

The Spare Tire Palmetto Hs of South Carolina



PO Box 8717 Columbia, South Carolina 29202 Model A Ford Club of America Chapter Model A Restorers Club Region Model A Ford Foundation, Inc.

Website: <u>www.palmettoas.net</u> Facebook: <u>Palmetto A's of SC</u>





"A" Note from the President...

First let me start by offering my congratulations to Happy Begg for again being elected to the MAFCA Board of Directors. Happy, we are proud to have you, a person with such passion and enthusiasm for our club and hobby, as a member of the Palmetto A's and the Model A Ford Club of America.

The Palmetto A's enjoyed a beautiful October day for our trip to McLeod's Farm and Blizzard Branch Milling & Syrup & Company near McBee, SC. We had 9 A's and three "moderns" to make this tour. Unfortunately we had one "A", that shortly after we started our tour, to experience engine problems severe enough to warrant being towed home.

For our **November 21**st "tour/outing", we will head west to Ridge Spring, SC. where they are having a **Craft Show/Farmers Market** on their "new" town square. They are supposed to have "Food Trucks" available and there are three restaurants across the street and next to the town square. They are Junipers, The Blue Canoe and Miguelitos Mexican. (you can check their menus online) Also just a five minute drive is Roadside BBQ. **All of these have TAKE OUT ONLY.**





Come Join Us November 21st for our Town Market and Christmas Open House starts at 9:00 am until 2:00 pm

See notes about departure in the president's letter $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left$









The Spare Tire

Due date for submissions for the December 2020 issue is November 20th

DUES NOTICE

Please respond in a timely manner. Deadline is 15 February, 2021!

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION RESULTS

October 25 - Your votes were cast and counted by volunteers at MAFCA headquarters. The following candidates were elected to a 2-year term beginning January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2022:











Happy Begg Irmo SC Robert Bullard

Ruth Janke Dean Potter

Bill Truesdell

Editor's Note....

Because of the current virus situation, this November will be a new experience for all. As we move into the holiday season, we need to be mindful of the emotional needs of everyone who is quarantined, hospitalized or in a nursing facility. We can't visit but we can show them we care with calls, emails and cards. Show the world a little love!

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Board of Directors

President* - John Cockerill (803)446-3837 Vice President* - Cheryl and Danny Austin (803)351-5687

Secretary* - <u>Sharon Booth</u> (803)422-9846

Treasurer* - <u>Happy Begg</u> (803)622-0048

Newsletter Editor* - Twila Cockerill (803)446-5803

Membership Director - Cheryl Austin (803)351-5687

Past President - Happy Begg (803)622-0048

National Director* - Wayne and Debbie Areheart (803)755-9395

Member At Large - Wes Porterfield (803)331-0918 *Denotes Officer of the Club

Committee Chairs

Tour Director - Cheryl and Danny Austin (803)351-5687 Technical Director Wayne Areheart (803)755-9395 Librarian - Davin Smith (803)822-4141

Sunshine -

Palmetto A's Annual Picnic - Committee

Swap Meet - Committee

Christmas Party - Committee

Fundraising - Dick Fraser

Community Outreach - John Begg

Webmaster - Happy Begg

Website: www.palmettoas.net

Treasurer's Report, October, 2020

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: everyone touched by COVID-19 and all the caregivers.

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.















17 October, 2020

McLeod Farm
and Blizzard

Branch Milling &
Syrup Company

Photos by John Cockerill



USING BEADS TO ENHANCE ERA FASHIONS

By Rosie Cassou, Cruisin A's of Hemet, CA

During the Model A Era, you would find beads hand sewn on evening dresses, lace, head gear, purses and in the jewelry worn for daytime and evening. Great care should be taken with the cleaning of any dress, lace, gloves or outfit that has vintage beads attached to it, to not ruin the color or appearance of these hard to find vintage items.













Using Beads to Enhance ERA fashions

www.mafca

September 2018



The Hen House Ministry

Bake Sale, Queen Quilt Raffle and Yard Sale

Saturday, November 21, 2020 9:00 am—1:00 pm 1556 Whetstone Road (Hwy 3) Swansea SC

You may call 803-568-549 or email thehenhouseminitry@gmail.com for \$1.00 raffle tickets for the queen size double wedding ring quilt or you may purchase tickets in person.

You need not be present to win.





Cook's Corner...

FRIED FRUIT PIES

5 c. flour

1 tsp. baking powder

1 tsp. salt

1 tsp. sugar

1 c. butter

2 eggs

1 (13 oz.) can evaporated milk with

1 Tbsp. vegetable oil added COLD pie filling (your choice)

Glaze:

2 c. powdered sugar

2-4 Tbsp. milk (as needed)

1 tsp vanilla extract

Mix first seven ingredients. Roll dough out as thin as you possibly can and still keep it from breaking. Cut a circle the size you want and put fruit filling on half. Fold other half over and pinch edges together good. Mix glaze ingredients and set aside. Fry in deep fat fryer; cool and dip in glaze. Any kind of pie filling is good, but works best to have filling cold so dough won't get soft before frying. Dough will keep as long as 2 weeks if stored in a covered container in refrigerator.



Until further notice, the days of the week are now called thisday, thatday, otherday, someday, yesterday, today and nextday!

Henry's Anti-theft System

by Tom Endy

Horse thieves and car thieves have one thing in common, they have to be quick about it. If the project is going to take some time they will move on to a better prospect. Henry came up with a unique anti-theft system for the Model A. Though it is not fool proof, it is time consuming, and it is thus not that easy to hot wire a Model A Ford.

