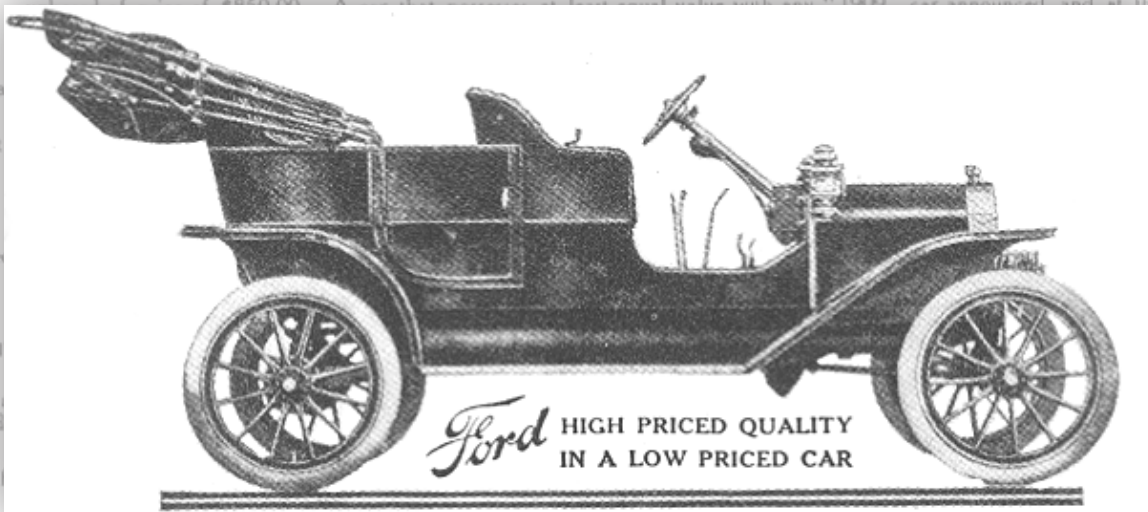


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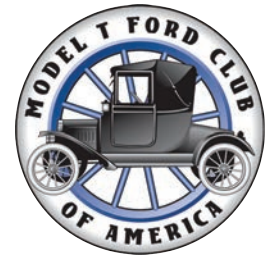
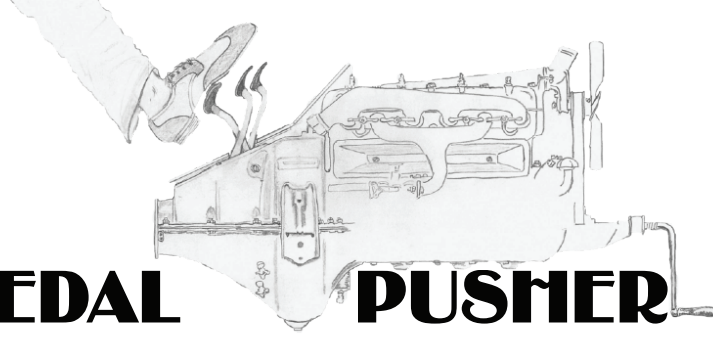
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Spring has sprung and it's time to hit the road. April is going to come in busy. On the 13th is the Pancake Breakfast/Safety Inspection at the Nelson's, and on the 28th is the return of Drive a Lizzy day with a BBQ at the Long's. See the notices in the newsletter for details. So far, the Open Shop days have been successful. Because we have two events in April, we aren't scheduling an Open Shop day, but keep your eyes open. I'll probably have a flash shop day to put the body back on my speedster. So, prepare for a summer of touring and having a little fun with your T.

~Andy

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President.....Andy Clary
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2024

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Scholarship.....John Girman
Sunshine Reporter...Dianna Shimkowski
Tours.....Steve Vining, Dave Ryberg
Webmaster.....Steve Vining

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The Pedal Pusher is a monthly publication of the Redwood Empire Model T Club (REMTC). The club holds a general meeting on the first Thursday of each month in the meeting room of the Round Table Restaurant located on Marlow Rd. in Santa Rosa. Members and guests are welcome to attend.
REMTC website: www.remtc.org

Dues for an individual, or a household, are \$30 per year. Student memberships (no fee) include only the emailed REMTC newsletter.

