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Director's Column: Jarrod Williams



Twenty three club members and guests attended our May Zoom meeting! Mark Maron, MARC Social Media Coordinator, joined our meeting to let us know about the hard work and decision making that is going on behind the scenes for the 2021 National meet and 2020 Model A Day at Gilmore. Not unlike our club, it is very hard to plan future events while not knowing how the COVID19 health crisis will continue to impact us. At the May ZOOM meeting it was voted on that we will tentatively proceed with the events as they are on the calendar. The June club meeting will be hosted by James and Sherri Green's home, at their home. It will be outdoors. We will follow government recommendations of social distancing by keeping 6 feet apart. Food will not be provided by the club. It is the members' responsibility to bring their own food and drink, as well as a lawn chair. I want to thank everyone for their patience. The board and I are remaining flexible as we hope to return to the normally scheduled Model A events soon.

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The passing of Denny Perry



We regret to inform the club about the passing of a long time club member, Clifford Dennis "Denny" Perry, of West Chester, Ohio. He passed away peacefully Sunday, May 24, 2020 at the

age of 81. He was born Sunday, August 7, 1938 in Wyoming, Ohio to Clifford C. and Angela (née Grieshop) Perry. His limited visitation on June 8 will happen before you receive this newsletter. Please keep his family in your prayers.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may made: Fr. Gale Grieshop Scholarship Fund Franciscan Mission Center PO Box 645 St. Michaels, AZ 86511

<https://www.muellerfunerals.com/obituary/clifford-dennis-perry?fbclid=IwAR0pcliW4XYpxC4-nug8rsY-4vDLS1iW1KEqF2DCobk1QOkWKixLVDUTJtk>

A Head of Trouble!

"The Car Care Gang", Terry Owens and Tom Blomer, are always happy to lend a hand or advise on the best way to approach a Model A project. Ken Lynch decided to tackle his first head removal and the gasket sure put up a fight. After almost two weeks of struggle, Tom and Terry came to the rescue. Congratulations Ken on a job well done. The Car Care Gang is happy to assist members with their Model A projects.



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/>

National Meet in Oshkosh WI. Postponed until 2021 For more information visit:

https://model-a-ford.org/event/national-meet-in-oshkosh-wi/?instance_id=221

Editor's Column: Jarrod Williams

A friendly reminder that any submissions for the monthly newsletter need to be submitted by the 3rd of the month. We send the newsletter to the printer on the 5th of each month to be printed, mailed, and in your hands by the 10th of each month. My email address is jarrodwilliams81@gmail.com

If there are any topics that you would personally like see in your newsletter, please do not hesitate make a suggestion. You can even create content and I will publish it for you.

OVRMAFC 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)
\$12.00 (tag with magnet)

OVRMAFC Personalized Apparel

OVRMAFC 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](#)

Pressure Plate Adjustment

By: Tom Endy

Taken from: <http://www.santaanitaas.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/pressure-plate-adjustment.pdf>

The July\August 2009 publication of the Restorer features an excellent article by Les Andrews on how to properly adjust the six fingers on a Model A Ford clutch pressure plate. The average hobbyist should be able to adjust the clutch correctly by following Les' instructions. It is prudent to always check the finger depth of a pressure plate as many are not adjusted correctly as they arrive from your favorite supplier.

By following Les' instruction I was able to correctly adjust the clutch on two engines. However, the problem I had was that I needed more hands than I came equipped with and I had a difficult time getting close enough to read the markings on the ruler. Therefore a tool was needed. Les says to lay a flat piece of metal across the surface of the back side of the pressure plate and measure down with a scale to each clutch finger. Most documentation floating around the hobby indicates that the finger depth settings should be between $5\frac{1}{8}$ " and $3\frac{1}{4}$ ", $11\frac{1}{16}$ " being nominal. I approached a friend and fellow club member, who is an excellent machinist, and asked if he could make the needed tool. The photo below is that tool.



