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Palmetto A's of South Carolina

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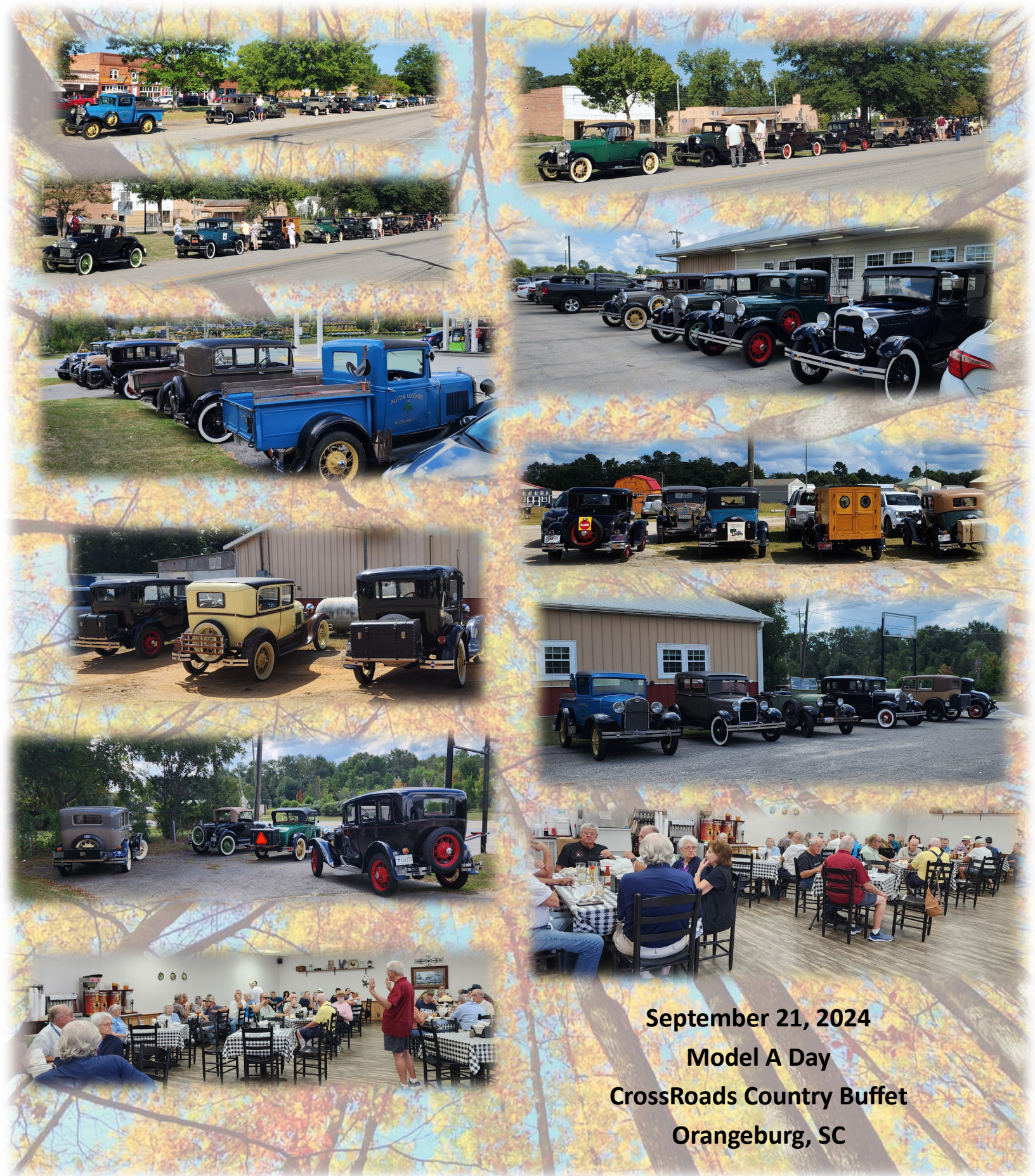
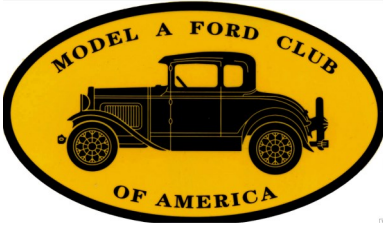
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Model A Restorers Club Region

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September 21, 2024

Model A Day

CrossRoads Country Buffet

Orangeburg, SC





OCTOBER

Birthdays

Mike Lewter - 2nd
Ann Kay - 13th
John Cockerill - 15th

Anniversaries

Bruce & Donna Edge - 1st
John & Happy Begg - 4th
Chuck & Ann Lyons - 18th



"A" Note from the President....

