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President's Message

December



Happy Holidays to Everyone!!! I hope you had an enjoyable Thanksgiving. Christmas and Honokaa celebrations are fast approaching. I look forward to seeing you all at the Christmas Dinner and installation of officers on December 2nd.

We had a good November meeting. If you missed it please see the minutes included herein. Thank you to Dan Thompson for your discussion of maintenance tips. As a note, be sure to review the **"revised"**

changes to the By Laws that will be sent separately. It was pointed out at the meeting that paragraph "d" of Article III was in conflict with the revised body of that Article and was, therefore, removed. The changes will be voted on for adoption at the Christmas party as the Revised By-Laws need to be included with our request for reinstatement of our 501c7 designation. The new officers for 2023 were elected: Secretary, Nancy Jorgensen; Treasurer, Judy Fox; Vice President, Rick Jensen; President, Scott Brenneke. I am looking forward to again working with these folks to present an enjoyable Model A year.

The new Board will be meeting in January to start planning the club activities for 2023. There have been some great suggestions for tours and functions this next year. If you have any ideas please let me know so we can possibly include them. There has been a suggestion for a longer (5+ day) tour to Oregon. We have not had a long tour for a number of years. Your thoughts on this would be appreciated.

Be sure to winterize your cars as temperatures are fast dropping for the next few months so your 'A's will be ready for spring tours.

Just a reminder, **2023 dues should be paid by January 31st** if you are not attending the Christmas Dinner. You should also be a member of MAFCA. I believe your first year membership is free. Membership has some good benefits including ensuring you are covered by their liability insurance policy when touring, a most informative bi-monthly news magazine, maintenance/repair assistance, classified advertising in the magazine and on their website and access to other member services.

Have a Safe and Happy Holiday Season and may 2023 bring you a Wonderful New Year!

Scott

President

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MEETING MINUTES

November 17, 2022

Call to order - The November meeting of the Sagebrush Chapter of the Model A. Club of America was held on Thursday, November 17, 2022 at the Black Bear Diner in Reno, NV, The meeting was called to order by President, Scott Brenneke at 12:42 pm. 18 members were in attendance. The meeting was opened with a salute to our great flag led by Larry Nixon.

Scott welcomed new member, Ed Griffith.

Minutes - In the absence of the Club Secretary, Nancy Jarvis agreed to take Minutes for the meeting.

The Minutes of the October 29, 2022 meeting were approved (M/S/C N. Jorgensen/N. Jarvis) as published in the newsletter.

Treasurer's Report - Treasurer Judy Fox discussed the income/expenses to date (excluding recent dues and Christmas Party checks) and noted that all figures were reconciled. Judy said to see her if there were any questions regarding the Club's finances. The Treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

Restated Articles of Incorporation - The Restated Articles of Incorporation have been submitted to the Secretary of State and Scott is still awaiting the return of the signed and approved file copy. He noted that he was told there was a 7 to 8 week delay for the State to send the approval.

Bylaws - Because of the Restated Articles, there is a need to revise some sections of the existing Bylaws. According to the current Bylaws, revisions must be reviewed by membership three times. This is the second review. The final will be acted upon at the Christmas Dinner. Scott noted that there was an error in the first draft, where a section should have been removed regarding dues – the sentence was redundant. A copy of the suggested revised revisions is attached to the original of these Minutes.

DMV Changes – President Brenneke reported on what he found out at the DMV regarding SB:349, and clarified the process for obtaining/having personalized plates (Classic Vehicle/Classic Rod/Old Timers) and insurance requirements. For those plates, you must have antique car insurance.

Nomination for 2023 Officers – President Brenneke stated that a slate of officers was nominated at the last meeting. The position of Secretary was still open. Nancy Jorgensen agreed to serve in this position if elected. The following slate was presented to membership:

Secretary – Nancy Jorgensen
Treasurer – Judy Fox
Vice President – Rick Jensen
President – Scott Brenneke

Scott called for nominations from the floor – none were received. Upon motion duly made and seconded (N. Jarvis/L. Miller) the nominations were closed and the above slate for 2023 officers was elected.

Christmas Dinner – Scott reminded the members that the Christmas dinner will be a buffet at a cost of \$42.00/person. The Club will pick up \$10/person for those members who have paid their 2023 dues. The Christmas Dinner will again be at the Gold Dust West on Friday, December 2nd.

Club Jackets - John Jorgensen showed a possible new club jacket and reviewed cost of jacket and logo embroidery. Those in attendance approved of the jacket and logo. He will send out information to all membership to find out interest and quantity to purchase.

Adjournment – The business part of the meeting was adjourned and was followed by a very timely and informative presentation by member Dan Thompson on Preventive Maintenance and Winter Storage for our Model A's. Also, there was a short film on Ford's 20 Millionth car. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:43 pm

Nancy Jarvis, Acting Secretary
For Dawn Bower, Secretary

Jim's Tech Tips

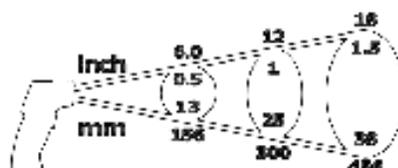
"Infrared (IR) Thermometer Guns"

These little IR thermometer guns are amazing. I use mine to check coolant temperature at the outlet of the engine, look for cool spots on radiators, check tire sidewall temperatures, and to see if all of my brake drums are at about the same temperature after a hard brake (to confirm even braking action at each wheel).

If you are going to get a reliable, consistent, and reproducible reading with these guns, you need to understand a bit about how they work. When you aim the gun at something and press the button to read the temperature, the gun reports to you the average temperature of everything within its "Field of View".

Field of View

The meter's field of view is 12:1, meaning that if the meter is 12 inches from the target, the diameter of the object under test must be at least 1 inch. Other distances are shown in the diagram below. Make sure that the target is larger than the unit's spot size. The smaller the target, the closer you should be to it. When accuracy is critical, make sure the target is at least twice as large as the spot size.



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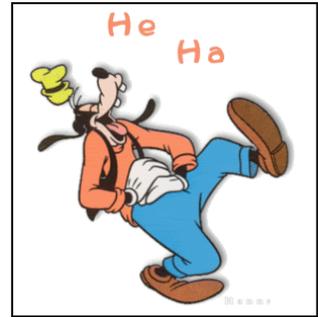
If you want to read the temperature with a spot circle diameter of $\frac{1}{2}$ " (a very handy size), you must hold the gun 6" from the object. I have seen some guys hold the gun several feet from a radiator hose and not understand why the reading is so low; their 3" diameter spot circle includes a lot of cool air on either side of the radiator hose. Get in the habit of holding the gun up close to the object for the best readings.

Some guns have a laser pointer built in that helps you see where the temperature readings are being taken. The laser does not read the temperature, it just helps you see where the reading is from. You have to visualize the spot circle size, depending on how far the gun is from the object.

I hope this helps you get more out of your IR thermometer. If you don't have one, they are handy to have around the shop and on the road.

Until next time, *Have a Model A Day!*
Jim

To make your day a little lighter...



QUOTE FOR THE MONTH

"Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good night."

Saint Nicholas

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