

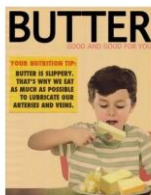
# Henry's Horn

*Henry's A's Monthly Newsletter*

Sep 2024

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Photos of some rare old cars in a private collection in Grants Pass, Oregon from Barb Mahan.



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## GENERAL MEETING

General meetings of Henry's A's are held at 10:30 AM on the first Saturday of each month, **except December 3<sup>th</sup>**

**Guests and visitors are welcome.**

*HENRY'S HORN* is the monthly newsletter of Henry's A's Chapter, Model A Ford Club of America. We solicit articles and other items for publication in these pages; please submit, before the 25th of the month, to the Editor's e-mail address or the clubs mailing address:

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A signup sheet will be at the next meeting for refreshments for future club meetings.

Can you volunteer to bring refreshments for the next meeting?

## Henry's A's Activities Report

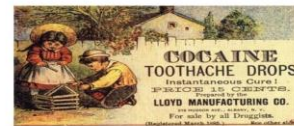
Sep 7th 10:30 AM General meeting at Duarte's Garage in Livermore Ca

Sep 14th

### Cars in the Park

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# MAFCA August 29 A of the Day



Rick Mahan from Henry's Lady Chapter in his 1931 SW Fordor crossing the Larwood Bridge on a tour of all six covered bridges in Linn County during the 2024 Oregon Tour based in Albany, Oregon.

Debbie McKey took this photo at the Larwood Bridge which was sent in to MAFCA for **A of the Day**. It was published on the MAFCA.com web site August 29<sup>th</sup>.



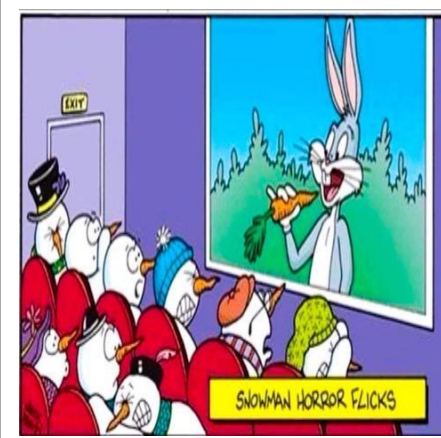
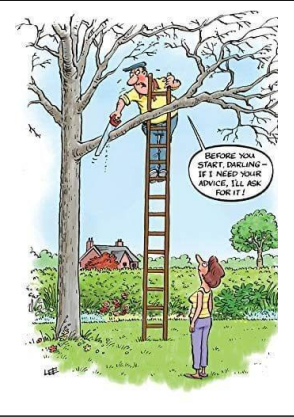
# August MAFFI Minute

Model A Enthusiasts:

Today, August 19, 2024, the site at the Model A Museum was prepared for the expansion construction to begin! How exciting!! The expansion will allow for more cars to be displayed and stored, more vignettes to be displayed showing era scenes, a garage where cars can be worked on AND where education can take place for maintenance/overhauls of the Model A. There will be a restroom in the building with the expansion as well, which may not be as exciting, but certainly will be appreciated!

Many Model A enthusiasts have contributed to this expansion. We have cash donors, donors who have given Model A cars to be sold, Model A enthusiasts who have purchased Sweepstakes tickets to help out, others have purchased a plaque with their car and name on it to go on the wall as a way of helping. There're also many people to thank behind the scenes too; those gave hours of time getting the donated Model A's for sale running well is just one example. It takes a whole lot of Model A'ers to make a museum this great, and we thank you and love you for it. Although the expansion is officially underway, we can't stop now! There is a whole new piece of real estate to outfit to tell the story of the Model A and its place in history, so we will continue to fundraise until all the pieces are in place. Thank you for whatever you have done and can do to help the Model A Ford Foundation Inc. Museum be the best.

MAFFI Trustee, Secretary Cindy Ellenbecker



## A Summer Day Reverie

This column written by Gibbs, describes a summer job Bob LaFollette had in Oregon.

On a summer day such as this, I was recently transported instantly back over a half of a century in time. The occasion that triggered the time warp was very simple: I was getting a load of straw for a friend. Wrestling those 20 fragrant bales into my pickup was all it took to melt away the years and miles and I was back at a summer job in 1965, so 59 years ago.

As a college student I worked at the historic ZX Ranch, the largest cattle ranch in Oregon. Just getting the job was sort of a fluke. One of the owners of the ranch had a son who was a student where I attended, California State Polytechnic College in San Luis Obispo. It seemed logical to recruit some agriculturally related labor from an agricultural college to form a haying crew. I don't recall how I found out about the interviews but I'm glad I did; I worked for the ranch for three summers and considered working there after I graduated from college.

The scale of the job was large. The ZX ran 10,000 beef cows and 600 bulls. Much of the herd(s) grazed on mountain pastures or scrub desert land during summers. In the fall, the cattle were gathered and brought down, either by trucks, or more likely driven on horseback, western-style, to a large dry lakebed where they wintered and were calved out.

That lakebed was comprised of about 10,000 acres and was where our crew of eighteen worked all summer. There were five swathers, five balers, and five hay haulers on the crew, along with a "boss" and a parts and repair truck for each group. The hay we made was not of high quality, and it didn't really need to be. It was all grassy hay and a lot of it was canary grass, tall, rank, and coarse. The hay was hauled to strategically placed stack yards around the valley where it could be fed as needed.

I drove a swather most of the time but also did some baling and hauling. When we got assigned our mowing machines, brand new New Holland 12-foot-wide swathers, each of us also got a linoleum knife and a case of OFF insect repellent. That seemed strange and we soon found out the need for those items.