September brought our club together with the Low Country A's of Charleston, The Shade Tree A's of Augusta and the Aiken A's to celebrate International Model A Day. We met for lunch in Orangeburg, SC at the Crossroads Café after which we had time to visit at the Gardens in Orangeburg. Our club had 7 A's with 12 members attend with the total of A's present being 23. The weather was great and all who attended seemed to have an enjoyable day. We look forward to a repeat next year.

For our October meeting/tour (5 Oct. 1st weekend) we plan to meet the Old 96 Club at the **Happy Cow Creamery** who will be celebrating their 22nd anniversary in business. They will have food and various other types of vendors on site. **We will meet and depart at 7:30 AM** from the Wal-Mart on 1180 Dutch Fork Rd. Irmo SC. There will be reserved parking for the Model A's. This has been an enjoyable trip for us in the past and sounds like it will be a fun day. **Also, on 19 October** (3rd weekend) we will have a breakfast business meeting to present officer candidates for the coming year, 2025. We'll meet at the Lizard's Thicket on Elmwood Ave. downtown Columbia at 8 AM.

Make sure your cars are **fueled up and don't forget your walkie talkies!** I'm looking forward a great day in our Model A's!!!

Let's keep those members on our prayer list in our thoughts. We hope to see them rejoin us soon! Remember as always, if your "A" is in the "repair or restore shop," you can still be part of the fellowship in your "modern." **So let's dust'um off, gas'em up, and let's go "Model A'ing!"**

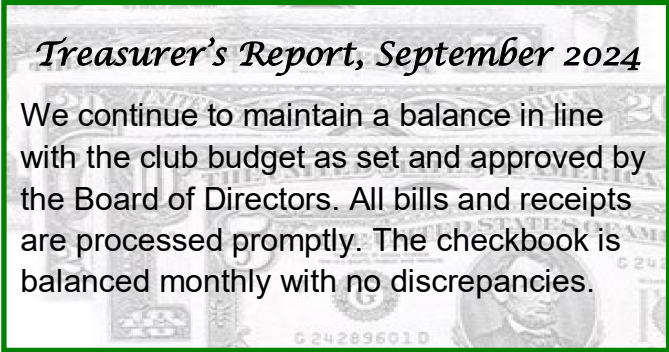
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Treasurer's Report, September 2024

We continue to maintain a balance in line with the club budget as set and approved by the Board of Directors. All bills and receipts are processed promptly. The checkbook is balanced monthly with no discrepancies.



Sunshine Report

Please keep the following folks in your thoughts and prayers: Susan Buff, John Cockerill and Margaret Smith.

Remember: call, write or send a card to someone who needs encouragement. We are "FAMILY" and it helps to be thought of and prayed about.

If you have any Sunshine concerns, please call or email the newsletter editor to add the name to our Sunshine Report.





Down the Road

Is there a destination to which you would like to drive your Model A? Is there a lunch spot to which you would like to drive your Model A? Call or email Cheryl and Danny Austin at 803-351-5687, daustin002@sc.rr.com. They are looking for your ideas and input!



Palmetto A's Schedule for 2024

October 5 - Tour to Happy Cow Creamery. We will leave from Walmart, 1180 Dutch Fork Rd. in Irmo promptly at 7:30.

October 19 - 8:00 am. Breakfast meeting at Lizard's Thicket, 818 Elmwood Avenue. The board will be presenting the slate of officer candidates for 2025.

