

The Ohio Valley Region's News

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## Director's Column: Tom Blomer



I'd like to thank everyone that braved the heat and came out to our August meeting hosted by Marieke and Dennis Schut. We also were happy to accept three new club members into our family! Bill and Shirley Cook, Ted and Carol Schiffer, and Nathan and Tiffany Napier. We're excited to show all of our new members exactly by OVRMAFC is such a fun club to join.

We suggest that all OVRMAFC members join one or both of the national Model A clubs of MARC (Model A Restorer's Club) and MAFCA (Model A Ford Club of America). Doing so keeps our hobby alive and provides a huge benefit to you and the club, **insurance**. For instance, All members of MARC National are covered against accusations that they were negligent or responsible for damages arising from their conduct or inaction. All MARC and Regional events are covered such as tours, parades, car shows, picnics, meetings, holiday parties, parts swaps etc. Please note that there may be instances when the venue or location of a particular event may require another policy or to be named as an additional insured on our policy, such as a National meet in the U.S. where a parts swap is held, but MARC will not require a separate policy.

The time is fast approaching to begin thinking about who will take the club into it's next chapter. The four elected OVRMAFC club officer positions are expiring this year and we are ready for new members to participate. The positions of Director, Vice Director, Secretary, and Treasurer are all open to be voted on this year. The positions are for a term of 2 years, and all descriptions and duties for the positions can be found in our constitution on the website. If you have questions please contact me and I will try and help as best I can. I hope to see everyone at the September meeting!

## September 27, 2023 OVRMAFC Meeting



Join us as our monthly meetings return to the Sharonville Fire Department.

**Location:**

[Sharonville Fire Department 86](#)  
[11637 Chester Rd](#)  
[Cincinnati, OH 45246](#)

OVRMAFC Club Meeting  
starts at 7:30pm

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## National Club News

### Model A Restorer's Club (MARC)

- "The Model A News" magazine (6 issues per year)
- Technical Support (free via mail or email)
- National Banquets - National Tours - Membership Meets (All of which include insurance if you are a member)
- MARC also produces publications including:  
Restoration Guidelines & Judging Standards; Technically Speaking Series of Books, Fashion Standards, and Touring Class Judging Standards

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 - Membership Meets
- 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 should 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.

My email address is [jarrodwilliams81@gmail.com](mailto:jarrodwilliams81@gmail.com)

## OVRMAFC Social Media

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

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](#)

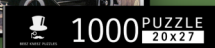
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# 2023 Model A Restorer's Club (MARC) Nationals

West Chester, Ohio

Wow, that was a lot of fun! If you were not able to attend the 2023 MARC National Meet in our backyard of West Chester Ohio, you missed out! OVRMAFC members stepped up big time by giving their time to volunteer, thank you all so much. John Grosheim and Jim Thomas hosted a seminar. John Grosheim helped man the repair tent. Amy Schroeder helped plan and host the Grand Tour. Margie Blomer and Phyllis Pease gave talks and dressed in period clothing as members of the fashion committee. Debbie Arnold hosted the Lady A's driving tour. Check out our Facebook album for 100+ pictures of the event. Tom Loosecamp, Ed Creighton, John Grosheim, and Emma Arnold all walked away with awards!



# Ohio Valley Region Model A Ford Club Meeting Minutes

## Wednesday, August 23, 2023 Hosted by Marieke and Dennis Schut

### CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Tom Blomer, Director, who also led the Moment of Silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

### ROLL CALL:

The roll call was led by Larry Arnold, Vice Director.

### ATTENDANCE:

There were 31 members present. 5 Model A's were driven.

### SECRETARY/TREASURER REPORTS:

Both reports were approved as written in the July 2023 newsletter.

**SUNSHINE REPORT:** August birthdays recognized were Eddie Bomer Pat Napier, Dennis Schut and Chris Hamlin. August anniversaries celebrated were Eddie and Mary Bomer (43 years), Elmer and Jeanette Stanukinos (30 years) and new member Nathan Napier and wife (19 years).

It was also reported that member, Kyla Owens is hospitalized with a serious illness.

### CAR CARE GANG:

Tom Blomer offered assistance from the Car Care Gang to new member, Nathan Napier, with his newly acquired Model A.

### FASHION REPORT:

Phyllis Pease reported that 77 people attended the Fashion Seminar, "Model A Fashions for the Real Woman", at the recent MARC National convention. Emma Arnold competed in the Fashion Judging and received an Award of Excellence for her ensemble. The MARC Fashion Committee is exploring ways for undergarments to be displayed rather than worn for fashion judging.

### MEMBERSHIP:

Jarrold Williams introduced three new members: Nathan Napier and his mother, Pat who found our club by being work delayed by the Grand Tour on Thursday of the MARC National Meet, Bill and Shirley Cook and Tom and Carol Schiffer who both found our club on the internet.

