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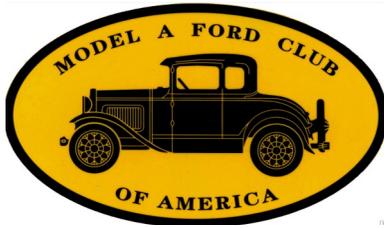
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"A" Note from the President...

It seems that some days winter isn't ready to let go just yet! However, for our annual picnic we had a beautiful sunny, although very blustery day. We had a good turn out with 34 in attendance which included very welcomed friends from the Old 96 A's and Shade Tree A's clubs. There were 11 Model A's from the Palmetto A's and 2 from the Old 96 clubs, plus one visiting couple driving their Model A. We enjoyed sharing an abundant picnic lunch with wonderful deserts. I want to thank all who brought items for our silent auction and, of course, to those who made purchases. Also thanks to the Austins and the Arehearts for their preparation and the use of their church facilities and a big thank you Danny for bringing our club trailer.

Our next outing will be on Friday April 15th. We are heading to Greenwood to attend the Old 96 Swap Meet. **We will meet at 1180 Dutch Fork Rd., the Irmo Wal-Mart and leave promptly at 9:00 a.m.** Be fueled up and have your walkie talkies. We'll have lunch at the swap meet. See details on this page.

I look forward to seeing you all for another opportunity to enjoy our model A's. Remember, if your "A" is 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

16th Annual All Model A Parts Swap Meet Old 96 District Model A Club

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April 15 - 16, 2022

Friday 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday 8:00 AM - UNTIL



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Palmetto A's April 15, 2022 Tour

We will depart from the Wal-Mart (1180 Dutch Fork Rd in Irmo) at 9 a.m. sharp. We will be travelling to Greenwood for the Old 96 Club's Annual Swap Meet.





Editor's Note.....

Spring has sprung! We can all tell by all the pollen floating through the air!
 I lost my cell phone last week. We had stopped at a rest area and I accidentally left it in the ladies room. We turned around as soon as possible to retrieve it. I had my daughter track it and she said it was still at the rest area and I had her ping it every few minutes to keep track of it. In less than five minutes, it was turned off. It had not been picked up by a good Samaritan! I immediately call the carrier and had the phone disabled. I wondered why anyone would want to keep a cell phone they could not access or try to use with any cell phone carrier and my son-in-law said that it could be dismantled and the parts sold.

The point of sharing this story is the security I had on the phone. Our family shares our cell phone locations through Life360, a map app. That was how my daughter was able to locate my phone. I also chose to have THREE STEP process to gain access to my phone: facial recognition, a fingerprint and a password. The moral of the story is don't leave your cell phone! But more importantly, please make sure that you use all the security available to keep the information in your cell phone safe and private. I was upset about the loss of the phone, but I panicked when I thought of all the information I had stored on it. Then I remembered all the security steps I had set up. Yes, it takes a little more time to access my cell phone when I need it, but it is worth the time and peace of mind knowing my information is secure. If you haven't set up a security system for you cell phone, now is the time!

See you on the 15th for our tour to Greenwood!

Twila

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Sunshine Report

Please keep the following folks in your thoughts and prayers: Judy Barnes, Richard Buff, Calvin LeNeve, Wes Porterfield , JP Temple, Wyman Toole and Donna Edge on the loss of her mother.

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.

Treasurer's Report, March, 2022

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.

Dick Fraser, Treasurer

Palmetto A's Board Meeting

March 8, 2022

President John Cockerill called the meeting to order at 8:20. In attendance were Wayne and Debbie Areheart, Cheryl Austin, John and Happy Begg, John and Twila Cockerill, Dick Fraser and Wes Porterfield.

The Treasurer's report was given by Dick Fraser. He will be sending a memorial donation to Newberry College in honor of Eddie Seastrunk.

Happy Begg reported that she posted the new club apparel catalogue on the website.

Dick Fraser reported that the mileage numbers have been submitted for the mileage program.

