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Director's Column: Tom Blomer



Hello Model A'ers. By now you know that our Oeder's lake Model A picnic and the MARC national meet were both very successful. No matter which event you attended you had a good time. I understand the car games at the picnic were a great success, thank you to Alex and Elizabeth Knueven. We need more people to participate in the car games if we want to bring it back as a tradition.

I want to thank all of the people involved in the planning, the food, the cooking, and of course our hosts. You are what makes a successful club event.

Tours are a part of our club's events and I encourage members to consider hosting a tour. I am sure the new members who have not been on a tour would be delighted in an afternoon cruise with a group like ours. Anyone of us can make a tour, it's not hard and we like to go almost anywhere in our cars.

Besides, it's a good reason to honk those horns, wolf whistles, chicken whistles, cow horns and sirens. A large group of cars like ours will always bring a smile to people we drive by.

You all know whenever we stop there are loads of questions about the cars.

So let's keep driving and keep on smiling. See you at the next meeting!

July 23, 2022 Club Tour

Bob Green has agreed to host the July club tour which will take us to the Tri-State War Bird Museum for a lecture, tour, and/or a picture of your Model A with an airplane.

Costs involved with each activity, please see full description inside newsletter.

Meeting location:

[Kellogg Park and Dog Field](#)

[6701 Kellogg Road](#)

[Cincinnati, OH 45230](#)

(bathrooms available)

Meeting time:

8:30AM

Tour departure time:

9:00AM sharp

Please call, text, or email Bob Green to let him know you intend on coming.

Email: modellabob@hotmail.com or Cell:(513) 313-0078

July 27, 2022 Club Meeting

Dennis and Marieke Schut will host the July meeting at the Riverview Shelter of Fernbank Park.

Location:

[50 Thornton Ave.](#)
[Cincinnati OH, 45233](#)

Plates, napkins and utensils will be provided.

Please bring your own drink and side to share.

Dinner will be served at 6:30pm.

Meeting will start at 7:30pm.



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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 received 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.

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OVRMAFC Social Media

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

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](#)

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My Model A Story

By: Michael Wilcher

My youngest child is graduating from High School and going off to college. We were huge band parents who were thoroughly involved almost every weekend. Knowing that my wife and I will soon be empty nesters and no longer involved in the band program; I told my wife; I need a new hobby. I have always had a love for old cars. I love going to car museums and car shows.

Doing some online research, I found a local Model A Ford club; The Ohio Valley Region Model A Ford Club. Their website said that "club meetings are open to anyone and their family and there is no need to own a Ford Model A, but it helps if you want to join in on the fun". So I joined, hung out, and met some nice folks. Figured out fast that this was the right group I wanted to associate with. So, after about 6 months of going to meetings, watching every YouTube video I could find and joining both national clubs for the good magazines, it was time to start my search for my Model A.

I found a seller in Michigan that had a collection they were selling. There were two really nice cars that I was interested in taking a look at. So, at a club meeting, I happened to show some photos to a guy sitting next to me and asked him a few questions about the different models. I told him I was thinking about going to Detroit to take a look. To my surprise, he said he wasn't doing anything, and he wouldn't mind riding along to check them out. The pictures of the cars looked great. I just knew that I was going to be bringing one of the cars home. I rented a U-Haul trailer and my new friend Bob, and I were off to Michigan.

Before we got there, I found out that one of the cars had sold. However, I was still very interested in the Tudor that was remaining. First lesson I learned was to not trust pictures. I found out quickly that this was not the car for me. So, we came home with an empty trailer. I was disappointed but had a good time looking at the seller's collection of cars and hanging out with my new friend, Bob. A few weeks later, we were off again to check out a car that my buddy Bob had learned was for sale. I didn't take a trailer this time but once again knew that it wasn't the car for me.