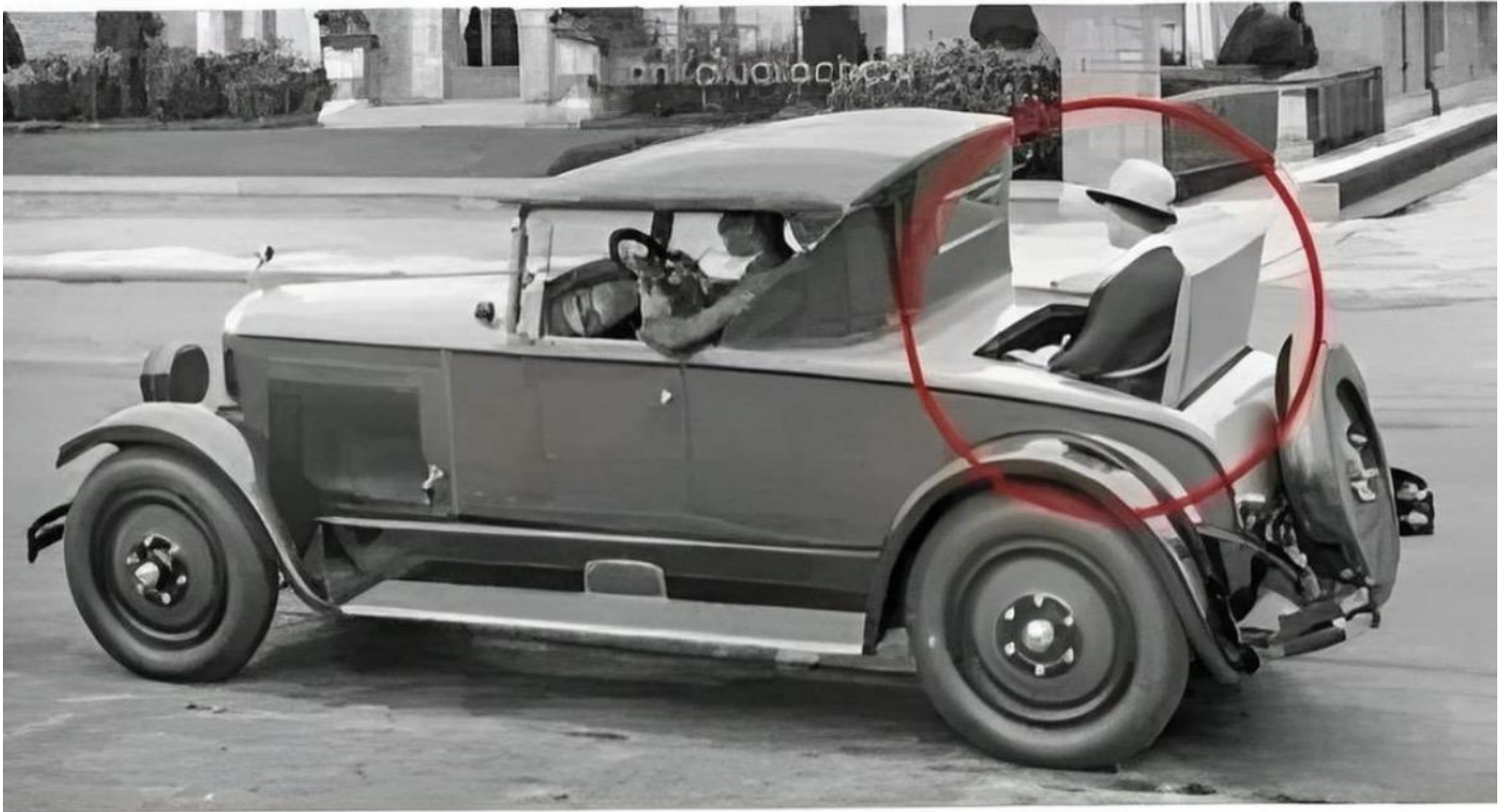
The lakebed was flooded every spring, the Chewaucan River was diverted through ditches and canals and the deep layers of peat soil in the lakebed were re-charged, thoroughly re-hydrated. Good thing, because it very seldom rains in Eastern Oregon where we were. So, the paddle-wheel-like headers on the swathers would basically churn the reactivated mosquitoes right up into our faces. Hence the OFF. And the long stems of canary grass would occasionally get tightly wound up in the reels of the swathers and would need to be cut free with the linoleum knives.

The ranch job was not a lucrative one. We were paid \$1.11 an hour, the minimum wage for ag labor at the time. Classic bunkhouse housing and three meals a day included of course. But we worked 11 hours a day, 7 days a week, and the only place to spend the money was at the Paisley Mercantile 9 miles from the bunkhouse. We could, with a part-time job or two during the school year, fund a year of college.

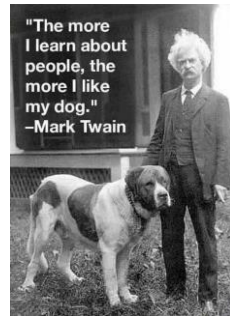
Those summers at the ZX were a magic time. A great crew to work with, lifetime friendships forged with several of them, and a memorable, tangible, outdoor, out-west experience that financed a college education.

**The memory of those summers makes this old man smile. EeeeeHaaaa!**

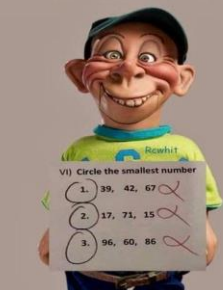
# There really was a time



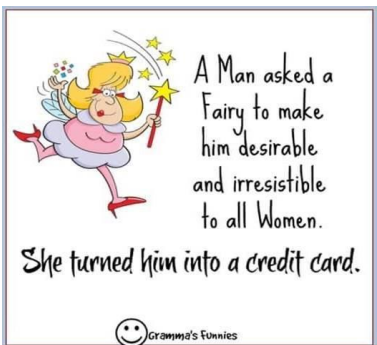
# when men drove in peace



I still think I got it right and the teacher's wrong.



