

The Ohio Valley Region's News

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## Director's Column: Tony Topicz



Our September meeting was very productive in a lot of areas. We are now in fall season, but you would not know it with this hot weather. Fall is a good time for tours and there is still time for one or more. Lets hope that some of our members can come up with one. It is also ELECTION TIME so we are open for officer candidates. We need to have candidates for our October meeting in order to have the election at the November meeting.

### 2019 International Model "A" Ford Day - Clifton Mill to Youngs Dairy Tour

Hosted by: Don and Ramona Perkins



2019 International Ford Model "A" Day was celebrated by a tour to Clifton Mill and lunch at the Youngs Golden Jersey Inn Restaurant. We had 8 Model A's and a modern 1950 Ford to be there in case of a breakdown. Fortunately, we had no break downs. However, we had two tour tagalongs. Gerdes and Gillies did a tagalong tour to Clifton Mills with another group. When we called to see where they were, they were already in Xenia. They thought we left them behind when in fact we hadn't left yet. So they had a early lunch at the Mill and dessert at Youngs. We were able to get pics with our cars in front of the historic bridge and old gas station. We had 21 adults and 3 future Model A members attend. Each member received a picture collage of the day. Each participant received a 2019 International Ford Model "A" Day patch and a picture of them in in their car in front of the gas station. AaaaaOOOGah!

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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

Just a reminder that if any members have information they would like in the newsletter, the deadline is the 3rd of each month. We try very hard to have the newsletters mailed and in your hands by the 10th of each month.

2020 Membership dues should be submitted by January 1, 2020. If there is incorrect information such as phone numbers or email for yourself in the 2019 Roster, please let us know. We can even retake your photo for the roster if you would like.

### OVRMAC Member Garage for Use!

Steve Gillie has offered the use of his garage, tools, and manuals for club members. His garage is located in Springboro, Ohio. Steve has generously offered his guidance if members would like to work on their cars, but because of his arthritis he is unable to do any physical work.

Again, club members are welcome to use any and all items. Call Steve Gillie at: (513) 571-5276 to set up a time.

If Steve is not available, call his friend Melvin Larson at: (513) 593-5489.

#### Tools available for use include:

- 2 post lift
- 4 post ramp lift
- Welders and torches
- Sandblaster
- Engine stand
- Engine hoist
- Rivet machine for brakes
- Miscellaneous other tools
- Any kind of hand tool you would need
- Repair manuals

## The Compression Gauge!

By: Tom Endy

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

There are times when an automotive compression gauge comes in handy, like when you are standing along side of the road trying to figure out why your Model A won't run. A compression gauge will tell you real quick if you have a blown head gasket or a valve that is stuck open.

There was a compression gauge type on the market a number of years ago that had a rubber snout that you could press against the spark plug hole while someone rotated the engine with the starter. This type of gauge had two drawbacks. One was that you needed two people to operate the gauge, and when you went to use it you usually found that the rubber had turned so hard with age that it would not seal off the cylinder. Modern compression gauges screw right into the spark plug hole and one person can operate them very well. Unfortunately they don't make them for a Model A head with a 7/8" spark plug boss. So what is a body to do?

Pep Boys sells an [Actron compression gauge](#) for about \$35. that you can easily modify. The part number is CP7827 and it comes with a snap-in hose and several adapters. One of the adapters is a 14mm threaded devise that connects to the snap-in hose and is normally used to thread into the spark plug hole of a modern car.

Locate an old Champion 3X spark plug. Take it apart and discard all but the bottom section. Grind off the spark ground tab that is attached to the bottom. Run a 1½"-20 tap through the tunnel in the 3X spark plug base. If you have a lathe, and know how to use it, turn down the 14 mm adapter until all the threads are gone. If you don't have a lathe, and like me, wouldn't know how to use it if you did, grind the threads off with a grinding wheel. Run a 1½"-20 dye over where the threads used to be on the adapter. Wrap a number of turns of nylon tape around the new threads on the adapter (just in case your grinding and threading ability is not too accurate). Screw the two parts together and you are good to go. Put all the stuff that goes with the gauge in a bag and keep it with your tools. You might want to run a compression test on your Model A and record the readings for each cylinder and keep it with the gauge so you will have a handy reference.

