

# THE PEDAL PUSHER

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## President's Message

Redwood Empire Model T'ers,

REMTC is off to a good start with the touring season. This past month we had two tours: The Wine Country Spring Vine Tour; and the Flash Tour to the Sonoma County Museum. The Vine Tour was the first tour put together by Dave and Peter Stoneberg and they did a great job. Thanks to both of them for a very enjoyable time. I also enjoyed the tour because it was the first tour my Model T has been on since I broke the pinion gear on it last summer. It was really great to be driving the Model T again and it ran really well. (Knock on wood.) I wasn't able to go on the flash tour because of a conflict but I've heard that the museum exhibit was really good. Thanks to Jeannine Clary for suggesting it, and Andy Clary for putting it on. Also, I saw several REMTC members at the swap meet in Petaluma last month and some of them were carrying their recent purchases.

Upcoming for the month of June is the Forestville Parade on June 3<sup>rd</sup> hosted by Pat & Sandy O'Halloran. Don't forget the candy for the kids. And we also have Charter Member Vince Gregoire's Tour on Saturday, June 17, hosted by Vince & Joan Gregoire, and Robin & Larry Summerfield.

Keep in mind that we'll be voting on a proposed change to the bylaws at the June meeting.

Lots of REMTC events in the works. Hope to see you at them.

*John Girman*

### CHAPTER INFORMATION

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Students - no fee - includes only the emailed REMTC newsletter.

Charter members after age 85 - Honorary

The club holds a general meeting on the first Thursday of the month at the Round Table Pizza Restaurant's meeting room on Marlow Rd., in Santa Rosa.

Members and guests are welcome to attend.

#### REMTC Website

[www.remtc.org](http://www.remtc.org)

### NATIONAL AFFILIATION

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### 2023 BOARD MEMBERS

President.....John Girman  
Vice President .....Steve Vining  
Secretary..... Sandy O'Halloran  
Treasurer .....Patty Girman  
Past-President .....Mike Chirhart

### CHAIRPERSONS

Tours.....Mike Chirhart  
Membership .....Ted Shimkowski  
Sunshine Reporter..... Dianna Shimkowski  
Scholarship.....Jeannine Clary  
Scholarship.....Andy Clary  
Historian.....Jeanne Nelson  
Newsletter Editor.....Nanette Chuck  
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Webmaster.....Cyrus Estes

# **Notice of Proposed Change to REMTC Bylaws**

To be addressed at the June 1<sup>st</sup> membership meeting  
at Round Table Pizza, Marlow Rd, Santa Rosa at 7:00 pm.

Background: As REMTC evolves, more of our members live away from Sonoma County and some members prefer not to drive at night so that we often do not have a quorum as defined in our Bylaws (two Board members and twenty-five percent of the membership). In the meeting of the Board and the Chairpersons at the beginning of the year, a change to the Bylaws was discussed and subsequently a draft change was developed. After that was done, two REMTC members independently pointed out another possible problem. Frequently, a husband and wife both serve on the Board. This means that a quorum could be constituted with a husband and wife, possibly having similar views, so that they would have undue influence on the business of REMTC. Both of the REMTC members suggested that a quorum should have three Board members and this suggestion was incorporated in the proposed change.

Current Bylaw: Article IV, Section 6: A quorum shall be constituted if two current board members and twenty-five percent (25%) of all voting members are present at a meeting. If a quorum is not present at the meeting, a binding vote may not be taken; Board of directors may pass a resolution to act upon policy matters by a simple majority vote.

Propose Bylaw: Article IV, Section 6: A quorum shall consist of three current board members and members in good standing present at a general meeting. If a quorum is not present at a meeting, a binding vote may not be taken. Board of directors may pass a resolution to act upon policy matters by a simple majority vote.

# Redwood Empire Model T Club

## GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

May 4, 2023

Round Table Pizza, Marlow Road, Santa Rosa, California

**Attendance:** 33 members in attendance.

**President:** John Girman called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Secretary's Report:** Sandy O'Halloran read the Old and New Business for April 2023. There was a motion to accept by Steve Nelson and seconded by Jeannine Clary. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Patty Girman shared the monthly Treasurer's Report.

**Sunshine Report:** Dianna Shimkowski said she sent a card to Judy Konvalinka, she had covid. She also sent a card to Judy Smith who had hip surgery. And a card was given to Ted Shimkowski for his visits to the hospital.

