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On the Cover

The Shade Tree A's are "following the Quail" again, this time to Aiken, South Carolina. Where will the Quail lead us next? Join the Shade Tree A's on the next tour to find out. See pages 7 and 11 to find out more about the Follow the Quail tours. Photo by Matt Barrett.

SHADE TREE A'S MODEL A CLUB



The Shade Tree A's Model A Club is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation and the restoration of the Model A Ford automobile. Shade Tree A's annual dues are only \$25. Members are urged to join the Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA, \$50 annual dues) and the Model A Restorer's Club (MARC, \$45 annual dues) to enjoy the benefits of these national organizations including their respective magazines: *The Restorer* (MAFCA) and *Model A News* (MARC). The Shade Tree A's club is also a member of MAFFI, the Model "A" Ford Foundation, Inc.



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OFF THE RUNNING BOARD

Matt Barrett - President

Greetings fellow club members 🤠

I have read several other newsletters and it appears that almost everyone is talking about the ghastly heat we have been experiencing. There isn't anything we can do about it except wait for Fall and Winter to arrive. So, get out in the early mornings or late afternoons to take your beloved Fords for a spin.

Don't forget that our annual family night at Sconyers BBQ is Thursday August 15. This event will be in lieu of our regular August meeting. See you there at 6 PM for a great get-together. You will be sorry if you miss this one. Bring the ENTIRE family - the more the merrier!!!

September 14th, our tour to Edgefield, SC, will be here before you know it. If you haven't already signed up, why are you waiting? Our Jim McPherson believes that there may be as many as fifty participants to attend our tour. Let's make this one of our biggest and best tours yet - SIGN UP TODAY 👍👍👍

Hope to see you and your family at Sconyers. Happy driving 🚗

Your president,
Matt Barrett

MEETING MINUTES

July 8, 2019

Richard's Garage

Recorded by: Frank Knapp - Secretary

The monthly meeting of the Shade Tree A's was held July 8, 2019 in the clubhouse meeting room at Richard Dunevent's garage. In the absence of President Matt, Vice President Darrell Henderson brought the meeting to order promptly at 7:00 P.M. Twenty-six members and guests were in attendance.

Prior member Jerry Peters, and Aiken A's member Ken Bernacchi were welcomed guests. All were happy to see Jerry return to our hobby!

Name tag cup: Dan Perla made a double contribution loaning Sheila 25 cents but did not mention the interest he charges! We'll see how that turns out!

Both Abbie Prince and our resident "jokester" Jim Dover offered "jokes of the month". Abbie's about a cowboy and Jim's about Granny's doctor visit. Well done guys!

Treasurer's Report:

Dan Perla reported the only expenses paid last month were donations to the memory of Craig McMullan's mother and Tina Neitzke. A check from The Live Oak A's for their half of the Magnolia Springs facilities rental was received and deposited. Other than those transactions, our accounts remain relatively stable. Thanks, Dan.

A motion was made from the floor to accept the June Minutes and the July Treasurer's Report. That motion received a second and passed by unanimous vote.

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MEETING MINUTES

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National Director:

Jim McPherson remarked the latest copy of *The Restorer* should be on the way and reminded all to be on the lookout. Although he didn't receive proper credit, his Shade Tree A's report under "Chapter News" was very thorough and well written. Good job Jim!

Newsletter Editor:

Robbie Jones was happy with the input he has been receiving from members and received a well-deserved "applause" for last month's edition.

Under Show & Tell.

Robbie Jones passed around an interesting upper cylinder oiler. He also announced he had a variety of parts for sale. His Impromptu "Trailer Sale" was parked outside and several took advantage of his bargain prices.



Under Old Business:

Jim McPherson gave a short review of the activities planned for our annual International Model A Day Tour in September.

Under New business:

Vice President Darrell reminded everyone our August "family meeting" will be held at 6:00 PM on Thursday, August 15th at Sconyer's Bar-B-Que Restaurant.

Technical Program:

As promised, Don Turley continued with Part 2 of his Technical Program on Model A Tools. This month highlighting the many differences throughout production in "The Instruction Book", aka, "The Owner's Manual". Along with his excellent slide presentation, Don brought several examples of both original and reproductions including Canadian versions. Thanks Don for two very interesting programs!

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM after which, pizza, cookies and our usual soft drinks, were provided by Ernie Dinkins, Abbie Prince and Doug Wilson. Thanks guys!

Respectfully Submitted: Frank Knapp, Secretary

MONTHLY MEETING TIME & LOCATION

Meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of each month at Richard Dunevent's garage, 4338 Owens Road, Evans, GA. Meetings begin at 7PM and are followed by refreshments.