**What you are looking for is consistency between cylinders. The actual compression values are not as important as the fact that all four readings should be within about 10% of each other.**



## Plus Four Knickers for Fun

By: Rosie Cassou

Taken from: [https://mafca.com/downloads/Fashions/Articles/Plus%20Four%20Knickers%20For%20Fun\\_2019-09.pdf](https://mafca.com/downloads/Fashions/Articles/Plus%20Four%20Knickers%20For%20Fun_2019-09.pdf)

Knickers or Plus Four trousers certainly set a style in the Model A Era. The look was one of fun and carefree activity. While the origin of knickers and Plus Fours came from the early 19th century, the practical use for men and women were on the sporting fields, shooting range, golf courses, and for a casual drive in a sporty Model A roadster.



They were called plus fours because they bagged below the knee and were 4" longer than knickerbockers. Plus fours were made in tweeds, linen, corduroy,

flannel, and wool. Today women, men, or youth can wear a pair of Plus Fours either in the Original Category fashion judging or in the Era Image Category. Appropriate Coordinating Apparel would be a long sleeved shirt with a sweater vest, a patterned sweater, or a matching or contrasting suit jacket. A jacket belted in the back, made the outfit more "sporty" looking. The heavy argyle socks worn with tie shoes were often the first features noticed by others. Sometimes the socks and sweater were matching to add a daring flare to the ensemble. For accessories, a man, or woman might use a golf club, a road map, a suitcase, or a walking stick. For youth, accessories might be sporting or camping equipment or schoolbooks.



For information on making your own Plus Fours, follow the link in the header!

## 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](#)

# OHIO VALLEY REGION MODEL A FORD CLUB MEETING MINTUES

Wednesday, September 25, 2019

VFW Hall, Sharonville, OH

## CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.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 40 members in attendance.

## SECRETARY AND TREASURER REPORTS:

Bob Noe motioned to accept the Minutes, Don Perkins 2nd the motion. Steve Gillie motioned to accept the Treasurers Report; Art Foreman 2nd the motion. Both reports were accepted as recorded in the August 2019 AAAOOOGAH.

## SUNSHINE REPORT:

Margie Blomer absent. Recently Margie Blomer had knee surgery and Phyllis Pease had hip replacement.

## CAR GUYS:

Tom Blomer and Terry Owens had nothing to report.

## MILEAGE PROGRAM:

Anna Williams absent, nothing to report.

## CAR SHOW:

Our annual car show was a success! Bob Green recognized Sherri Green for doing a job well done for the food that the club sold! Elmer thanked everybody who helped on this fun day! Elmer will have a check to give to the club at the October meeting.

## MEMBERSHIP/NEWSLETTER:

\$25.00 membership dues for 2020 are due. You can pay Jarrod Williams with cash or check at any meeting or mail a check to him made out to OHIO VALLEY REGION MODEL A CLUB. Also see him about receiving the newsletter if you have any problems.

Tim Schmidt clarified the club finances at the meeting. He let everyone know that the \$25 per membership only covers the cost of printing and mailing the newsletter. The club got a stock pile of money from the 2001 National Meet. He doesn't want our club to run out of money while he's in office. Car Show fundraiser is it's own bank account. Lots of discussion. If you have questions about club finances, contact Tim.

## IN MEMORY OF DONATION:

Steve Gillie motioned for our club to automatically send \$100 to MAFFI in memory of an current/active member in our club that passes away. Art Foreman 2nd the motion.

## AWARD:

Tony Topicz gave the Toilet Seat award to Terry Owens from the Poker Run tour.

