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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

July is here, we made it half way through the year.

Make a note: **There will be NO July meeting.**
Straw poll showed that people had a lot going on this weekend.

The Anniversary Tour came and went without any major problems. The "Happy Hour" after the tour was very popular. It gave people a chance to talk about the day rather than just dispersing. Hopefully we can incorporate something similar into our regular tours.

I don't have much to add this month. Hopefully we can get a good turnout at the Power Museum on the 12th. There is also the Sebastopol VFW car show on the 19th if you feel like a nice car show.

Andy Clary

Board Members

President.....Andy Clary
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Past President.....John Girman

2025

Chairpersons

Historian.....Jeanne Nelson
Membership.....Ted Shimkowski
Newsletter Editor....Cyrus Estes
Roster.....Patty Girman
Scholarship.....John Girman
Sunshine Reporter...Dianna Shimkowski
Tours.....Dave Ryberg
Webmaster.....Steve Vining

Chapter Information & National Affiliation

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.

Charter members after the age of 85 have an honorary membership.

REMTC is an official non-profit chapter of the Model T Ford Club of America (MTFCA).

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

On the 5th of June, 2025

-President-

Andy Clary called this meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

-Attendance-

22 members in attendance, all committee members and board members present.

-Secretary's Report-

Jeannine Clary read the secretary's report, with approvals by Don Johnson & James Harris.
Birthdays and anniversaries were announced.

-Treasurer's Report-

Patty Girman reported on our finances. There was a motion that we write off the deposit from our 30th anniversary BBQ that did not happen due to COVID, with approvals by Dianna Shimkowski & Steve Nelson, with all attending members in agreement.

-Touring Report-

Dave Ryberg reported on the garage day at Steve Vinings, and thanked him for holding this garage day.
The Petaluma High School car show had no attendance from the Model T Club.
July 6th is the Penngrove Parade, July 12th is the Penngrove Museum. The T&A Tour for August or September will be renamed the Friendship Tour. Andy Clary reported on the Anniversary Tour.

-Sunshine Report-

Dianna Shimkowski reported that Ted Shimkowski has had a painful back issue.

-Scholarship Report-

John Girman reported that there is no scholarship update for this month and thanked everyone for their support.

-Editors Report-

Cyrus Estes reported that all is going smoothly, and that he has made some modifications.

-Membership Report-

Ted Shimkowski reported that we have a potential new member and are awaiting correspondence.

-Webmaster's Report-

Steve Vining reported that our website is up to date.

-Historian's Report-

Jeanne Nelson thanked Ted Shimkowski for all his club photos. Please send Jeanne any club tour or event photos.

-Old Business-

Chris Rich made comments regarding the safety check and issues that should be addressed such as:
Loose steering, pitman arms, loose rear wheels to name a few.
He thanked Ted Shimkowski for his help with the safety check and thanked Steve and Jeanne Nelson for holding the Pancake Breakfast/Safety Check.

-New Business-

Andy brought up the Trouble Truck equipment box and noted that it is a mess and needs to be updated.
Our club needs a new first aid box as well. A discussion will happen this winter regarding tools for the Trouble Truck kit.

-Model T Moments-

Andy sold his '26 coup to Cyrus Estes. John Girman's radiator & lower tank have issues, and he is looking at 10 weeks for this to be made right. Dave Ryberg's '21 coup is running and has replaced the fuel line but the gas tank is leaking. Sebastian has a bad radiator on his '26 that he is working on.
Andy & Jeannine Clary & Dodge Riedy will be attending the Santa Clara Endurance Run.
Donna Jones and Chris Rich will be attending the July 1th Canada tour.

-Dessert-

A dessert of apple bar cookies and chocolate chip cookies was provided by James Harris.

-Meeting Adjourned-

7:53 pm

Submitted by Jeannine Clary, REMTC Secretary

JULY BIRTHDAYS



Richard DeCarli

Tracy Long

Mici Ryberg

Anne Marie Winterhalder

2025



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 2ND - - - - - JEANNINE CLARY

FEBRUARY 6TH - - - - - JEAN CHIRHART

MARCH 6TH - - - - DIANNA SHIMKOWSKI

APRIL 2ND - - - - - CINDY VINING

MAY 1ST - - - - - CYRUS ESTES

JUNE 5TH - - - - - JAMES HARRIS

JULY 3RD - - NO MEETING THIS MONTH

AUGUST 7TH - - - - - CHRIS RICH

SEPTEMBER 4TH - - - SEBASTION AMBRA

OCTOBER 2ND - - - DAVE & MICI RYBERG

NOVEMBER 6TH - - - - - DONNA JONES

DECEMBER 4TH - - SANDY O'HALLORAN



JULY ANNIVERSARIES

Sebastian & Joy Ambra

John & Janet Hoehn Avakian

John & Patty Girman

SUNSHINE

***Ted Shimkowski is dealing with some
back pain.***

***A card was sent to Ted Grosman,
letting them know that they were
missed during the tours, and hoping
that they are doing well***

THE RUNNING BOARD

DATES OF IMPORTANCE

JULY

4th; Kenwood Parade & Pancake Breakfast

Stay tuned for further details

12th; Penngrove Power & Implement Museum

We will be meeting at 8 am at the Washoe House, with the goal of arriving at the museum by 9 am to ensure plenty of parking. This is an event tour, not a driving tour, and so it is a short drive. Keep an eye out for a standalone email for further details.