The ignition system on a Model A is very simple. Battery power is applied directly to one side of the primary of the coil through a black wire attached to one of the wing nut terminals on the firewall. The red wire from the other primary side of the coil sneaks its way into the terminal block opposite the black wire, but is not connected to anything inside. Instead the wire runs up to the dash panel and connects directly to the ignition key switch.

When the key is switched off (the pop-out pushed in) there is no electrical connection made to the coil. In addition the arm side of the switch is connected direct to ground when switched to the off position. The ground prevents someone from going inside the distributor and successfully connecting a hot wire because the points will have a ground on them and the hot wire will not work.

A wire is connected to the arm side of the ignition switch and runs down through an armored cable to the distributor delivering battery voltage to the ignition points. The cable is very tough and there is no way you can cut through it with a hack saw. On the end of the armored cable is a threaded coupler that screws into the distributor housing. In order to thread (or unthread) the connector, the distributor has to be removed from the engine. And before you can do that you have to unbolt the head bolt nut clamping the cable to the number 8 stud.

The only way you can hot wire a Model A is to unbolt the clamp from the number 8 stud, unbolt the locking nut on the side of the head, remove the distributor from the head and while holding it in your hands, unscrew the distributor from the armored cable. Some type of wiring device would then have to be inserted inside connector boss of the distributor to make electrical contact and have a length of wire attached with a clip lead on it.

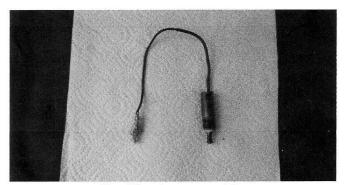
The distributor would then have to be reinstalled in the head and the clip lead attached to the low side of the primary of the coil after the existing wire has been removed. All this will take some amount of time, providing you have the right tools with you and know which is the low side of the coil.

There is, however, a down side to Henry's anti-theft system. It has a tendency to fail now and then and leave you stranded unable to start the car. The wire inside the armored cable can become disconnected or short out. The switch itself can become defective and lose the connection, or short out. In many cases the malfunction is intermittent and it is difficult to determine what is causing the problem.

This is where an ignition bypass cable comes in handy. It is the same device a thief would use if he wanted to hot wire and steal the car and had plenty of time to do it. The cable is made up from a discarded pop-out cable. What is needed is the connector portion that screws into the distributor. A wire with a clip lead is attached to the other end.

When a pop-out cable or ignition switch failure is suspected. Remove the existing cable as previously described and screw the bypass cable into the distributor and attach the clip lead to the coil. The car should then start. In order to shut the engine off you have to remove the clip lead.

Most modern day Model A hobbyist who do a lot of touring carry a bypass cable and do not connect the armored cable to the number 8 stud. The clamp is discarded and a spacer is put under the number 8 nut to compensate for the longer stud. Removing a head bolt nut while out on the road is not a good idea. It can allow the head to warp and dump water into the oil pan.



Ignition bypass cable

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



MAFFI Newsletter Minute October 2020

The Model A Ford Museum is pleased to announce the newest pin for your collection.

Since we were unable to have an official Model A Day this year, it was decided that we would create a pin as a fund raiser to help us raise money that would have normally come from our event. To keep with the First Responder theme we have decided to feature our Fire Truck that is on permanent display at the museum and is featured in our First Responder Display. This vehicle was donated to the museum by Jerry Austin.

If you or your club would like to purchase these pins, the cost is \$7.00 per pin which includes postage. Remember that it is more cost effective for us to ship them in larger quantities although we will honor individual requests. Also remember that this is a tax deductible donation!

<u>Send your requested number of pins and a check payable to MAFFI to:</u>

Suzan O'Neal

477 Beaver Pond Way

Mineral, VA 23117

Thank you for your continued support of the Model A Ford Museum and to MAFFI.

Thank you,

Marsha Quesnel, MAFFI Trustee

clubcontact@maffi.org









A World Magazine A MAFCA Publication

Have you downloaded the most recent edition of A World Magazine? Click on the link, download the magazine and print! This is a great magazine with fun for all ages!

http://www.mafca.com/downloads/Youth/A-World.pdf

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 60 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 \$45 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

Technical advice to help restore your Model A and keep it in top shape

National MARC Membership Includes:

Six issues each calendar year of our award- winning, international, bi-monthly Model 'A' News magazine.

Includes detailed technical and Era fashion articles, Model A historical articles, coverage of National Meets and Region News, classified ads, and vendor ads - a great source of information for parts and services

From 64 to 72 pages each issue. Excellent quality coated paper with color, and black and white photography.







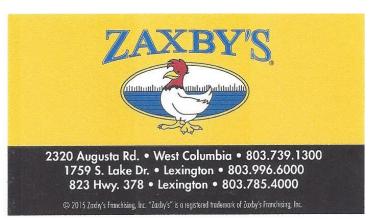














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Down the Road

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, daustinoo2@sc.rr.com. They are looking for your ideas and input!

Palmetto A's Schedule for 2020

November 21 - Ridge Spring Town Market and Craft Fair

December - TBA

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January 16 - Chicken Bog at the Austin's

WE WILL CONTINUE TO UPDATE
THE CALENDAR OF CLUB EVENTS
ON A MONTH BY MONTH BASIS
IN ACCORDANCE WITH SOCIALLY
DISTANCING GUIDELINES.

Other Events of Interest

2021

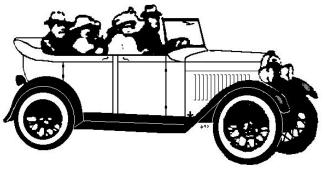
April 9-11 MARC Membership Meet 2021 in Bay City, MI

June 20-25 MAFCA National Tour in New Hampshire. Watch for details!

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At the store there was a big "X" by the register for me to stand on.....
I've seen too many Road Runner cartoons to fall for that one!



