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Aerial View

By: Director Conrad Gerdes



I want to thank the Participation Committee for their input on the participation awards. We have a full line-up for outings & events for this summer, therefore

I want to thank everyone for stepping up to make this happen.

Sharon Cradler will be cooking our lunch at Oeder's Lake.

Remember... lunch will be at 12:00. Bring a covered dish and don't be late.

See you in May, for the Mystery Tour.. Lots of fun!

If you have questions, feel free to call me at (812) 584-5639.

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What you missed from the April Club Meeting.

The weather is shaping up to be great this month . Get the A out of the garage and put some miles on her!



Tom & Margie Blomer



Lee White & Phyllis Pease



Terry and Brenda Owens



Tim Schmidt enjoying dinner



Commander Ralph Walters



Margie Blomer, Bob Zitney, & Art Foreman

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Whether you're restoring a Model "A" or in search of the definitive book of standards for Model "A" Fords, this is the volume you need! Packed with all the information, part numbers, and correct applications for Model "A" Fords (including sections on AA, AR, and Canadian vehicles), this book covers the areas you need to make your Model "A" as authentic as Henry made it.

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 **Call 734.427.9050 NOW!**
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**Show your support of the Ohio Valley
 Region Model A Club!**

We are pleased to announce that we no longer have to wait for multiple people to place an order for club apparel. OVR club shirts, jackets, etc. can be purchased at Black Out Tee's in Eastgate Mall. The company has our logo in digital format and can help you place your order. Please Contact:

Black Out Tee's
4601 Eastgate Boulevard
Cincinnati, OH 45245
(513) 604-8337

Club name tags (in the shape of a Model A) can be ordered at a cost of \$10.00 (tag with pin) or \$12.50 (tag with magnet). Contact:

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



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- ◆ G&G Classic (812) 584-5639
 - Partial and complete restorations
 - Engine changes
 - Glass replaced
 - parts and service
 - wheels painted
 - steering rebuilt
- ◆ Dottie's Upholstery Shop (812) 584-5631
 - New tops for sedans and convertibles
 - Custom Upholstery or kits. 5% discount for MARC members
 - Made-to-order trunks (you choose color)
 - Some upholstery repair
- ◆ Model A Carburetor Sales & Service (Repair and Road Testing) Tillotson, Zenith-Holley
 Joe Schiml
 (937) 456-2587

2016 Participation Award and the Toilet Seat Award



Cas & Gary Daley accepted the 2016 Participation Award for having the most points.



We are bringing the Toilet Seat Award back! Conrad showcasing the coveted award.



Tom Hull won the award for having a faulty coil on the April Tour.



Dottie Gerdes earned the award for losing the water pump on her car before they even left



Tom Blomer won the award for having a flat tire a ½ mile into the tour.



2017 April Polar Bear Tour Award

New Website!

The club website has been updated with a new fresh look.

The website contains information about our club and showcases pictures of tours and meetings. Find it here:

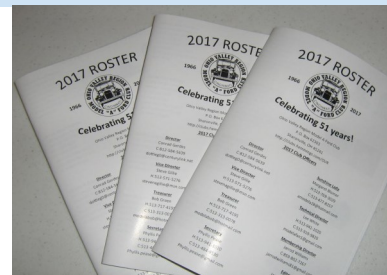
<http://clubs.hemmings.com/OVR/>

New Facebook Page!

The club Facebook page has been updated with a new fresh look. Join today to be notified of events and have a look at pictures of tours and meetings. Find it here:

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2017 Club Rosters Available Now!



If you haven't been able to make a 2017 meeting yet, we wanted you to be aware that the 2017 Member Rosters are now available! In it you will find pictures and contact information for all of the current club members. This year we have printed it as a booklet that is 5 1/2" wide by 8 1/2" tall. It is the perfect size to fit in the door pocket of your Model A.

Extra copies can be purchased for \$1.00.

Be sure to attend a meeting so you can receive yours!

