

The Ohio Valley Region's News

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## Director's Column: Tony Topicz



The holiday season is now upon us and our annual auction has been completed. We had a good turn out for the auction, but the bidding was low. I want to thank our auction panel & auctioneer, Conrad Gerdes, for another fine job. The election of officers was also one of the major items for this November meeting. I want to thank our non-elected support people for their wonderful help for my past two year term. I do want to thank Mr. Art Foreman for his outstanding work as vice director. His job was much more demanding with the Christmas party, election, activity counting, and his joint run Mystery Tour. I can't forget to thank Kaleb Green for all his help in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance at meetings and selecting split-the-pot winners. I want to thank you all for supporting the club and me as director.

I hope you have a great & healthy holiday and New Year. Your past director, Tony Topicz.

## What you missed at the November meeting and auction!



Art and BJ Forman recapped their October Mystery Tour. Larry Arnold received a Toilet Seat Award for carb problems before the start of the tour. Bob and Angel Noe won the free dinner raffle for our holiday party. Our auctioneer, Conrad Gerdes, did an excellent job. His assistant, Bob Green, kept us all entertained. Ralph and Priscilla Hicks were able to come to the meeting, Ralph even helped identify a starter at the auction. The auction always brings in a crowd!

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## National Club News

### Model A Restorer's Club (MARC)

- Each member receives an award winning magazine "The Model A News" published bi-monthly. It features fantastic articles and information about the Model A Ford.
- If you are looking for a Model A you may find one in the "Cars for Sale" section in the Model A News which is free to all members of MARC. The same is true if you are looking to sell a car or parts. The "Wanted" section will give you an opportunity to find a part you may be looking for.
- You and your family will be able to attend national conventions designed for "Fun for the Whole Family".

MARC: <https://model-a-ford.org/>

### DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE MARC NATIONAL EVENTS?

**2020 MARC Membership Meet**  
**Plymouth, Indiana**  
**April 2—4, 2020**

Visit the beautiful countryside of Indiana's heartland at Swan Lake Resort and U.S. Golf Academy. Located 70 miles from Chicago and Fort Wayne, it is centrally located for Model A Regions throughout the USA. It is near many attractions: the Amish shops of Rentown, Goshen and Shipshewana, the Studebaker Museum, Notre Dame University, and the South Bend Chocolate Factory and Museum.

Early reservations are recommended. Accommodations include deluxe rooms, suites, log cabins, cottages, fairway villas, fairway houses and RV hookups. Prices start at \$99 per day and include a breakfast buffet. Tee times are available at a reduced rate. To make reservations, phone (800) 935-5616 and mention "Model A Group." The overflow hotel is the Holiday Inn Express & Suites in Plymouth, IN; phone (844) 818-1749. Again, mention "Model A Group" to get the \$99 rate. For more information about Swan Lake, visit [swanlakeresort.com](http://swanlakeresort.com) and take the virtual tour.

Speakers and activities are already being planned and include an expert on Henry Ford's aviation enterprises. You will be surprised at Henry's innovations and patents in aviation.

**2020 MARC National Meet**  
**June 1-5, 2020**

You do not want to miss the sights and sounds of Model A's taking over the town of Oshkosh Wisconsin! You must be a member of the Model A Restorers Club to participate. More details to come as they become available.

### Editor's Column: By Jarrod Williams

I want to thank everyone for another year of continued support with the newsletter and the material in it. I could not do it without the help of everyone that contributes. Jim Rupp for taking pictures at meetings and proofing the newsletter before it is sent out. Thanks to the officers for submitting their information. And of course my wonderful wife, Melissa, for supporting me and proofing the newsletters at the last moment. If you have any suggestions on how we can make this a better newsletter or have content to contribute, please feel free to contact me. Happy holidays!

### OVRMAC Personalized Club Name Tag

Personalized name tags in the shape of a Model A Ford can be ordered from:

Brenda Owens  
5937 McMicken Drive  
Milford, OH 45150  
(513) 254-1035

Cost: \$10.00 (tag with pin)  
\$12.50 (tag with magnet)



### OVRMAC Personalized Apparel

There is no need to wait for multiple orders to be placed for club apparel. You may order at any time. OVRMAC club shirts, jackets, etc. can be purchased at Black-Out Tee's located in the Eastgate Mall. The company has our logo in digital format and can help you place an order.