November 16 - TBA

December 7 - Holiday Tour at the Ruins, 10am to 3pm. We have been asked to display our cars at this event. A light lunch will be served to volunteers. We will meet at the McDonald's on Garners Ferry Road at 9am.

December 14 - Palmetto A's Christmas Party at The Wagon Wheel Restaurant in Ft. Lawn.

2025

January - Mystery Tour?

**PLEASE NOTE: DATES AND PLACES
ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE!**

Other Events of Interest

2024

October 8 -11 - [Hershey Swap Meet & Car Show](#)

October 12 - St. James Car Show

November 1-3 - [Richland Creek Antique Fall Festival](#)

December 11 - 14 - [MAFCA National Awards Banquet in Salt Lake City, Utah. Hosted by the Beehive A's and the Salty A's.](#)

2025

June 15-22 - [MAFCA National Tour, Waynesboro, VA Hosts: Dallas Chapter](#)



Saturday, October 12, 2024 • 9am - 1pm
Car Show • Food
1358 South Lake Drive • Lexington, SC 29073

Car Entry Fee: \$20.00

♦ SCHEDULE ♦

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM: Registration
11:00 AM - 12 NOON: Voting
1:00 PM: Award Trophies

Palmetto A's Board of Directors Meeting, 9/25/24

President John Cockerill called the meeting to order on September 25, 2024 at the IHOP in Columbia. Attending were Wayne & Debbie Areheart, John & Happy Begg, John & Twila Cockerill, Bruce Edge and Dick Fraser.

Dick gave the Treasurer's Report. Happy & Twila reported that there are no changes with the website or newsletter.

We discussed tours planned for the remainder of 2024. Our next trip will be October 5 to the Happy Cow Creamery for their 22nd Anniversary Event. On October 19, we will meet at Lizard's Thicket for breakfast and a business meeting to present officer nominations to the Club and to accept nominations from the membership attending. Other events will be posted in the monthly newsletter.

We discussed changing the date of our annual Swap Meet to a cooler time. No date has been established yet.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:30.

Submitted by Debbie Areheart, Secretary

Pumpkin Soup

Ingredients:

- 2 cans pumpkin puree
- 1 onion , sliced (white, brown, yellow)
- 2 garlic cloves , peeled whole
- 3 cups vegetable or chicken broth/stock , low sodium
- 1 cup water
- Salt and pepper
- ½ to ¾ cup cream

Instructions:

Place pumpkin, onion, garlic, broth and water in a pot. Bring to a boil, uncovered, then reduce heat and simmer 10 minutes. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Ladle into soup bowls, drizzle over a bit of cream, sprinkle with pepper and parsley if desired. Serve with crusty bread.



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TOTAL LENGTH: 22' 4"

TOTAL BED LENGTH: 16' 2"

TOTAL BED WIDTH, INCLUDING FENDERS: 8' 6"

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PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR NAME APPEARS WHEN CALLING

Warren's Annual Yard Sale & Club Members

Saturday Oct.26 8:00-Until (rain or shine)

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Model A Friends,

I usually write this message from my kitchen table in Wisconsin, but this message is about as close to live as you can get: I’m at Hickory Corners at the Model A Museum on the eve of Model A Days 2024!

The Trustees, friends and family ---and the Grape A’s Model A Club-- have been working out at the museum all day to get everything ready for tomorrow (setting up tables, tents, moving cars, cleaning and polishing). It’s a bittersweet excitement because we usually work next to Trustee and Grape A member, Jerry Morrissey, who lost his battle with cancer a few short weeks ago and we miss him so much! He always headed up this day, so to not see his cheerful face is difficult.

But, on a brighter note, the attached photo is the expansion in progress. It’s great to see what’s happening after a year of fundraising! (Many thanks to all of you!) And, because it’s the eve of Model A Days and the bus won’t be unveiled for 24 hours, I’ll have to wait with that picture until next month, but if you’ve been following the progress on Facebook, you know she’s a beauty now.

Drive those A’s and mark your calendar for next year’s Model A Days (third weekend in September, the 19th and 20th of 2025), so you can see the museum expansion for yourself!

Cindy Ellenbecker, MAFFI Trustee, Secretary



Just a reminder!!