My thanks to Red Sickman of the Orange County Model A Ford Club (Southern California) for producing the tool.

Looking at the photo, the horizontal piece of metal is placed across the pressure plate back surface. The vertical piece measures the distance to the clutch finger. The vertical piece has a slot cut into it. As it is shown the distance is $3\frac{1}{4}$ ". Loosen the screw and push it up to the stop in the slot and it is automatically $5\frac{1}{8}$ ". In between is $11\frac{1}{16}$ ".

I later discovered that it would be better if the vertical was off to one side. However, as it is the tool works just fine.

During the adjustment process of the clutch on my two engines I discovered an interesting phenomenon. The first clutch would engage when the pedal was about $1\frac{1}{16}$ " off the floor. When I measured the finger depth the distance was $1\frac{1}{4}$ ". I reset the finger depth to $3\frac{1}{4}$ " and it brought the engagement point into the middle of the pedal travel.

The second engine clutch would engage when the pedal was almost all the way up to the stop. I found the measurement of the finger depth in this clutch to be at $1\frac{1}{2}$ ". I reset them to $3\frac{1}{4}$ " and it brought the engagement point into the middle of the pedal travel.

My conclusion is that setting the fingers at between $5\frac{1}{8}$ " and $3\frac{1}{4}$ " will bring the engagement point into the middle of the pedal travel. The $5\frac{1}{8}$ " setting will bring it closer to the all the way up to the stop of the pedal. The $3\frac{1}{4}$ " will bring the engagement point closer to the floor. It would seem that $11\frac{1}{16}$ " is the nominal.

It is also important that all six fingers be adjusted exactly even. The tool makes it easy to do that. Les recommends that after the adjustments are made that you place the flat side of a rear wheel bearing on the fingers and see if there is any wobble. I did this and it works well. Of course the engine has to be sitting vertical in an engine stand to do that.

It should be understood that the adjustment procedure and the measurement values are for a fully assembled clutch. The clutch disk and pressure plate must be attached to the flywheel. This will place the six fingers in position to engage the throw out bearing, and that is when the depth should be between $5\frac{1}{8}$ " and $3\frac{1}{4}$ ". It also makes it much easier if the engine is out of the car or at least the transmission and bell housing have been removed if the engine is still in the car.

My thanks to Les Andrews for his excellent article and my thanks to Red Sickman for producing such a fine tool.

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 their website!

Enjoy, utilize, and learn!

Follow the link below to see all of his articles!

<https://www.santaanitaas.org/tom-endys-tech-articles/>

OHIO VALLEY REGION MODEL A FORD CLUB MEETING MINTUES

Wednesday, May 27, 2020

Online ZOOM Meeting

PLEASE NOTE:

Due to the social distancing restrictions of the Corona Virus, the meeting was held via the virtual communications platform ZOOM.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by Director, Jarrod Williams.

ATTENDANCE:

There were 25 members and 2 guests in attendance.

SUNSHINE REPORT:

Happy Birthday was sung to Megan Arnold who was celebrating her 16th birthday. Pricilla Sue Hicks reported that Ralph Hicks recently fell at home and fractured his femur. After surgery at University Hospital, Ralph was being moved to the rehab facility at that hospital. Melanie Gilb is not feeling well and Cliff Gilb asked members to keep her in their good thoughts.

CAR CARE GANG:

Ken Lynch thanked Tom Blomer, Terry Owens, and Jarrod Williams for their assistance in removing the head from his Model A.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Via recent email, Karl Eby had requested that members reply to him about whether they would be comfortable attending the picnic on June 7 but received only 4 replies. After some discussion and voting, it was decided to hold the annual club picnic at Oeders Lake on Sunday, June 7, 2020. Attendees can arrive as early at 10:00 a.m. Masks will not be required as long as Social Distancing is observed.