**Tour Report:** Mike Chirhart talked about the upcoming *Wine Country Spring Vine Tour* hosted by Dave and Peter Stoneberg on May 13th. May 21st was the *48th Annual Swap Meet* located at Sonoma-Marin Fairgrounds in Petaluma. May 27th *Oakmont Car Show*. Friday, June 2nd *Golden Gate Dry Creek Tour*, (for their Day 6). June 3rd *Forestville Parade*. June 17th Charter Member *Vince Gregoire's Tour*. There are two *4th of July Parades*, one in Penngrove and one in Kenwood. Hopefully our members can participate in one or the other. The *Cooker Tour* will be hosted by the Vining's, on July 22nd. *Special Tour* from our new members in August. Vince O'Brien will host a tour on Sept 9th. The overnight *Delta Tour* will be from Sept 20th through 24th. The cost for the Ryde Hotel will be \$99 a night. October will be the *T & A Tour*. The *Rain or Shine Tour* will be in November. Dec 10th *Christmas Dinner* at Cattlemen's in Petaluma. Please see the **Pedal Pusher** or website for more tour information.

**Webmaster Report:** Steve Vining was absent.

**Editor's Report:** Nothing to report.

**Membership Report:** Ted Shimkowski was back and feeling well again. No new members.

**Historian Report:** Jeanne Nelson was absent. Steve Nelson shared for Jeanne that more pictures arrived at their house. Jeanne is working on putting them in their binders.

**Scholarship Report:** Andy Clary shared nothing is going on at this time. School is over soon for this year.

**Old Business:** No Old Business.

**New Business:** By-laws changes will be voted on at the next monthly meeting. A motion was made by Andy Clary to make Mal and Gwen Brown honorary members. It was seconded by Chris Rich and the motion carried.

**Model T Moments:** Dave Ryder said his engine isn't frozen anymore. Andy Clary talked about the *Horseless Carriage National Tour* that he attended; part of the tour was at a dairy ranch where the owner had 7 Duesenberg's. Bob Smith toured on the rained-out tour to the airport. He parked his Model T under an A26 Airplane and had a good time on his tour. Tim McCallister shared an original receipt for a 1927 Model T, sold from **George E. Powell**

**Dealership** in San Jose, CA. The cost was \$445.71. Jeannine Clary shared a magazine brought in by Gail Sharpsteen from 1930 for all to see.

**Dessert Provided by:** Dianna Shimkowski

**Meeting Adjourned:** Motion to adjourn by Steve Nelson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chris Rich, motion carried. Adjourned at 7:33 pm.



Respectfully submitted by, *Sandy O'Halloran*, REMTC Secretary

June 2023  
Anniversaries

JUNE  
BIRTHDAYS



*Steve & Cindy Vining  
Fred & Nancy Byl  
Ted & Tippi Grosman  
Bill & Jeanette Harm  
Dan & Mary McEachern  
Dale & Barbara Morrison  
Jim & Margie Pappakostas  
Harry & Karen Plevney*

Mal Brown      Dianna Shimkowski  
Joan Gregoire      George Jones  
Bob Jones      Margie Pappakostas  
Dale Morrison      Vince O'Brien  
Rich Randolph      Maureen Riedy  
Bob Salomon      Con Faraudo  
William Rothman      John Berizzi  
Stella Dunne      Joni Stoneberg

**Roster Updates**

Vince & Joan Gregoire are Founding members

Bob Smith is a Charter Member

Remove date from "Joined: 1991"  
on Charter Members Max & Laura Meyer

**GENERAL MEETING DESSERTS  
FOR 2023**

PLEASE BRING DESSERT FOR 40 PEOPLE,  
AND IF NEEDED, BRING PAPER PLATES AND PLASTIC FORKS.

IF YOU CAN'T MAKE IT TO THE MEETING,  
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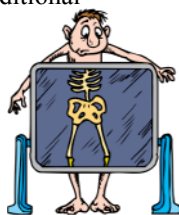
JANUARY 5TH - - - Jeannine Clary  
FEBRUARY 2ND - - Donna Jones  
MARCH 2ND - - - - Bob and Stella Dunne  
APRIL 6TH - - - - - Dianna Shimkowski  
MAY 4TH - - - - - Jean Chirhart  
JUNE 1ST - - - - - Linda and Bob Salomon  
JULY 6TH - - - - - Tim and Teresa McCallister  
AUGUST 3RD - - - - Sebastian Ambra  
SEPTEMBER 7TH - Sandy O'Halloran  
OCTOBER 5TH - - - Cindy Vining  
NOVEMBER 2ND - - Pam Johnson  
DECEMBER 7TH - - Patty Girman

**REPAIRS and RESTORATION  
Get well**



Ted Shimkowski is back and feeling well again  
after a few hospital visits

Cards were sent to:  
Steven Cavalli has been getting additional  
testing and ongoing care





# THE RUNNING BOARD

## JUNE

### Friday 2nd - Dry Creek Tour

Meet at Creekside Inn, 16180 Neely Blvd., Guerneville, at 8:30 AM coffee & donuts

9 AM leaving to meet up with Golden Gate Tour (the 6th day of their tour)

You may leave your car at the Inn overnight (if you plan to attend Saturday's Forestville Parade)

Dinner 5:30 PM at Main Street Bistro in Guerneville - contact Steven Chase to reserve (323) 497-0601

### Saturday 3rd - Forestville Parade

Meet at Carr's Drive-In 9:00 AM, Hosted by Pat and Sandy O'Halloran Parade 10:00 AM, Bring candy to toss to the children.