The club has a library of Model A Technical DVDs for your use. Contact John Cockerill at 803-446-3837 (cell) or at johntwilac@yahoo.com.

Did You Know????

MAFCA has a video section on their website. Categories include: MAFCA Events, Technical, Historical, Member, Chapter, Fashion, and Miscellaneous. Check it out!

<https://www.mafca.com/videos.html>

MAFCA also has a YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3twKfHco40ySFBYpKzfJ3A>

MAFCA STAR PROGRAM

The MAFCA Star Program is designed to reward our members who enlist new members for the club. It applies to all New Members, both free and paid. We are hoping that this small token will stimulate existing members to bring new members to the club. The 2024 Free MAFCA membership form in our [Members Only area](#) has been changed to identify the sponsoring **member** instead of chapter. When an application is received by the MAFCA office, a MAFCA Star decal will be sent to the sponsoring member. -- Jay McCord, Membership Director

Model A Ford Technical Questions

Paul Shinn has gathered a group to help answer your technical questions about Model A’s. The group includes MAFCA’s current tech director and several past tech directors. You can email your questions and concerns to:

ModelATechQuestions@gmail.com

Who knows, you may even see your question answered in *The Restorer*!

NEED HELP WITH YOUR MODEL A?

IS YOUR PROBLEM SOMETHING THAT COULD BE ADDRESSED BY THE CLUB “TECH TEAM?” WAYNE AREHEART AND THE “TECH TEAM” ARE LOOKING FOR SMALL JOBS THAT WOULD PROVIDE A “LEARNING” TECH SITUATION FOR THE CLUB. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT WAYNE at dareheart@sc.rr.com or JOHN COCKERILL AT johntwilac@yahoo.com.

Frozen Speedo Drive Gear

by Tom Endy December 2023

When in the Course of human events it sometimes becomes necessary for a bunch of old Model A guys to resort to drastic measures to get a Model A rear end apart. This was the situation when the BLT Guys organization was in the process of installing a Mitchell overdrive in a 1930 Model A Tudor. The rear end had been removed from the car and the next task was to remove the torque tube. The speedo module had been removed from the front of the torque tube and the snap ring was removed from the front of the drive shaft. The next step was to easily slide the speedo drive gear off the end of the drive shaft....*we thought!* It would not budge and repeated prying and hammering would not budge it. Until the speedo drive gear was removed there was no way the torque tube could be slid off. It then becomes necessary for one people, the BLT Guys, to dissolve the political bonds which have connected them with the Model A kingdom, and to assume the judging standards do not apply, and drastic methods would have to be used. So we declared our independence from MAFCA and sawed the front of the torque tube and drive shaft off. With the torque tube off we found the speedo drive gear was frozen solid to the drive shaft.



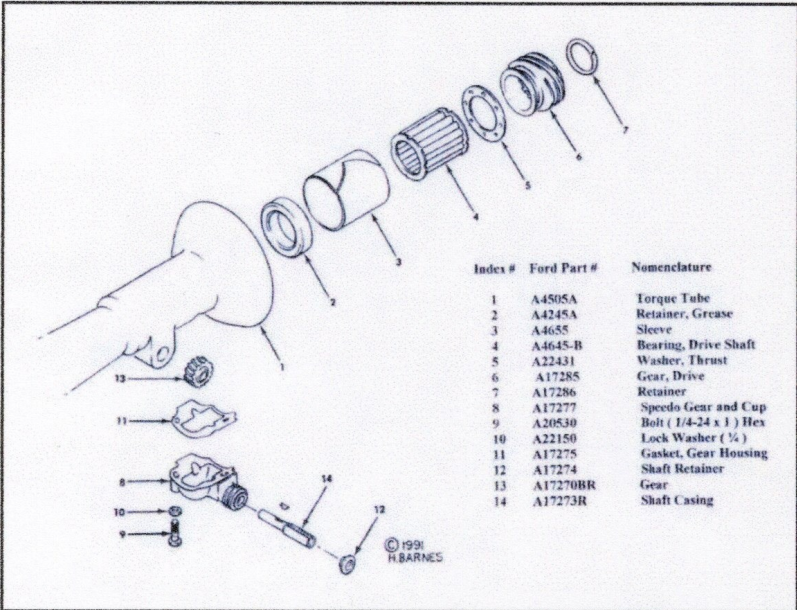
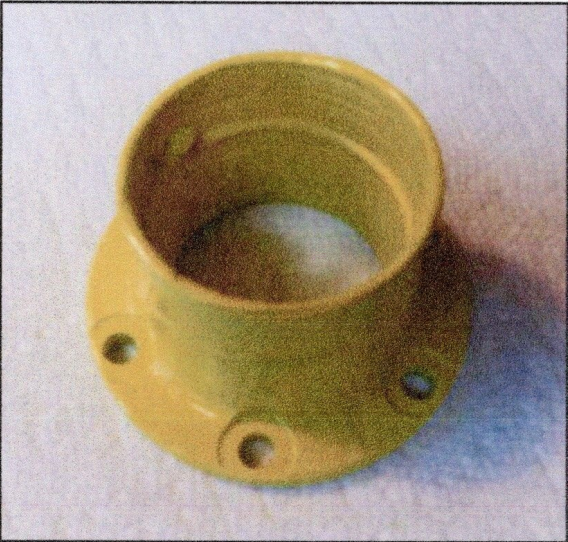
The front of the torque tube was sawed off