**Please Contact:**  
**[Black Out Tee's](#)**  
**[4601 Eastgate Blvd](#)**  
**[Cincinnati, OH 45243](#)**  
**[\(513\) 604-8337](#)**

## Tie Rod Installation

By: Tom Endy

Taken from: <http://www.santaanitaas.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/Tie-Rod-Installation-Restorer-Magazine-Nov-Dec-2013.pdf>

For many years, I believed the only way you could install or remove a Model A tie rod was by first removing the front backing plates. This is to allow access to the large screwdriver slot retainers in each end of the tie rod that have to be removed before the tie rod can be lifted off the spindle arm balls. However, I recently learned from Bran Thompson, a friend and fellow Model A hobbyist, that the tie rod can be installed and removed with the front backing plates in place. I didn't think it was possible, but it certainly can be done.

### **Installation:**

With both front backing plates already installed, remove the spindle arm ball attachment assemblies from each end of the tie rod. One assembly is a right hand thread; the other end is a left hand thread. The right hand thread is the norm (clockwise). The left hand thread is opposite (counter-clockwise) and is used for special applications. Rotate both backing plate/spindle assemblies until they face outboard at the rear. This will provide easy access to the spindle arm balls. Install the left hand threaded assembly onto the right spindle arm ball. Install the right hand threaded assembly onto the left spindle arm ball. This will orient both end assemblies with the grease fittings facing aft (towards the rear of the car).

\*Note: A change was made in late 1930 reversing the orientation of the grease fittings from forward facing to aft facing and changing them from screw in type to press in type.

Take the left hand threaded end of the tie rod and screw it about two turns into the assembly end attached to the right spindle arm. Rotate the two backing plate/spindle arm assemblies until the tie rod lines up with the tie rod assembly on the left side. Rotating the backing plates on the kingpins and rotating the tie rod ends on the spindle balls easily does this. Thread the left end of the tie rod, which has right hand threads, into the left tie rod assembly. Grasp the tie rod in the center and rotate the tie rod in a right hand thread manner.

When this is done, both ends of the tie rods will screw into their respective ends at the same time pulling the backing plate/spindle arm assemblies into the forward facing position.

Screw both slot head retainers into each assembly until they are flush, and install the long cotter pins.



The right side (with the single spindle ball) has a left hand thread in both the tie rod and tie rod end assembly. When installed, the grease fitting will face aft.



The left side (with the double ball spindle) has a right hand thread in both the tie rod and the tie rod assembly. When installed the grease fitting will face aft.

### **Removal:**

For removal, reverse the procedure after first unscrewing the retainer bolt and nut that locks the adjustment at each end of the tie rod.



# OHIO VALLEY REGION MODEL A FORD CLUB MEETING MINTUES

Wednesday, November 20, 2019

VFW Hall, Sharonville, OH

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 6:45p.m. by Tony Topicz, Director, who led the group in a moment of silence and Kaleb Green led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **ROLL CALL:**

The roll call was led by Art Foreman, Vice Director. There were at least 60 members.

## **SECRETARY AND TREASURER REPORTS:**

Minutes approved. Treasurers Report approved.

## **SUNSHINE REPORT:**

Margie Blomer and club members recognized November Birthdays and Anniversaries.

## **CAR GUYS:**

Tom Blomer and Terry Owens nothing to report.

## **MILEAGE PROGRAM:**

Anna Williams reminded members to give her their end of the year mileage by January's meeting.

## **MEMBERSHIP/NEWSLETTER:**

\$25.00 membership fees for 2020 are due, give to Jarrod Williams. Also see him about receiving the newsletter if you have any problems. Our club website now has the club constitution and club documents available. Check them out clubs.hemmings.com/ovr/

## **NOVEMBER ELECTION:**

Everyone voted, the winners will be determined this evening.

## **CHRISTMAS PARTY EARLY WINNER:**

Anyone who signed up on or before the October meeting, was entered to win a free meal. Bob and Angel Noe won and were refunded \$20 cash!

## **CHRISTMAS PARTY:**

The 2019 Christmas Party will be held on Sunday, December 8, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at the RSVP Event Center, 453 Wards Corner Road, Loveland, OH. Don't forget to wear your "ugly Christmas attire"!! Send \$20 for each member and \$25 for each non-member to Bob Green.

## **NOVEMBER AUCTION:**

Happening tonight.

## **MYSTERY TOUR:**

Art Foreman thanked everyone for a great tour. The toilet seat award goes to Deb and Larry Arnold for their incident during the tour.

## **CLUB EVENTS:**

12/8/2019 -Holiday Party

## **MARC/MAFFI:**

No news

## **SPLIT THE POT:**

Margie Blomer won \$73.00 split the pot.

## **NEXT MEETING:**

The next meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2019 at the VFW Hall, 3318 Sharon Road, Cincinnati, OH 45241.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

Anna Williams motion to adjourn the meeting, Gary Daley 2nd the motion.

## **SUBMITTED BY:**

Sherri Green, Secretary.

