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## Director's Column: Tom Blomer



As this is my last month being your director, I would like to sincerely thank each and every one of you for being a part of our great club. The November auction was a great success, and a lot of fun. Thank you to everyone that came out with Model A parts and baked goods to support the club. Our club membership has been growing and I look forward to seeing what new things the club does under the leadership of your new officers that were nominated at the November meeting for the 2024-2026 season;

John Grossheim as director, Jarrod Williams as vice director, Phyllis Pease as secretary, and Amy Schroeder as treasurer. I think we should all be excited that some younger members are stepping up to continue the growth and recognition of our club. We have two events left in 2023, the Wreaths Across America event and of course our Christmas and Holiday Banquet. I look forward to seeing you at both events and wish you and your family a happy holiday season and a Happy New Year!

### Saturday, December 16th, 2023 Wreaths ACROSS America

Please join us again this year with the Wreaths Across America organization in honoring those that have given their life for us. In this national event, provided wreaths will be placed at the head stones of fallen soldiers at Spring Grove Cemetery. Please dress warm, we will be standing outside with no option for heat.

**Starting Location:**

Kroger's  
3491 North Bend Road  
Cincinnati, OH 45239

Arrive at 10:30am  
Depart at 11:00am

After the wreath services which will last an hour or so, members have the option to go to lunch or go home and prepare for our Christmas and Holiday Banquet on Sunday!

### Sunday, December 17th, 2023 OVRMAFC Christmas Party & Holiday Banquet

Join us for tasty food, exciting games, fabulous prizes, deserving awards, stimulating conversations, and more!

Sunday, December 17th  
From 5:00 - 8:30pm

**Location:**

Meritage Resturant  
40 Village Square  
Glendale, OH 45246

This is a paid reservation event only.  
Please have your check to Amy Schroeder by December 6th if you plan to attend.

\$30 for each member  
\$35 for each non-member  
Kids 3 and under are free

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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](#)

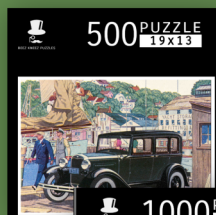
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# 2023 OVRMAFC November Tour

Hosted by: Jarrod and Melissa Williams

Man oh man was this a long tour! Easily 250+ miles in a Model A makes for a long, but fun tour! 11 Model As made the trek from Cincinnati to Portsmouth Ohio along US 52. Once in Portsmouth we visited the oldest brewery in Ohio, The Portsmouth Brewing Company, for some food, brews, and sadly watched the Bengals lose. On the way home we were treated with a gorgeous Model A sunset. Thank you to everyone that came out! It was so much fun and we could not have asked for better weather.



# Ohio Valley Region Model A Ford Club Meeting Minutes

## Wednesday, November 15, 2023 Sharonville Firehouse, Ohio

### CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m. by Larry Arnold, Vice Director, who also led the moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

### ROLL CALL:

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

### ATTENDANCE:

There were 42 members present and 4 Model A's were driven. One guest, Stan Snyder, was present.

### SECRETARY/TREASURER REPORTS:

Both reports were approved as printed in the November newsletter. Previous Treasurer, Tim Schmidt reported that a club account with \$1474.35 used as seed money for car shows has been closed and that money given to current treasurer, Amy Schroeder for deposit. A suggestion was made to designate this money for fun raising needs. Amy Schroeder stated that it will be noted as such.

### SUNSHINE REPORT:

Phyllis Pease reported that previous long-time member, Ruth Keene, is terminally ill and in Hospice care.

### CAR CARE GANG:

No report, but Jarrod Williams and John Grossheim reported that they adjusted the valves on Jarrod's Model A.

### FASHION COMMITTEE:

Phyllis Pease will report at January 2024 meeting.

### MILEAGE PROGRAM:

Mike Wilcher reported one new sign up for the program.

### OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Tim Schmidt reminded members of an upcoming on-line auction of unique car and memorabilia belonging to Otto Siderits, former OVR member. Open houses are this Friday and Saturday with the on-line auction closing on Monday, November 20.

### RECENT EVENTS:

Jarrod Williams reported that 11 Model A's were driven to a recent 270 mile round trip event he hosted. The cars left the UDF on Kellogg Ave. on Sunday, November 12, 2023 and drove to Portsmouth, OH where they visited Ohio's oldest brewery for lunch, shopping in antique stores and a visit to the murals.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

Larry and Debbie Arnold will host the annual club Holiday Party on Sunday, December 17, 2017. The cost for the buffet meal is \$30 per person with checks payable to OVR and sent to Amy Schroeder, Treasurer, 103 Bradford Drive, Milford OH 45150. Reservations must be received by 12/06/2023.

