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Director's Column: Jarrod Williams



The rest of the year is shaping up to be a great couple months for our club and getting out in your Model A. Please take note of the new September 13th tour hosted by Ed Creighton. Besides visiting some great locations on the tour, participating cars will receive a 2020 International Model A Day patch. This day is simply an informal opportunity for owners and clubs around the world to go out for a drive or event on the same day and submit photos to the national magazines. We'll see you at the tour and meeting!



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OVRMAFC Christmas Party Meeting

It's almost that time of year! Bob Noe would like to hold a brief Christmas Party meeting at 6:30pm before our scheduled September 23 club meeting. Anyone who is interested in helping to plan the event may attend.

OVRMAFC September Meeting

The September 23rd Meeting will be held at:

Sharonville VFW 4369
[3318 E Sharon Rd](#)
[Cincinnati, OH 45241](#)
Meeting starts: 7:30PM

Because of the ongoing COVID-19 health crisis, please wear a mask (inside and outside) while not eating and keep a safe distance of 6 feet from each other.

What you missed from the August meeting!

Anna Williams reported that OVRMAFC has 7 drivers with 17 Model A's registered in the [MARC Mileage Program](#). We already have two new registrations this year! Contact Anna if you would like to join.

2019 Awards

Terry Owens
(30,000 miles)

Jarrod Williams
(15,000 miles)

Bob Zitney
(10,000 miles)



Thank you to Larry and Debbie Arnold for hosting our meeting. Larry's famous pulled pork was a huge hit. Because of the 90 degree heat, it was tempting to take a dip in the pool!

September Tour

Ed Creighton will host a tour on **Sunday, September 13, 2020.**

Participants should meet at:

Ron's Machine Shop
[4995 Cincinnati Brookville Road](#)
[Shandon, Ohio 45063](#)

Arrive at **9:00 a.m.** for a tour of the Model T museum. A driving tour of several historical sites and markers will follow ending with lunch at the Liberty Bell restaurant in Liberty, IN. Participants will receive a patch for the 2020 International Model A Day.

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/>

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

OVRMAFC 2020 Rosters are now available!

A PDF version was emailed in June along with the newsletter. Printed copies were available at the August club meeting.

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

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



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.

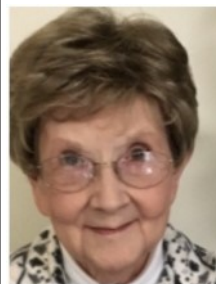
[Black Out Tee's](#)

[4601 Eastgate Blvd](#)

[Cincinnati, OH 45243](#)

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

Passing of club member Melanie Gilb



Melanie Elaine Gilb (nee Liggett), daughter of Ruth Schaffer and Carl Liggett, born July 20, 1940, passed away peacefully on Aug 21, 2020, at the age of 80.

Melanie was preceded in death by 3 brothers; Larry Liggett, Jim, and Gary Dahlheimer. She is survived by her devoted husband Clifford J. Gilb Jr., her dearly loved children; Susan (Roger) Tabor, Tim (Karen Joe) Day, Rick (Wanda) Day, Jeni (Tony) Williams, Paula (Rick) Phillips, Karen Welch, Amy (Joe) Sahlen, Becky (Bo) VanDiver, Jenny Gilb, Karen (Joe) McGinn, Clifford J. III (Christina) Gilb, Don (Christy) Gilb and her adored 28 grandchildren and 42 great-grandchildren.

She touched a lot of lives and will be greatly missed. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the American Cancer Society.

Rear Brake Drums

By: Tom Endy

Taken From: <http://www.santaanitaas.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/Rear-Brake-Drums.pdf>

The hubs on the rear brake drums of a Model A Ford are found in three different configurations. The Judging Standards are silent concerning which configuration should be installed on a given year\month of production car. The reason is probably because the hubs cannot be seen during judging.

The Ford Service Bulletins describes the three configurations but do not reference specific year\month of installations. See the service bulletin below (page 377 for September 1929, page 147 in the book). The only year\month reference useful to the modern Model A enthusiast is that the grooved design hub only will be supplied after September 1929.

