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Message from our Event Coordinator ...



Hi all, reminder about up coming events.

We have the Mardi Gras parade for Escambia Westgate Center on March 3rd. Line up starts at 8am for the parade at 930am. If your planning to attend please let me know. Right now I have only 2 confirmed to attend.

Also have the Cars of Yesteryear Museum in Metairie, LA, March 25, which we will be going with the Model T club. I haven't had anyone RSVP yet. They need a headcount asap because we will be going to lunch afterwards.

I have placed other events on the clubs Facebook page and in the newsletter. So take a look and get out and enjoy your baby and meet other enthusiast like yourself. Thanks,

Allen Braddy

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Thanks to Nancy and Terry Pampel for printing and mailing the newsletter to several people who do not have an email account.



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Coming Events Calendar

For a comprehensive list of car shows in our area, here's a link to the Gearjammers website with them listed: <https://bamagearjammers.com/events.html>

Friday, March 3rd, 8am Mardi Gras parade for Escambia Westgate School.

Line at 8am parade kicks off 9:30am. Start at the soccer fields 10050 Ashton Brosnaham Dr Pensacola, 32534.

Beads and moon pies only to be thrown, no hard candies. **Please RSVP Allen Braddy by phone, text, or email so we'll have an idea of how many will participate.**

alnbraddy@yahoo.com (678)499-3370

Saturday March 4, 8:30 am Pensacola Breakfast
Golden Corral, 2260 Langley Avenue, Pensacola, FL



Saturday, March 11, 4th Axles for Alzheimer's & the Kids Car Show, Ashley Outlet, Pensacola, FL (See brochure this newsletter)

Contact **Allen Braddy** if you're interested in attending (678) 499-3370.

Sunday, March 12 Daylight Savings time begins.



Spring Forward !

Friday, March 17 St. Patrick's Day

LET THE Shenanigans BEGIN



Monday, March 20 First Day of Spring



Saturday, March 25 Cars of Yesteryear museum in Metairie, LA. With AACA DSR. Drive Modern or antique suitable for Interstate. Contact **John bright to RSVP** (251) 454-6298 (See brochure this newsletter for details)

Saturday May 6, Central Alabama Model 'A' Club Swap meet Montgomery, Al (see brochure in this newsletter)



Pensacola February Breakfast

We had a nice turnout at the breakfast with at least one Model 'A' in attendance driven by Ron and Bunny. It was a beautiful sunny brisk morning. We had some new prospective members (Jim and Tammy Lake) join us. Jim and Tammy are looking to relocate here from the north. They have 5 Model 'A's in their collection and are looking to get a place in Beulah Fl. They are members of a very active Model 'A' Club in Minnesota and looking forward to being part of Gulf Coast Model 'A' Club.

Allen spoke to the group about several car shows and parades he was hoping to organize. Hope Lundsford said that they were looking for several Model 'A's to be on display at the fair in Pensacola this year. It would require leaving the car in a secure area for the week but you would receive free passes. Allen has done this with his AA truck in the past and said he had a lot of fun. There will be more information about this in the future.





Got my baby back !!!

By Terry Pampel

As many of you know, my babbitt bearings gave out at the beginning of last year's Natchez Trace cruise. I trailered her to College Station, TX, where I had Ross Lilleker and his wife, Jennifer, (**Lilleker Antique Auto Restorations**) do the repair. In addition to new babbitt bearings, we had a balanced Scat crankshaft, Scat camshaft and a Snyder 5.5 compression head installed along with bored and sleeved cylinders and a few minor repairs. The wait on the crank and cam from Scat was almost nine months.

Nancy and I picked her up on February 13th and arrived in Gulf Shores on Saturday the 19th. I followed Ross's break-in recommendation of 2 days of driving under 35mph, 2 under 40, and 2 under 45. I also had the car lubricated and oil and filter changed at about 200 miles. Every morning I retorqued the head (60lb) and manifold bolts (40lb) as well as checking the lug nuts and oil.



The trip was relatively uneventful except for an extremely heavy rain on the second day. We had to pull over because the carburetor was sucking water from the road and stalling. I really needed a snorkel. On the third day, the alternator went out. After consulting Ross and Ken Davis, who specializes in 6 volt alternators and air conditioning for model A's, I purchased a battery charger and charged the battery in the hotel room each night. That provided plenty of ignition power for the rest of our adventure.