Twila Cockerill reported that the newsletter advertisers were sent invoices for the current year. She has received payments from three advertisers to date.

Cheryl Austin reported that we have 37 paid club memberships and five life members. She also went over the monthly tour plans for the next few months which are posted on the last page of this newsletter. Suggestions were made for upcoming tours which included touring Camden's new Revolutionary War Center.

Wayne Areheart gave a report of the tech session that was held March 5th. They had eight members in attendance.

Old Business:

Club apparel: Ordering was discussed and it was decided that orders would be taken at club meetings and turned in quarterly. Catalogue and order sheet are posted on the website.

Change of club bylaws: A club vote to change the bylaws concerning the club dues cut-off date was discussed. The change must be posted in the newsletter at least once before the vote can take place, which will happen later this year.

New Business:

Cheryl Austin proposed that we change the Budget Meeting / Chicken Bog from January to February.

Twila Cockerill stated that this would also help ease the stress of doing the budget and bank audit during the holidays.

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

Submitted by

Twila Cockerill



**Palmetto A's Annual Picnic
St James Lutheran Church
26 March, 2022**



Jim's technical tip

by Jim Cannon,

"The Right Tool for the Job" - Part 1



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I've been working with a new Model A mechanic lately, which reminded me of some basics on choosing the right tool for the job. Today we talk about choosing wrenches and sockets for use on nuts and bolts. The thing that determines your choice is how well you need to grip the hex, to allow you to apply the torque (twist) you need... and your access to the nut or bolt head.

Best Grip
(highest torque)



6-point socket and box end

Rusted and seized nuts and bolts need the torque from the wrenches at the top. And some good penetrating oil! Until next time,

Have a Model A Day! Jim



12-point socket and box end wrench



Flare-nut wrenches

Open-end wrench



Crescent wrench



Slip-joint pliers

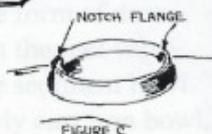
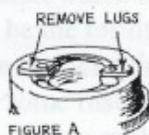


Poor Grip
(can chew up the nut or bolt - don't use them)

Courtesy of MAFCA

SECURING RADIATOR ORNAMENTS

If a quail or other permanent base, flip-top radiator ornament fits loosely or is chipped, it may come off too easily. This procedure will remedy the situation and make the ornament solid - removable only with an Allen wrench. My quail used to fit so loosely that I removed it whenever I left the Ford unattended. Remove the brass lugs on the bottom of your cap. These are usually held on with Allen head screws. See figure A. Cut a piece of metal bar with the same width as the removed lugs. The bar should be about the same thickness as the lugs. The length of the bar should be as long as possible within the diameter of the radiator neck under the flange. Test the cut bar for fit. It should have about 3/16" play on the ends. Drill and tap the bar to accommodate the Allen head screws. See Figure B. Some of the material may have to be removed from the area of the lugs on the cap base. If so, file very carefully and remove only the necessary material for the bar to fit snugly. Notch the radiator neck flange with a small file (or a broken round file chucked in an electric drill) where the new bar will be when the cap is in place. File and fit until this notch is as deep as practical for your cap. See Figure C. With the new locking bar loosely attached, put the cap on and tighten the Allen head screws. As the screws are tightened, the bar will be pulled up into the notches, holding the base firmly. The bar does cover part of the radiator opening, but it doesn't keep you from checking the coolant level nor does it interfere with the overflow tube.

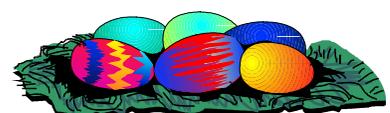


Courtesy of MAFCA

MAFFI Newsletter Minute-March 2022 Model A Days 2022, at the Model A Ford Museum in the Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, Michigan will be a two-day event this year. Mark your calendar for September 16 and 17, 2022. For more details on the event, go to the Model "A" Ford Foundation site at www.maffi.org. Once on the site, select the Model A Days tab. This will bring up a list of information answer most of your questions and provide a link to register for the fee to participate events (AirZoo, BBQ and Learn to Drive a Mode A Class).