Attendees should bring their own food and utensils and chairs. Jarrod Williams will furnish charcoal for the grill. Plan to eat at noon. Bring fishing gear and bait, but no minnows.

Deb and Larry Arnold will host the annual Poker Run on Sunday, July 12, 2020. The plans for the event will allow participants to stay in their vehicles. Lunch will be at a venue that allows for outdoor seating.

CAR SHOW:

The annual Car Show is scheduled for Sunday, September 13, 2020. Elmer Stanukinos reported that O'Reilly's Auto Parts will no longer sponsor the trophies for the top 50 cars. Instead, only trophies for Mayor's Choice, Best Story and Sponsorship will be sponsored. After some discussion, it was decided that OVR will furnish the top 50 trophies since that award has already been published. The trophies will be 6 1/2" x 5" and will cost \$9.21 each. They can be ordered as late as 3 weeks before the show. Trophies will not have dates on them so they can be used next year in the event the 2020 car show is cancelled. Pricilla Hicks volunteered to sponsor a special Ralph Hicks trophy and will coordinate this with Elmer Stanukinos. Members were encouraged to sell sponsorships for the booklets. Some members commented that this may be made easier. Due to the Corona Virus shutdowns, many businesses will be eager to get their names in advertisements. It was discussed reducing the number of trophies to 25 in 2021. No decision was made.

Mark Maron, MARC Social Media Coordinator, was a guest attendee at this meeting. He shared the following:

- The MARC National Meet scheduled for June 1-5, 2020 in Oshkosh, Wisconsin has been cancelled and rescheduled for the same venue in 2021. The 2022 MARC National Meet will be held in Charlottesville, VA. Due to the Corona virus restrictions, hotels are not currently booking rooms for either of these events. No dates have been announced.
- Model A Day at the Gilmore Museum in Hickory Corners, MI is scheduled for September 19-20, 2020. Hotel reservations are not yet available due to the Corona virus restrictions. The following guidelines will be applied: No more than 15 people in the Museum at one time. No more than 2 people in the restrooms at once and rest rooms must be sanitized between occupants. No more than 10 people in the Museum store at one time. Cash transactions will NOT be accepted. Upon entering the event, participants will be required to furnish their name, address, phone, and email address for contact tracing.

2021 CLUB ROSTER:

Jarrod Williams stated that it would cost the club \$227 to print the 2021 club roster. After some discussion, members agreed to an electronic version which can be printed individually if needed. Jarrod will print several hard copies for those members without electronic connections.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at the home of James and Sherri Green, 4754 Hamilton-Middletown Road, Liberty Township, OH. Attendees should bring their own food, utensils, and chairs. Plan to arrive at 6:00 p.m. to eat. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m.

The July 22, 2020 meeting will be held at the home of Jarrod and Melissa Williams. The August 26, 2020 meeting will be held at the home of Larry and Debbie Arnold.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m. by Jarrod Williams, Director.

SUBMITTED BY:

Phyllis Pease, Secretary.

Regional Differences Of Shirt Colors, Collars And Fabrics Of 1928-1931

By: Donna May Bewley

Taken from: https://www.mafca.com/downloads/Fashions/Regional_Differences_Shirts.pdf

Dress shirt fashions varied by regions of the nation. Colleges and universities set shirt fashion trends which are useful in tracing the changes in dress shirt styles and tastes during the Model A Era. The differences in shirt fashions centered on color, fabric and collar type. It is hoped that the fashion entrant who wishes to take into consideration regional dress shirt styles and tastes when putting together an ensemble will be assisted by the following information.