### NEWSLETTER:

Jarrold Williams will be gone the whole month of September. Newsletter business should be forwarded to Deb Arnold during this time.

### OLD BUSINESS:

Tom Blomer was contacted by Will Kimball who owns the facility where the club tools are stored. He has asked the club to remove the tools so he can use the space for his business. Jarrod Williams and John Grossheim will inventory the tools when Jarrod returns from vacation in October and report inventory to the club at the October meeting.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

On Sunday, September 10, 2023, Larry and Debbie Arnold will host the annual Poker Run. Participants should meet in the Burger King parking lot at 10170 Colerain Ave. at 9:30 a.m.

Tom Blomer is exploring an event to attend a Florence Freedom game in early September.

Model A Days at the Gilmore Museum in Hickory Corners, MI will be held on September 15/16, 2023.

John Grossheim will host an event on Saturday, October 14, 2023, leaving from Goshen, OH and traveling to the Lebanon/Mason area for a train ride, pumpkin picking, etc. Details will follow.

### OTHER BUSINESS:

The November meeting will be the annual club auction and voting for the new officers.

Members interested in assuming the roles of Director, Vice Director, Secretary and Treasurer should contact Tom Blomer, Director by October 18 in order to meet the 30 day deadline required by the club Constitution. PLEASE NOTE that the November club meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 15, 2023 to accommodate the Thanksgiving Holiday.

### SPLIT THE POT:

Bill Jackson won \$62.

### ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m. by Tom Blomer, Director.

### NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 27, 2023 at the Sharonville Firehouse.

### SUBMITTED BY:

Phyllis Pease, Secretary.

# Earring Styles for Women

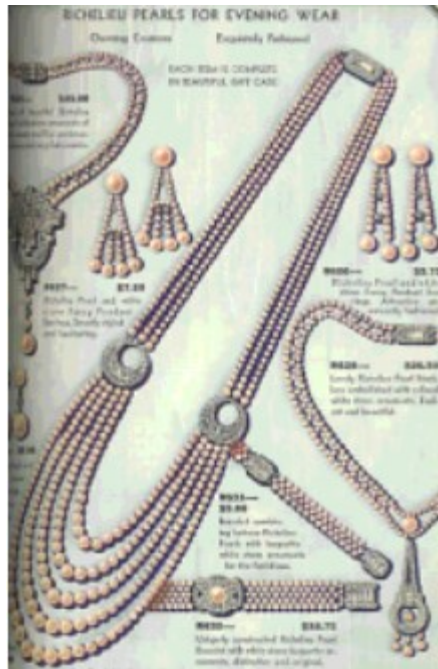
By: Sandy Patterson

Taken From: <https://www.mafca.com/downloads/Fashions/2005-05.pdf>

Jewelry design during the era of the Model A Ford was predominantly "Art Deco" (a phrase coined many years later to describe the Art Moderne style of the times). After a period of wartime austerity, diamonds and platinum were favorites and Paris was still the fashion leader of jewelry. During the Great Depression precious metals were scarce and production of fine jewelry diminished. Fine jewelry remained popular with the wealthy and the Hollywood elite, but now jewelry designers such as Chanel began to produce jewelry admired for design rather than value. Thus, elegant understatement became the trend and many, including the wealthy elite, preferred "costume" jewelry.



Earrings were often part of a suite or parure, i.e., necklace, bracelet, ring and earrings, and were styled to compliment the new cropped hair of the twenties woman.



With fewer women piercing their ears, screw-back or "French back" styles were worn as well.

Hopefully, the information in this article will help you identify and select earrings from this vintage period. These examples will also help you select jewelry that has the "look" of the era to compliment your reproduction ensemble.

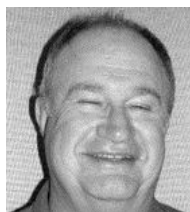


(Pictures above are taken from catalogs during the years 1928-1931)

## 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.



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Terry Owens  
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C: 513-254-1035



Dennis Schut  
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## 2023 OVRMAFC Calendar of Scheduled Events