Lubrication & Periodic Maintenance - Model A Ford

EACH 500 MILES

- inspect radiator hoses
- adjust fan belt
- inspect fan for cracks
- change crankcase oil (if not using filter)
- check fan bearing for looseness (side play)
- test windshield wiper
- check wiper blade rubber

EACH 1,000 MILES

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| <p>Left</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> do all 500-mile items <input type="checkbox"/> test emergency flashers ² <input type="checkbox"/> test wheel bearings for looseness, spin ³ <input type="checkbox"/> tighten accessory mountings (windwings) <input type="checkbox"/> tighten spring u-bolts, front & rear ⁴ <input type="checkbox"/> tighten all wheel lug nuts <input type="checkbox"/> test lights (head, tail, stop, dash, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> inspect all engine compartment cotter pins <input type="checkbox"/> inspect all brake system cotter pins <input type="checkbox"/> inspect all steering system cotter pins <input type="checkbox"/> service brake cross shaft <input type="checkbox"/> parking brake cross shaft <input type="checkbox"/> engine control link joints <input type="checkbox"/> wipe out headlight switch <input type="checkbox"/> door dovetails (light coat of vaseline) <input type="checkbox"/> door striker plates (same) <input type="checkbox"/> door latch mechanism & lock (white graphite) | <p>Right</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> front spindles (upper & lower) <input type="checkbox"/> steering tie-rod <input type="checkbox"/> front brake camshafts <input type="checkbox"/> front spring shackles <input type="checkbox"/> front shock links <input type="checkbox"/> rear spring shackles <input type="checkbox"/> rear shock links <input type="checkbox"/> rear brake camshafts ¹ <input type="checkbox"/> rear wheel bearings ¹ |
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- go over entire fuel system for leaks
- go over entire exhaust system for leaks
- clean distributor cap, lid, rotor, and check each for cracks
- check steering wheel free play (1" max.)
- battery high discharge voltage test ⁵
- check battery with electrical tester
- clutch pedal bearing
- brake pedal bearing
- drag link (both ends)
- U-joint
- check lubricant level in differential
- check lubricant level in transmission
- check lubricant level in steering gear
- fan bearing
- water pump bearing
- check for tight electrical connections ⁶
- distributor shaft (fill oiler)
- distributor cam (very light coating)
- check points gap. (.018" to .0223"
- check points for pits, misalignment
- remove crank from front of engine
- generator bearings
- clean & re-oil air cleaner
- clean battery cable clamps & vaseline
- tighten battery ground connection
- oil horn bearings
- clean horn commutator
- clean generator commutator, check brushes
- drain fuel sediment bowl
- clean carburetor filter screen
- oil main throttle shaft (rear of engine)
- door hinge pins (1 drop light oil)
- hook hooks (same)
- check clutch pedal for 1/4" free play
- check tail lamp lens mounting screws
- test ground wire on all power tools ⁷

EACH 2,000 MILES

- do all 500 and 1,000-mile items
- check shock fluid
- inspect starter commutator & brushes
- grease steering gear sector shaft
- examine tires for wear, cracks, damage
- clutch release bearing (under floor board)
- check engine timing ⁸
- remove crank from front of engine
- adjust service brakes
- inspect main leaf springs for cracks
- repack upper ends of shock links
- test parking brakes for hold on hill
- drain & flush radiator with clear water ⁹

EACH 5,000 MILES

- do all 500 and 1,000-mile items
- check headlight focus and aim
- drain, flush, refill transmission
- same for differential
- tighten engine, chassis, body bolts & nuts
- front wheel bearings: clean, inspect, pack
- inspect front brake drums, linings, springs ¹⁰
- spark plugs: clean & regap (.035")
- give cooling system a chemical flush ⁹

EACH 10,000 MILES

- do all previous items
- clean, inspect, pack rear wheel bearings
- inspect & clean rear drums, linings, springs ¹⁰
- lubricate speedometer cable
- polish headlight reflectors

