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All mail should be sent to the River Cities Model A Ford Club address above. Matters concerning the newsletter should be sent to the editor to insure timely publication.

FOUNDING MEMBERS:

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PAST PRESIDENTS:

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 Jim Langley DEC 2008-2009

 Jim Timbes DEC 2009-2010
 Al Lugo DEC 2010-2012

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 Joe Spooner DEC 2014-2015

 Jim Langley Dec 2015-2017
 Sharon Webb Dec 2017-2018

 Jim Langley Dec 2018

From the Vice President...



November 2019

President Jim Langley continues to recover and should be back with us very soon. He is now out of the hospital as of this newsletter. He has asked me to write a few words for him.

Remember to attend the November meeting. During the meeting we will vote on those nominated for Club Officers for 2020. As per our Bylaws we will accept any other nominations from the floor. Nominated are the following members:

President- Al Lugo Vice President- Mark Smith Secretary- Connie Penny Treasurer- Richard Noxon

Please remember to bring to the meeting the miles you drove in your Model A from November 15, 2018 to November 21, 2019. No matter how many miles you drove please turn your numbers in. It is our goal to have an idea of how many miles the group drove.

Also, if you can, pay your 2020 Club dues during the meeting. We are trying to reduce the amount of time the Treasurer has to spend collecting dues during the Christmas party. If you can't come to the meeting you can send it to the Club P.O. Box attention Treasurer.

During this month's meeting we will talk about the menu and activities for our Christmas party. Hope you can join us and enjoy the fellowship.

See you at the meeting,

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River Cities Model A Ford Club

Club Minutes

The October meeting of the River Cities Model Al Club was held October 17, 2019, at the Woodman building.

Members present were Mary Nelle Singer, Bob and Connie Penny, Brian Chin, Bob Smith, Al Lugo, Dick Noxon, Bill Shirley, John and Rickie Robertson, Tom and Sharon Ellis, Chris and Kathy LaClair, Mark Smith and Wayne Kennedy.

After the Pledge of Allegiance and prayer led by Brian Chin the members proceeded to the buffet.

Members under the weather was President Jim Langley who has been hospitalized but will have a procedure tomorrow which should help him tremendously. Please keep Jim In your prayers. Members Bill Quick has been in the hospital because of a fall.

Minutes: The minutes were approved as printed in the newsletter. Motion byBob Smith and seconded by Wayne Kennedy.

Treasurers Report: Report was approved as read by Dick Noxon. Motion by John Robertson and second by Tom Ellis.

Old Business: Al reported a good turnout at International Model A Day in Columbus, Ga.. We had 8 model A's and 11 members attend. Bob Penny and Bob Smith reported on their trip to Gilmore Museum for national Model A Day. Both had a great day and saw many one of a kind cars. They recommended the trip to everyone who has not been.

New Business: A tour to Talbotton, Ga is being planned for November, A tour through a church build in 1848 and the oldest Ford dealer ship. Look for more details.

Al Lugo reported on a trip he and Bob Penny had taken to Augusta, Ga in which Al was taken fenders for the station wagon he is working on to have some work done. They had a great trip and met 2 very interesting people.

Please plan to pay 2020 membership dues next month to free up our treasurer at our Christmas meeting.

Nominating Committee present a slate of members willing to serve next month. They are President Al Lugo, Vice President Mark Smith, Secretary Connie Penny and Treasurer Dick Noxon. If anyone would like to be considered please let Al Lugo know. Everyone is eligible.

Christmas Party: Mary Nell Singer has volunteered to e chairperson for the party. If you have any ideas for activities, please let her know.

Drawing for the free meal for November was John Robertson.

Program: Al Lugo showed a video on Yokohama Model A: Producing the new Ford in Japan. It was very interesting.

Al thanked Bill Shirley for continuing to do a great job on out newsletter.

Upcoming activities include a swap meet in Opelika October 19 and a car show in Warm Springs, Ga at the Roosevelt Assisted Living facility October 26. Don't forget MATTS on November 1, Board Meeting November 8th and our November club meeting November 21.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Connie Penny Club Secretary

JOIN US?

BY AL Lugo

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, November 21, 2019-6:00PM (EASTERN)

Our next Club Meeting will be at Woodmen of the World Lodge, on Highway 80, in Phenix City.