**Felt uncomfortable driving into the cemetery. The gps blurted out you have reached your final destination.**



# At Age 13, He Started Driving This Model A

Michael Dudding, 70, a former owner and operator of radio stations who lives in Denison, Iowa, on his 1930 Ford Model A, as told to A. J. Baime.

Growing up in Buffalo Center, Iowa, I often quizzed my mother about her childhood. One story that stuck in my head was about how much she enjoyed riding in her father's car, a 1930 Model A. When I was 13, in 1967, I heard a commercial on the radio about an antique car auction in Blue Earth, Minn. It didn't take much effort to persuade my mother to attend, and on our roughly 20-mile drive there, we agreed that if we were lucky enough to find a Model A in our price range, we would split the cost.

My siblings and I were hired out during the summer months to area farmers to "walk their beans"—meaning we would pull out the weeds where the beans were growing. We were paid an average of \$1.50 per hour during the growing season. Having walked beans for four years, I had funds I was hoping to use to purchase my half of the Model A.

At the auction, a 1930 Model A like the one my mother remembered from her youth came up for sale, and I innocently began to bid. We bought that car for \$800. I drove the Model A home. Although underage at 13, I had experience driving tractors and such. I didn't expect the Model A's brakes to be so weak, so at the first stop sign, I bumped into the back of the car my mother was driving.

The Model A was a car that changed history. It was introduced in 1927, and sales skyrocketed. [This model was the first to feature the "blue oval" Ford logo that is still familiar today.] Production ended in 1932, after nearly five million were built. A Model A similar to ours was famously driven as a getaway car by the American gangster John Dillinger. His Ford sold in 2010 for \$165,000.

I grew up with a lot of siblings, and we lived 6 miles outside of town. The Model A became the car we used to drive ourselves to school. None of us ever tested how fast it could go. Our top speed was usually 35 mph. It was a neat car to drive in winter. When all our other car batteries were dead, the Model A always started. Because of the high wheel base and narrow tires, it was an ideal car to drive through snow drifts.

We used the Model A for my graduating high school yearbook picture in 1972 with about 50 senior classmates gathered around. My parents used pictures of the car for our holiday cards. As my siblings and I headed off to college, it got driven less and less, and ultimately was put in storage.

Decades passed until my older brother Tom took the Model A to his shop in Mason City, Iowa, in hopes of making this car operational again. Two friends of mine in Denison who had an interest in antique cars, Richard and Howard Christiansen, ultimately took the car. It became a three-year restoration project.

Since then, we have taken the Ford to car shows where it has won first and second trophies. It was used in Kansas City for my daughter Desiree and her husband Scott Macke's wedding pictures. We've had it in local parades. Weekly, I wash it, dry it and wax it by hand. It has about 97,400 miles on its odometer, and it runs like a top.

The Model A serves as a piece of automotive history, and my only regret is that my mom passed away before it was fully restored. My goal is to keep this piece of history preserved, and it will eventually go to my son, Tyler, to keep it in the Dudding name.

PAT O'MALLEY FOR WSJ Michael Dudding and his 1930 Model A Ford. Copyright (c)2024 Dow Jones & Company, Inc. All Rights Reserved. The Wall Street Journal Powered by TECNAVIA

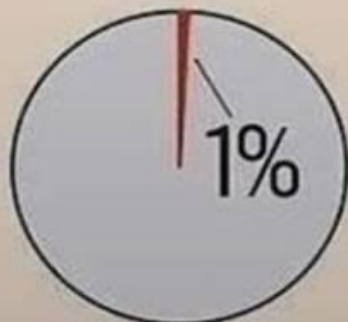


I went to visit a  
psychic.  
I knocked on her  
front door and  
she yelled...  
"Who is it?"  
So I left.

## Percentage of Millionaires



Congress



United States

Let that sink in and tell me again how you  
become a multi millionaire earning \$174,000  
annually?

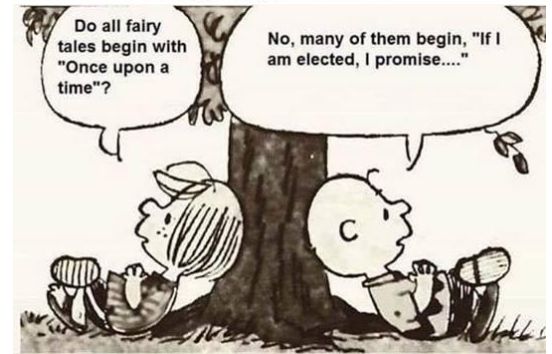
HERMAN®



"I don't want to worry you, but the guy  
who delivered the pizza was your  
financial planner."



"It's just a backup system  
for your pacemaker."



Do all fairy  
tales begin with  
"Once upon a  
time"?

No, many of them begin, "If I  
am elected, I promise...."

WE HAVE NEVER FOUND A  
CAVE PAINTING OF A SALAD



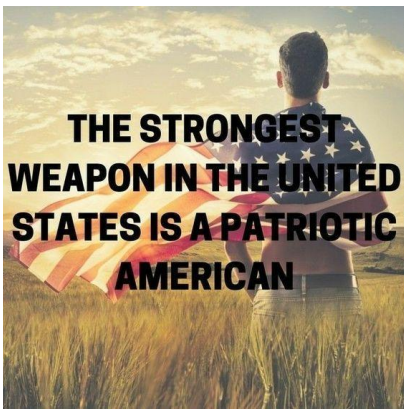
MAN'S GREATEST  
ORDEAL



SEPTEMBER 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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22	23	24 John Place	25	26	27	28
29 Jackie Brooks	30					

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Always be proud of your children.



