

The Ohio Valley Region's News

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## Director's Column: Jarrod Williams



Thank you to all the members that joined in on our February ZOOM meeting with virtual bingo. I thought it was a lot of fun to try something a little different. Congratulations to Jim Rupp, Bob Green, Cliff Gilb, and Butch Schultz for winning bingo games. Mark Maron (MARC Facebook Administrator and National Meet Chairman) was able to join the meeting, keeping the club updated about the Model A Restorers Club's events across the country. We are still looking for members, or a group of members, to chair the club's Show 'N' Tell car show for 2022. You will have the ability to shadow Elmer this year to make next year's event successful.

I hope everyone is as excited as I am for our first tour of the year, The Mystery Tour. The snow has melted, rain washed the salt away, and our cars are begging to be driven. Hopefully this warmer weather will inspire our members to consider hosting a tour or event this year. If you have an idea of where you would like to go, please let us know so that it can be added to our calendar. Remember, we don't have to have only one tour or event each month. If you would like to plan something the same month we have something scheduled, that is great. The idea is to get out in our cars and enjoy them. That can be a meet up at a ice cream spot, a drive through the country, or even an overnight trip.

## 2021 Mystery Tour

**March 21, 2021**  
**OVRMAFC Mystery Tour**  
**Start Time: 10:00 AM**  
**Starting Location:**  
[Kroger - Near the fuel area](#)  
[824 Main St](#)  
[Milford, OH 45150](#)

The Mystery Tour will be on Sunday, March 21. Participants will gather at the Kroger in Milford, Ohio, near the intersection of Lila Avenue and Main Street. For full details, please see the Calendar of Events on the following page.

The tour should take 3 to 4 hours.

If you have any questions, call or email one of the hosts.

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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. This is located 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/>

### Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA)

- The *Restorer* magazine (6 issues per year)
- Technical Support (free via mail or email)
- National Banquets - National Tours
- MAFCA also produces publications including: Restoration Guidelines & Judging Standards; Paint and Finish Guide; Hardware Standards, How to Restore Your Model A

MAFCA: <https://www.mafca.com/>

## 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](mailto:jarrodwilliams81@gmail.com)

Please consider hosting an event or tour this year. I think we are all ready to get out of the house and at least enjoy our cars.

## OVRMAFC Social Media

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/OVRMAC>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/ovrmafca/>

### OVRMAFC Personalized Club Name Tag

Personalized name tags in the shape of a Model A Ford can be ordered from Brenda Owens.

Cell: (513) 254-1034

Email: [clanowens@zoomtown.com](mailto:clanowens@zoomtown.com)

Cost:

\$10.00 (tag with pin)

\$12.00 (tag with magnet)

(Sales tax and shipping not included)



### 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.

[Black Out Tee's](#)

[4601 Eastgate Blvd  
Cincinnati, OH 45243](#)

[\(513\) 604-8337](#)