## **ELECTION RESULTS FOR THE 2020 BOARD:**

- Director - Jarrod Williams
- Vice Director - Bob Noe
- Secretary - Phyllis Pease
- Treasurer - Tim Schmidt

## **Protect your running boards and fenders while in storage**

**By: Paul Grometer**

Taken from: <http://www.scvcma.org/new-page-3-1>

Protect your Model A trim while it is sitting in your garage. Fit a 1 in. diameter piece of pipe insulation over the running board trim. Either cut the pipe insulation to length or just run the extra length partly up the front fender. Use a piece of Polyethylene pipe insulation (1 in. x 6 ft.) ,which costs about \$2 at your local hardware store.

Make sure to use plain pipe insulation.

**Do not** use the self sealing type with adhesive.



# Ahooguh

By: Tom Endy

Taken from: <http://www.santaanitaas.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/Ahooguh-horn.pdf>

The original Model A Ahooguh horn was designed to operate from a 6-volt electrical system. Today many Model A's on the road have been converted to a 12-volt electrical system. When doing this conversion some thought has to be given about how to accommodate the 6-volt Ahooguh horn. Quite often this is accomplished by installing a dropping resistor in series with the horn.

The problem with a dropping resistor is that it is resistive, unless wire wound, whereas the horn field windings are inductive. The value of the resistance and the power rating of the resistor have to be carefully chosen and many of the resistors on the market are not correct. If the power rating is not correct the resistor will overheat with repeated use and it changes the resistive value and the horn will refuse to Ahooguh.

Another approach, and one that is much better, is to rewind the field windings for 12-volt operation. The armature winding can remain the same. Rewinding the field windings is not that difficult.

## The original 6-volt horn:

1. The field coils are wound in opposite directions.
2. The field coil wire is 20 gauge coated wire.
3. There are 45 turns, 6-7 turns per layer, not perfect is OK.
4. After completion it was sprayed with varnish to insulate.

## Rewind for 12-volts:

1. Same as above.
2. Use 24 gauge coated wire.
3. 100 turns, 6-7 turns per layer, not perfect is OK.
4. Same as above.



## Horn rewinding service:

For those who don't want to take on the task of rewinding, there are a number of people who offer the service. The one that has garnered excellent testimonials of Fordbarn is that of:

Steve Smith  
P. O. Box 505  
Morristown, IN 46161  
Phone: 317-502-1697 (8AM-Noon central time)



1. Basic disassembly and cleaning \$40
2. Rewinding of both field coils \$30\*\*  
\*\* \$20 when included with (1)
3. Rewinding of armature \$45\*\*\*  
\*\*\* \$40 when included with (1)
4. Full repair including all of the above \$95
5. Most repairs are done within 7-10 days
6. Ship by USPS, they will hold for me to pick up

Any additional parts used will be charged at the current list price as found in Snyder's parts catalog. Any field or armature insulators that need to be replaced are included in the cost. All repairs are only to the motor section and are made on an as needed basis. No repainting or cosmetic repairs are made or provided.

## Calendar of Scheduled Events

- **January 12, 2020**  
**35th Winter Swap Meet**  
[Paroquet Springs Conference Center](#)  
[395 Paroquet Springs Dr.](#)  
[Shepherdsville, KY 40165](#)  
Admission \$5; children under 12 free.  
10 x 12 vendor spaces \$15, car corral spaces: inside \$30, Outside \$5. Tables for rent, \$2.  
Doors open at 8:00 a.m.  
For information contact:  
Roy Armstrong  
6834 Cedar Grove Rd.  
Shepherdsville, KY 40165  
(502)-543-4189.
- **January 22, 2020**  
**OVRMAC January Club Meeting**  
Meeting will be held at the VFW Hall.  
[3318 Sharon Road](#)  
[Cincinnati, OH 45241](#)  
Meeting will start at 7:30pm
- **February 26, 2020**  
**OVRMAC February Club Meeting**  
Meeting will be held at the VFW Hall.  
[3318 Sharon Road](#)  
[Cincinnati, OH 45241](#)  
Meeting will start at 7:30pm
- **March 7-8, 2020**  
**OVRMAC Polar Bear Tour**  
This will be an overnight tour hosted by Deb and Larry Arnold.  
Stay tuned for more details.
- **April 2-4, 2020**  
**MARC Membership Meet Plymouth Indiana**  
[SWAN LAKE RESORT](#)  
[5203 Plymouth Laporte Trail](#)  
[Plymouth, IN 46563](#)  
Early reservations are recommended.  
For more information about Swan Lake, visit [swanlakeresort.com](#) and take the virtual tour.
- **April 22, 2020**  
**OVRMAC April Club Meeting**  
Meeting location TBD
- **April 28, 2020**  
**56th Annual Model A Ford Swap Meet**  
Sponsored by the Columbus, IN, Model A Club at:  
[Bartholomew County 4-H Fairgrounds](#)  
[750 W 200 S](#)  
[Columbus, IN 47201](#)  
7:00am to 1:00pm. Admission \$3. Inside spaces 10x10 \$10 each. Table rental \$2 each. Breakfast and lunch available.  
Model A Ford cars on display.  
For information contact:  
Larry Morlock  
[l.morlock@att.net](mailto:l.morlock@att.net)  
(812) 371-6628
- **May 27, 2020**  
**OVRMAC May Club Meeting**  
Location TBD
- **June 24, 2020**  
**OVRMAC June Club Meeting**  
Location TBD