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National dues are \$50 per year, and include a subscription to the Vintage Ford magazine.

Redwood Empire Model T Club
General Meeting Minutes

Round Table Pizza, Marlow Road, Santa Rosa, California

March 7th, 2024

Vice President: Tim McCallister called this meeting to order at 7:03PM in the absence of Andy Clary.

Attendance: 22 Members in attendance. Absent board members: Andy Clary, and Patty Girman. Absent Chairperson: Patty Girman.

Secretary's Report: Jeannine Clary read the secretary's report with approvals by Dianna Shimkowski and Mike Chirhart. Jeannine also announced this month's birthdays and anniversaries.

Treasurer's Report: John Girman substituted for Patty Girman in her absence in the reading of the treasurer's report, with approvals by Sandy O'Halloran and Cindy Vining.

Tour Report: Steve Vining reported that our drive a "T" to lunch went well. The shop day has been postponed to March 23rd. The Pancake Breakfast and Safety Check is coming up on April 13th, and the Drive a Lizzy Day is scheduled for April 28th. If you know of any car shows that would be of interest to our club, speak to Steve Vining.

Sunshine Report: Dianna Shimkowski reported that cards were sent to Steve & Jeanne Nelson for being sick with COVID 19. A card was sent to Ron and Irean Welsh thanking them for their time with the Model T Club. Updates were given of Gwen Browns recovery from surgery and an update on Joan Gregoire.

Scholarship Report: John Girman said all is the same, and great donations.

Editor's Report: Cyrus Estes reported that we mailed out 18 copies of our newsletter, and all went well. Roster to be printed soon.

Membership Report: Ted Shimkowski reported no activity for this month.

Webmaster Report: Steve Vining reported that we should check the website, as there have been back-ground changes.

Historian Report: Jeanne Nelson noted that Jeannine Clary forgot to bring the albums to this month's meeting.

Old Business: Steve Vining reported that the verbiage regarding trouble truck and reimbursements will be updated and brought to the meeting.

New Business: Jeanne Nelson brought up the audit of our Treasury and finances. John Girman noted that our Roster has been sent to the National Club.

Model T Moments: Dave Ryberg mentioned that his Model T is now licensed and legal in California. Jeanne Nelson noted that her speedster is ready to go after four years of work.

A dessert of Chocolate cookies with M&M decorations were provided by Dianna Shimkowski.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:26PM

Respectfully submitted by *Jeannine Clary*, REMTC Secretary



April Birthdays



JOY AMBRA
FRANK BURNS
CECE DEPAOLI
STEVE VINING
TIPPI GROSMAN
DODGE RIEDY
DAN MCEACHERN

2024 General Meeting Desserts



Please bring enough dessert for forty people, and, if needed, plastic utensils and paper plates.

If you are unable to make it to the meeting, please contact a substitute.

JANUARY 4TH.....JEANNINE CLARY
FEBRUARY 1ST.....SANDY O'HALLORAN
MARCH 7TH.....DIANNA SHIMKOWSKI
APRIL 4TH.....JEAN CHIRHART
MAY 2ND.....TIM/TERESA MCCALLISTER
JUNE 6TH.....PAM JOHNSON
~~JULY 4TH NO MEETING~~
AUGUST 1ST.....PATTY GIRMAN
SEPTEMBER 5TH...DAVE AND MICI RYBERG
OCTOBER 3RD.....CINDY VINING
NOVEMBER 7TH.....SEBASTIAN AMBRA
DECEMBER 5TH.....STEVE CAVALLI

April Anniversaries



MIKE & JEAN CHIRHART
BOB & JUDY SMITH
RON WELSH &
IRENE TURNER
JIMMY & TRACY LONG

Repairs & Restorations Get Well Soon!

STEVE AND JEANNE NELSON GOT
COVID 19.

Would You Like to Submit an Article for the May Edition?