## Model A 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:

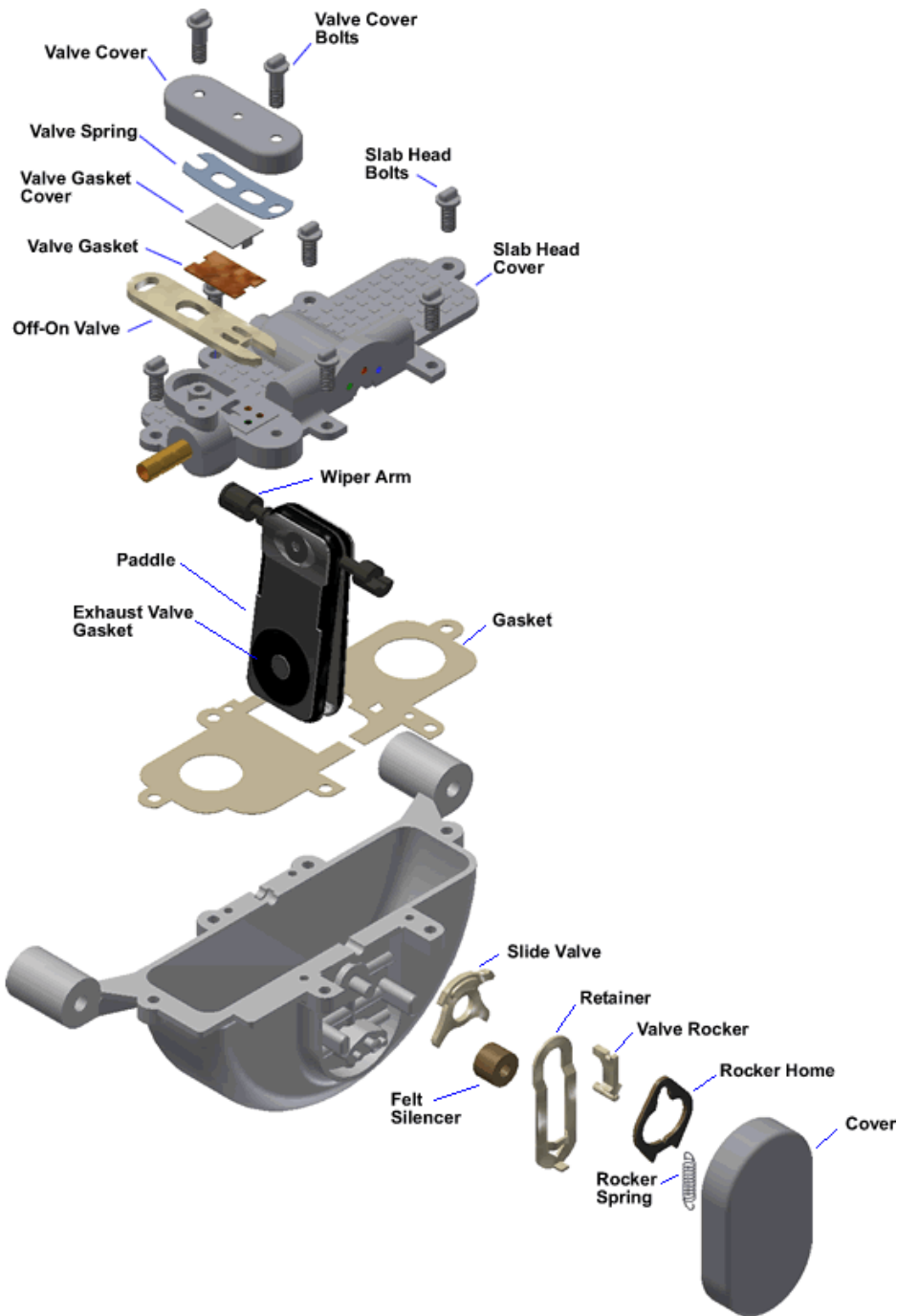
[MARC Youth Scholarship Program](#)

[MAFCA Youth Scholarship Program](#)

# How to oil the Trico Vacuum Wiper Motor

Taken from: <http://modelabasics.com/wiper.htm>

Adopted from: "Oiling The Trico Vacuum Wiper Motor" *Model "A" News* Sept.-Oct. 1981 page 19



## Supplies:

- Light machine Oil
- 4" or 5" hose  
(an air hose line off of an aquarium will work)

## Procedure:

1. Connect a 4" to 5" hose to the wiper motor
2. Start with the wiper pointed straight down
3. Move it to the extreme right
4. Pull the blade back 3/4 of its normal travel
5. Submerge a 4" to 5" hose into light machine oil (about 2 tbs.)
6. Make a quick swipe till the wiper points down
7. Remove oil and finish stroke
8. Repeat the sequence the opposite direction



# OHIO VALLEY REGION MODEL A FORD CLUB SUMMARY OF ZOOM MEETING

Wednesday, February 24, 2021 7:30PM

## ATTENDANCE:

Twenty members and guests were signed in to the Zoom meeting.

## MARC NATIONAL EVENT PLANNING:

Guest Mark Maron joined the group to update the status of upcoming MARC National events.

The MARC Membership Meet scheduled for April 8-10, 2021 in Bay City, MI has been cancelled due to ongoing COVID 19 safety concerns.

Planning for the MARC National Meet scheduled for June 7-12, 2021 in OshKosh, WI is ongoing. Members are encouraged to make reservations for both the meet and the hotel.

Planning for Model A Day scheduled for Saturday, September 18, 2020 continues. Theme will be "First Responders". The planning committee is working on hotel, food, etc.

## PLANNING FOR UPCOMING OVRMAFC SUMMER SEMINAR:

Jarrod would like to plan a seminar for the OVRMAFC club on fine point judging. Mark Maron, MARC Facebook Administrator and National Meet Chairman, has volunteered to host a PowerPoint presentation. Topics would include what to look for, how to go about a fine point restoration, what goes into building a fine point, etc. This would most likely be an all day event, possibly held on a Saturday.

## CAR SHOW:

Planning for the Car Show scheduled for Sunday, September 12, 2021 continues. Elmer's contact for O'Reilly's auto parts has not been available recently. It seems doubtful that O'Reilly's will sponsor the trophies for 2021. There was discussion to change the trophy awards from the top 50 to the top 25, retaining the mayor's choice and the best story. There was also some discussion regarding the importance of maintaining the Top 50 awards. Some members stated willingness to donate to the trophy fund. Elmer will contact CIRC realty and Valley Central Bank to determine their ongoing support. Tim Schmidt will talk to Reading Mayor and the bank to confirm support.