DIFFERENCE IN HUBS

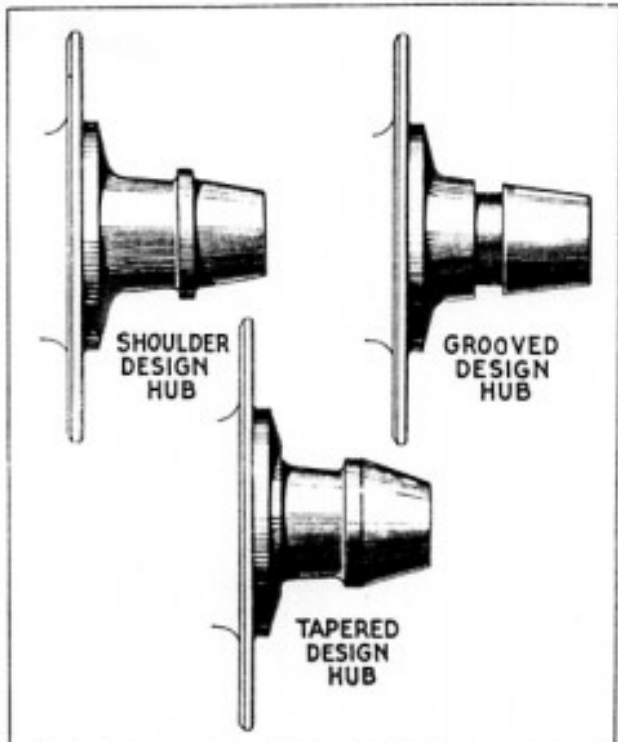
Three different types of hubs have been used with the A-1115-B rear hub and brake drum assembly. See Fig. 765.

The "shoulder shank" design is distinguished by a shoulder located midway on the shank.

The taper shank type is practically the same as the shoulder shank design except that the shank is tapered from the shoulder to the outer end.

The grooved shank design is distinguished by a groove located midway on the shank.

These hubs are all interchangeable. However in so far as stocks permit dealers use the same design hub on both wheels. In the future only the grooved design hub will be supplied.



The machining design on the shoulder shank of the three hubs was intended to allow some type of pulling tool to be attached in order to pull the drum off of the tapered axle shaft.

The Mitchell Overdrive Company makes an excellent tool that can be configured to accommodate all three designs. It is small and compact and is easily carried in the car with other common hand tools.



The Mitchell rear brake drum pulling tool: The two C-shaped parts (painted green on the left) are used to configure the tool to pull the shoulder and tapered design hubs. The two C-shaped parts (painted black on the right) are used to configure the tool to pull the grooved design hubs.

The Mitchell Mfg Co
1157 Parker St.
Colusa, Ca 95932
530-458-4500
1-800-859-2088

Check out all of Tom Endy's Tech Articles at
the Santa Anita's Website:

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

OHIO VALLEY REGION MODEL A FORD CLUB MEETING MINTUES

Wednesday, August 26, 2020

HELD AT THE HOME OF LARRY AND DEBBIE ARNOLD, HARRISON OH

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Jarrod Williams, Director who also led a Moment of Silent Remembrance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ROLL CALL:

Both the Pledge of Allegiance and the Roll Call were led by Bob Noe, Vice Director. There were 36 members and 2 guests present. 8 Model A's were driven. Welcomed back after an extended absence were long time members Keith and Linda Hall. Guests were Rob and Bill Schwendeman, members of the Dayton, Ohio Model A Club.

SECRETARYS REPORT:

The minutes of the July 22, 2020 meeting were approved as printed in the August 2020 AAAOOOGAH.

TREASURERS REPORT:

The Treasurers report was approved as printed in the August 2020 AAAOOOGAH.

SUNSHINE REPORT:

Margie Blomer reported that long time member, Melanie Gilb, passed away recently. Jarrod Williams will contact Cliff Gilb to determine remembrance contribution preference. Conrad Gerdes reported that he is recovering from a table saw accident which injured his thumb and index finger.

August birthdays of Darla Wise and Jim Rupp and the 27th wedding anniversary of Elmer and Jeanette Stanukinos were recognized.

FASHION COMMITTEE:

Phyllis Pease reported that the MARC Fashion Committee has been meeting socially via Facebook Messenger Room. A formal meeting with report to the MARC Board of Directors will be held via Facebook Messenger Room in early November 2020.

MILEAGE PROGRAM:

Anna Williams reported that OVR has 7 drivers and 17 Model A's registered in the MARC Mileage Program. Two of these are new registrations. 2019 awards were earned by:

Terry Owens (30,000 miles)

Jarrod Williams (15, 000 miles)

Bob Zitney (10,000 miles)

MEMBERSHIP:

Jarrod Williams reported that the "Car Care Gang" helped a new member, Mike Theis. Because of their help and generosity Mike will join our club and donate an additional \$100 to the club treasury.

NEWSLETTER:

Please contact Jarrod Williams with any additions to the newsletter.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Rob Schwendeman announced that he and his father, Bill, have taken over the starter and generator repair business from Ted Kuchta. The business is now B&R Early Model Starter and Generator Repair. Phone numbers: 419-305-9125 or 419-733-8857. Give them a call if you need any help or advice.