19th; Sebastopol VFW Car Show

10 am to 2 pm. See the included flyer for more details.

SEPTEMBER

20th; Wings and Wheels Car Show

8 am to 2 pm. See the included flyer for more details.

OCTOBER

16th - 19th; The Last Roundup Tour

See the January 2025 newsletter for details

2025 Forestville Parade



2025 35th Anniversary Celebration



Our first of three tours was on the 11th. It took place from Redwood Marketplace to Fort Ross, and finished with a “happy hour” at the Girman’s. Unfortunately, I was unable to attend, and have no pictures to share. I hear that it was a cold, but pleasant, tour.



Our second day of touring started at Tom Schoplin Fields, and led us through the Alexander Valley out to Warm Springs Dam. Sunny weather greeted six of our T’s, one of our Model A’s, and several members joining in with their modern cars. After enjoying various types of donuts and coffee, Jeannine handed out snacks for the road, and we set off.







The drive out was all trouble-free. The valley provided beautiful views, albeit with the occasional pothole.

We stretched our legs once we got to the dam, and took a look around the small museum there. We were all very entertained by an educational film they put on for us before we sat down to eat. A flat tire threatened to slow us down, but Chris Rich and Ted Shimkowski had it fixed in less than 15 minutes.

With satisfied appetites and full tires, we made our way to the Depaoli's Fairlane ranch. Some way or another, our group found itself separated into two smaller sections. After some moments of confusion, all was sorted out and we were on the move again. Once at the Depaoli's, we sat down to more delicious food and relaxed conversation.





Friday the 13th marked the last day of the 35th anniversary tours. Five T's and a few modern cars met up at the Washoe House at 9 am. We ate sweet treats, drank coffee, and watched the fog depart. Once the snack bags were dispersed, we departed as well.

Our first destination was the Bear Valley Visitor Center. Our route took us out through southern Sonoma County towards Tomales Bay via some nice roads over the rolling hills. Occasional fog offered cool periods in the otherwise warm day.

Once at the visitor center, we took some time to chat and snack. We attracted a small crowd of folks interested in the cars. From children to adults, everyone had questions to be asked and smiles on their faces.

Afterwards, the drive to the Nelson's was just as smooth as the drive south. As expected, the BBQ lunch hosted by the Nelson's was well put together and well attended. There was no shortage of good food, so I hear, and Jeanne Nelson brought out the Scrapbooks from years past for us to enjoy.



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REGISTER NOW!



Wheels & Wings

2025 Car Show

Car Show Registration Form

September 20, 2025

8am-2pm

- Mail-In Registration Forms must be received on or before **September 15, 2025**
- Registration Fee: **\$30.00** per entry, includes 2 General Admission Wristbands
- Want to park next to your favorite museum aircraft? Additional \$10.00 donation while aircraft are available
- Registration Is Available the morning of in the Pre-Staging Lot (if space is available)
- Registration Is Available online at PCAM website until **September 18, 2025**

****NOTE****

Entrance to pre-staging lot is located at **3780 FLIGHTLINE DRIVE, ALL CARS** must check-in at pre-staging area to receive wristbands. You will **NOT** be allowed in without your wristbands.

- Reminder to Car Clubs: A separate entry form must be submitted for each car entered
- Find out more at <http://pacificcoastairmuseum.org/events/wheels-wings-car-show>

Please Print Clearly

Check One: ☐ Check ☐ Cash

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Phone () _____

Make _____ Model _____ Year _____

Car Club Name (If applicable) _____

Name of aircraft to be parked by (additional \$10.00 donation) _____

Liability Waiver: With this right to participate, I/we release the Pacific Coast Air Museum (PCAM), Charles M. Schulz-Sonoma County Airport (STS), City of Santa Rosa, Sponsors and all others who may be concerned from any liability or injury or losses to myself and/or family during the event on Saturday September 20, 2025. I also consent to the free use of my name, likeness and image for any purpose.

Signature of entrant _____ Date _____

Please mail a signed copy of this form and your entry fee to:

Pacific Coast Air Museum
Attn: Wheels and Wings Car Show
One Air Museum Way
Santa Rosa, CA 95403
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