NOTE

There will be no regular meeting at Richard's garage in August due to the Annual Summer BBQ Dinner at Sconyer's BBQ on August 15, 2019

LOOKING AHEAD

Club Calendar

August

- 10 Georgia Chapter MAFCA Model A Swap Meet at Cofer's Museum, Tucker, Ga
- 15 Shade Tree A's Summer BBQ Dinner, 6:00 PM, Sconyer's Bar-B-Que (meet in the large dining room upstairs)

September

- 9 Shade Tree A's Meeting, 7:00 PM, Richard's garage (Technical Program TBA)
- 14 Shade Tree A's International Model A Ford Day Tour

October

- 5 Aiken A's Annual Picnic (details to come)
- 14 Shade Tree A's Meeting, 7:00 PM, Richard's garage (Technical Program TBA)

TBA - To Be Announced

August Refreshments



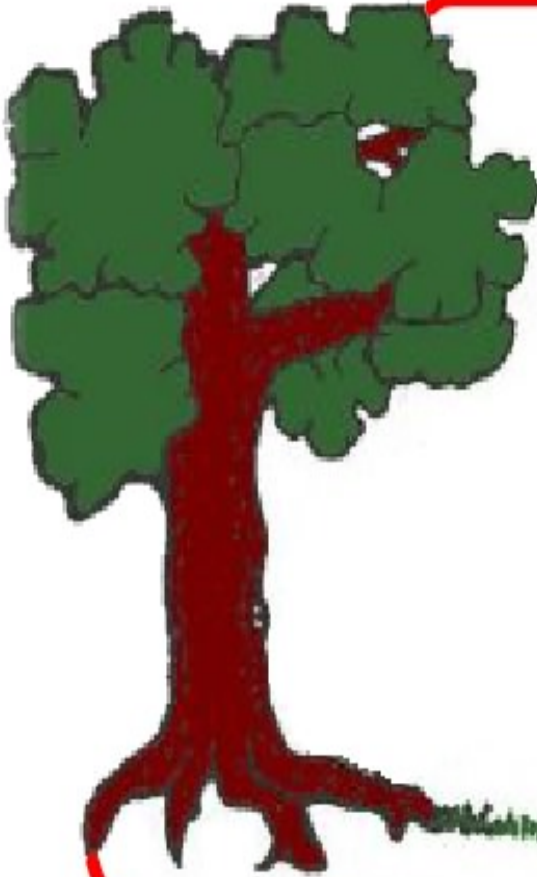
No refreshments this month due to the Summer BBQ Dinner at Sconyers BBQ



August Birthdays

- 2 Abbie Prince
- 3 Laraine McCain
- 10 Walker Crosby
- 11 Sheila McPherson
- 13 Pascal Bryant
- 16 Henry Jones
- 25 Dan Snider

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Shade Tree A's Member News

- Richard Dunevent lost his sister July 15 and his brother on July 22. Please remember Richard with warm thoughts, prayers, and cards.

Send items for Shade Tree A's Member News to:
newsletter@ShadeTreeAs.org

Monthly Technical Program

Got an idea for a technical program for presentation at a monthly meeting?

Got a topic you would like discussed during a monthly technical program?

Do you want to volunteer to present a technical program?

If so, contact Darrell Henderson at vp@ShadeTreeAs.org or 706-863-1673

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Shade Tree A's International Model A Ford Day Driving Tour

Saturday, September 14, 2019

The Shade A's present their 3rd Annual International Model A Day Driving Tour. We will leave Evans, GA and tour across Thurmond Dam to Edgefield, SC and visit a local antique car collection along the way. In Edgefield we'll visit local artisans and have lunch. A flyer with hotel information and a registration form are included on the pages that follow.



Shade Tree A's Follow the Quail Tours



Only the Quail knows! Join the Shade Tree A's to find out where the Quail takes us next. The Follow the Quail Tours are an impromptu gathering of Shade Tree A's members usually involving a short tour to a nearby town for lunch. The destination is not usually planned ahead of time but is determined by driving and "following the quail" to wherever it leads. Tours usually occur on a Friday. If you're interested in joining a tour, contact Matt Barrett or Frank Knapp.

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The Shade Tree A's Cordially Invite *YOU* to Join them for their
3rd Annual International Model A Day Tour

and

Poker Run

Saturday September 14, 2019

- Dinner Friday night for early arrivers
- Tour backroads of Georgia and South Carolina, crossing Thurmond Dam
- Visit car collection of STA member
- Visit historic Edgefield, SC and experience self-guided tours while there
- Visit/tour the artisan community: 2 potters, blacksmith, wood carver
- Visit/tour local museums and historic sites
- Lunch on your own
- Poker run winners determined on the town square, cash prizes
- Many eating places located near hotels
- Make your hotel reservations. All hotels are located at or near Jimmie Dyess Parkway (GA 383) and I-20 (Exit 194):

Super 8, 706-250-8463

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Hawthorne by Wyndham, 800-377-0200

Quality Inn, 706-855-2088 + truck parking

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Comfort Inn & Suites, 706-496-3579

Red Roof Inn, 706-228-3031

Best Western, 706-651-9100

American Best Value Inn, 706-860-8840

This is a rain or shine event

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International Model A Day Tour Registration Form

Saturday September 14, 2019

Name: _____ Name of Guest(s): _____

Street Address: _____ City & State: _____

Zip Code: _____ Phone Number: _____ Cell Number: _____

Email: _____ Car Club: _____

Year of Car: _____ Model of Car: _____

Will you be trailering? YES _____ NO _____

Event Registration:

Qty: @ COST: Total:

Registration Fee: _____ @ \$10.00 (per car) \$ _____

(includes 1 car/driver/passengers & 1 IMAD patch)

Additional IMAD patch _____ @ \$3.00 each \$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Additional Activities:

I/we will attend the Friday night dinner: YES/NO _____ Number of persons _____

Lunch on your own during tour

Make your hotel reservations directly with your favorite hotel. See list on flyer.