The speedo gear frozen solid to the drive shaft

The speedo drive gear is the second item from the right (item #6) in the drawing, it should easily slide off the end of the drive shaft once the snap ring is removed and the speedo cup (#8) blow the torque tube is removed.

The flange end of the torque tube was salvaged and used to make a puller-inner tool for installing Mitchell overdrives.



Santa Anita A's Member, Tom Endy, past editor of the Victoria Association Newsletter (The Bustle) for the has created the 20+ years of the work. Some of the articles and documents have been featured in the MAFCA Restorer Magazine, other club's websites, and some are not published anywhere but here: santaanitaas.org/tom-Endy's-tech-articles/. Enjoy, utilize, and learn!



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Due date for submissions
for the November 2024
issue is October 20th



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The Palmetto A's is a not for profit organization with chapter affiliations with MAFCA and MARC. The organization is dedicated to the preservation and the restoration of the Model A Ford automobile and supports membership in the national organizations dedicated to the same purpose. Palmetto A's is one of the oldest Model A Clubs in the nation, having been active for over 63 years. Monthly meetings are generally held the third Saturday of the month, time and location announced in *The Spare Tire*, the club's monthly newsletter. Palmetto A's membership dues are \$25 per year.

Members are encouraged to join the following national clubs:

Model A Ford Club of America.

Annual dues are \$50 and include a subscription to *The Restorer Magazine* from MAFCA, 250 South Cypress St., La Habra, CA 90631 and

Model 'A' Restorers Club

Annual dues are \$50 and include a subscription to the *Model 'A' News Magazine* from MARC, 6721 Merriman Road, Garden City, MI 48135

Benefits of National Club Memberships

Membership in MAFCA includes the following:

A one year subscription to The Restorer, our award- winning bi-monthly magazine including free classified ads.

The right to register and participate in all National and Regional MAFCA meets

Voting privileges in National elections of officers and by-laws revisions

Free classified advertising on the MAFCA web site and posting of photo of your car in the Photo Album section

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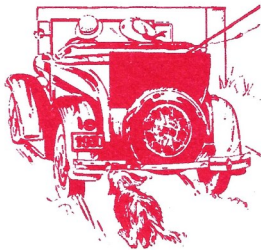
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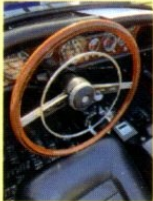
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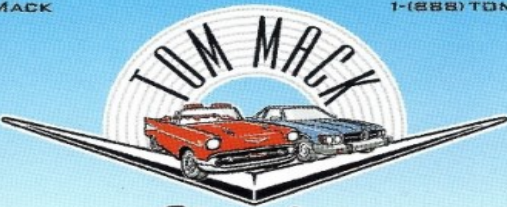


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