Thank God they put a cone up...I would've drove right into this mess...



**HUSBAND:**

I want you to have this bracelet. It belonged to my Grandmother.

**WIFE:**

Why does it say, "Do not resuscitate?"

**CAMPING:**  
where you spend  
a small fortune  
to live like  
a homeless person



**"You can't get rich  
in politics unless  
you're a crook."  
-- Harry S. Truman**

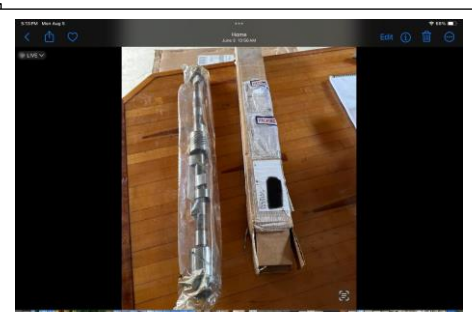
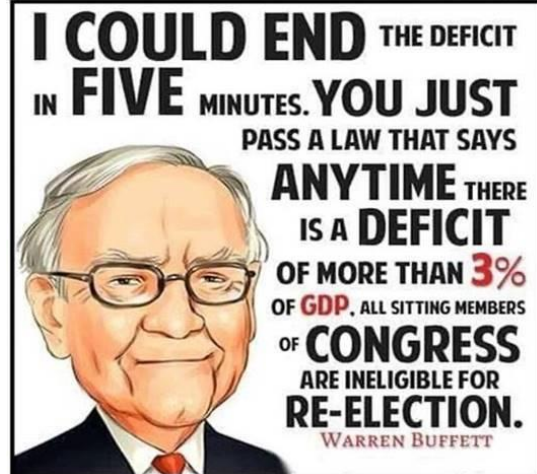
**For Sale By: Randy Pratt, Visalia, CA**

**Attached are pics of the New Head and New Cam  
in the boxes.**

**Price of \$400.00 on each item.....**

I have for sale new in box Snyders high comp head 6:1 and new in box Specialty Motor Cam for sale (\$400.00) each. Local sale pickup at this time.

Randy Pratt  
559-936-2477  
[63redbaron@gmail.com](mailto:63redbaron@gmail.com)



**WANTED:** a '30 or '31 Model A Fordor or Town Sedan. Should be running and drivable.

Contact Jay McCord  
Santa Maria A's  
805-598-8133

How to keep an old car on the road and save the planet!

Ford Model A Fuel Filters

[https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=ZZJaTHRB\\_Fs](https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=ZZJaTHRB_Fs)

Sent by Brentwood Bob, Wrench Hand.

Rear hub puller - The Ford Barn

<https://www.fordbarn.com/forum/showthread.php?t=340922>

Sent by Brentwood Bob, Wrench Hand.

Common Problems with the Model A Light Switch

<https://www.santaanitaas.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/Common-Problems-with-the-Model-A-Light-Switch-August-2023.pdf>

Sent by Brentwood Bob, Wrench Hand.

For Sale: four, nearly new tires - the size is 255/45 R20; made by Hakkapeliita from Finland; new, originally \$250 each; we're asking for **\$200 total for all four tires.**

Contact:

[HaugseCA@gmail.com](mailto:HaugseCA@gmail.com)

Karen & Hank Haugse

Members of both the Santa Maria & Santa Barbara Model A Clubs



## 1931 Deluxe Coupe \$14, 000.00.

It runs very well with 92 psi compression in all four cylinders. I have no history on the engine, car has 4:11 rear end with 30% B/W overdrive, gone through by the late Ed Simpson who replaced several internal parts and the solenoid, about three years back. Car has good brakes and steers well. Rand Paul shocks rebuilt four years back. Guaranteed to leak. Car also has turn signals that need work, and air conditioning that will chill you on a Livermore hot day. It is a survivor, driver, 30-foot show car for those with failing eyesight, but not rusty. It rides on new 600 X 16 radial tire on powder coated black rims. Needs the top installed, material is here and top is ugly but doesn't leak. Drive as is or restore, your choice.

Dave Mc Arthur  
925 820 0394

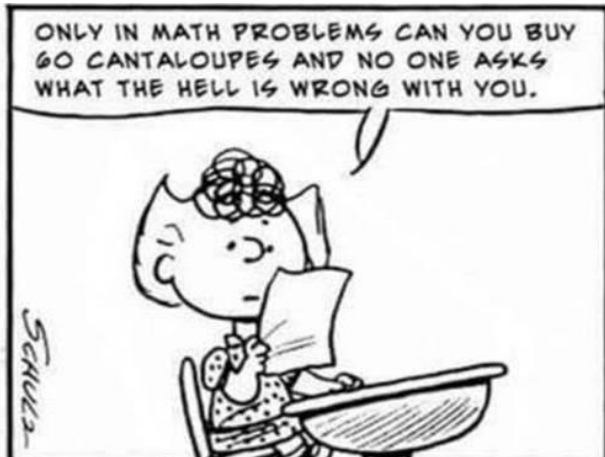
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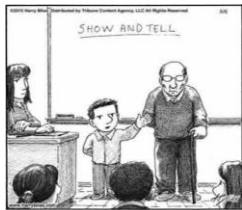
The largest annual antique & classic auto show in the West  
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**Saturday** September 14, 2024 11 am to 4 pm



"Some of the biggest cases of mistaken identity are among intellectuals who have trouble remembering that they are not God."