I happened onto a Model A club webpage in the state of Virginia. Their website said to contact them if you were looking for a car, as they sometimes knew of cars for sale. An email was sent and I got a quick reply. Someone had contacted them about a car that was received in an inheritance and no family member was really interested in keeping the car. The email included photos and the owner's contact information. Another email was sent and soon I was corresponding back and forth with the seller. The car was a 1931 Tudor. It was his father's car. He didn't know much about the car other than it had been put in a garage sometime in 1987 after his father was diagnosed with a debilitating sickness. It turned out that the seller had never seen the car run as his father purchased the car when he was in college, and it was put into storage soon after purchase. The family selling the car had also inherited a 1930 Model A truck which they were interested in keeping. So, once again I talked to my new friend, Bob about the car I had found. After some discussion and negotiating tactics that Bob suggested, we were off on another adventure to buy a car. Part of the deal we made was that we (Bob) would help the seller get his Model A truck running if he gave me a deal on the car. I again rented a trailer, and we were off to Virginia. It was about a 1,150-mile round trip for us. We had our tow vehicle laden down with tools and parts that we thought we might need. I made a hotel reservation in the biggest town nearest to the seller. Our hotel was about fifty minutes away from their home which was way out in the country on a peanut farm. It was too late to go see the car when we checked into the hotel. So we decided to get some grub and relax for a while.

In the lobby of the hotel, we met the nicest guy who had a 1957 Cadillac in the parking lot. Of course, we hit it right off talking about cars, where we are from and the reason we were in town. We should have been a bit apprehensive when the guy said, "get in my car, I'm going to take you guys to get some of the best BBQ you've ever had". Not accustomed to taking rides with strangers, it just felt okay. We climbed into that old Cadillac and off we went like a group of old friends. We got takeout and came back to the hotel where we sat in the lobby enjoying each other's company. The BBQ was amazing!

(story continued on following page..)



Michael Wilcher alongside Bob Green

MEETING MINUTES FOR WEDNESDAY, May 25 2022

McDonald Common Park 7502 Dawson Road, Madeira OH 45243

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Tom Blomer, Director. In the absence of Larry Arnold, Vice Director, the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Marieke Schut who announced that she and her husband, Dennis have both been granted Green Cards. Congratulations to them both.

ROLL CALL:

The roll call was led by Jarrod Williams.

ATTENDANCE:

There were 34 members present, 1 Model A was driven.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

The minutes of the May 25, 2022 meeting were approved as printed in the June 2022 AAAOOOGAH with one correction. First name of new member Anita Blankenship corrected from Rita.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The treasurer's report was approved as recorded in the May 2022 AAAOOOGAH.

SUNSHINE REPORT:

In the absence of Margie Blomer, Tom Blomer reported the recent death of former member Herb Howell. June birthdays recognized were Bob Green, Jim Thomas and Anita Blankenship. The June wedding anniversaries of Mike & Sherry Wilcher (23 years) and Bob and Angel Noe (11 years) were congratulated.

FASHION COMMITTEE:

Phyllis Pease reported that there were four fashion entrants for judging at the 2022 MARC National Meet in Morgantown, PA. Three of the four entrants earned perfect scores and were awarded the Clara Award.

MILEAGE REPORT:

No report in absence of Anna Williams.

MEMBERSHIP:

Jarro Williams reported new members Pete Matthews and Nelson and Jean Lindner. New member Jimmy Ekstedt was welcomed. Jimmy recently acquired a 1929 Tudor.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was a report from a committee formed at the May 2022 meeting regarding Participation Award Points. Art Foreman, Bob Green and Conrad Gerdes met to discuss whether or not Participation Points awarded for driving a Model A to monthly meetings are unfair to members who live greater distances from the meeting locations. After much discussion, it was decided to leave the current practice in place.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jim Thomas reported on the Membership Meeting at the 2022 MARC National Meet. Beginning in 2023, National Meets will be held every other year. Regional members are also encouraged to join MARC in order to be covered by the MARC Haggarty Insurance policy when attending events.