Also, if needed, purchase entry tickets on <https://gilmorecarmuseum.org>.

Thank you,
Marsha DuBreuil, MAFFI
clubcontact@maffi.org





HELP US CELEBRATE

MODEL A YOUTH MONTH THIS MAY

Since the 1950s and 60s, the Model A hobby hasn't been exactly overwhelmed with young folks. Well, sir, the **Model A Youth Restoration Award** program is trying to correct that. We are looking to expose as many kids to the Model A Ford as possible, around the country and abroad. We feel that the Model A experience can still appeal to today's youth IF they are exposed to it. **With the support of both national organizations – MARC and MAFA – we are declaring May 2022 as the inaugural Model A Youth month and we ask ALL clubs to do an event that focuses on children and teens but encourage mom and dad to attend, too.**

This needs to be a sensory experience to appeal to them – the kids need to hear, smell, see and touch the cars. The automobiles need to be in context historically – in many cases as cars their great or great- great grandparents may have driven in an era when a new car cost as little as under \$400 (but 64% of the population made under \$5,000 per year!) And the vehicles should be presented as functioning cars and trucks, not museum pieces.

So, let's get our cars out to where the kids are: to the schools; youth groups (Boy and Girl Scouts, Police Athletic Leagues, 4-H, FFA, Boys and Girls Clubs, and church or temple associated youth groups.) Tie in your local Ford dealership or a business celebrating nearly a century in business. Don't be shy about local car shows or Cars and Coffee. Check with your local community museum and set up a "show and tell" with them.

Please check our website: <https://www.modelarestorationaward.org/> for more ideas and resources for **Model A Youth month.**

DO SOMETHING – THINK YOUTH and share with them their month, M A Y.

Cook's Corner....

Chocolate Chip Pie Bars

- 2 pie crusts (might not need quite all of it)
- 3 eggs
- ¾ c flour
- ¾ c sugar
- ¾ c brown sugar
- 1 c + 2 tablespoon butter, softened
- 2 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 ½ c chocolate chips
- 1 ½ c chopped nuts, optional

Preheat oven to 325°F.
 Unroll the packaged pie crust and press into an 8x8 or 9x13 pan. You'll want to cover the bottom of the pan and about 1" up the sides. Set aside.
 In a large bowl, whisk the eggs until foamy.
 Add the flour, sugar and brown sugar and mix well.
 Mix in the softened butter and vanilla, then the chocolate chips and nuts.
 Pour the batter into the crust and use a spatula to create a smooth top.
 Bake for 45-50 minutes or until almost set. A toothpick halfway between the center and the edge should come out clean.
 Let cool, cut into bars and serve warm with whipped topping and/or ice cream, if desired.



Slide Fasteners

By Perry Jones, Piney Wood Model A Ford Club



Are you curious about the history of the "Clasp Locker", "Judson C-curity Fastener", or "Separable Fastener"? Many years later, we now call this device a *zipper*.

The two images to the left are from the same Talon advertisement found in the 1931 Ladies Home Journal. "Traveling Case – equipped with a Talon Slide Fastener. It can be opened or closed in an instant – but it can't come open accidentally."



If you are heading to the beach
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Read the full article on the MAFA Website at: http://www.mafca.com/ef_articles.html



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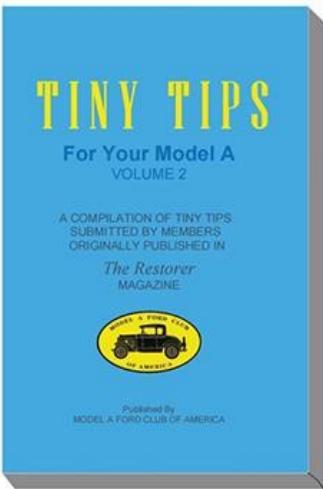
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Members are encouraged to join the following national clubs:

- 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
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DID YOU KNOW?