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NCRG NEWSLETTER

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YOUR MODEL A-

WE WANT TO BE OUT AND ABOUT NEXT YEAR.

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No.

Chapter Name

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Auburn, CA

3

Banger A's  
El Dorado Hills, CA

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Sacramento, CA  
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Minden, NV  
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Chico A's  
Chico, CA  
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Concord, CA  
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Hangtown A's  
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Livermore, CA  
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Humboldt Bay A's  
Eureka, CA  
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Lake County A's  
Clearlake, CA  
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Marin A's  
San Rafael, CA  
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Modesto Area A's  
Modesto, CA  
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Mother Lode A's  
Murphys, CA  
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Napa Valley A's

Napa, CA	
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Oakdale A's	
Oakdale, CA	
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Oroville Golden Feather A's	
Oroville, CA	
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Redding, CA	
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Carson City, NV	
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Sonora A's	
Sonora, CA	
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Lodi, CA	

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President's Posting

Warm greetings! . We started off the Northern California (and Nevada) touring season with a great roundup event in Carson City. Huge thank you to the Banger A's for hosting the roundup and the Sage-brush A's for taking on so many of the jobs running the event. Our tour to Virginia City was memorable, and that tiny town was hopping! The Banger A's is the newest chapter to be formed and join NCRG, and they raised their hand to host a roundup within a year of being formed. That is admirable, and ambitious! We now have 24 chapters that are current and active. At the NCRG meeting in Carson City, it was announced that long-time NCRG Treasurer Al Stoll has requested to step aside from the role, and Dave Vestal (a former MAFCA President) has agreed to move from the Vice President's seat to the Treasurer's seat

and finish Al's term. That leaves a vacancy that we need to fill right away. Please nominate someone (or yourself) from your club right away. Until then, former NCRG President Noel Stetson has offered to step back in (temporarily) to cover for Dave. That brings up another subject- The NCRG board. Currently, 3 of the 5 board positions are filled by members of a single chapter- The Sonora A's. When Al steps down, and when Noel is temporarily filling in for Dave, that will make 4 of the 5 board positions held by Sonora A's members. Admittedly, the Sonora A's is a very special, very active club (gets like 90% participation to almost everything they do), and the Sonora A's has become very involved with growing the Model A hobby. The thing is, we have 24 chapters in NCRG, and no one from the other 22 chapters has anyone stepping up to serve. We have a seat open now, and we have an election coming up again before you know it, and it would be great to have NCRG board seats filled with people from other clubs! Our most immediate need is a Vice President, but we also have heard from Past President Jim Costello that he would like to be replaced at the next election. That means I need to become Past President and we need someone to be the new President. Now is the time to ask your club to please nominate someone to serve on the regional board. This is a very exciting time for the Model A hobby because it is seeing growth after a real-ly long, slow downhill trajectory. New blood is discovering the fun and enjoyment that we all enjoy, and this could be an opportunity to help shape the future. Please nominate someone (or yourself) and be part of the future of the Model A hobby. Next year's roundup in Sacramento hosted by the Capitol A's is taking shape, and it looks like they will have a great setup. Looking forward to it! Until then, please drive it like you know how to fix it! Paul

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Northern California Regional Group Minutes

February 23, 2024 10:30

NCRG Mini Roundup, Mother Lode Fairgrounds, Sonora CA

Call to Order by President at 1030 AM

Welcome and introduction of NCRG board and distinguished guests.

NCRG President Paul Shinn, VP Dave Ves-tal, Secretary Patti Stetson, Treasurer Al Stoll, Past President/Advisor Jim Costello

MAFCA directors Dave Gill, Paul Shinn. MAFCA Judging Standards Committee Tom Rut. MAFCA Past Presidents Al Stoll, Dave Vestal.

Chapter Roll Call: Patti Stetson 16 of 27 chapters present.

Quorum present (is 1/3 of member chapters)

Minutes of Last Meeting: Patti Stetson. Motion by Dave Vestal to approve as previously sent out to chapters. 2nd by Cindy Omoth.

Motion carries.

2024 Chapter renewals: Patti Stetson. Chapters needing to return renewals as of the meeting are Auburn A's, Banger A's, Feather River A's, Humbolt Bay A's, Oakdale A's, Oroville Golden Feather A's, Redding Rambling A's, Sonora A's, Spark'N A's. (have heard from several clubs today and pending).

Treasurer's report: Al Stoll

2023 Financial Statement. Review of the statement. Noted that a CD of \$20,000 was opened at BMO Bank. Total income \$2373.80, Total expenses \$3278.20. Al has not received a 1099 tax statement yet but expect interest in-come from the CD account. As a 501c7, Al will check with his financial advisor if we are liable for tax payment from some of the non NCRG member income at the Sonora mini Roundup in May 2023. Nonprofit organization tax filing is by May 15.

2024 Budget. Review of the proposed budget is based on historical estimate for Roundup expenses. Al will re-vise the budget after the Banger A's presentation today of any requested expenses for the 2024 Roundup. Approval of the budget is deferred until the revision is complete.

Website: Les Wittrup - Requested that all updates be emailed to: webmaster@ncrgmafca.com. Les has received no newsletters for 2024 to date but was receiving them in 2023. Please check if your club has sent in one for 2024. Les needs to make sure there is not a technical problem with the website. Also posted are the 2024 dues form and the Lake County Spring Opener forms.

Northern Wheels Newsletter: Tom Jeanes, Editor. Absent. Patti reported that Tom would like articles sent in from members for publication. An email request had gone out earlier this year for help to make the local news of chapters and events timely and more informational articles of interest.

