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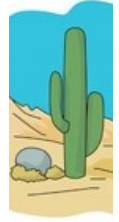


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The Fundraiser on Friday, June 18, 2021 from 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm was much better than expected. We promised 10 vintage vehicles and we made it happen. It was only 115°, but it was a dry heat. They gave us root beer floats and they were fantastic. We didn't think a few months ago it would be this hot, however, with the support of the club we pulled it off. Thank you very much for all those that came out to participate in this event. They would like us back in October and maybe with hotdogs.

Ray Feierstein/events coordinator



Villa Hermosa Car Show

Sunday, June 20



Hello Model Aer's and T'ers,

Father's Day, Sunday, June 20, 2021 ,from 9:00am to 11:00am , we made it happen. There was 14 vintage vehicles, so we were one vehicle shy of our commitment ; however, they were glad to have us in 106°. They gave us beverage, fruit, egg McMuffin, and delicious pastry. We had two cancellations, and four no shows, I am guessing from the heat. They want us back next year, hopefully it will be cooler. Thanks for the members that came out to support the club and melted on the way home.

Ray Feierstein



Ice Cream Social

On Sunday, June 27, 2021, The club met at Desert Gardens Church for our annual Ice Cream Social. Despite the 114° day we had 41 members and guest, and 2 Model A's that ventured out to the event. Jeff Eppley showed up with his "Hit



& Miss" Ice Cream Maker and made the a good batch of chocolate ice cream. We had lots of home made goodies and it was enjoyed by all. Thanks to everyone who brought goodies.



Ernie Williams & Dan Osterman just happened to have birthdays in that time period, so they were entertained with everyone singing the "Happy Birthday" song. Also Ernie & Ann Williams celebrated their Anniversary

A good time was had by all!!!

Sindy Osterman &

Tom McWilliams

Ice Cream Social (Continued)



Jim's Tech Tip

Towing Your Model A on a Trailer



There will be times when you need to transport your Model A on a trailer. Here's a tip on trailer loading to help you tow safely.

When the car is loaded on the trailer, the tongue weight of the trailer on the trailer hitch (on the back of your car or truck) should be between 10-15% of the total weight of the combined "trailer+Model A". If you load the trailer with less than 10% of the weight on the hitch, the trailer will sway as the speed increases, which is very dangerous. Over 15% can put too much unnecessary load on the back of your tow vehicle, which can take weight off of your front wheels



(needed for steering and braking) – which is also not good.

How do you know the weight of your "trailer+Model A"? I took my car on the trailer to my local feed store where they have a scale. Many truck stops also have scales. I parked the loaded trailer on the scale, disconnected my truck, and moved the truck off the scale. They charge a small fee to give you the weight. Once I had that total weight, it was easy to calculate 10% and 15% of that. For example, if your "trailer+Model A" is 4,200 pounds, your Target Tongue Weight is 420 to 630 pounds, call it 525.

Once you know the Target Tongue Weight that you are shooting for, how do you know what the actual tongue weight is when you put the Model A on the trailer? You can figure it out with a ruler or tape measure.

Go to a building supply store (like Home Depot) with your tow vehicle and no trailer. Measure and record the distance between the bottom of the trailer hitch and the ground. Now start loading 80# bags of dry concrete mix into your car trunk or truck bed until you have loaded your Target Tongue Weight. (I had a helpful young guy at HD load them in for me.) The exact load is not critical, but it must be above your 10% number. Now measure and record the distance between the bottom of the trailer hitch and the ground again. Once you have those 2 numbers, you can ask the helpful lad at the store to unload all those bags and put them back! Thankfully, you only have to do this exercise one time.

With these 2 measurements, before and after the load was added, you can quickly figure out the change in height above the ground when you have your Target Tongue Weight on the back of your tow vehicle. This CHANGE in the height of your trailer hitch is the HITCH DROP that you need to get when you load your Model A on the trailer.

Before attaching the trailer to your tow vehicle in the future, measure the height of the trailer hitch above the ground. Now attach the trailer and load your Model A on it. Pull the Model A forward on the trailer until your trailer hitch has dropped by your Target Hitch Drop. You can roll the Model A forward and backward a bit on the trailer to get the amount of drop that you are shooting for. Now tie the Model A down in this position on the trailer and be confident that you have enough, but not too much, tongue weight on your trailer hitch.

I have marked on my trailer the best spot to load a Model A to get the target tongue weight and hitch drop. When I put them on the mark, the tongue weight is correct.

For more tips on safe towing, check out the following web site:

<https://www.curtmfg.com/towing-safety>

Let's be careful out there, and Have a Model A Day!

Jim Cannon

NOTICES & INFORMATION

Thanks to the improving public health situation, our “**in-person**” **general meetings** and club outings are returning. **Upcoming events are listed below.** They may be subject to last-minute adjustments if conditions change, but things are finally going in the right direction. Club announcements will appear in the newsletter and be sent out via email to all club members who have provided their email address. If you’re not already receiving club announcements from Ray Feierstein via email and want to be included, please email Ray at sanrays@msn.com and ask to be added to the list.

Officers – Board of Directors – Editor Wanted &/or Needed

If you are interested in serving the club in any of these positions, listed above, please let us know.

Your help would be greatly appreciated.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday, July 25 – Gaslight Theatre.