On Sunday, December 16, 2023, members are invited to attend the annual Wreaths Across America Ceremony at Spring Grove Cemetery. Participants should meet in the parking lot of the Krogers, 3491 North Bend Road, at 10:30 a.m. for the drive to the Cemetery. After the ceremony, attendees can enjoy lunch together if they so choose.

Debbie and Larry Arnold will host the annual club bowling party in January 2024. Details will be announced.

### OFFICER ELECTIONS:

Since the offices of Director, Vice Director, Secretary and Treasurer were run unopposed, the following officers were elected by hand vote for the years 2024-2026:

Director: John Grossheim

Vice Director: Jarrod Williams

Secretary: Phyllis Pease

Treasurer: Amy Schroeder.

### ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned by Tom Blomer, Director at 7:07 p.m.

### ANNUAL AUCTION:

The annual club auction was held immediately following.

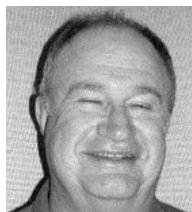


SUBMITTED BY: Phyllis Pease, Secretary.

## 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.



Tom Blomer  
H: 513-769-3029



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



Dennis Schut  
C: 513-317-7225

## Did They Get It Wrong?

By: Tom Endy

Taken from: <https://www.santaanitaas.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/2OC-Did-They-Get-It-Wrong.pdf>

### The clutch release shaft:

During the early production years of the Model A Ford, the clutch release shaft (p/n A7510-B) in the bell housing of the single disk clutch had two woodruff key slots machined into it, one to accommodate the clutch release arm (p/n A7511-B) and the other to accommodate the clutch release fork (p/n A7515-B). The arm and the fork each had a mating slot to lock it to the woodruff key. Each part was then held in place by a 3/16" diameter locking pin through a corresponding hole in the shaft.

In the later production years, as the depression deepened, Ford looked for ways to take cost out of the manufacturing process. Engineers looked at all aspects of the car to determine what parts could be made cheaper without affecting the integrity of the part. When they reviewed the clutch release assembly it was decided that the two woodruff keys in the shaft, and the slots in the arm and the fork could be eliminated. This would eliminate a considerable amount of machining. To compensate for the lack of the woodruff key the locking pins and corresponding holes in the shaft were increased in size from 3/16" to 5/16". New part numbers were created; the new shaft became A7510-C, the new arm A7511-C, and the new fork A-7515-C

### The service bulletin:

A service bulletin was released in June 1929 (page 351) to accommodate repairs to cars with the earlier part numbers. This is where I think they may have gotten it wrong. The service bulletin is quoted in full here.

"When replacing an old design clutch release shaft with a new one it will be necessary to increase the size of the hole in the old design arm to accommodate the new pin. It will also be necessary to install a new fork as there is not sufficient stock at that point to permit increasing the diameter of the pin hole in the old fork."

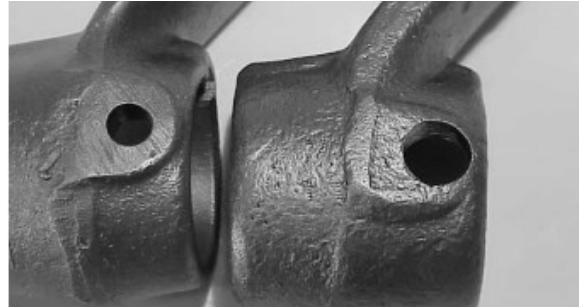
If you examine the old fork you will notice that there is ample material to accommodate a larger hole to allow use of the larger diameter pin.

However, there is not ample material to allow the arm to be drilled out to accommodate the larger pin.

If the pin hole in the arm is enlarged the outer circumference of the new hole is almost to the edge of the arm and would certainly be prone to a crack at that point.

Perhaps the engineer writing the service bulletin got the two parts confused and reversed the instructions for the two parts. I would think after 70 plus years someone would have caught it by now. Maybe this is the reason why you hear about clutch release arms breaking occasionally.

I certainly would never drill out an old A7511-B release arm to accommodate a 5/16" locking pin, as it would be an invitation to failure of the arm.



The above photo shows two A7511-B arms. The arm on the left has the original 3/16" hole. The arm on the right has been drilled out to 5/16". Note how close to the edge the new hole is.



The above photo shows two A7515-B forks with the original 3/16" holes. Note there is ample material to drill the holes out to 5/16".

## The OVRMAFC Tool Crib & Lending Library

We have some great news for the club, if you saw our Facebook post in October, the inventory of our club's Lending Library and Tools were examined and we are proud to say that all tools are accounted for and only a couple books are missing from the original list that was last used pre-2017. This is great news and we are excited to say that all tools and books have been relocated to a secure storage location that can better serve our club members. We even went to Home Depot and bought large plastic storage boxes instead of all the old broken down cardboard boxes that were there, no need to worry about water damage now! We're excited to triple check the list and make sure that everything we need is done before we offer all tools and books to club members for their use and a new system put into place for access and tracking.