Old Business: 1. Board positions in 2025. Paul asked for any volunteer candidates willing to step up. Anyone interested?

Contact one of the board.

2. \$200 donation to Pasadena High School auto program (restoration of Model A for their raffle) was sent. Several NCRG chapters have donated as well. Paul texted the contact information for the program to Les to post on the NCRG website if any other chapters or individuals are interested in donating to the their nonprofit program. FYI, the raffle will be held after the set number of tickets are sold; therefore no date yet.

New Business: 1. 2024 NCRG Roundup. Jay Bolton of Banger A's reported on the 2024 Sagebrush Classic on May 24, 25 26 at Fuji Park, Carson City, NV. [www.sagebrushclassic.com](http://www.sagebrushclassic.com). Jay handed out their information page and flyer which Les will post on the website. In summary, they will be raffling a Burtz engine for \$10 per ticket or 15 tickets for \$100 as a fund-raiser; cost will be \$100 per person for ALL events and ALL meals.

Registration includes Friday Welcome Dinner, Sat-urday breakfast, car show, car judging, Grand Tour to Virginia City with Lunch, Hubley Races, dinner at the Park, Sun-day breakfast, car games, lunch, seminars, fashion show, Awards Dinner. There is NO host hotel but information is forthcoming and they are working with the Carson City Visitor Center for hotel rates. No sanctioned judging of fashion or vehicles. Registration forms will be out soon but all events are not quite finalized.

Addendum: The Carson City clubs are going to provide a Brunch Monday for those that are leaving late.

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Northern California Regional Group Minutes

Proposal for NCRG to host the Welcome Dinner at the 2024 NCRG Roundup. Jay will make a formal request for the dinner with a per person cost and send it, when finalized, to the NCRG board for review and discussion.

2. 2025 NCRG Roundup. Dave and Peggy Gill of Capitol A's reported. . Meals for Welcome Party and Awards Banquet included in the registration fee. Single site; all inclusive, May 24, 25, 26 at downtown Hilton (Arden area) \$139 per night with breakfast for 2, Plan for 70 registrations/ 135 people. A more traditional roundup with sanctioned car judging with Restorer's Class and Fashion Display. Everything at the hotel except the grand tour. Fee for seminars and hubley. Trying to set registration fee at \$200 per per-son. The pricing of hotel rooms are set but an

additional costs such as taxes, union wages, set up, etc. need to be considered in planning - Cost, plus plus per Dave. Menu/food prices are subject to change until early 2025. They do not need seed money from NCRG. A contract is already signed with the hotel. The last Roundup in Sacramento was in 2015, at the same venue. Tom Rut will contact Dave after the meeting about possibility of offering fine point vehicle judging.

Request for NCRG to host welcome dinner. Written proposal by Dave Gill to have NCRG sponsor ½ of cost of the dinner at about \$4781.40 at the current price. NCRG will meet later to review and discuss.

3. Bill and Edie Jones Award. Review the qualifications and criteria of the award created by the Jones in the spirit of participation at a NCRG Roundup.

Discussion of Capitol A's plan for a modified Roundup in 2025 and if the award is applicable since no fine point vehicle and fashion model judging is being offered. Review of the guideline show the Capitol A's qualify to present the award in 2025 since sanctioned judging events, Fashion Display and Restorers' Class Evaluation, will be offered. These events did not exist at the time of Bill and Edie Jones creating the award. Bob Johnson raised questions about the scoring and totals. NCRG board will need to review the documents related to the Award and update them as needed.

4. NCRG meeting winter of 2025. California Auto Museum meeting room cost and availability.

Al explained that future room use will be \$800 on a weekend, possible use during the week for the \$100 set up fee. Comment by Jack Robinson that weekday meeting attendance is often not possible for employed members. Jay Bolton, also of the FAST group, did not receive a notice of room rate increase, which they plan to use in March. Suggestions offered for various venues around the Sacramento and Santa Clara area as options.

NCRG board will collect options and report back.

5. Consider NCRG hosting the 2025 MAFCA Awards Banquet. Al Stoll presented his idea of using the Italian Picnic Grounds and local hotels in Jackson as a location to host the Banquet in 2025. There could be a bus trip to Big Trees and Murphys, local wine tour, seminars and the dinners. Ed Tolman is the contact director at MAFCA looking for 2025 and 2026 hosts. Question

posed by Paul: Would local chapters be willing to help? To be discussed.

6. Youth Award. Volunteer coordinator needed. Possible candidate in 2024. Paul reviewed guideline sheet, suggestion sheet, and application form. There is a monetary award of \$400 for Model A restoration, \$200 for Fashion and \$100 for Model A memorabilia. Patti reported that there is at least one youth member who might be interested and eligible to participate. NCRG would need to update the guidelines as needed but we really need a coordinator who can facilitate and direct interested youth to apply and be ready at the Roundup in May. All the information about the Youth Award is on the NCRG webpage thanks to webmaster Les. Paul asked that members bring this back to their clubs.

7. Looking for Roundup or Mini Roundup host chapters for 2026 and 2027. Take back to your club.

Upcoming Events: March 8-9: CCRG Jamboree in Clovis. May 3-5: Lake County A's Spring Opener. May 24-26: NCRG Roundup hosted by the Banger A's in Carson City, NV. June 23-29: MAFCA National Convention in Ruidoso, NM. Other non agenda items

Les Wittrup reported the Capitol A's have a new Youth membership level for those 13-22 years of age for only \$5 per year. Their intent is to encourage youth to participate, whether their parents are involved with the club or not.