I'm really looking forward to being able to drive 45mph. The first 2 days were frustrating. The car wanted to go faster, but I didn't want to take a chance with the new bearings. The biggest noticeable change is the power the higher compression head gives me when climbing grades. I didn't lose any speed and that is a big difference for me.

I would add that I have a third brake light bar in the back window and the one photo shows a magnetic, battery powered caution flasher. These LED lights are really bright and definitely adds a sense of comfort and safety.

Terry & Nancy Pampel

PS: the giant margarita is for trying to cheer myself the day we lost the alternator

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Home !



A well deserved Margarita after coming up with a solution to the alternator problem.

Gulf Coast Model 'A' Club Happenings



After the February Breakfast, **Allen Braddy** was inspired to work on his AA truck. Alan replaced the manifold

gaskets and cleaned spark plugs. He also continues to track down why his turn signals don't work



when high beams are on. He said the truck ran better after doing this and it sounded better too as he thought the new manifolds sealed much better.

George Moore Purchased the Model 'A' Chassis that Gator was selling. Said he would consider making a pickup out of it if he could source the parts.

Philip Childers has had a noisy engine that he wanted to get looked at so he took it to **Steve Simmons** in Cantonment (mechanic in the GCMAC resources guide). Steve found loose babbit and was able to overhaul Philip's engine without changing out the valves. Philip said he did a great job and car is now running quiet again. He's now experiencing an over-



heating issue but his next project will be to re-time the car which could fix the overheating issue.

Jim Quinlan was a lucky recipient of another dump truck load full of cow manure delivered in a 1928 hand crank Model 'A' Dump truck from GCMAC member **Doug Wolbert**.



Terry and Nancy Pampel had a fun adventure in their Model 'A' from Texas to their home in Gulf Shores, AL in their Model 'A'. Be sure to read the article in this newsletter.

Mike Weeks picked up a radiator and a few new tires for his Model 'A' roadster pickup. Besides getting his carburetor repaired, he's also getting the front fenders redone in a body shop. Should be back on the road soon. He's still looking for a set of roadster roof irons/rails if anyone knows of some locally.



Got a new Model 'A'? Starting a new project or making progress on your current one? Email news and/or pictures to Jim at Tap5s@yahoo.com (Please do not text, use email)

Gulf Coast Model 'A' Club now has a new event Coordinator who will also be assuming the duties of a National Rep !!!

Hi all, I'm Allen Braddy and I've been appointed as our club's Event Coordinator. I'll be looking for events around our region that we could participate in as a group or you could attend by yourself to get out and represent our passion to the Model A's we love and enjoy. If you're aware of things that we can participate in, please contact me so I can alert everyone. Car shows, senior center visits, children's homes, etc. I'll be reaching out to some of the organizations to see how we could help out. The first thing I'll suggest is a car show benefiting Alzheimer's and a children's home on Saturday, March 11 in Pensacola. I've attached the flyer with info, but if you'd like to participate as a group, please let me know.

Looking forward to creating something to experience each month.

Allen Braddy

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4th Axles for Alzheimer's & The Kids Car Show
Saturday March 11th, 2023
Ashley Outlet 1220 Airport Blvd, Pensacola FL

Entry: \$25 pre-registered (\$30 day of)

Display only: \$15 pre-registered

Pre-registration Deals: \$15 t-shirt (\$20 day of)

Cars arrive for set up from 8am till 10am. Public starts 11 am till 3pm. Awards and Raffles about 2:00pm. Door prizes throughout show. Open show to all years, makes, and models.

Judged show or Display. One vehicle per form accepted. Varying Awards



MODEL 'A' FORD SWAP MEET May 6, 2023 Montgomery, Alabama

Members of the Gulf Coast Model A Club are invited to attend the Central Alabama Model "A" Ford club's swap meet on Saturday May 6, 2023, beginning at 9 a.m. The meet will be in the field in and around the garage behind Dennis & Jane Leatherwood's home (112 Wisdomwood Road, Montgomery, Alabama).



Come on out for this laid-back, people friendly, "ole" time Central Alabama Model "A" Ford Club get together. Your members may just find that part they have been looking for, or an item they just can't do without. Members will also be able to sell Model "A" parts, automotive related items, Model A Fords and for the ladies those items that might be fun or interesting that to sell or trade.