Brian Goggin, a past OVRMAFC member, has graciously donated a ENGINE STAND ADAPTER Part # A-6005-ADP to our Tool Crib. Thank you Brian, we will certainly put it to great use!



## 2023 OVRMAFC Calendar of Scheduled Events

- **December 16, 2023**

**OVRMAFC Wreaths Across America Tour**

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- **December 17, 2023**

**OVRMAFC Holiday Party**

Hosted by Larry and Debbie Arnold, the annual club Holiday party will be held at:

[Meritage Restaurant](#)

[40 Village Square](#)

[Cincinnati, OH 45246](#)

The event will be held from 5:00 - 8:30pm

- **January 13, 2024**

**39th Annual Winter Swap Meet**

[Paroquet Springs Conference Center](#)

[395 Paroquet Springs Drive](#)

[Shepherdsville, KY 40165](#)

Doors Open at 8 A.M

Sponsored by The Falls City Region Model A Ford Club.

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Tables for rent \$2.00 each.

Primary Registration Contact:

Roy Armstrong, 6834 Cedar Grove Road Shepherdsville, Ky.

40165 calls (502) 543-4189 or email: royra@windstream.net.

- **January 24, 2024**

**OVRMAFC January Meeting**

Join us at 7:30pm for the first meeting of the new year! Please follow the signs for the training room once in the firehouse.

[Sharonville Fire Department 86](#)

[11637 Chester Rd](#)

[Cincinnati, OH 45246](#)

- **February 28, 2024**

**OVRMAFC February Meeting**

Please follow the signs for the training room once in the firehouse. Club meeting starts at 7:30pm.

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[11637 Chester Rd](#)

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- **March 27, 2024**

**OVRMAFC March Meeting**

Please follow the signs for the training room once in the firehouse. Club meeting starts at 7:30pm.

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[11637 Chester Rd](#)

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- **April 24, 2024**

**OVRMAFC April Meeting**

Please follow the signs for the training room once in the firehouse. Club meeting starts at 7:30pm.

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## Fun Fashions for Fellas

By: Pegge Blinco

Taken from: <https://www.mafca.com/downloads/Fashions/2006-03.pdf>



With the hope of urging our gentlemen into fashions of our era, I offer suggestions for doable clothing – off the rack – simple, easy and uncomplicated.

One of the best items a fella should have in his closet should be a light, putty-colored Docker pant or light colored washable linen slack. Add a white or pin-striped long sleeve shirt, a four-in-hand tie or bow tie – or no tie, suspenders or belt. For footwear, saddle shoes, two-toned wing tips or cap toes, light colored canvas shoes with rubber soles or

buckskins ... but NEVER athletic shoes!! A driving cap or straw boater completes the outfit.

When the weather got warm, sleeves were rolled to and above the elbows, as short sleeves did not exist on men's shirts until late 1931.

To kick this up a notch, use the same light slacks and shirt, unroll the sleeves, add a blazer, preferably dark colored, single or double breasted, a bow tie, or four-in-hand tie – length was short – 45", same shoes, straw boater or Panama hat, and he's suitably dressed for lunch or afternoon party.

We are all familiar with the sports attire of knickers or plus fours, generally used for golfing, hiking and/or motoring. The home seamstress can create a pair by cutting 13-14" off wide trouser pants. This will allow for enough blouse to be 4" below the knee when finished. If this doesn't work for you, contact [www.tbarryknickers.com](http://www.tbarryknickers.com). To complete this very sporty look, add a

great cable or plain-knit V-neck sweater, and don't forget the collared shirt, bow tie if you like, and driving cap, if needed.

A very easy formal look could be the ever-popular and never out of style tuxedo. Consider a trip to your local tuxedo rental shop, and find out when they have their annual purging of rented tuxes. The reduced-to-clear prices are great – just as great to have one on hand for weddings, New Years, costumes – whatever. Your tuxedo will require a winged collar shirt (also from the rental shop sale) a black bow tie, a Homburg hat, tall hat or derby, black highly polished shoes, and black socks. For extra splash, add a cane, white gloves and maybe a white silk scarf with fringed ends. Be aware: don't wear hats that are too small; they shouldn't sit on top of your head like a peanut!

Another "dress" option you may like to consider: a white dinner jacket from the tuxedo rental shop for summer wear – with the same tux trousers or nice black slacks; add a cummerbund, the black shoes and socks. Really study the photographs and pictures; they tell us so much.

Fun Fashions are not just fun to wear but rewarding. You have now completed the "look of the era", enhanced by your beautiful car. A special "thank you" to Winnie Colwell for the use of pictures from her booklet "Men's Era Fashions for 1928-1929-1930-1931."



## 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.  
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