it gave sequential spark when you turned the crank. I still don't understand why the spark plugs were dry?? Also, why didn't it have some attempt to start since there was spark when I turned it with the crank?? Currently an unsolved part of the mystery for me.

I could not be more grateful to have people to call when these problems show up. Furthermore, I think the tow fee will be worth it for the story.

Darren Lloyd

"Most carb problems are electrical."

Robb Wolff

STEWARDSHIP

"... we are all just stewards of these cars. Somebody owned them before we did, somebody will own them after we are gone. The money that we pay for them or the money that we take for them is just a way to determine who will steward what car and for how long. It is our obligation to steward not only the physical Model T, but also the knowledge, the folklore, and the spirit of the cars to pass to the next generation of owners. We need to be telling the stories as well as the knowledge of how to set the spark and adjust the gas."

Stan Howe . . RIP





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 Ross Benedict at rbmanagement@shaw.ca or call 403-651-1612. Check the website for current classifieds. http://www.foothills-t.club/classifieds/

For Sale: 1919 Model T C Cab - Starts and runs well, 12V alternator, modern fan hub, rebuilt large drum Ruckstell axle. New rear wood wheels. Asking \$13,500. Call or text Bruce 403-507-5199









Radiator wanted: My poor Lizzie overheats . Apparently, I have an inferior aftermarket radiator installed. Looking for a low hood radiator. It doesn't have to be in perfect shape, just repairable. I have a 1917 T Pickup. Jake Visser. 403–968-2781







< For Sale: 4 Mounted "CANADA'S NATIONAL PARKS rad Buffalo 1933, 1938, 1939, and 1940. \$1100 OBO. kmdobbin1@gmail.com

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



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







For Sale: Wood steering wheel, tilt, finished/polished. Two brass steering columns. T wood felloe wheels 30 x 3 ½, and some demountable wheels. A case of Havoline motor oil. One T riveted rear axle(1913/14), needs work. drive shaft, torque tube. A T Ford engine (1916?) turns over, mounted in motor stand made from model T frames parts, includes radiator made in Winnipeg, looks Industrial, firewall, coil box with mounted key, coils, hood, and carb. Alum hogshead, no pedals or transmission. Had a pulley mounted on the end of the crankshaft. Maybe used in gold mine to pump water. Al 403-274-4474 ariise2@telusplanet.net





The Model T Ford Club of America

Membership Application

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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.

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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 #

CLUB EXECUTIVE:

President Darren Lloyd
Past President Harry lillo
Vice President OPEN

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* rbmanagement@shaw.ca

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Foothills Model T Ford Club

Membership Application

Please send form along with \$35.00 dues to:

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Membership Registration
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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, when we are able, 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