There will be no cost for swap meet or car corral spaces, call Dennis (334 669-4006) or drop him an email (djlwood@charter.net) and let him know what spaces you will need. This will be a great time to kick some tires, sell some of your "Stuff" that they have been storing in your garage, work shop or basement for years.

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DIRECTIONS: FROM CHAPPY'S: TURN LEFT onto Vaughn Road to Ray Thorington Road (CVS Drug store is on the corner). **TURN RIGHT** onto Ray Thorington Road to Wisdomwood Road (Second road to the left). **TURN LEFT** onto Wisdomwood Road and continue to Dennis's house 112 Wisdom Road on the left. (Look for Model A Ford Roadster on the top of the mail box and Leatherwood under the mail box.)

FROM I-85: Take Exit 9 onto Taylor Road. Follow Taylor Road to Vaughn Road (the Cecil/Union Springs-South AL 110 turn). Turn left onto Vaughn Road at Dreamland Bar-B-Q Restaurant. Go down Vaughn Road (You will pass Chappy's on the left) and turn right onto Ray Thorington Road (CVS Drug store is on the corner). **TURN RIGHT** onto Ray Thorington Road to Wisdomwood Road (Second road to the left). **TURN LEFT** onto Wisdomwood Road and continue to Dennis's house 112 Wisdomwood Road on the left. Look for Model A Ford Roadster on the top of the mail box and Leatherwood under the mail box.

Model 'A' Clubs from all over the south have been invited.



CARS of Yesteryears

Join the

Deep South Region AACCA

**On March 25th for a day tour to the
Cars of Yesteryears Museum
in Metairie, Louisiana.**

**Drive your modern car or an antique suitable for
Interstate travel.**

**Tour will leave Mobile from The Henderson Collection,
5253 Hwy 90 West, at 7:30 am. You can also meet us
at the Museum, 4625 Fairfield St, Metairie, Louisiana,
at 10 am.**

**We will stop for lunch at Middendorf's Seafood
Restaurant in Slidell on the way home.**

**For more information or to sign up for the tour,
contact John Bright at 251-454-6298.**



Era Fashions



MODEL A FASHION HATS



TECHNICALLY SPEAKING

Jim's Tech Tips

"Radiator Hoses"

If there is one thing we take for granted on the Model A engine, even more than the fan belt, it's the radiator hoses. We put them on and expect them to last "forever". But they don't. I've been on more than a few tours where someone ends up with a leaking radiator hose that interrupts their drive.

So today's Tech Tip is to remind you to inspect the radiator hoses and snug up the hose clamps (if needed) every time you change the engine oil. Look for signs of coolant seeping out of the hose, usually at the end. Look for obvious cracks and other signs the rubber is breaking down.

The upper radiator hose is subjected to the hottest coolant while you drive, so that is often the hose that starts leaking first. And the lower steel pipe tends to corrode away from the inside out, where you can't see it until it's too late. So look for coolant weeping down there, too.

A stock Model A does not run a pressurized cooling system, so it does not have a lot of pressure on the hoses. However, if you have a thermostat installed in your upper hose, the hose section between the engine outlet neck and the thermostat sees a lot of pressure when the thermostat is not open. A leak there can pump all of your coolant out in no time at all. So check that area carefully.

It's probably overkill, but to avoid a problem on the road, I replace my radiator hoses and coolant about every 3 years of normal driving. Avoid problems, and Have a Model A Day!





Have parts or a car you want to sell? Need a certain part for your restoration?
 Submit your ad and we'll run it in the newsletter for approximately 3 months.
 Email your ad with photos to Jim at tap5s@yahoo.com



Bonnie & Clyde

From Becky Baidson: We have some '29 truck parts if anyone needs them. We have rear '29 fender and an axle. Scott doesn't know the gear ratio for it. I believe we may have a few more things but we can't remember what they are right now. We are still going through things in his shop and still have to put the truck back together.