Mark Barrett - Are clubs taking Venmo, PayPal, etc. for payments? Answer - Yes, some are.

Al Stoll commented that at the Santa Maria National Awards Banquet in Dec 2023 Paul stood out as the best dressed, cleaned up Model A guy in the group there! Congratulations Paul as our new MAFCA director!

Next Meeting: At the 2024 NCRG Roundup in Carson City, NV. Day and time TBA

Meeting adjourned at 1154. Motion by Mike DeCesare, 2nd Johnny Long

Respectfully submitted,

Patti Stetson, Secretary

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May 26, 2024 Meeting

at Carson City, NV NCRG Mini Roundup hosted by Banger A's

Call to Order at 0843 by President Paul Shinn

Welcome and introduction of NCRG board and distinguished guests

NCRG board. President Paul Shinn, Vice President Dave Vestal, Secretary Patti Stetson, Treasurer Al Stoll, Past President/Advisor Jim Costello.

Past NCRG Presidents: Noel Stetson, Jim Costello  
Chapter Roll Call. Patti Stetson. 14 or 26 chapters. Quorum present.

Minutes of Last Meeting. Patti Stetson. Motion by Al Stoll to approve the February 3, 2024 minutes at CA Auto Museum in Sacramento CA as published. 2nd by Dave McArthur. Motion carries.

Review of the Board meeting on February 23, 2024.  
The Board decided to increase the non-refundable grant to a host club for an activity or function at a NCRG Roundup or alternative event such as the Welcome Party, Banquet or any other event. It was increased from \$1000 to a maximum of 50% of the stated activity cost up to \$3500. The only condition is that the host club provide credit to the NCRG through signage at the Event and/or in the Event program. The amount of the funding provided will be based on a proposed budget submission, is not repayable and is offered to help increase NCRG's visibility and provide a direct benefit to the host club and NCRG members attending the Event or Roundup

The board is waiting for a grant request from Banger A's. Action pending.

Review of Capitol A's grant request for the 2025 NCRG Roundup: Paul will let their Roundup committee rep know about the revised guideline maximum grant, as stated above.

NCRG Youth Grant Award revised. The board will act as the coordinator until a volunteer steps up. Copy of the Award, the Application and Ideas/Suggestion page sent to webmaster and chapters.

Bill and Edie Jones Award eliminated after lengthy discussion. Chapters can offer a Participation Award of their choice at their Roundup or event.

Hosting a MAFCA Awards Banquet in 2025 or 2026 in Jackson CA was discussed but it was felt the facilities were not adequate for such an event. We will investigate other local venues as options for such an event.

NCRG board vacancies discussed. Looking for volunteers. Will need to elect officers at the May meeting.

Renewal chapter membership. We are waiting for one chapter's renewal still. Will contact them again. Sis-Q A's and Sparkin' A's disbanded in 2024.

Treasurer report. Al Stoll.

Al reviewed the 2023 Financial Report (attached)  
We opened a CD at BMO (Bank of Montreal) for \$20,000 for 1 year  
Checking balance is \$5738.

In 2024 expenses to date include an \$1800 grant to Banger A's for the Roundup Welcome Dinner, \$119 to Tiger Tech. for the website, \$12 to Wells Fargo Bank for statement fees.

Al reviewed the 2024 Budget (attached).

Website. Les Wittrup absent. Represented by Al Smith.  
The website is doing well. Request that all updates be emailed to: [webmaster@ncrgmafca.com](mailto:webmaster@ncrgmafca.com).

Newsletter. Tom Jeanes, Editor. He will be publishing a newsletter and including this Roundup and the MAFCA National in NM in June. Please send photo and any stories to Tom at [toms30ford@aol.com](mailto:toms30ford@aol.com)

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May 26, 2024 Meeting

at Carson City, NV NCRG Mini Roundup hosted by Banger A's  
Old Business

Banger A's 2024 NCRG Roundup report. Jay Bolton reported they have about 10 members and try to focus on bringing in and providing Model A interest for younger people. He mentioned their Hill Climb is in Virginia City next weekend and invited everyone to stay or come back and attend. There were about 160 people at this Roundup and 170 dinners were served. The Sagebrush and Carson Valley members and a local Boy Scout troop helped with the events.

Revision of NCRG Youth Award. As reviewed under meeting minutes above. Paul recommended revising the amount of the awards and will bring it up as an agenda item at the winter 2025 meeting. Current amounts are: \$400 Model A restoration, \$200 Fashion, \$100 Model A Memorabilia.

Revision of the Bill and Edie Jones award. As reviewed under meeting minutes above. Host club to decide

parameters if they chose to offer a Participation Award at their event. NCRG will no longer require this award at Roundups.

New Business.

Banger A's report on 2024 NCRG Roundup. Paul thanked Banger A's, NCRG newest member chapter, for hosting this event. Details covered by Jay Bolton under Old Business.

2025 NCRG Roundup to be hosted by Capitol A's. Dave Gill, steering committee member, reported details including: Host hotel is Arden Hilton; dates are May 23-25, 2025, Memorial Day weekend; all events except tours will be at the hotel; it will be a full Roundup with fine point and restorers' class judging, fashion display and boutique, gymkhana, Hublely racing; hoping to keep the registration fee at \$200 per person which will include the welcome party and the banquet; hotel room rate at \$139 per night and available with a code after registering for the event.

NCRG to co-host welcome dinner at 2025 NCRG Roundup. Dave & Peggy Gill presented a written proposal at the February 2024 meeting to have NCRG sponsor ½ of the cost of the dinner or about \$4781.40.

Paul brought this up as a discussion item since the maximum was set by the board at their February meeting at ½ of an event total up to \$3500. Motion by Jim Costello to sponsor the requested full amount of \$4781.40.

