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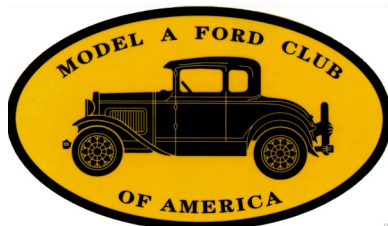
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"A" Note from the President...

In April we enjoyed a trip up to Greenwood to visit with the Old 96 Club and attend their "Swap Meet." We had 6 Model A's and 2 "moderns" with a total of 13 members. It was good to start getting back in monthly touring mode!

For May our club has two events planned! Our first outing will be Saturday the 8th. We are heading to Edgefield for their "Market on the Square". We plan to have lunch there also. We will be meeting at the Food Lion, 744 West Main St., Lexington and departing at 8 AM. Our second outing will be Saturday the 15th. We will be heading to Prosperity for "Cruzin' the Square". We will be having lunch here, also. We will be meeting at the Wal-Mart; 1180 Dutch Fork Rd. Irmo, SC. and departing at 10 AM. Please be "fueled up" and ready to ride. And don't forget the walkie-talkies.

We continue our planning for the **Palmetto A's Annual Swap Meet** to be held **June 11th & 12th** with "set up" on the 10th. We will need volunteers to help out (as in the past) with the duties that come with putting on this event. I look forward to these events we have planned and seeing even more of our members getting back into our monthly routine and having fun and fellowshiping in our Model A's. Remember, if your "A" is in the "repair or restore shop", you can still be a part of the fellowship in your "modern".

So let's dust'um off, gas'em up, and let's go "Model A'ing"!

John Cockerill



April 17 Tour to Old 96 Club Swap Meet

Dick Fraser and his new Sport Coupe

John Begg and Jacob with John's new Panel Delivery



May

Birthdays

Davin Smith - 9th

Cole McKinney - 11th

Keith Newman - 12th

Harold Jones - 17th

Frank Sox - 22nd

Chuck Lyons - 27th

Wyman Toole - 30th

Anniversaries

Tom & Sherry Mack - 3rd

Frank & Bobbie Sox - 9th

Carroll & Jacci Barker - 23rd

WANTED:

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

FOR THE SPARE TIRE

Must have computer skills

Current newsletter editor willing to teach “the ropes”

This is my seventh and final year as your newsletter editor. I have enjoyed working with everyone to publish *The Spare Tire* every month but it is time for someone new to take over. You all have until October to consider this position and I will answer any questions anyone has about being a newsletter editor. It can be fun and challenging at the same time. You get to work with a great bunch of people on the Palmetto Board of Directors and the club membership. And, like the sitcom Cheers, “It’s where everyone knows your name!” So, give it some serious consideration and see me if you have questions.


Twila

April 14, 2021

Dear Club Members and Model A Friends,

Thank you, each and all for the sympathy, kindness and support you have given my family and myself. Ann’s sudden death was devastating to us all.

Wes Porterfield



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Treasurer’s Report, April 2021

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. The club account balance is reported at each General Membership meeting.

Happy Begg, Treasurer



Sunshine Report

Please keep the following folks in your thoughts and prayers: Judy Barnes, Mary Day, Sara Koon, Mike Lewter and Wes Porterfield.

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.

Palmetto A's Board Meeting

26 April, 2021

President John Cockerill opened the meeting at 7:40am on April 26, 2021, at the I-Hop Restaurant in Columbia, SC, with the following in attendance: Cheryl Austin, John & Happy Begg, Sharon & Orville Booth, John & Twila Cockerill, Dick Fraser, and Wayne & Debbie Areheart.

The Minutes of the last Board meeting were not read as they were published in the Newsletter.

Happy had sent the Treasurer's report by email to the officers, a call for questions was presented but there were none, so the report was accepted as provided. No problems were reported with the Web Site at this time and members are encouraged to send photos of themselves with their Model A's to her for updating the site.

Twila reported all was well with the Newsletter at this time. Cheryl gave the Tour Director report with plans for the members to travel to Edgefield on Saturday, May 8. Meet at Lexington Food Lion at 8:00 AM to travel together. John Cockerill suggested lunch at Bob's Café.

President John relayed an invitation from Tom Mack to join the Cruzin' the Square event in Prosperity on May 15. It was decided to meet at the Ballentine WalMart at 10:00 AM to travel there together.

Much discussion was held on our Swap Meet to be held at Smith & Jones on June 11 and 12. Hamburgers and Hot Dogs with chips, cookies and soft drinks will be the menu at the same prices charged at our last Meet in 2019. Gloves will be provided so customers can add condiments themselves. Dick Fraser has distributed flyers to all potential vendors and given extras to Davin to hand out to his customers too. Members are encouraged to bring items for sale with no vendor fee. President John and John Begg will purchase the door prizes, and a 50/50 drawing will be held each day.