- **September 10, 2023**  
**OVRMAFC Poker Run**  
Larry and Debbie Arnold will host this event, Sunday, September 10, 2023. Participants should meet in the Burger King parking lot at 9:30 a.m.  
[Burger King](#)  
[10170 Colerain Ave](#)  
[Cincinnati, OH 45251](#)
- **September 10, 2023**  
**The Aubrey Rose Foundation British Car Day**  
1923-2023 100 Years of MG and Triumph  
the Pot Proceeds Benefit Aubrey Rose Foundation  
Early Registration \$20.00 ends 8/31  
Registration \$25.00 Day of Show.  
Visit: <https://www.bccgc.org/british-car-day>  
[Village Green Park](#)  
[301 Wessel Dr.](#)  
[Fairfield, OH 45014](#)
- **September 15-16, 2023**  
**MAFFI Model A Days**  
Join the Model A Ford Foundation, Inc in Hickory Corners Michigan as they celebrate Model A days for 2 days! You can [pre-register](#) on their website or pay when you arrive. Consider joining MAFFI and supporting our Model A hobby. MAFFI is located on the grounds of the [Gilmore Car Museum](#) located at 6865 Hickory Road, Hickory Corners, MI 49060 for more information call (269) 671-5089.
- **September 27, 2023**  
**OVRMAFC Club Meeting**  
[Sharonville Fire Department 86](#)  
[11637 Chester Rd](#)  
[Cincinnati, OH 45246](#)
- **September 30, 2023**  
**Tri-State Warbird Museum—Warbird Flying Showcase**  
This year's Festival of Warbirds will be showcasing more than 10 flying WWII aircraft! This family friendly event brings aviation history to life in a way that remembers and honors our nation's WWII veterans.
  - Doors open at 2:30P and wheels up at 3:30P
  - Food trucks and beverage stations will be on-site to offer food and drinks available for purchase.
  - Plan to bring your whole family to see these rare and amazing aircraft! Kids are FREE with each adult ticket purchasedBe sure to bring your own folding chairs or a picnic blanket to sit on our lawn in front of the runway to enjoy the Warbird Flying Showcase! Check out our website for more details: <https://bit.ly/3YxGjme>
- **October 14, 2023**  
**OVRMAFC 'A' Trip on the LM&M Railroad**  
John Grossheim will host an event leaving Goshen, OH and featuring a trip on the Lebanon, OH train.  
*This event requires a ticket. To purchase a ticket please call Stacey at (513) 933-8022 and let her know you are with the Ohio Valley Model A Ford Club.*  
This tour will meet at Holtman's Donut Shop in the Goshen area at 8:30am on Saturday, October 14th leaving promptly at 9:00 am. We will drive up to the Lebanon Mason Monroe Railroad where we will be able to park our As and get pictures with the passenger cars that were built in 1930. The train will leave at 10 and take us on a small tour to pick pumpkins (geared towards the kids but everyone can participate). Once we return, we will either go to the Golden Lamb for lunch or the Lebanon Brewery (depending on group accommodations). After lunch, there will be an optional tour to Iron's Fruit Farm incase you did not get your fill of pumpkin picking! They have apples, baked goods, and hayrides as well.
- **October 25, 2023**  
**OVRMAFC Club Meeting**  
[Sharonville Fire Department 86](#)  
[11637 Chester Rd](#)  
[Cincinnati, OH 45246](#)

## The Compression Gauge!

By: Tom Endy

Taken from: <https://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?

NAPA sells an Actron compression gauge for about \$35 that you can easily modify. The part number is BK7001095 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 1/2"-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 1/2"-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.



*The modified base of a 3X spark plug and the adapter attached with 1/2"-20 threads.*

## OVRMAFC Classifieds / Services

- **1929 Model "A" Tudor - \$15,500**  
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: \$15,500 - LOWERED PRICE**  
Contact: George Elbel 513-753-0060

- **1930 Model A Coupe - \$14,500**  
New interior. Good paint, engine, and tires. Contact Conrad Gerdes (812) 584-5639

- **1930 Model A Coupe - \$9,750**  
New engine and rumble seat  
Contact Conrad Gerdes (812) 584-5639

- **1924 Model T 4 Door - \$5,000**  
Runs good. Good top and interior  
Contact Conrad Gerdes (812) 584-5639

- 1929 Model A Cabriolet  
It is in pretty decent shape, starts right up, sounds good, has a new top and interior. Contact Paul Hess (H) 812-934-5203 (C) 812-209-8335



- **Wanted:** 2-tooth steering box in good reconditioned service.  
Contact: Terry Yaeger (859) 816-2437

- **Model T Huckster project**  
Not complete, make offer  
Contact Conrad Gerdes (812) 584-5639
- **1930 Model A Chassis - \$2,500**  
Includes engine, transmission, radiator, and 5 wheels/tires. Contact: Debbie Humphry (740) 307-1637

### Model A Upholstery Interiors, Tops, & Trunks

Call Dottie Gerdes  
(812) 584-5631

### B & R Early Model Starter & Generator Repair

Rob Schwendeman (419) 305-9125  
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**Ohio Valley Region Model "A" Ford Club**  
**Membership Application and Roster Information**  
**(PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY)**

Existing Member:

New Member:

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Spouse Birthday: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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