## MYSTERY TOUR:

The annual Mystery Tour is scheduled for Sunday, March 21, 2021. The tour will depart the Milford Kroger parking lot at 824 Main Street, Milford, OH (corner of Lila and Main) at 10:00 a.m. Participants should bring their own pencil/pen, will be required to sign a waiver and wear a mask when appropriate. The tour will last 3-4 hours and will end at a location for food. Prizes can be sent to those who choose to leave prior to lunch.

## NEXT ZOOM MEETING:

The next Zoom meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 24 at 7:30 p.m.

## BINGO:

Virtual bingo games were enjoyed by members after the business meeting discussions. Winners were Jim Rupp, Bob Green, Cliff Gilb, and Butch Schultz.

## SUBMITTED BY:

Phyllis Pease, Secretary

## The OVRMAFC "Car Care Gang"

Club members Tom Blomer, Terry Owens, and Dennis Schut 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.

Dennis Schut has volunteered to help club members who have difficulty getting under their Model A to change the engine, transmission, or rear axle oil. If you need any assistance in these or other areas, please feel free to contact Dennis.



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# A Dead Battery

By: Tom Endy

Taken From: <http://www.santaanitaas.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/2OC-Dead-Battery.pdf>

## A common occurrence:

It's not uncommon for a Model A Ford to incur a dead battery, especially those that are still operating on six volts. Model A's are usually not driven daily and prolonged periods of sitting around tend to run the battery down. It is usually discovered when you climb in to go somewhere. You push on the starter button, and nothing.

## Modern inconvenience:

What a lot of Model A hobbyist may not understand is that we the modern day owners may be contributing to this phenomenon. In a modern car when you switch off the ignition it shuts off all the electrical systems in the car, except maybe for the digital clock. In a Model A Ford when you switch off the ignition, at least the original pop out type, all you are switching off is the power that goes to the ignition points. That may have been fine in Henry's day, but stop and think about what a lot of us have done to the Model A Ford to improve on Henry's design.

## The alternator:

Another modern convenience seen on many Model A's today is the alternator. It is much more efficient than the old fashioned generator. You can buy them in either six volt or twelve volt. In fact you can even buy a six-volt positive ground alternator. However, the alternator has six diodes in it and the high resistance path will eventually drain the battery. This arrangement is also not switched off with the ignition key and it sits there and draws a small amount of current from the battery.

## A failed alternator:

It is also possible to have an alternator that from all appearances is working fine. You start the car up and the ammeter shows it is charging. However, you can have one or more diodes that are partially shorted. With this situation the current drain from the battery is considerably more and in just a day or so the battery is dead.

## The cutout:

The cutout used with the generator disconnects the battery from the generator whenever the engine is shut down. Without it the battery would discharge itself through the generator and you would have a dead battery. The cutout has a simple set of contacts that are either open or closed. The problem with the cutout is that the contacts can sometimes become welded shut over a period of time and not open, thus draining the battery when the car is parked. This is highly likely with the poor reproduction cutouts that are on the market. Modern day advancements in electronics provided the world with the diode. The diode is like a switch (sort of) in that it has a high resistance to current in one direction and a low resistance in the other. The low resistance path allows the generator to flow current to the battery to charge it. The high resistance path is supposed to not allow the battery to drain itself through the generator. An abundance of diode mod kits were made available at all the Model A hobby stores. The cutout contacts are replaced with the diode (hopefully in the right polarity) and welded contacts are a thing of the past. However, that high resistance direction is still allowing a small amount of current to flow out of the battery through the generator to ground. The amount of current is minute, in the milliamps, but over time it draws the battery down. Turning the ignition key off does not shut the circuit off. Only removal of the fuse on top of the starter (if one is installed) will open the circuit and prevent the drain.

## Good advice:

Whenever you park your car for the night or any other extended period of time. Pull the fuse out of the holder and stand it on its head in one end of the holder. This way everything except the starter switch is disconnected from the battery and there is no chance that a sneaky diode will ultimately cause you to have a dead battery.

## Club Members Publish National Articles!

Have you gotten a chance to check out the January-February 2021 issue of the Model "A" News? The Ohio Valley Region Model A Club has members contributing to the hobby in so many ways! Margie Blomer wrote a 3 page fashion article, "Wow! It's Cold Outside. Women's Winter Coats in the Model A Era." Jim Thomas wrote an 8 page article starting on page 16 titled "Model A's In The Snow" (Advertising the Model A Ford). Our club even made it into the magazine for the 2020 International Model A Day, check out page 27!