Please submit it to me by 4/28/2024
if possible

Thanks from your editor, Cyrus

-ATTENTION- ROSTER INFORMATION CORRECTION

Please note that there is a mistake for Jimmy and Tracy Long in the new roster. Their address and phone numbers are correct in the Fast Finder, so you can just update your new roster with the Santa Rosa address. My apologies to Jimmy and Tracy.

--Patty Girman

The Running Board

Information provided by Steve Vining, Tour Chairman

April

13th - The Nelson's Pancake Breakfast & Safety Check

Hosted by the Nelsons at their home

14th - All Ford Parts Swap Meet

Held in Campbell.

See further information online

21st - Swap Meet and Car Show

Held at the Veterans Building, Santa Rosa.

6am to 1pm

28th - Drive a Lizzy Day

Held at the old State Farm building in Santa Rosa.

See included article for more information

May

4th - Famoso Dragstrip Swap-O-Rama

Pre-register before April 27th

Held at 33559 Famoso Rd, Mc Farland, CA 93250

7am to 5pm

25th - 21st Annual Oakmont Car Show

Online registration

Held at the Berger Center, Santa Rosa

10am to 1pm

27th - Memorial Day Car Show

Online registration

Held at the Newsong Church, Windsor

10am to 2pm

June

16th-20th - MTFCA National Tour

See your magazine or the MTFCA website for more information.

July

6th - Penngrove Power and Implement Museum

We have a standing invitation to show car at this event. See Steve Vining for further information.

September

11th-15th - Overnighter Tour

In Virginia City, Nevada, and surrounding areas

Details are tentative, stay tuned for further information.

March Open Shop Day

Rear Axle Wheel Bearings & Everyday Carry Tools


March 23rd, 2024 - Article Submitted by Steve Vining

We had another great shop day on March 23rd in Andy's shop. Shop days have turned out to be awesome events. We started off learning about removing rear axle wheel bearings and seals. Andy made the process look very simple, and I know from experience it is not. He removed the sleeve, showing us the unique tool that is required to do this job, and went through the process to install a new axle seal and sleeve. He reviewed what to look for to determine if a wheel bearing is usable or not. After bites of Jeannine's awesome scones, we went through the tools Andy recommends all Model T drivers carry with them when touring. We all have unique items we carry that are specific to our car. But there are basic tools everyone should carry. I hope to have a list of these items in next month's newsletter.

Overall, another fantastic event. I want to thank all 13 members for showing up. Anyone can have a shop day. Please schedule one on a topic you would like to learn more about.

First Flash Tour of the Year

Article submitted by John Girman

A photograph showing five vintage cars parked in a row in a parking lot. From left to right: a black Model T with a black top, a red open-wheel car with the number 46, a black Model T with a black top, a black Model T with a black top, and a black Model T with a black top and a yellow trunk. The cars are parked in front of a yellow and blue wall.

REMTC members turned out in force for the first flash tour of the year to have lunch at the El Coronel on February 24th. Nineteen members with ten Model Ts took advantage of a beautiful, sunny day to show up in Sebastopol for the first tour of the season. REMTC is trying a different format for flash tours this year: a restaurant destination is announced and members show up. There is no organized tour and, instead, driving to and from the restaurant singly or in small groups becomes the tour. Based on this tour, it may be a winning format.



Back Due to Popular Demand...

Drive a Lizzy Day



When: Sunday, April 28th at 9AM

Where: Empire College Parking Lot, 3035 Cleaveland Ave, Santa Rosa 95403
West Side of Property (behind main building)

Why: It's time to give your wife, kids, grandkids or casual acquaintance a chance to drive a T. We'll spend the morning with driver training and practice. Learn to start the car, drive and if there is time, stop.

After our morning of driving instruction we are invited by the Longs, Jimmy and Tracy, to their home, Long's Rancho Costa Lotta, for a photo-op with a caboose and lunch of BBQ Chicken, Side Salads and Soft Drinks. Even if you don't bring your T, you'll be welcome at the BBQ.

Let's get 2024 off on the right foot and **RSVP** so Jimmy and Tracy can plan accordingly. Call or text Jimmy at (707) 484-4066.



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