## CLIFTON MILLS TOUR:

Thanks to Don and Ramona Perkins for planning the tour to Clifton Mills and Young's Dairy! Tony Topicz gave the "Tour Trophy" to Don and Ramona for planning a tour!

## MYSTERY TOUR:

Art Foreman mentioned it will be Sunday, October 27. Meet at Milford Shopping Center. The "mystery" details will be given to you when you arrive by 10am! Let Art know if you're going.

## NEW BUSINESS:

### **NOVEMBER ELECTION**

Art Foreman mentioned we need an election committee for the upcoming election. You can be nominated or nominate yourself. Please contact Art Foreman or Tony Topicz if you're interested or have questions.

### **HOLIDAY PARTY:**

The 2019 Holiday 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.

Art Foreman mentioned the details for this party are being worked on and will be a great time! Don't forget to wear your "ugly Christmas attire"!! Send \$20 for each member and \$25 for each non-member to Bob Green. Sign up on or before the October meeting and you will be entered for a chance to win a free meal.

### **NOVEMBER AUCTION**

Bob Noe motioned to an auction at the November 2019 meeting; Bob Green 2nd the motion.

### **CLUB EVENTS:**

September 28 - Ford Fun Fest, Sharonville Ford Transmission Plant

October 13 - Covered Bridge Tour, with Dayton Ohio Club

October 27 - Mystery tour. Meet at Milford Shopping Center. The "mystery" details will be given to you when you arrive by 10am!

November TBD- Dayton Ohio Swap Meet

November 20 - OVRMAC November Auction at our club meeting

December 8 - OVRMAC Holiday Party at RSVP Event Center

### **MARCC/MAFFI:**

No news

### **SPLIT THE POT:**

Bob Noe won split the pot.

### **NEXT MEETING:**

The next meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 23, 2019 at the VFW Hall, 3318 Sharon Road, Cincinnati, OH 45241.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Jim Green motion to adjourn the meeting, Bob Green 2nd the motion.

### **SUBMITTED BY:**

Sherri Green, Secretary.

# OVR Model A Club 2019 Christmas Party & Holiday Banquet



Jim and Pam Thomas Antique Christmas Display

**JOIN US** for tasty food, exciting games, fabulous prizes, deserving awards, stimulating conversations, and **MORE!**

**DATE & TIME** – Sunday, December 8, 2019. 2PM to 6PM

**PLACE** – [RSVP Event Center, 453 Wards Corner Road, Loveland, OH 45140](#)

**ATTIRE** – Model A era clothing and ugly sweaters are encouraged

**COST** - \$20 for each member, \$25 for each nonmember. kids 3 and under are free

**RESERVATION FORM AND PAYMENT DETAILS :**

- Bob Green must receive your reservations form and payment by **11/15/2019**.
- Pay Bob at our monthly meetings or mail your reservation form and check to: Bob Green at 9735 Baughman Road, Harrison, OH 45030.
- Checks payable to OVR Model A Club.
- Check the “Member box” if the person is a member. (Per constitution, members are spouses and children 21 years or younger.)
- Check the “3yrs or under box” for kids 3 years of age or younger.
- Check the “Vegetarian meal” if the person wants a vegetarian meal.
- Prices are \$20 per member, \$25 per nonmember, and free for a child 3 years or younger.
- Please print only one name per line. Print legibly.
- **Pay by October 23 and be entered in a drawing to win a \$20 rebate on one reservation.**

**RESERVATION FORM -----**

Name: _____	Member: <input type="checkbox"/>	3yrs or under: <input type="checkbox"/>	Vegetarian meal: <input type="checkbox"/>
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Check number \_\_\_\_\_

**QUESTIONS** – Please contact Sherri Green if you have any questions.  
[greensa@zoomtown.com](mailto:greensa@zoomtown.com) or call 513-476-7537.