1. Rear wheel bearings and rear brake operating shafts must not be over-lubricated. These areas, already subject to oil seepage past the axle housing seals, have a tendency to drip lubricant onto brake drums.
2. This concerns the battery-operated portable red flashers some owners carry for road emergencies.
3. Be sure there is no excessive looseness in the fronts, and no gritty sound or drag in any.
4. The large U-bolt's holding the leaf springs to the frame cross members should be kept very tight at all times. This is a precaution against cracks in the cross members and broken springs.
5. Check each cell with a high discharge tester; this shows whether the battery will hold its voltage under actual operating loads.
6. To test for tightness, try to wiggle the connection with your fingers. If it gives, tighten it. Check also that the wires are not loose in their crimped-on terminals. Look for frayed or cracked insulation, and for spots where wires rest against metal to cause worn insulation. Open up the junction box and check for these items.
7. This obviously has nothing to do with the Model A, but is a good check for the restorer. Use ohm meter to see that there is NO resistance between the exterior metal case of the tool and the ground prong of the three-prong plug (with plug

pulled out of wall outlet). Even after making this test, the safe practice is never to touch the tool while standing on a damp surface or while touching or standing on any metallic or wet object as ground circuits within your shop or garage are not always reliable.

8. A very accurate way to see exactly when distributor points open is to hook up a six volt DC voltmeter across the points. With ignition on, the meter needle will jump from zero to about six volts at the instant the points open. When not performing this test, keep ignition switch off, or slip a piece of paper between the points, to keep battery from discharging through the coil primary winding.
9. Drain radiator immediately after running engine for about ten minutes, so that sediment and loose scale will be stirred up into the water. Do not pour cold water into a warm engine. If hot water is not available, allow engine to cool completely before refilling.
10. Clean every trace of grease from brake drums and brake shoe lining with rags dampened in lacquer thinner. Dry off with clean dry rags. Also remove any excess grease from bearings, bushings, and backing plates, so that none will later drop down onto drums or shoes- With everything sanitary, inspect for scored drums, worn linings, broken springs.

Have your own tips, suggestions, or even another checklist? Submit your ideas for the next newsletter!

Ohio Valley Region Model A Club Meeting Minutes

WEDNESDAY, April 26, 2017 VFW HALL, SHARONVILLE, OHIO

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Conrad Gerdes, Director. The group was then led in a moment of silent remembrance and the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE: The roll call was led by Steve Gillie, Vice Director. There were 48 members and one guest, Jeff Thompson, present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The minutes of the March 22, 2017 meeting were approved as printed in the April 2017 AAAOOOGAH.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's report was approved as printed in the April 2017 AAAOOOGAH.

SUNSHINE REPORT: Margie Blomer sent a sympathy card to the family of Paul Blomer, who passed away earlier this month.

The April birthdays of Pricilla Sue Hicks, Ralph Hicks, Conrad Gerdes, Art Foreman were recognized.

EMAIL: Jim Rupp had no report.

WEBSITE: Jarrod Williams has updated the club website which can be accessed through the link:
<http://clubs.hemmings.com/ovr/>

FACEBOOK PAGE: Jarrod Williams has established a Facebook account for OVR. Photos of club events, meeting information, etc. will be available on this site. Join by going to:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/OVRMAC/>

CAR CARE GANG: No report.

READING CAR SHOW: The Car Show is scheduled for Sunday, September 10, 2017.

Members should be selling sponsorships for the booklet. These sponsorships require a clean business card for printing in the booklets. Consideration is still being given to holding a swap meet at the car show. Anyone willing to coordinate this effort should contact Elmer Stanukinos.

FASHION COMMITTEE: Phyllis Pease reported that the fashion seminar at the MARC Membership Meet in Shipshewana featured fashions of 1930. There were 100 attendees at this seminar. The fashion seminar planned for the MARC National Meet in Gettysburg will be titled "The Legs Have It" and will discuss stockings and socks during the Model A era.

UPCOMING NATIONAL EVENTS: The 2018 MARC National Tour will be in West Virginia and the 2018 MARC National Meet will be in Branson, MO.