RECENT EVENTS:

Cliff Gilb was recognized for organizing the Putt-Putt outing on August 9, 2020. Winners were Melissa Williams and Bob Noe.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

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The September 23, 2020 meeting will be held at the Sharonville, Ohio VFW, 3318 Sharon Road, Cincinnati, Ohio. Meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. As of this date, it was unclear whether food would be available to purchase at 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 10, 2020 is the tentative date for the Hay Press Tour, hosted by Conrad and Dottie Gerdes. More information will be available at the September 23, 2020 meeting. There is also tentatively a Mystery Tour being organized by Art Foreman in October 2020. The October monthly meeting will be held at the Sharonville VFW on Wednesday, October 28, 2020.

The November 18, 2020 meeting (please note this is one week early due to the Thanksgiving Holiday) will be a brief business meeting followed by the annual auction.

Bob Green will coordinate sign-in and Conrad Gerdes will act as auctioneer.

On Saturday, November 14, 2020, Ed Creighton will host a tour of the Butler County Historical Society. More information to follow.

SPLIT THE POT:

Tony Topicz was awarded \$32.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m. by Jarrod Williams, Director.

SUBMITTED BY:

Phyllis Pease, Secretary.

NEXT MEETING :

Wednesday, September 23, 2020, VFW Hall, 3318 Sharon Road, Cincinnati, Ohio.

MODEL "A" ERA MEN'S AMERICAN WRIST WATCHES

By: Donna May Bewley

Taken from: <https://www.mafca.com/downloads/Fashions/2006-07.pdf>

My husband I enjoy collecting men's American Model A Era wrist watches to wear while riding in our Model A. We have found that obtaining them is both affordable and easy to do.

Queen Elizabeth wore a small jewel-studded watch that was made to fasten on the arm called a watch-bracelet. Such watches were created for royalty and the very rich. In the late 1600's David Rosseau made a watch about the size of a dime. Breguet made his first wrist watch for ladies in 1810. Most men continued to wear pocket watches until after World War I. During the Boer War in South Africa (1899-1902) some officers wore wrist watches during battle to tell time at a quick glance. This practice continued during the First World War as soldiers found wrist watches were crucial when necessary to synchronize watches. Early aviators also found the wrist watch very convenient to use and thus added to its popularity. Soldiers after the war were allowed to keep the wrist watches they had been given which also contributed to their popularity. Men preferred designs that were suitable for sports while women chose slimmer more decorative designs. Pocket watches were still preferred for evening wear. The Bulova Watch Company in 1928 produced a Lone Eagle model wrist watch, which it presented to Charles Lindbergh to commemorate his solo flight across the Atlantic. By the late 1920's wrist watches were outselling pocket watches.

Collecting American manufactured Model A era wrist watches such as Hamilton, Elgin, Waltham, Gruen, Illinois, Benrus and Bulova and others has become relatively easy since the advent of the Internet and ebay. Other sources are antiques shops, auctions, flea markets, yard and garage sales, friends and family members. One can learn about wrist watches just by searching for vintage wrist watches using Google and ebay. By focusing on wrist watches made between 1928 and 1931 it is possible to simplify the task.

Many collectors believe that wrist watches made during the Model "A" era are the most attractive because of their art deco styling. Case shapes such as "Cushion," Square, Rectangle and Tonneau were very popular. Cases were 12K or 14 K solid gold, gold filled, gold plated or gold reinforced. White gold was more popular than yellow. Green gold was also used. Some cases were chromium nickeloid finished. A few cases were even made of Platinum. Radium dials and hands were common. Case bezels were often engraved and or enamel inlaid

The number of jewels in the movement and the metal used in the case, for the most part, determined the value of the watch.

Synthetic rubies and sapphires were commonly used as bearings in wrist watch movements. Higher-grade watches had 17 or more jewels. Dating wrist watches is both easy and difficult, depending on the brand of the watch you are dating.

MARKS INDICATING AGE OF BULOVA MOVEMENTS			
1924	✳	1937	→
1925	○	1938	☾
1926	△	1939	☪
1927	□	1940	☿
1928	☾	1941	✳
1929	☪	1942	↑
1930	☿	1943	×
1931	☪	1944	○
1932	↑	1945	△
1933	×	1946	46
1934	○	1947	47
1935	△	1948	48
1936	□		

Waltham, Elgin, Hamilton, Illinois and Hampden serial number lists can be found on the Internet by using Google. Gruen serial numbers were destroyed in a fire in the 1940's. By knowing what serial number is stamped on the watch movement, not the case, you can determine the year of manufacture of some wrist watch brands. Dating Bulova watches from the Model A Era is made easy by using the chart shown below. Remember these marks are on the movement not on the case.