## Calendar of Scheduled Events

- **October 23, 2019**  
**OVRMAC October Club Meeting**  
 Meeting will be held at the VFW Hall.  
[3318 Sharon Road](#)  
[Cincinnati, OH 45241](#)  
 Meeting will start at 7:30pm
- **October 27, 2019**  
**OVRMAC October Mystery Tour - 10 am**  
 The Mystery tour will start at the [Milford Shopping Center](#) located near the corner of Route 50, a.k.a., Lila Avenue, and State Route 131. Please be there by 10am. The shopping center was opened in 1960 and was last renovated in 1998. It is an open shopping mall with 4,000 parking spaces. Bring a pen or pencil. Plan on a 3-hour tour. Remember Gilligan's Island? The tour should end at a restaurant. For any questions please contact Art Foreman: (513) 891-3250.
- **November 3, 2019**  
**Swap Meet in Brookville, OH**  
 Event will be held at Reichard Chevrolet.  
 The address is: 575 Arlington Road, Brookville, OH.  
 The Swap Meet features antique and classic cars, parts and related items, petroliia, advertising, emblems, manuals, etc. Antique cars are displayed on the showroom floor.  
 Doors open at 7AM and close at 1PM. Hot breakfast and lunch stand available. Spectator fee \$3. Heated indoor 10 X 10 vendor spaces, \$15 each. Outdoor vendor spaces, \$20 each. Saturday set-up for indoor vendors is from 3-6 PM. Vendor spaces not held unless payment is received with reservation.  
 Vendor space requests or information:  
 Mike Bogart, 175 Marybill Drive South, Troy, OH 45373  
 (937) 335-9353. Please call from 7:30-3:30pm
- **November 20, 2019**  
**OVRMAC November Club Meeting and Auction**  
 Our November meeting will be at the VFW Hall.  
[3318 Sharon Road](#)  
[Cincinnati, OH 45241](#)  
 Club meeting starts at 6:00 PM.  
 Please donate Model A related items and /or baked goods to be auctioned. The auction will begin at 6:30 p.m. so arrive by 6:00 p.m. to set up. The club retains ½ of the proceeds with the other ½ split between 2 numbers drawn. Each member donating an item will receive one numbered ticket per item for this drawing. Minimum value of items auctioned is \$5.00
- **December 8, 2019**  
**OVRMAC Holiday Celebration**  
 The 2019 Holiday Party will be held on Sunday, December 8, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. at:  
[RSVP Event Center](#)  
[453 Wards Corner Road](#)  
[Loveland, OH 45140](#)  
 Art Foreman is helping to iron out details and promises a good time. Don't forget to wear your "ugly Christmas attire"! Send \$20 for each member or \$25 for each non-member to Bob Green. Sign up on or before the October meeting, for a chance to win a free meal.

## 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
- 2004 Chevy SSR  
 \$19,000 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

## What you missed at the September club meeting



## 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  
C: 513-477-8257



Terry Owens  
H: 513-831-8580  
C: 513-254-1035

## OVR Youth Report

This month we would like to recognize OVR's own Kaleb Green. Kaleb is the son of James and Sherri Green and the grandson of Bob and Cindy Green. Kaleb is 9 years old and in the fourth grade. While at school his favorite class is math! His favorite car is a Mustang, but he does want to own a Model A someday. Kaleb has honored our club by regularly leading the Pledge of Allegiance at our monthly meetings and drawing split the pot winners. On behalf of our club, thank you Kaleb!



## MAFFI Minute - October 2019

Model A Day 2019 was a success with many unique and original vehicles depicting our theme for this year. We had over 250 cars that came for the day and all enjoyed the Model A Museum as well as the many other museums on the Gilmore Campus. Our Board of Directors had their annual meeting on Thursday prior to Model A Day and have laid the groundwork for a Strategic Plan to keep the museum interesting and entertaining for years to come. Your continued support is greatly appreciated. If you have not already done it, please renew your membership today and consider a year end monetary gift to our Endowment Fund which will ensure our museum will be there for generations to come. Visit our website and join: <http://www.maffi.org/>





**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

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