## OVRMAC Classifieds / Services

- 1930 Model A 4-door, Murray Body with Overdrive. Hydraulic brakes, steel trunk and rack. Runs and drives Great!  
\$14,500 Conrad Gerdes (812) 584-5639
- 1930 Tudor. Overdrive. Belonged to Willy Smith. Good condition. \$11,500 Conrad Gerdes (812) 584-5639
- 3.27 ratio gear set for sale.  
\$700 Steve Gillie (513) 571-5276
- 5 very nice wheels painted Apple Green  
\$875 Steve Gillie (513) 571-5276
- Model A horns. Several to choose from.  
One 1932 B model horn.  
Steve Gillie (513) 571-5276
- 1931 Tudor Coupe. New engine, new cast iron drums, new brake liners, 5 speed transmission, original engine in box. A great driver. \$17,500 Terry Owens (513) 254-1035

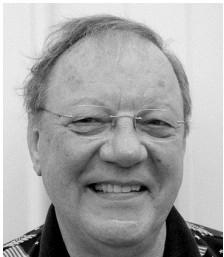


## The OVRMAC "Car Care Gang"

Tom Blomer and Terry Owens are club members that help run and maintain the "Car Care Gang". These two gentleman will graciously volunteer their time and knowledge about Model A's to help you get through an issue with your car. Just remember they will help you, they will not repair the car for you. After all, knowing how the Model A works is just as much fun as driving one! Give them a call if you need any help or advice.



Tom Blomer  
H: 513-769-3029  
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Terry Owens  
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C: 513-254-1035

## Youth Report



MARC and MAFCA both offer a youth scholarship program to help youth get started in the hobby and to support them as they may make repairs on the car. If you know someone that is 12-22 years old they may qualify for the program. For more information please visit the below website links:

[MARC Youth Scholarship Program](#)  
[MAFCA Youth Scholarship Program](#)

## Era Fashion - The Princess Silhouette is Important for Winter

By: Judy Lewis

Taken from: <https://mafca.com/downloads/Fashions/Princess%20Silhouette.pdf>

For all the ladies, including myself, who do not find the 1928 dresses, with wide girdles around the hips or belted around the hipline, flattering to their figure, Delineator, October 1928 featured the princess silhouette evening gown.

The dress was a Butterick pattern #2257, below right.

It outlines the figure and flares outward at the hem; it has the deep U décolletage in front and a deeper V in back and features a huge bow at the side. The hem in back flows to ankle length. This silhouette is very new and extremely smart.

The model shows spike heel pumps and a long single strand necklace; although you can't see them she would be wearing matching earrings. To complete the outfit, above the elbow evening gloves, evening bag and wrap would be appropriate.



16 to 22 button silk gloves with 3 gores. The button count is not about how many buttons it has but how long the gloves are.



Evening bag of white or black silk moire with high grade imitation diamonds.  
*Sears S/S 1928*



This evening wrap, Butterick pattern #2210 also featured in Delineator, October 1928, was made of metal cloth and featured a blue fox mushroom collar and cuffs. If the wrap were made of ivory velvet, sable would have been tremendously smart.



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**Ohio Valley Region Model "A" Ford Club  
Membership Application and Roster Information**

Last name: \_\_\_\_\_ First name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell (optional): \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Work (optional): \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Email : \_\_\_\_\_

Model A's Owned: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to : Ohio Valley Region Model A Ford Club (\$25.00 per year)

Mail dues to : Jarrod Williams 7973 Miami Ave Cincinnati, OH 45243

**2020 CLUB DUES**

OVRMAC 2020 club dues of \$25.00 per membership must to be turned into Jarrod Williams by January 1, 2020.

Cash is accepted at club meetings or you can mail a check to Jarrod Williams.

If you are already in the roster, please check your listing and make sure everything is correct. If you don't have a picture, or want your picture re-taken for the new roster, please contact Jim Rupp or Jarrod Williams.

**Checks made out to:**

Ohio Valley Region Model A Ford Club

**Checks mailed to:**

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Cincinnati, OH 45243

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