Wayne Areheart will check on the possibility of traveling to a BBQ restaurant in the Augusta area for our membership meet on July 17th.

Suggestion for August 21st meeting is to tour the Lexington Museum with lunch at Piggie Park.

The Low Country A's have invited us to join them in Lone Star for lunch on September 11th for International Model A Day which would count as our September meeting.

A picnic is suggested for October 16th at the St James Lutheran Church pavilion where the slate of 2022 officers will be presented.

A suggestion to tour Mepkin Abbey in Moncks Corner on November 20th to include the election of officers for 2022.

Tom Mack has invited the Club to use his facilities in Prosperity for the Christmas Party on December 11th, and all present were in favor of accepting. Members will be encouraged to dress in period clothing.

New Business: John Begg made a suggestion that the Club plan a Tech Session soon. Orville Booth suggested that steering adjustment may be a good topic and several other suggestions were made.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 AM.

Submitted by
Sharon Booth, Secretary

MAFFI Newsletter Minute
April 2021
Buy A Brick

One of the ways that you can support the museum is to purchase a brick for the walkways in front of the museum. There are currently 20 spaces left in front of the museum under the gas station canopy but we have prepared another area and will be utilizing it as more orders come in. The cut-off date is June 1st for installation at the museum on the 2021 Model A Day. If you have been thinking about ordering a brick 'In Memory' or 'In Honor' of someone near and dear to you, or if your club/region doesn't have a brick at the museum with its name on it, now would be a great time to do it. Each brick is \$150 and the form can be found at www.maffi.org. Just go to the tab that says Store and go to Just a Brick. There will be an order form for you to download.

Make your Reservations for Model A Day 2021

Our Host Hotel is ready for you to start making your reservations! You can easily do this by going to www.maffi.org. Just go to the tab that says INFO and follow it to the link for Model A Day. The Gilmore is open and running with required Covid Restrictions in place. We hope that you will be excited to come and enjoy our museum as well as the other fun activities, seminars, swap meet and tire-kicking that goes along with any Model A get-together! We look forward to seeing you there on Saturday, September 18th. (If you come a day early, there will be a few seminars on Friday afternoon and evening.)

Thank you,

Marsha Quesnel, MAFFI Trustee

clubcontact@maffi.org



MODEL A SAFETY CHECK LIST

	Yes	No		Yes	No
Body			STEERING		
1. Doors close and latch securely.			1. Tie-Rod correctly installed and tight-ened. No excessive wear and properly lubricated.		
2. Safety glass installed in all windows.			2. Drag link correctly installed and tight-ened. No excessive wear and properly lubricated.		
3. Rear view mirror state approved.			3. No excessive play in steering wheel (2" maximum).		
Engine			BRAKES		
1. Carburetor free of leaks.			1. Properly adjusted on all four wheels.		
2. All gas lines free of leaks.			2. Emergency brake properly adjusted (Locks at 3rd notch).		
3. Gas gauge free of leaks.			3. Brake pedal travel properly adjusted (See Service Adjustments)		
4. Approved type gas lines installed.			4. Brake rods and clevis pins correct with cotter pins.		
5. Wiring free of bare areas and prop-erly routed.			MISCELLANEOUS		
6. Fuse installed between starter con-nection and terminal box connection.			1. Registration and insurance papers in vehicle.		
7. Fan hub and blades free of defects.			2. Safety flares and first aid kit in vehicle.		
8. General condition of engine compart-ment neat and orderly.			3. Horn and windshield wiper operational.		
9. Air filter / spark arrestor installed on carburetor.			4. Tool kit and flashlight in vehicle.		
10. Throttle linkage - no bends and returns freely.			5. Seat belts installed and functional.		
11. Exhaust system - no leaks.			<hr/>		
WHEELS			CAR OWNER		
1. All lug nuts properly tightened - 64 ft. lbs.			<hr/>		
2. Tire pressure - 34 lbs.			CHIEF INSPECTOR		
3. Tire condition - acceptable tread, no breaks.			<hr/>		
4. All four (4) shocks installed and working.			Date Inspected <hr/>		
5. No front wheel shimmy					
LIGHTS					
1. High beam and low beam operational					
2. Taillights and stoplights operational (no burned out bulbs)					
3. Directional indicators operational (if installed)					

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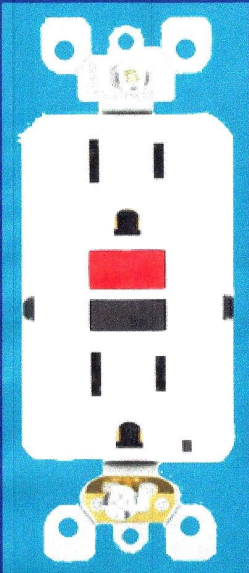
longshoreman cap



skimmer boater

Jim's technical tip

by Jim Cannon,



We all have these electrical outlets in the garage, outside the home, in the bathroom, in the kitchen that cut off the power (Interrupt the Current) if they detect a bad electrical connection in something (a Ground Fault). So they call them Ground Fault Current Interrupt, or GFCI, outlets and they help keep you from getting electrocuted.