Gary Roberts has reserved seats for the 3 PM show. Contact Gary at 885-8627 See page 9.

Monday, July 26 – Board of Directors Meeting 7pm to 8:00pm ** ACE Hardware Building 7060 East 21st Street, Tucson, AZ 85710 **

Tuesday, August 03 – Regular General Meeting 7:30 pm ** Joe’s Museum 4750 S. Park Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85714 **

Friday, September 17 – Fellowship Square.

We have been invited to participate in a fundraiser, Friday, September, 17, 2021 from 9 am to 11:30 am. Hopefully it will be cooler. We have made a commitment for 20 vintage autos. Please email me if you can attend and support the club by displaying your vintage vehicle. It is located at 8111 E. Broadway, Tucson.(Broadway and Pantano).

Contact Ray at 520-531-9724 or via Email at:
sanrays@msn.com

Saturday, September 11 – International Model A Day

Gaslight Theatre

Sunday July 25

SPACE WARS

Join us for an afternoon of comic silliness on Sunday July 25 at

The Gaslight Theatre
7010 E. Broadway Blvd.
Tucson, AZ 85710

Meet at 2:30 PM.
Doors open at 2:30 PM.
Show starts at 3:00 PM.

Contact: Gary Roberts
520-885-8627



It is a recommendation of the Board of Directors that the Gaslight Theatre be subsidized as follows - 84 seats for the 3:00pm show. Subsidized Club pricing is \$10.00 (Adults) and \$5.00 (Children 12 and under). Group rate is \$20.00 per person. Group child rate (12 and under) will be subsidized. Non-Member children that are adults pay group rate, which is discounted below regular fee.

July



Jul 1 – Fran Sotardi
Jul 1 – Ron Allen
Jul 1 – Gelaine Petrick
Jul 1 – Cliff Schneider
Jul 2 – Norm Strong
Jul 4 – Allen Elvick
Jul 7 – Thomas Paral
Jul 9 – Mike LeClair
Jul 11 – Sandra Chute
Jul 15 – Clanie Ellis
Jul 16 – Jim Beebe
Jul 17 – Diane Johnson
Jul 19 – Sam Logan
Jul 20 – Jim Boaz
Jul 21 – David Edwards
Jul 23 – James Lown
Jul 24 – Tony Moreno
Jul 24 – Diana Carlson
Jul 25 – Christina Laukaitis
Jul 26 - Chet Allen
Jul 28 – Yul Esquivel
Jul 28 – Gary Roberts

Happy Anniversary

Jul 5 – Peter & Christina Reding
Jul 12 – James & Tanya Lown
Jul 15 – Buzz & Kay Davis
Jul 30 – Ken & Gelaine Petrick



MAFCA National Tour 2021

The Tucson Model A Ford Club was well represented , considering the 2,500 miles we traveled to attend the event. Attendees were David & Molly Ramsower, Mike & Ann Liebert, Norman & Christie Strong, Alejandro & Tristan Allison and Shorty & Isabel Allison.



Norm & Christie Strong drove their Model A from Nebraska to New Hampshire.

They can now say they have drive their Model A from Coast to Coast.

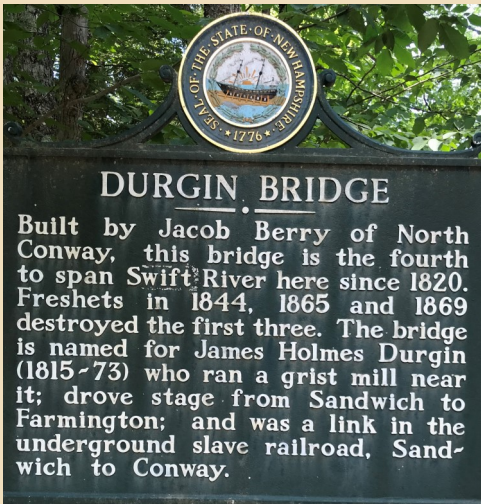
There was approximately 220 Model A's in attendance.



MAFCA National Tour 2021 (Continued)



Each day was a new adventure filled with beautiful scenery and unexpected climate change. We were able to drive thru the covered bridges that were constructed in the 1800's.



MAFCA National Tour 2021 (Continued)



We went to the Lucknow Castle in the Clouds to see how the rich lived back in the day.

We drove up the road to Mount Washington with it's 11% grade

and crazy weather.

Others took the Cog Train to the top.



The Mount Pleasant, Bretton Woods, White Mts, NH
The 'New Mount Pleasant House' reopened in 1895 and was the product of a reconstruction project lead by Joseph Stickney that took less than one year to complete.



A Note from the Editor

The Tucson Model A Ford club is looking for someone that is interested in being the editor of the Old Pueblo A .

It is a very important job to our membership, you can have the title of editor,

**** Be sure to look for the Meeting information and location located on page 14 ****

If you are interested please contact David Ramsower or Shorty Allison

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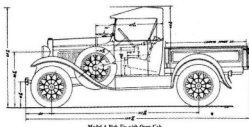
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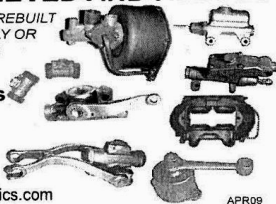
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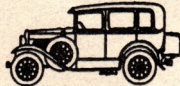
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