Let me know if anyone has a need for them. **Becky 850-384-5717**

FOR SALE: 1930/1931 Ford Model 'A' Sun Visors \$100.00

One set of new and one set of old sun visors for 1930-31 Model A Ford Murray body car. Brackets are included. \$100 for all. Call Eric Gould 251-765-2677

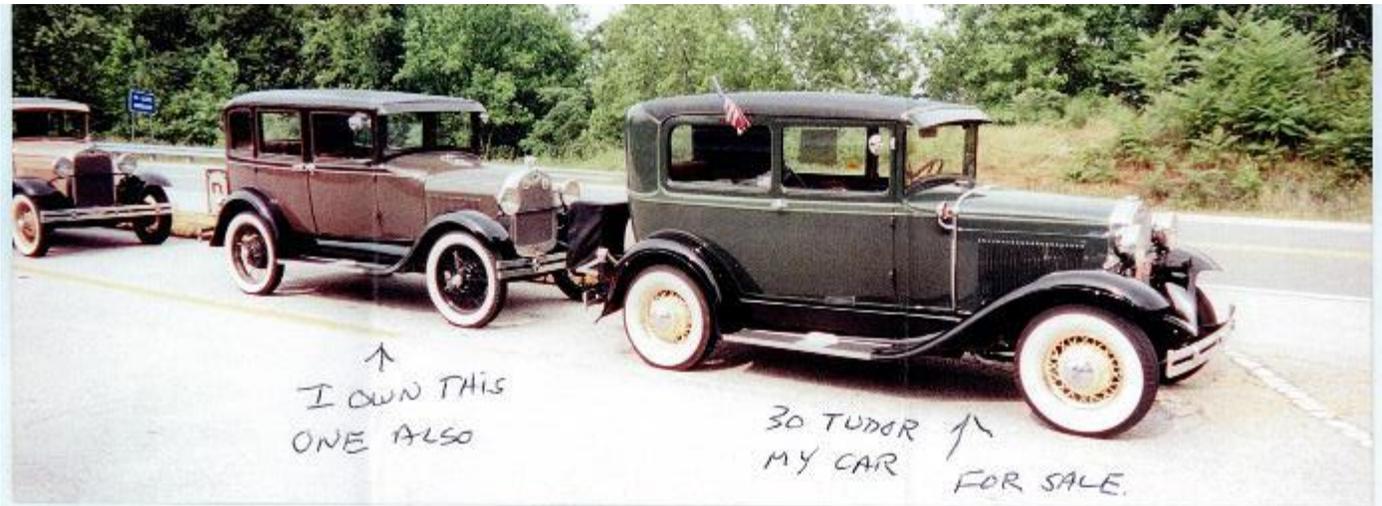


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For Sale: 1930 Tudor \$19,000

This is an excellent driver. Motor rebuilt with insert bearings in 2000. Four speed synchromesh transmission. David Black was president of a Model 'A' Club north of us in Alabama for years and the club was known for all the tours they did with their Model 'A's.

Located in Cullman, Alabama



1930 TUDOR FOR SALE.
LEAD 18-25 A'S ON TOUR AROUND THE US. FOR 14 YEARS. THIS A IS NOT
A SHOW CAR BUT A TOUR CAR.
BACK UP FOR ENGINE (B ENGINE) ATTACHED. INSTALLED IN 2000 WITH ELE
DISTR (NEVER BROKE DOWN).
PRICE IS FIRM AS I HAVE OVER \$40,000 IN THIS A. BUT LOVED EVERY
MILE. I AM 82 + LOST MY LEG THIS SUMMER. CAN'T DRIVE.
THERE IS NO BETTER TOUR CAR IN THE US. LOOKS GREAT!
CALL ME WITH QUESTIONS A MODEL IS IN CULLMAN, AL.
DAVID A. BLACK

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1930 Tudor for sale continued

DAVID A. BLACK

CELL 256-339-3234

630 Co. Rd. 1413
CULLMAN, AL 35058



DAVID_BLACK@MODEL-A-MAN.COM

1930 MODEL A
FORD.

A TOUR CAR

INSERTED ENGINE (B. MODEL) 8-26-2000	\$135.00
4 SPEED TRAWS (FORD) FT. WORTH, TEXAS	\$3685.00
OIL FILTER OIL AND TEMP GAUGES	\$319.75
TURN SIGNALS	\$187.80
HOOD PROP KIT	\$41.95
CAR COVER	\$159.00
SEAT BELTS	\$53.50
RADIATOR STONE GUARD	\$178.00
SPEP PLATES	\$44.95
FLOOR MATS + RUGS	\$200.00
16" WHEELS	\$90.00
WHEELS PAINTED	\$1800.00
16" RADIAL TIRES	\$50.55
16" HUB CAPS	\$379.95
HIGH COMP HEAD (SNYDER 6-1)	\$24.00
HEAD BOLTS	
NEW INTERSTATE BATTERY	\$139.50
12 VOLT STARTER (SNYDER)	\$225.00