We were in our house in Houston for almost 30 years and I never gave them much thought. We had a bunch of them, and I assumed they worked... Boy, was I wrong!

As it turns out, you need to TEST them about once a year or so. They go bad with time, especially those exposed to the elements. They have a TEST button built right into them that you press, to see it trip (and a Reset button to turn them back on after a trip).

[insert picture of front face of GFCI here]

I was doing a lot of work around the house a couple of years ago when we were preparing to sell it. Holly and I pressure washed the floor of the garage and I vacuumed up the water with an electric shop vac as we went. It turns out, that tingling feeling I was getting while running the shop vac was not from my True Love working right next to me. I had a bad electrical connection (extension cord) in that water and the GFCI never tripped!

I was lucky I was not hurt. I never, in over 25 years, tested a GFCI. Don't push your luck like I did. Please go test the ones you have that you rely on, and replace any that fail.

Stay safe, and "Have a Model A Day!" Jim



Courtesy of MAFCA

Sharpening Your Accessory Knowledge

Diann Eason
Model A Ford Club of Colorado



On your travels in your Model A, stopping at antique shops can be a treasurer hunt looking for those accessories for your era fashion ensembles. You may be surprised how easy it is to add smaller fashion accessories to your Model A back seat or package deck. Check out the full website article on pocket knives for men and women, *Sharpening Your Accessory Knowledge* at

https://www.mafca.com/ef_articles.html.



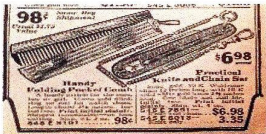
A few of the productive manufacturers during 1928-1931 were: US Wallkill River Works, Walden New York The New York Knife Company, Colonial Providence RI, and Shapleigh Hardware Company/Diamond Edge Company, Boker Knife Company, Solingen Germany and the United States of America, Hammer Brand Knives, and the Camillus Knife Company.



Look for the name of the knife and/or manufacturer on one of the blades near the hub of the knife. This is referred to as the **tang stamp**. The knife could have any number of blades located at one hub, at opposite ends of the knife, or a combination.

The knives varied in length from two- and- one half inches up to seven- and- three fourth inches. Various materials were used for the handles; wood, ivory, polished steel, pearl, brass, celluloid, silver, bone known as stag handles.

Men and women in era could carry a pocket knife for various ensembles and occupations. A well-dressed man could wear a pocket knife in a vest pocket with a chain similar to a watch fob. A golfer might have used a pocket knife to clean the dirt from the cleats of his shoes. A woman could have a small knife in her purse for personal protection or to make adjustments of the points on her Model A. Larger knives with a blunt blade would have been used as an utility knife.



Era pocket knives can add interesting information to the written description of your fashion ensembles, valuable points toward the final score, and a bit of spark to

the entrant's overall appearance.

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- ½ cup milk
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- ¼ cup cocoa
- ½ cup peanut butter
- 2½ cups quick oats
- ¼ cup chopped peanuts
- 2 tsp vanilla

bring sugar, milk, butter, and cocoa to a rolling boil and cook for 1½ minutes. Remove from heat and add oats, nuts, vanilla and peanut butter. Beat until well blended. Drop by spoonfuls onto wax paper and cool.



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
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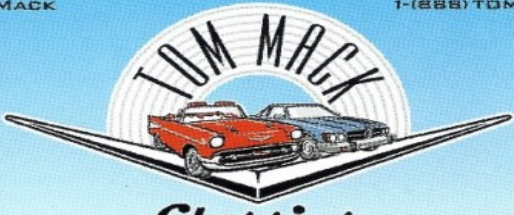
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Down the Road

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, daustino02@sc.rr.com. They are looking for your ideas and input!

Palmetto A's Schedule for 2021

- MAY 8** - Edgefield's Market on the Square
- May 15** - Cruzin' the Square, Prosperity, SC
- JUNE 11-12** - Palmetto A's Annual Swap Meet at Smith & Jones
- July 17** - TBA Toward Augusta?
- August 21** - Lexington County Museum and lunch
- September 11** - International Model A Day, tour to be determined.

Other Events of Interest

- 2021**
- June 7-11** [MARC National Meet](#), Oshkosh WI
 - June 20-25** [MAFCA National Tour](#) in New Hampshire. Watch for details!
 - September 9-11** [Charlotte AutoFair](#) Charlotte, NC
 - October 6-9** [Hershey Fall Swap Meet](#) Hershey, PA



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