Discussion. Jim's reasoning is that Capitol A's is willing to host a full Roundup. Dave reported the requested amount is based on 140 individual registrations (per person). 2nd by Dave Vestal. Motion carries.

NCRG meeting winter 2025. California Auto Museum meeting room cost and availability. Room rental worked out. As a member, NCRG has free use of the meeting room once per year. Paul requested use on Saturday, February 8, 2025.

Board vacancies.

Treasurer. Al Stoll requests we seek a replacement after 30 years of service. Thank you Al! Vice President

Dave Vestal has volunteered to step into Al's seat and complete the current term.

Vice President. Al agreed to be the VP until a volunteer steps up.

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May 26, 2024 Meeting

at Carson City, NV NCRG Mini Roundup hosted by Banger A's Past President. Jim Costello agrees to stay on unless another past president volunteers.

President. Paul Shinn agrees to stay on as President unless another candidate volunteers. No volunteers stepped forward.

Slate of NCRG officers for 2024-2026 is

President - Paul Shinn

Vice President - Al Stoll as interim until a successor volunteers

Secretary - Patti Stetson

Treasurer - Dave Vestal

Past President - Jim Costello

Motion by Bill Truesdell to approve the slate of officers as proposed. Discussion none. 2nd by Johnny Lang.

Motion carries.

Upcoming Events.

MAFCA National Convention in Ruidoso, NM, June 23-29, 2024

MAFCA Awards Banquet in Salt Lake City, UT, December 12-14, 2024

Appeal to chapters to host a mini roundup or event and be a sanctioned NCRG function for 2026 and 2027.

Jim Costello presented an offer from Sonora A's to host a mini Roundup in spring 2026 in the Sonora area.

The Chicken Ranch Casino Resort is new with 200 rooms, plenty of parking and restaurants. They are eager

to host groups. The Black Oak Casino Resort is currently undergoing remodeling and is another option as

well as the Mother Lode Fairgrounds where the 2023 Roundup was held. The Sonora club has already voted

to host a mini Roundup, if accepted. IF another club wants to host a full or mini Roundup in 2026, Sonora

A's would step aside or host a mini in 2027 or later.

Call for other business.

Introduction of current MAFCA board members.

Dave Gill, Bill Truesdell, Paul Shinn

Next Meeting: 10 AM February 8, 2025 at the  
California Auto Museum Sacramento CA

Adjourned at 0937

Respectfully submitted,

Patti Stetson, NCRG Secretary

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Be sure to bring your skis. No fires in December, at least.

DATE

DESCRIPTION

September 7, 2024

Redmond, OR

Swap Meet

High Desert A's

Sept. 8-12, 2024

Redmond, OR

NWRG Meet

High Desert A's

Sept. 14, 2024

Orcutt, CA

All Ford Swap Meet

Santa Maria Model A Ford Club

Sept. 20-21, 2024

Hickory Corners, MI

Model A Days

MAFFI

December 11-14, 2024

Salt Lake City, UT

National Awards Banquet

Beehive A's/Salty A's

Notices

Would you like to be a Car Judge? Or perhaps a Fashion Judge?  
There are lots of little things to learn and appreciate. You can  
start slowly and learn about one area and then another. It is  
easy and lots of fun. The National Meet is coming eventually.

We might even try a regional meet in the mean time.

Check the MAFCA Website for details.

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VIDEOS

VARIETY:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1bgFkeDLpSI> - Ella

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AtKJCBMqybQRobin> - Robin Williams

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gEl9ZBJ5zCU> - Fiat Coming to America

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7M2FA2rjYg4&list=PLTFoTJ0runcdSbXURKlVmqaogUah\\_gvla](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7M2FA2rjYg4&list=PLTFoTJ0runcdSbXURKlVmqaogUah_gvla) - Betty Boop

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a7vmerl9V48> - Max and Granite Hotel

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sGa59ESP1ps> - Ford 1935

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EM0Z0mJ3aIo> - New Orleans in the 1930's

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eXBpJS7q-0w> - Coney Island

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TbDBwME1AaI> - Pan Am Clipper

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VvbNY2s3Egs> - Paul Shinn

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vW0GclAgcJI> - NCRG Meet

THE LAST LAUGH

A local monastery was going bankrupt. The abbot didn't know what to do. The brothers had a

meeting and decided to open a great Olde English Fish-N'-Chips stand. One day, a man knocked o the

door. After on of the brothers answered the door, the man asked, "May I have just an order of fries?"

The brother said, "Hold on a moment. I'm the fish friar. You want the chip monk."

Evidence has been found that William Tell and his family were avid bowlers. However, all the

league records were unfortunately destroyed in a fire.

Thus we'll never know for whom the Tells bowled.

A thief broke into the local police and stole all the lavatory equipment.

A spokesperson was quoted as saying, "We have absolutely nothing to go on."

"Well, here is your problem," the doctor says to the first time father. " it seems that this child

need a diaper change."

The new father replies "but I swear, that package said it was good for 8-10 pounds.

A three-legged dog walks into a salon in the Old West. He sidles  
up to the bar and announces:

"I'm looking for the man who shot my paw."

TEN REASONS TO OWN A MODEL A

Your feet stay warm in the summer;

You can cook while you drive;

Beer cans come in handy for making shim stock;

Gas leaks are no cause for alarm

All your other worries go away when you are driving a Model A;

You can honk the horn all you want without receiving sign  
language;

No wiper blades are needed even in the heaviest rains;

What other car could tell when it no longer wants its fan blade;

One can speed through town past the police officer and all he  
will do is shake his finger; and

U-turns are possible anytime, anyplace and anywhere.