## 2021 Calendar of Scheduled Events

- **March 21, 2021**

**OVRMAFC Mystery Tour**

**Start Time:** 10:00 AM

**Starting Location :**

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[824 Main St](#)

[Milford, OH 45150](#)

The Mystery Tour will be on Sunday, March 21. Participants will gather at the Kroger in Milford, Ohio (near the intersection of Lila Avenue and Main Street). Park near the near the Kroger fuel area.

Participants in the same vehicle are members of a team. Each team needs a member who can read and write. Each team needs a pen or pencil. Before a team departs on the mystery tour, a host will provide a release form for all team members to sign.

Each team member needs a COVID19 mask. The tour will end at a place to eat. We hope to have outside and inside seating. If your team decides not to stay for the prize ceremony and your team wins a fabulous prize, the hosts will send your fabulous prize to a member of your team. The tour should take 3 to 4 hours.

If you have any questions, call or email one of the hosts. Al Audette (513) 484-9822, Art Foreman (513) 289-5112 or Dennis Schut (513) 317-7225

- **March 24, 2021**

**OVRMAFC March Zoom Meeting**

**7:30PM**

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us04web.zoom.us/j/72220592765?](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/72220592765?pwd=YjJEaDVTsnZaK0pRTDMxSFVHRWVQdz09)

[pwd=YjJEaDVTsnZaK0pRTDMxSFVHRWVQdz09](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/72220592765?pwd=YjJEaDVTsnZaK0pRTDMxSFVHRWVQdz09)

Meeting ID: 722 2059 2765

Passcode: k2spE5

- **April 28, 2021**

**OVRMAFC April Zoom Meeting**

**7:30PM**

[https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71161699985?](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71161699985?pwd=dVorWjN3Q2FKajV5bElmZ0xldHk4UT09)

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Meeting ID: 711 6169 9985

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- **June 13, 2021**

**Cincinnati Concours d'Elegance**

Sunday's 43rd annual Concours d'Elegance is a nationally recognized car show that highlights some of the most spectacular automobiles and motorcycles of all time. This is the longest continuously-running concours d'Elegance outside of the West Coast, and the 4th longest in the United States. The show has introduced a number of innovations, such as the first regular classes of motorcycles (2000) and Asian collector cars (2006). Because of extremely limited spectator parking at Ault Park, it is strongly recommended that all spectators park at our remote parking location with free shuttle to the main show gate area.

Ticket price at gate:

Adult: \$30

Student with school ID: \$15

Children 12 and under: Free

<https://ohioconcours.com/events/schedule/>

- **June 24, 2021**

**2021 Hemmings Motor News Great Race**

Stop by to see and talk to The Great Race Participants as they stop for the night in Elizabethtown Kentucky!

Lunch: Elizabethtown Sports Park

1401 West Park Road, Elizabethtown, KY 42701

Overnight: Lexington Griffin Gate Marriott Golf Resort & Spa

1800 Newtown Pike, Lexington, KY 40511

<https://www.greatrace.com/>

- **July 17, 2021**

**2021 Keeneland Concours d'Elegance**

On the third weekend of July, the annual Keeneland Concours d'Elegance will again be held on the beautiful grounds of Kentucky's renowned Keeneland Race Course in Lexington, Kentucky.

Day of Show gate admission:

\$20 per person.

The advance / prepaid website pricing

"Will Call" admission is \$15/ person.

Under 12 admitted free

Active Military in uniform admitted free

<https://keenelandconcours.com/events/concours-delegance/>

- **July 25, 2021**

**OVRMAFC Poker Run**

Larry and Debbie Arnold will host the Poker Run tour.

Details will be announced as they become known.

## OVRMAFC Classifieds / Services

- **Model A 1931 Tudor Sedan with 2018 Aluma 7812ES trailer \$16,000 OBO for both the car and trailer.**

43,191 miles. Black car that runs well. Approximately 40 year old restoration. 6V System. New battery. Generator replaced with alternator (Generator saved and included). Turn Signals. Hazard flashers. 4 New Tires (<2,500 miles, ~4 years). Trunk on rear mounting bracket, trunk included. Rear mounted spare tire (~40 yrs old). Front seat belts. Miscellaneous other parts (spare water pump, distributor parts, etc.) I have many more photos of various views.