1928

Tab and pinned collars were very popular on Ivy League and Midwestern campuses at this time. Button-down collars were popular with the exception of the New England schools. Southern Universities in 1928 generally did not favor pinned or button down collars. They preferred a somewhat shorter collar than the three-inch collar popular among Ivy League and New England schools. Some West coast campuses favored the Barrymore shirt, with long collar points (four and one-half to five inches) and no neckband, made in honor of the actor John Barrymore. A "milkman's shirt," with equal narrow black and white stripes was a favorite at the University of California at Berkeley. Colored shirts were very popular at the work place and on college and university campuses. Ivy League schools preferred white broadcloth and blue and white striped shirts. Midwestern universities favored blue, tan and white shirts. On Southern university campuses tan, green and white were popular solid colors. The California schools favored blue and white. Green was also a popular color, either plain or with white stripes separated one inch apart.

1929-1930

On Ivy League, New England and Midwestern campuses, shirts with short rounded points worn with a pin were very popular. Tab and button-down collars also remained popular on most campuses, including the New England schools, which in 1928 had seen the popularity of the "button-down" collar fading. Southern universities, saw a modest increase in button-down collars. On the West coast the Barrymore collar was being abandoned in favor of shirts with collar points of less than three inches. Pinned collars were gaining in popularity as well as a beginning interest in button-down collars. At this time, the well dressed business and professional man favored short point collars of the three-inch variety. Many of these short point collars were worn with a collar pin.



Tab Collar 1928-1930's



Pinned collar, worn with pins that went through the collar and snapped at the points 1928-mid-thirties



Button-down collar with soft roll and points buttoned in place. Popular in every decade since 1929



The Barrymore collar 4 1/2 - 5 inches long 1928 thru 1930's



Plain collar with medium-length points, basic fashion 1920s and 1930s



Eyelet collar in rounded or angle style, had tiny holes with a stitched edging to insert a collar pin 1930-1960

Calendar of Scheduled Events

- **June 7, 2020**
Oeder's Lake Picnic
[1368 US-22](#)
[Morrow, OH 45152](#)
 Join OVRMAFC at Oeder's Lake for our annual club picnic. This year's picnic will look a little different. Attendees can arrive as early at 10:00 a.m. Masks will not be required as long as social distancing is observed. Attendees should bring their own food, utensils, and chairs. Jarrod Williams will furnish charcoal for the grill. Plan to eat at noon. Bring fishing gear and bait, but no minnows.
- **June 24, 2020**
OVRMAFC Club Meeting
 Hosted by Sherri and James Green.
[4754 Hamilton-Middletown Road](#)
[Liberty Township, OH 45011](#)
 Attendees should bring their own food, utensils, and chairs. Plan to arrive at 6:00 p.m. to eat. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m.
- **July 12, 2020**
OVRMAFC Poker Run Tour
 Hosted by Debbie and Larry Arnold. The plans for the event will allow participants to stay in their vehicles and lunch will be at a venue that allows for outdoor seating. More details to come.
- **July 22, 2020**
OVRMAFC Club Meeting
 Hosted by Jarrod and Melissa Williams.
[7973 Miami Avenue](#)
[Cincinnati, OH 45243](#)
 Attendees should bring their own food, utensils, and chairs.
 Plan to arrive at 6:00 p.m. to eat.
 The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m.
- **August 26, 2020**
OVRMAFC Club Meeting
 Hosted by Debbie and Larry Arnold.
[11653 Carolina Trace](#)
[Harrison, OH 45030](#)
 Attendees should bring their own food, utensils, and chairs.
 Plan to arrive at 6:00 p.m. to eat.
 The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m.
- **September 13, 2020**
OVRFMAC Show 'N' Tell Car Show
 10am-4pm
 Show will be held on the grass at VYO Haffey Fieldhouse
[1559 West Street](#)
[Cincinnati, OH 45215](#)
- **September 12-13, 2020**
The Henry Ford - Old Car Festival
Dearborn, Michigan
Open Saturday until 9pm
 Feel the passion behind America's longest-running antique car show. It features hundreds of authentic vehicles that brought the early automotive era to life. It cumulates in a gaslight parade and dancing in the streets of Greenfield Village.
 For more information:
<https://www.thehenryford.org/current-events/calendar/old-car-festival>
- **September 19, 2020**
10th Annual Model A Day at Gilmore
 The host hotel for Model A Day is the Four Points Sheraton at:
 3600 E. Cork Street
 Kalamazoo, Michigan
 Phone (269) 385-3922
 The room rate is \$111.00 per night and the reserved room block will expire on August 16, 2020.
 For more information:
<http://www.maffi.org/WSContent/MAD.html>