Pat O'Halloran has been contacted by the parade officials to see if any of us would be willing to drive parade dignitaries in our T's. If you are interested would you please call him at 707-490-6658 or 707-887-2238 and let him know.

Short Tour afterwards, then Lunch at the Park

### Saturday 17th - Founding Member Vince Gregoire's Tour

9 AM - Meet at Vince & Joan Gregoire's home 2342 Westway Drive, Santa Rosa

Leave at 10 AM for Hamburger Ranch. Hosts Vince & Joan Gregoire, and Larry & Robin Summerfield

## JULY

### Fourth of July Parades

**Penngrove Parade** is on Sunday the **2nd** [www.penngrovesocialfireman.org/penngroveparade.html](http://www.penngrovesocialfireman.org/penngroveparade.html)

**Kenwood Parade** is on Tuesday the **4th** <http://kenwoodparade.org>

both parades require that you register online in advance to participate

### Saturday 22nd - Cooker Tour

Meet at Lion's Grove picnic area in Ragle Ranch Park. Details to Follow. Hosted by Steve & Cindy Vining

## AUGUST

### New Members Tour

In Planning.

## SEPTEMBER - 9th

### New Grass Tour

Meet at Washoe House at 9:30 AM. Hosted by Vince O'Brien

### Overnighter Delta Tour

20th thru 24th - See Flyer and registration form in Pedal Pusher - *next two pages.*

## OCTOBER

**T & A Tour** - in planning

## NOVEMBER

**Rain or Shine Tour** - in planning

## DECEMBER 10th

Sunday - **Christmas Dinner at Cattleman's Restaurant** in Petaluma

**California Delta Tour**  
**Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>**  
**Thru**  
**Sunday, September 24, 2023**

Day 1

Arrive in the afternoon and settle in. Social that evening in the back of the hotel on the greens.

Day 2

Drive to Rio Vista, Tour the Dutra Museum and Rio Vista Museum. Lunch at Fosters Big Horn then off to The Real McCoy Ferry #2 for a trip across the Sacramento River and then touring the Delta region.

Day 3

Follow the Sacramento River to Sacramento for a Docent led tour of the California Railroad Museum. Lunch on your own in Old Town Sacramento, then a tour of the California Auto Museum after lunch. After that a leisurely drive back to the Ryde.

Day 4

More exploring of the Delta with a stop at Locke to tour the Chinese settlements and then drive through Clarksburg with a stop at the Old Sugar Mill Facility for food truck lunch, tour and then back to Ryde for the evening banquet.

Day 5

Farewells and drive back home

We'll be staying at the Ryde Hotel, 916-776-1318. Room rate \$99.00 per night. If no one answers leave a message and they will get back to you. No pets allowed. Service animals only.

Tour cost will be **\$150.00** per person.

Please fill out the attached form and send it along with your check to:

**Patty Girman, 8565 Oak Circle, Cotati, CA. 94931**

**California Delta Tour**  
**Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>**  
**Thru**  
**Sunday, September 24, 2023**

**Registration Form**

Meal selection for Saturday's Banquet. Please select one per person.

- Vegetarian penne pasta w/roasted vegetables \_\_\_\_\_
- Herbed salmon in white wine sauce \_\_\_\_\_
- Slow roasted prime rib \_\_\_\_\_
- Chicken Béchamel \_\_\_\_\_

All meals come with a salad, Artisan bread and butter, creamy mashed potatoes and a dessert assortment.

Members Name: \_\_\_\_\_ \$150.00  
Spouse Name: \_\_\_\_\_ \$150.00  
Guest Name: \_\_\_\_\_ \$150.00

**Total:**

Please mail form with check made out to **REMTC** to: **Patty Girman, 8565 Oak Circle, Cotati, CA. 94931**

**Please have all Registrations in by August 31<sup>st</sup>**  
**In additional questions call Mike Chirhart at 707-545-5883**



# WINE COUNTRY SPRING VINE TOUR

*Ted Shimkowski Pictures of May 13 tour*



## OAKMONT CAR SHOW

On May 27th Mike Chirhart along with Jack Mulkey and Vince Gregoire who stopped by, and we had the picture taken.

Not present were Steve DePaoli and Bob Salomon.

There were a 127 cars present and lots of people. It was a fun day.



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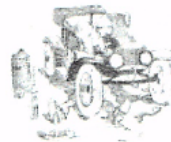
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