Jarro Williams reported that 68 people attended the annual club picnic at Oeders Lake on Sunday, June 5, 2022. 16 Model A's were driven. Jack Meyer contacted a number of previous members and 25 of them were in attendance. Jarrod thanked Phil, Karen, Alex and Elizabeth Kneuen for planning the car games. It was confirmed that the food costs for Oeders Lake are always paid in full.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Planning for the Saturday, July 23, 2022 event to the Warbird Museum in Batavia, OH has been turned over to Bob and Cindy Green. Departure location and time to be announced.

Marieke Schut announced that the event being planned for Indianapolis in August has been cancelled. The Schuts will now plan the annual Poker Run. Date to be announced.

Model A Day at the Gilmore Museum in Hickory Corners, MI will be held September 16/17, 2022.

The annual mystery tour being planned by Art Foreman has been moved to November. Date to be announced.

SPLIT THE POT:

\$58 was won by Bob and Marie Zitney.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m. by Tom Blomer, Director.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be hosted by Marieke and Dennis Schut. Location to be announced.

SUBMITTED BY:

Phyllis Pease, Secretary.



My Model A Story *(continued)*

By: Michael Wilcher

The next day we took off early and arrived at the peanut farm. We met the seller, Henry, and some of his family. He opened the door to the garage where the Model A had been sitting for the last 35 years and I got my first look. I was smitten. From the first glimpse I knew that this was my car!

Henry tied a tow rope onto the model A and used a tractor to move the car over to the shop where his Model A truck had previously been moved into. The old tires on the 1931 were dry rotted as one of the front tires went flat and was shredding from the short move from the garage to the shop.

The Model A's were now sitting nose to nose. Bob got to work straight away diagnosing issues with both cars and giving me and Henry instructions on what he needed. Parts were changed and a temporary fuel tank was used. After a few hours of tinkering and a fantastic southern BBQ lunch provided by Henry's family, it was time to try to start the car. To my delight and Henry's surprise the car came to life! It sounded pretty good too! We loaded the car onto the trailer and focused the remaining time on the truck. Again, to Henry's surprise, the truck also fired up and was back awake after a 35-year slumber.

We said goodbye to Henry and his family and headed home, each of us with a souvenir can of gourmet peanuts (Check out Plantation Peanuts at www.plantationpeanuts.com). Ohio was a long way off. We were tired and once it got dark we decided to find a hotel and rest up to make it home the following day. When we finally made it home, we pushed the car off the trailer into my garage.



My Model A club buddy, Bob, has been such a blessing to me. We have been sorting out issues updating the tires, distributor, water pump and radiator to get my car road ready. I have got the paint to come back to life and the car is looking so much better than the day it was first parked in my garage.

I now spend a lot of time out in the garage. I find myself just sitting there looking at the old car, wondering where it's been, and about the other families it's belonged to in the past and where it will take me and my family in the time, we are its caretaker. So, I'm looking forward to club outings and tours with all my new friends in the club.