Contact:

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### B & R Early Model

#### Starter & Generator Repair

Rob Schwendeman (419) 305-9125

Bill Schwendeman (419) 733-8857

### Model A Upholstery

#### Interiors, Tops, & Trunks

Call Dottie Gerdes

(812) 584-5631

## Two-in-One Dresses

By: Jackie Brooks

Taken from: <https://www.mafca.com/downloads/Fashions/Two%20in%20One%20dress.pdf>

When you are looking through catalogs while doing research, you may find unexpected information. This ad from the 1931 Spring & Summer Lane Bryant catalog shows their new, versatile dress designed with the thrifty as well as stylish woman in mind. The ad says that the sleeves are included. It does not say if they are attached with snaps or to be basted in the dress.

The dresses I have seen with removable sleeves were basted in. At first glance, I thought the sleeveless dress would have been worn in the daytime, until I read the "May be worn" description. The insight into what was appropriate in 1931, as opposed to what we expect in today's current styles, is the unexpected information. Note that the daytime dress is worn with a hat and the evening is shown with a decoration in the hairstyle.

*Fashion's New  
Two-in-One  
Dresses*

*May be worn:  
with sleeves  
for afternoon  
without sleeves  
for evening*

3 S 322  
\$14.95

3 S 753  
\$12.95

30th ANNIVERSARY  
SPECIAL  
1901 1931

ALL-SILK  
FLAT  
CREPE  
AND  
EMBROIDERED  
NET

Ultra-Chic and New

3 S 322—Here is one of Fashion's new Two-in-One Dresses, skillfully designed for wear in the evening without the sleeves or for afternoon with sleeves, which are included. (See small view pictured above.)

The dress is made of excellent quality All-Silk Flat Crepe and features a new and very charming use of embroidered net. The entire yoke, front and back, which is faced with tan all-side flat crepe, is of embroidered ecru net set in in scallops on a diagonal line that is very becoming indeed. Stunning flowers of self material droop from one shoulder.

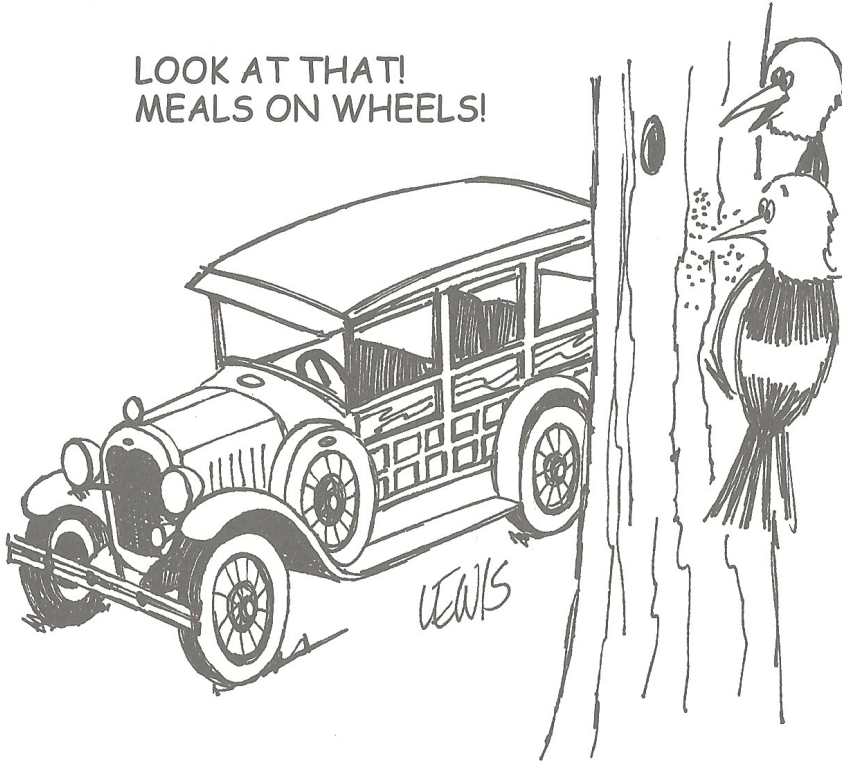
The body of the dress is exquisitely cut, especially in the skirt, where curved seams produce beautiful lines both front and back. The entire skirt is gracefully flared, a feature which is distinctly flattering to the stout figure. There is an all-around belt with a Rhinestone buckle.

COLORS: Black or navy blue, each with ecru yoke. SIZES: 38 to 58 bust. Length about 49 inches. Our low price —and We Pay Postage. \$14.95

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TUSSAN  
SLIP  
INCLUDED

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**2021 OVRMAFC Tentative Schedule**

- Mar 21 - Mystery Tour
- Mar 24 - Zoom Club Meeting
- Apr 28 - Zoom Club Meeting
- July 25 - Poker Run Tour

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