OVRMAC Classifieds / Services

- 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
- 1931 Coupe. New metal top and new paint. Roll down back window and hydraulic brakes. Second owner car!
 \$13,000 Conrad Gerdes (812) 584-5639
- 1931 Coupe. Black with red 16" wheels and trim. New carburetor and distributor. Look good and drives good.
 \$12,000 Conrad Gerdes (812) 584-5639
- Two good used Model A engines available. Inserted engines available as well. Used wheels and parts.
 Conrad Gerdes for prices.
 (812) 584-5639
- Car cover for a 4 door sedan. I used this cover on my 1931 Buick. I believe it is a California Car Cover "dust stop" type cover (for indoor use). The cover is in good condition. The Buick was a bit larger than a Model A, but it is a great deal.
 \$50.00 Dale Blewett (513) 793-2900.
- Wanted: 1930/31 Rear Sedan Fender, passenger side or pair
 Conrad Gerdes (812) 584-5639

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
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Terry Owens
H: 513-831-8580
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](#)

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By: Donna May Bewley

Taken from: https://www.mafca.com/downloads/Fashions/Regional_Differences_Shirts.pdf

Ivy League schools preferred shirts in white and solid colors, blue being the most popular solid color. All white shirts decreased in popularity at New England schools as blue and white shirts gained in popularity. Green and white striped shirts also increased in favor. At Midwestern universities blue, tan and multicolored stripes were very popular. Cross-striped shirts were popular in Southern universities. West Coast schools preferred shirts of blue or tan.

Business and professional men increasingly preferred striped shirts at the expense of the popularity of white shirts. Gray and white, blue and white, and lavender and white were popular striped shirt combinations.

1931

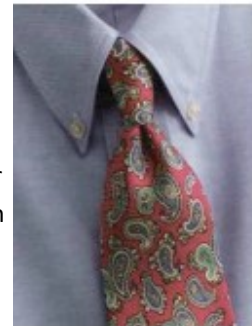
As the country moved deeper into the Depression, many men continued to have a keen interest in fashion. Generally, the most popular collar continued to be the three-inch high-pinned collar. Tab and button-down collars continued to be worn. Plain collars declined in popularity.

Colored and striped shirts continued to gain popularity in 1931. Narrow stripes of equal width were popular in many color combinations. Some examples are blue and white, tan and white, green and white and gray and white.

Generally, broadcloth and oxford were the two most popular shirting fabrics during the Model A Era. Madras and silk were also very popular especially among professional and businessmen who considered them a "cool fabric" and favored them during the summer months. Cheviot, chambray and flannel were less popular choices. Striped shirts were most often made from finer, smoother fabrics



Entrants do not often wear colored or striped shirts during judging competition



Two examples of modern men's shirts for "Model A Era Image" or "Fun Fashion"



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 OVRMAFC Tentative Schedule

- Jun 7 - Oeder's Lake Picnic
- Jun 24 - OVRMAFC Meeting
(At - Sherri and James Green)
- Jul 12 - Poker Run
(Host - Debbie and Larry Arnold)
- Jul 22 - OVRMAFC Meeting
(At Jarrod and Melissa Williams)
- Aug 26 - OVRMAFC Meeting
(At Debbie and Larry Arnold)
- Sept 13 - Show N' Tell Car Show
- Sept 23 - OVRMAFC Meeting
- Oct 28 - OVRMAFC Meeting
- Nov 18 - OVRMAFC Meeting
and Auction
- Dec 6 - OVRMAFC Christmas Party

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