Like our Model A's, vintage watches when found usually need some TLC. If running when found or purchased, the watch should be cleaned, adjusted and oiled. This should be done by a qualified watchmaker and as soon as possible. Running a dirty watch is bad for it. Watches should be cleaned every two or three years. Store your watch in a dry dust free place, perhaps in a box. Winding a watch every day at regular intervals will keep it lubricated and running smoothly. Also, fully wound watches can sustain a jar easier than a watch that has run down and will keep better time than one only partially wound. Vintage watches are more fragile than modern watches. They are not for wearing while doing yard work, working out or swimming.



1931 Illinois



1929 Waltham



1930 Elgin



1931 Hamilton

Calendar of Scheduled Events

- **September 13, 2020**
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- **September 23, 2020**
OVRMAFC Club Meeting
 Meeting will be held at the VFW Hall: [3318 Sharon Road Cincinnati, OH 45241](#)
 Bob Noe will host a Christmas Party meeting starting at 6:30PM. Anyone who is interested in planning the event may attend. Meeting will start at 7:30pm
- **October 10, 2020**
OVRMAFC Hay Press Tour
 At the time of this writing, the Hay Press demonstration is still planned. Traditionally, Conrad and Dottie Gerdes plan a tour around the Knigga Hay Press in Dillsboro, IN. As long as the event still takes place, we will try and run a tour based on the demonstration. Stay tuned for details!
- **October 28, 2020**
OVRMAFC Club Meeting
 Meeting will be held at the VFW Hall: [3318 Sharon Road Cincinnati, OH 45241](#)
 Meeting will start at 7:30pm
- **November 14, 2020**
History of the Ford facility in Hamilton
 Presented with the Butler County Historical Society and possibly a tour of the Fordson Tractor plant in Hamilton, OH. Details to follow.
- **November 18, 2020**
OVRMAFC Club Meeting and Auction
 Meeting will be held at the VFW Hall: [3318 Sharon Road Cincinnati, OH 45241](#)
 Please note this is one week early due to the Thanksgiving holiday. There will be a brief business meeting followed by the annual auction. Meeting to start at 6pm.
- **December 6, 2020**
OVRMAFC Christmas Party
[RSVP Event Center](#)
[453 Wards Corner Road Loveland, OH 45140](#)
 The party will be from 2pm-6pm with a buffet dinner starting around 3pm. Stay tuned for more details.

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
- 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.
- New SS radiator cap, air maze and filter, two gas gauge tools, horn relay, wiper blade and two different petcocks. This retails for \$121, asking price \$99. Dale Blewett (513) 793-2900



**B & R Early Model
 Starter & Generator Repair**
 Rob Schwendeman (419) 305-9125
 Bill Schwendeman (419) 733-8857

The OVRMAC "Car Care Gang"

We are pleased to announce that Dennis Schut is the newest member of the "Car Care Gang". Along with fellow members Tom Blomer and Terry Owens, they 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



Dennis Schut
C: 513-317-7225

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](#)

Cleaning Dirty Spark Plugs

Taken from: <http://modelclub.com/archives/tech-tips/1185>

When the spark plugs are dirty, they demand a really good cleaning. You can take care of the job yourself by buying a bottle of household ammonia. Simply soak the plugs and they will emerge cleaner than sand blasted ones. The ammonia loosens the deposits and floats them away.



Champion Plugs for New Fords
Champion Spark Plug Co.
Toledo, Ohio

All new Fords are factory-equipped with Champion 3X spark plugs, which have been developed expressly for this car. These new plugs are standard 7/8-in. size and are of different design from the Champion X, which was standard equipment on the Model T, to handle the new car's greater performance capacity.

modelAbasics.com
Paul Modlin

Created from: "Automobile Trade Journal" January 1, 1928, P 124

Headlight Rim Alignment

By: Stephen Holt of Urbana Illinois

Taken from: September/October issue of *The Restorer* (Page 57)

1. Place tape at top seam of headlight bucket and rim. Cut through tape.



When reassembling a headlight rim, if it is off by a degree the latch will not align to the bucket U-clip. So divide a piece of tape placed across the top seam and use this as an easy guide to get both rim latch and bucket U-clip to fit back together perfectly.

2. When reassembling align tape halves...



If you have a helpful tip about Model A restoration or maintenance to share with MAFCA members, please send it with a photo or sketch, to the MAFCA office: 250 S. Cypress St. La Habra, CA 90631 or email to:

Restorer@mafca.com

Option: Make tiny dots on the rim and bucket at top and align these when done. (No need for tape or knife.)

...the rim latch will automatically line up to the bucket U-clip.



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

- Sept 13 - Historical Tour
- Sept 23 - OVRMAFC Meeting
- Oct 10 - Hay Press Tour (TBD)
- Oct 28 - OVRMAFC Meeting
- Nov 14 - History of Ford Plant In Hamilton Ohio
- Nov 18 - OVRMAFC Meeting and Club Auction
- Dec 6 - OVRMAFC Christmas Party

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