RECENT CLUB EVENTS: Lee White reported on the 2017 Polar Bear Tour which was held on Saturday/Sunday, April 1 & 2, 2017 and led by Debbie and Larry Arnold. There were seven Model A's and 3 modern cars in the group. There was a lunch stop at the Miller's Amish Store, then on to Portsmouth, OH for an overnight stay at the Shawnee State Park Lodge. Dinner at an upscale pizza restaurant followed by lively games in the Lodge lobby were enjoyed in the evening. After breakfast at the Lodge, the group traveled into Portsmouth to visit the historical mural

wall. Lunch at the New Richmond, OH Frisch's topped off the tour.

TOILET SEAT AWARDS: Conrad Gerdes earned an award for losing his water pump before he even left home, Tom Blomer for a flat tire ½ mile into the tour and Tom Hull for a faulty coil.

UPCOMING EVENTS: The annual Mystery Tour is scheduled for Sunday, May 21, 2017 and will be led by Art Foreman and Al Audette. Participants should meet in the parking lot across from Lunken Airport for the driver/navigator Meeting at 11:00 AM. Please bring a pen or pencil, your driver's license, a cell phone and money for lunch. The tour will end at a restaurant.

The annual club picnic will be held on Sunday, June 4, 2017 at Oeder's Lake. The club will furnish hot dogs, metts and brats and the trimmings. Attendees should bring at least one dish to share, chairs, table cloths, tableware and drinks. Also, bring fishing gear and bait. No Minnows. Lunch will be served at noon. Car games will be held in the afternoon. Dick Gelhaus has donated a picnic table which Conrad Gerdes will deliver to Oeder's Lake.

PARTICIPATION AWARDS: Last month a volunteer committee was formed to discuss the point system for the annual Participation Awards. Members of the committee were Anna Williams, Lee White, Art Foreman, Terry Owens and Tim Schmidt. It was noted that the Participation Awards were formed as an incentive for members to attend meetings, drive their Model A's, plan events and assist with the car show.

After much discussion, this committee recommended that the Participation Award point system should remain as is. Cas and Gary Daily received the highest points in 2016 and were awarded the 2016 Participation Award.

OTHER EVENTS: Mark Kietel asked members to consider participating in a Jazz Festival to be held at the Over-the-Rhine Woodward Theatre which is currently being restored. This event will be held in late 2017 or early 2018. Mark will bring updates as the date approaches.

UPCOMING MEETINGS: The Wednesday, May 24, meeting will be held at the Sharonville VFW at 7:30 PM. The first picnic meeting of the summer will be held on Wednesday, June 28, 2017 at the home of Lee White and Phyllis Pease, 4456 Schinkal Road, Cincinnati, OH. Dinner served at 6:00 PM followed by the meeting at 7:30 PM.

SPLIT THE POT: Denny Perry won \$54.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM by Conrad Gerdes, Director.

SUBMITTED BY: Phyllis Pease, Secretary.