\$19,000

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DISTR \$375.00
\$10,453.95

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1930 Tudor for sale continued

TO: DAVE BLACK (256) 287-0317
FROM: BOB BOULDIN - BOULDIN + BOULDIN INC.
41 MAIN ST BOX 496
BELFAST, N.Y. 14711

MODEL B ENGINE WITH COUNTER WEIGHTED CRANK

BLOCK CLEANED BORED + HONED

NEW PISTONS + RINGS

INERT BEARINGS

MAINS

RODS

DRILLED CRANK

PRESSURIZED OIL

CUT DOWN FLYWHEEL

COMPUTER BALANCED

BUICK VALVES + STELLITE SEATS ON EXHAUST

ADJUSTABLE LIFTERS

WINFIELD GRIND CAM.

NEW CAM GEAR

NEW CRANK GEAR

NEW PULLEY

BLOCK + HEAD DECKED

ASSEMBLED + TEST RUN

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YOU WILL NEED
1800⁰⁰ DEPOSIT
WORK WILL BEGIN AS
SOON AS THE BLOCK IS
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LOCATED AT MY SHOP.

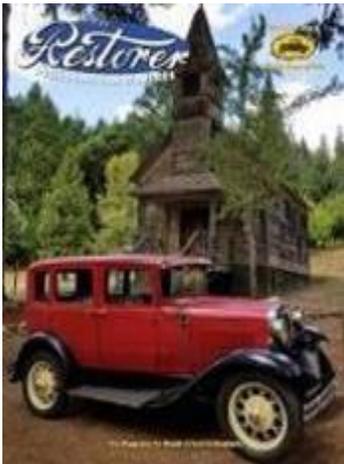
USED ENGINE BLOCK INCLUDED
AT 800⁰⁰ TOTAL 3600⁰⁰



March Birthdays



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The Model A Ford Club of America MAFCA

Serving Model A Ford owners since 1955

is dedicated to the restoration, preservation and enjoyment of the Ford Model A and AA cars and trucks, as manufactured from 1928 through 1931. We are an active, family-friendly organization whose members share a passion for these historic vehicles, plus other aspects of life in that era, such as fashions.

MAFCA is a not-for-profit corporation with members and local affiliated chapters all over the globe. This makes us the largest car club in the world dedicated to one make of automobile. We hope you enjoy looking through our site, and we invite you to join us!



Membership in Model A Ford Club of America is encouraged. MAFCA Dues are \$50.00 and should be mailed to: MAFCA Headquarters, 250 South Cypress, LaHabra, CA 90631-5586 For more info visit: <https://www.mafca.com/>



About the Gulf Coast Model 'A' Club

The Traveler newsletter is published for the membership and friends of the Gulf Coast Model 'A' Club.

Outings are held monthly at various locations and times. Views expressed in the Traveler are not necessarily those of the Club Officers or MAFCA. Club membership is \$25.00 per year and can be mailed to Becky Baisden at:

GCMAC,
PO Box 812
Cantonment, FL 32533



Club dues are \$25 per year for individuals or families. We currently have a membership of 40+ families. We believe in doing maintenance on the cars, educating ourselves on the Model 'A', fellowship with other members, showing the cars, driving the cars locally and on tours and having a great time seeing and driving Model 'A' Fords.

We have fun and would welcome you as a member whether you own a Model A or not. Come join with us in a wonderful hobby that is historical and worthwhile. You will meet friendly people who are in love with the Model 'A' and love to drive, show and talk about these interesting cars.

Gulf Coast Model 'A' Club website:

<https://www.gulfcoastmodelclub.net/>

Download a
Membership Application

Advertise in the Traveler.

If you know of any business that would like to place an ad in the Traveler they can run a credit card sized ad for \$50 and a quarter page ad for \$75 that will run for 12 months. Those interested should send artwork to the editor @ tap5s@yahoo.com with their billing and contact information



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