The MAFCA website has a list of Tech videos.
Check them out here: <https://www.mafca.com/videos.html#technical>

Benefits of National Club Memberships

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- 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
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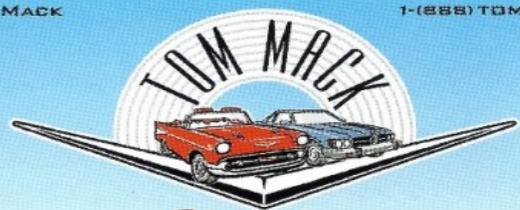
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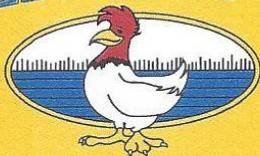


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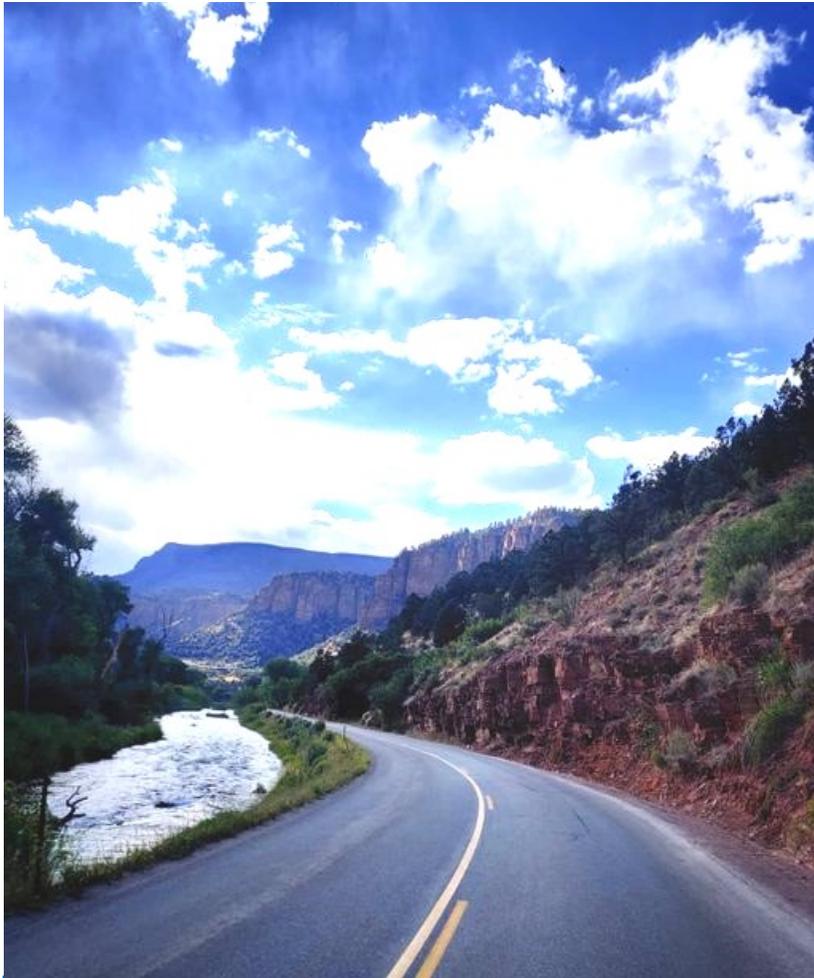
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Down the Road

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Palmetto A's Schedule for 2022

April 15 (Friday) - Old 96 Annual Swap Meet

May 7 - Visit the Henhouse in Swansea, then lunch at the Breadbasket in Blackville

May 21 - Magnolia Ridge Antique & Art Festival, dinner at Old McDonald's Fish Camp in North Augusta.

June 24-25 - Palmetto A's Annual Swap Meet at Smith & Jones (set-up is 23rd)

July 16 - TBA

August 20 - TBA

September 17 - TBA

Other Events of Interest

2022

April 15-16 Old Ninety Six 16th Annual Model A and Model T Parts swap meet in Greenwood, SC

June 5-11 MARC 2022 National Meet, Morgantown, PA

June 12-17 MAFCA National Convention Kerrville, TX



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