Upcoming Events

- ◆ **May 24, 2017**
2017 Sharonville, Ohio
OVR Model A Club Meeting.
VFW Post 4368. 3318 East Sharon Road, Sharonville, Ohio 45241.
This is the clubs usual monthly meeting place. The VFW Hall has a dinner at 6:00 PM, you can purchase a home cooked meal for around seven dollars if you are interested. The VFW lets us use their hall for no-charge. They ask we buy any drinks that we may want from the bar. Our meetings will start at 7:30 PM. Extra OVR Rosters will be available for \$1.
- ◆ **May 21, 2017**
The Annual Mystery Tour
Hosted by BJ and Art Foreman along with Jan and Al Audette.
Meet in the large parking lot across from the Sky Gallery at Lunken Airport
262 Wilmer Ave # 1 Cincinnati, OH 45226
Bring a pen or pencil and cash to buy food. Start time is **11am**.
- ◆ **May 29, 2017**
108th Annual Memorial Day Parade
The Ohio Valley Region Model A Ford Club has again been invited to participate in the 108th Annual Memorial Day Parade. It will be held in Arlington Heights, Lockland and Reading on Monday, May 29, 2017. Some of us will meet at The Schmidt-Dhonau Kuckner Funeral Home located at 8633 Reading Road in Reading between 8 - 8:15 AM We need to be at our staging point at 8:30 AM.
- ◆ **June 4, 2017**
Oeder's Lake Picnic
The annual club picnic will be held on Sunday, June 4, 2017 at Oeder's Lake. The club will furnish hot dogs, metts and brats and the trimmings. Attendees should bring at least one dish to share, chairs, table cloths, tableware and drinks. Also, bring fishing gear and bait. No Minnows. Lunch will be served at Noon. Car games will be held in the afternoon. Dick Gelhaus has donated a picnic table which Conrad Gerdes will deliver to Oeder's Lake.
- ◆ **June 28, 2017**
OVR Model A Club Meeting
Held at Lee White and Phyllis Pease's home. Details to be announced.
- ◆ **Jul 8, 2017**
6th Annual Model A's & Model T's at the Depot
The Standish Historical Depot & Welcome Center invites all Model A's and Model T's to its 6th Annual Car Show open to ALL original/restored cars and trucks 1931 and older. Vehicles pre-registered before July 1, 2017 will be registered for \$5.00. The show will begin at 10:00 am and conclude at 4:00 pm with awards to the best of show and the top 50 vehicles. Era dress encouraged. Contact:
The Standish Depot
(989) 718-3021 or
Curt Hillman, (989) 860-1102
107 N. Main St., Standish, MI 48658
- ◆ **July 2017**
Annual Poker Run
Larry and Debbie Arnold will host the Poker Run in July, date to be announced.
- ◆ **July 30 - August 4**
2017 MARC National Meet
Hub City Model A Ford Club will host the National MARC Meet in 2017. The Meet will be held in Historic Gettysburg, PA, starting Sunday July 30th and ending with a closing banquet on the evening of Friday, August 4th.
<http://hubcitymodelaclub.com/marc-meet-2017>
- ◆ **August 2017**
August Club Ride
Bob and Cindy Green will host a tour in August. Details to be announced.

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- ◆ 1930 Tudor. Complete restoration & overdrive.
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\$8,000 Call Conrad (812) 584-5639
- ◆ Model "A" trailer. Single wheel.
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- ◆ New rebuilt inserted engine.
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- ◆ 1930 Sports Coupe. Restored with Balanced B engine with overdrive.
\$25,000 Call Ermil Cain (513) 793-6951
- ◆ 1931 Slant Window. Restored . B-Engine. Everything is 1st class. 6 wheel with overdrive.
\$27,500 Call Ermil Cain (513) 793-6951

Ohio Valley Region Model A Club Calendar

May 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 Mother's Day	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 The Mystery Tour	22	23	24  Club Meeting	25	26	27
28	29 108th Annual Memorial Day Parade Memorial Day	30	31			

Tiny Tips from MAFCA Members

Choke Rod

Does your choke rod tend to hang up when you pull it out? It was designed to snap back into place when released. There are several reasons why this inconvenience occurs and each can be corrected quite easily.

Some of the reproduction grommets for the gas tank bracket are made of a rather soft rubber with a hole that is too small. The hole can be drilled larger with a little talc lubricant, this problem is easily solved.

Most choke rod kits include a grommet for the hole in the firewall. If you have one, remove it and discard it. There should be a leather washer on the engine side with a floorboard screw washer as a back-up. An old leather belt should suffice in making the round leather washer.

Making these two changes should make your choke rod operate more smoothly, and MAFCA judges will like it much better.



If you have a helpful tip about Model A restorations or maintenance that you'd like to share with MAFCA members, please forward it to the MAFCA Office 250 S. Cypress St, La Habra, Ca 90631-5515 or email to: restorer@mafca.com.



From: Red E Power Illustrated by: John Pratt of Urbana, Illinois

Member's Memos

- ◆ The club is still in need of recipes and sponsors for our annual car show book. Contact: Elmer Stanukinos (513) 777-8760
- ◆ You can host a club ride in November of this year.
- ◆ If you have prayer request you can call or email Jarrod Williams to have them included in next month's newsletter.



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Last name: _____ First name: _____ Initial: _____
Spouse name: _____ Home Phone: ____/____/_____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
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Model A's Owned: _____

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