2021 OVRMAFC Calendar of Scheduled Events

- **July 23, 2022**
OVRMAFC Tour to Tri-State Warbird Museum
Bob Green will host a tour to the the Tristate Warbird Museum in Batavia, Ohio.
8:30AM meet at:
[Kellogg Park and Dog Field](#)
[6701 Kellogg Road](#)
[Cincinnati, OH 45230](#)
(bathrooms available)
9:00am sharp
Leave Kellogg Park and proceed to:
[Cardboard Boat Museum](#)
[311 Front Street](#)
[New Richmond, OH 45157](#)
10:00AM
Leave Cardboard Boat Museum and proceed to
[Country Inn Restaurant](#)
[910 Ohio Pike](#)
[Withamsville, OH 45245](#)
Lunch/Brunch
12:00PM
Leave Country Inn Restaurant and proceed to:
[Tri-State Ware Bird Museum](#)
[4021 Boreman Drive](#)
[Batavia, OH 45103](#)
Activates of the day should you wish to participate:
1:00PM Lecture—Gary Powers, Jr. will talk about spy pilot. His father was shot down over the Soviet Union in a U2 spy plane in 1960 and was held captive until 1962.
2:00PM Tour
3:00PM Pictures
Activity prices:
Lecture Series + Tour+ Car picture
\$22.00 per person
(weather permitting and use your own camera)
Adult Lecture series + tour
\$12.00 per person
Students and children (4 and up) lecture + tour \$7.00 per person
(children under 3 are free)
Veterans in uniform are free
Check, cash or credit cards are accepted
- **July 27, 2022**
OVRMAFC July Meeting
Dennis and Marieke Schut will host the July meeting at the Riverview Shelter at Fernbank Park.
[Riverview Shelter](#)
[50 Thornton Ave](#)
[Cincinnati OH, 45233](#)
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Please bring your own drink and side to share.
Dinner will be served at 6:30pm.
Meeting will start at 7:30pm.
- **August 24, 2022**
OVRMAFC August Meeting
Larry and Debbie Arnold will host our August club meeting at their home.
[11653 Carolina Trace Rd.](#)
[Harrison, OH 45030](#)
Plates, napkins and utensils will be provided. Please bring your own drink and side to share.
Dinner will be served at 6:30pm.
Meeting will start at 7:30pm
- **September 16-17, 2022**
Model A Days held at MAFFI of Gilmore Museum
The Gilmore Car Museum is the proud home of the Model A Ford Museum, the world's largest museum dedicated solely to the Model A! On Friday, September 16th and Saturday, September 17th, hop in your Model A and head out to the Gilmore Car Museum for the 10th annual Ford Model A Days. Celebrate the heritage of a trusty American car with friends and family. Special events and activities will be held throughout the day including a swap meet, live music, technical and fashion seminars, and more! Bring your Model A or come as a spectator, this show and swap meet will be sure to please as hundreds of Model As gather in Hickory Corners, Michigan on the Gilmore's historic campus. All spectator and show admission proceeds benefit the Model A Ford Foundation, Inc. For more information, please visit [MAFFI.org](#).
- **September 25, 2022**
Annual Miniature Golf Outing
Cliff Gilb will host a miniature golf event at:
[Eagle Tee Golf Center](#)
[9200 Cincinnati-Dayton Road](#)
[West Chester, Ohio](#)
The event will begin at 2:00 p.m. and will be followed by grilled hot dogs and chips under the pavilion.

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, rear axle oil, or other areas, please feel free to contact Dennis.



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2022 Oeder's Lake Club Picnic

On June 5th the Model A gods gave us perfect weather for our annual club picnic. Jarrod and Melissa Williams hosted the picnic, providing burgers and hotdogs off the grill. The food and location were enjoyed by 68 people and their 16 Model A's. We would like to thank Richard and Kathy Oeder for allowing us to use their special piece of heaven. We'd also like to thank Jack Meyer for reaching out and inviting past members to enjoy the day with us. We'd like to give a HUGE thank you to Alex and Elizabeth Knueven for bringing back the Model A car games. The car games (in which only 4 Model A's participated) were so much fun and we are already looking forward to more people participating next year!



OVRMAFC Classifieds / Services

- Two Model A cars for sale
28 Special Coupe (doesn't run) \$8,000
29 Tudor (does run) \$10,000
For more information on either call please contact:
Email: wphillips2768@gmail.com
Phone: (937) 689-2768
- For Sale: 1929 Model "A" Tudor.
This is an exceptional "A". Restored to MARC of Excellence standards from a 38,000 mile original car. I have owned this car 53 years, never any rust or damage. Colors: Rose Beige & Seal Brown. Great looking & driving car.
Price: \$17,500
Contact: George Elbel 513-753-0060
- Dave Campbell is a member of a car club in Lebanon Ohio. He has Model A tools for sale. All for \$75. He has refurbished them and would like to know if anyone is interested. Please contact Tom Loosecamp if you are interested. Tom Cell: 513-317-6731 or tlosekamp@aol.com
- For Sale: Five 19" rims and tires for a Model A Ford. Rims with tires mounted, inflated and ready to roll. For detailed information and photos please contact Butch Schultz at: schultz4@fuse.net

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