Please make your check payable to the "Shade Tree A's".

Please send your completed registration form and payment NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 6, 2019 to:

Dan Perla, 454 Fulcher Dr., Martinez, GA 30907-8766

The signers below agree to indemnity and hold harmless for any and all liability due to attendance and participation in the 2019 International model A Day Tour, the Shade Tree A's (STA), STA members, their officers, staff and any and all constituents acting on behalf of the aforementioned affiliations and/or tour volunteers. Submission of this Tour Registration Form (signed or unsigned) constitutes acceptance of the terms of this release. The vehicle being used has all the required automobile insurance established by state statute.

Signed _____

This is a rain or shine event.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

9th Annual Model A Day

Swap Meet
Fashion, Seminars,
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September 21st 2019 9-5pm

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RECENT EVENTS

Follow the Quail Tour to Aiken, South Carolina

Story and photos by Matt Barrett

On our "Follow the Quail" tour to Aiken, South Carolina, Larry Duvall took us a very different route there. On the way back, we went the Aiken-Augusta Highway. A black Chevrolet truck kept up with our every move and when I took the Broad Street exit he followed. He rolled his window down and said he had a card for me. As it turns out he is a TV producer and needs our A Models for a future movie. You meet the nicest people in a Model A Ford.



RECENT EVENTS

Follow the Quail Tour to Aiken, South Carolina

Continued



THE SHADE TREE A'S – THIRTY YEARS AGO



The 1985-2005 Shade Tree A's newsletters are now available on the Shade Tree A's website. They can be accessed via the same "button" as the other newsletters, but they are password protected. The same password used to access the member roster is used to access the newsletters. Thank you Dan Perla for scanning these and posting on the website.

The August 1989 issue of the Shade Tree A's Newsletter discussed the upcoming August Family Meeting which was held at Quincy's Steakhouse on Washington Road back then. Also discussed was the upcoming trip to Jacksonville, Florida. Tentatively planning to travel was noted as Ralph and Tina Neitzke, Richard and Frankie Dunevent, Bob and Billy Jones and possibly Monroe and Betty Wade. A technical "tidbit" advocated the use of brake fluid as a rubber treatment (just be careful around paint). The Newsletter included two articles reprinted from other sources. One that lamented that the Model A was no longer in production and another that encouraged antique car owners to consider the direction the old car hobby is headed. A photo of Jim during a busy day at work was also included.



TECHNICAL TOPICS

And the Model A Ford Kept Rambling Right Along

By Jim McPherson

This column contains maintenance, diagnostic, and technical tips to aid you in keeping your Model A on the road and operating at peak performance. I have stolen this information from a variety of sources, including forums, websites, books, publications, and discussions with fellow Model A owners.

The award winning restoration of Gary Russolillo's 1931 Model A Ford De Luxe Roadster is on the cover of the Antique Automobile magazine, the official publication of the Antique Automobile Club of America (Vol 83, Number 4, July/August 2019). The story of the restoration and pictures are on pages 52-55. You might enjoy looking at them.

For those of you who do not subscribe to the Model A Times magazine, there is a report from the Silver GHOST Association (Rolls-Royce) documenting massive cooling system failures apparently caused by certain antifreeze products. "The antifreeze that can be used safely in our cars uses an older fashioned Inorganic Additive Technology (IAT) additive. You can tell by the color of the antifreeze if it's safe to use. Also, the product may be labeled "Safe for Older Cars" - meaning 10 years old or more. Brands to be avoided are all Prestone lines and Zerex's G-05 in the gold container. Avoid any "extended life" antifreeze. None of us wants to pull and rebuild our cars' engines. Acceptable brands are Peak, Peak's HD Product "Sierra", and Zerex Original Green in the white container. If any of the OAT, H-OAT, or N-OAT products are in your car, the cooling system should promptly be drained - radiator and block - the system flushed thoroughly, and IAT antifreeze installed. The failures they are reporting are to gaskets and gasket cements. Many of us stopped using these products in our Model A's long ago, when overheating issues resulted in geysers spraying our hoods, fenders and windshields with antifreeze, and the antifreeze leaving the paint damaged.



Member Advertisements

Deadline for submittal – 20th of the month – Send submittals to newsletter@ShadeTreeAs.org


- Float-A-Motor rear mounts. Used, but in good usable condition. \$40
- Original Model A Instruction Books (Owner’s Manual). Prices based on condition, \$25 to \$195.
Don Turley, Call 706-863-4867, leave a message and I will return your call. Or email don@donturley.com

- Engine stand, \$35, Robbie Jones



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