COMING EVENTS

November 1 MATTS

November 8 Planning Meeting

November 21 Club Meeting & Officer Elections

November 22-24 Moultrie Swap Meet

December 6 MATTS

December 13 Planning Meeting

December 19 Club Annual Business Meeting & Christmas Party

CRUISE EVENINGS

Every 1st Tuesday Cooks Hot Dog on Miller & Airport Thruway

Every 2nd Tuesday Jim Bob's (By Hobby Lobby) Every 3rd Tuesday Jason Deli (Close to Sears) Every 4th Tuesday Country's on Broadway

Every 5th Tuesday El Vaquero Mexican Restaurant (Stadium Drive)

Every 2nd Saturday Opelika Home Depot Cruise In
Every 3rd Saturday Phenix City Home Depot Cruise In
Every 4th Saturday Steak and Shake (Bradley Park Drive)

Last Saturday of month Opelika Cruise In at the Tracks

Every Sunday AM IHOP Airport Thruway

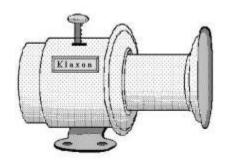
NATIONAL:

December 2-5 MAFCA National Awards Banquet, Claremont, CA

ANNIVERSARIES



BIRTHDAYS



NOVEMBER 8- Tom Penny NOVEMBER 17- Donna Carter NOVEMBER 19- Kevin Adams NOVEMBER 28- Bobby Penny NOVEMBER 28- William Shirley NOVEMBER 30- Laura Penny

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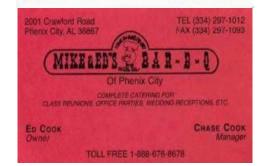
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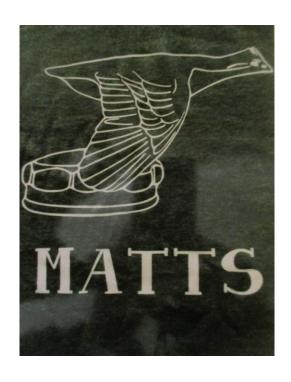
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MODEL A TINKER TIME SHOP

Photos and information by Al Lugo

MATTS, at Bobby's shop, continues to be a hit with RCMAFC members...



Here you see several members working on Al's

Station Wagon project gas tank...



"spark arrestor" ...

Bobby working to remove the stuck



After a lot of work, it finally comes out...



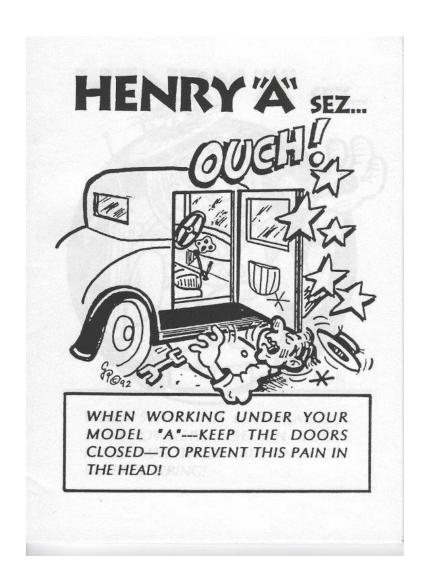
No longer can be used ...



A new "Lady" in Bobby's shop...

TECH TIP...

Provided by Al Lugo



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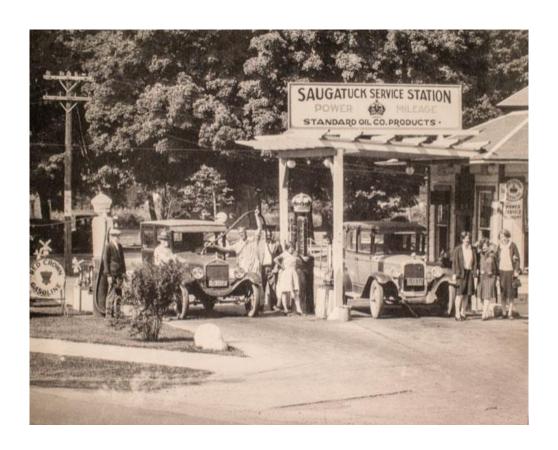
These tips appeared in the booklet: "Henry "A" sez: 20 tips and tricks for the Model "A" owner", compiled and illustrated by Gene Patrick. I purchased the rights to publish this when I was in my Club in Texas so I was able to use in club newsletters.



1920: Detroit Electric

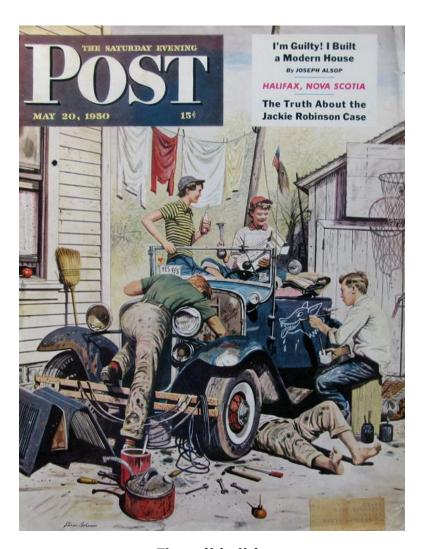
Detroit Electric produced some of the earliest EVs and could travel about 80 miles between charges. One modified Detroit set a record, traveling 241 miles on a charge. These EVs only had a top speed of around 20 mph, so they were mainly used as dependable inner city transportation. Sales of the Detroit Electric would slide throughout the 1920s thanks to improved internal combustion engines. By the time the company finally ceased operations in 1939, it had produced around 13,000 EVs







First it is this



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