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This newsletter is the official publication of the River Cities Model A Ford Club, a chapter of the Model A Ford Club of America. It is mailed monthly to all members in good standing. Dues are \$25.00 per year per family. Membership in the **MODEL A FORD CLUB OF AMERICA** is a requirement for membership in the River Cities Model A Ford Club.

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**The River Cities Model "A" Ford Club permanent address is:
P.O. Box 342, Columbus, GA 31902**

**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:

Jim Timbes
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Dan Diener

Bob Smith
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Lawrence Farrar
Bill Buck

Bobby Penny
*Robert Jackson
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(*Deceased)

PAST PRESIDENTS:

Jim Timbes- NOV 2000- DEC 2001
Mickey Timbes- DEC 2003-2004
Joe Spooner- DEC 2006-2008
Jim Timbes- DEC 2009-2010
Paul Singer Dec 2013

Bob Smith- DEC 2001- 2003
Jim Langley- DEC 2004 -2006
Jim Langley- DEC 2008- 2009
Al Lugo- DEC 2010-2012

Presidents Corner

Well, spring is finally here! The weather is warmer and the buds on the bushes, trees and flowers will soon be in full bloom. It is a wonderful time of the year.

A few Model A's are also starting to recover from the winter months and are beginning to stir. Last months "Jack Frost" tour led by Jim Langley was a fun way to start the season. Seven model A's and 3 modern cars participated. While this was a good showing, I believe and hope we can do much better.

A lot of work and planning by a few dedicated members goes into arranging these events. However, if we all do our part and join up with one of the three Tour planning groups, we will have a wider range of fresh ideas to work with and have a great time in the process. Let's go for it! Now is the time! See Jim Langley to sign up. Our goal is 3 to 4 individuals on each Team.

I look forward to seeing you all on the next tour. All cars are welcome.

This is a wonderful time of the year.

Paul



JOIN US!

BY AL Lugo

NEXT MEETING: April 17, 2014-6:00PM
(EASTERN) Our
next meeting will be at Woodmen of
the World Lodge, on Highway 80, in
Phenix City.

COMING EVENTS

April 5	Mt. Zion Car Show
April 11	Board Meeting
April 12	East Alabama Old Car Club Show
April 17	Club Meeting
April 18	MATTS gathering
April 26	Columbus Police Dept. Car Show
May 2	MATTS gathering
May 9	Board Meeting
May 10	Al's Workshop (Horns & Plugs with Joe & Jim)
May 15	Club Meeting
May 16	Tour of West Point Dam, picnic, tour of Downtown W.P.
May 31	Mystery Tour

CRUISE EVENINGS

Every 1 st Tuesday-	Cooks Hot Dog on Miller & Airport Thruway
Every 2 nd Tuesday	La Pareja Mexican Restaurant (towards Waverly Hall)
Every 3 rd Tuesday	Jason Deli
Every 3 rd Thursday	Harley Davidson on Williams Road
Every 4 th Tuesday	BoJangle's on Schomberg Road
Every 5 th Tuesday	Stevie B's Airport Thruway
Every 2 nd Saturday	Opelika Home Depot

Every 4th Saturday Steak and Shake (Bradley Park Drive)
Every Sunday AM IHOP Airport Thruway

NATIONAL:

June 21-27, 2014- MARC National Meet, French Lick, Indiana

July 14-18, 2014- MAFCA National Convention, Puyallup, Washington

December 3-7, 2014- MAFCA National Awards Banquet



The Cruise in's are a great way to meet other car enthusiasts, have a good time and fellowship. Good food is always nice too. Have a car problem or question you might get an answer at the cruise in.

***Q:** What car first referred to itself as a convertible?(Answer at end of News Letter)*



River Cities Model A Ford Club Meeting Minutes March 20th 2014

Opening: The regular meeting of the River Cities Model A Ford Club was called to order at 6:00 PM on March 20, 2014 at the Woodmen of the World Lodge by President Paul Singer. He then led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. The blessing was given by Joe Carter and all proceeded to Buffet.

Present: Mary Nelle and Paul Singer, Russell Lester, Howard Ruddick, Bobby Penny, Al Lugo, Dick Noxon, Bob Smith, Glen and Cindy Williams, Bettie Jackson, Joe Carter, Louie and Gloria Willett, Bill Buck, Bill Shirley, Allen and Debbie Casey, Bob Smith, Jim Langley, Lee Coxwell, Neio LaClair and Sharon Webb. Paul Singer Called the meeting to order at 6:30PM. He noted that David Black is still recovering. Wayne Kennedy is having his knee replaced and Russell Lester was under the weather but better now and able to attend tonight.

Approval of the February Minutes: Paul stated that there was an error in the last months minutes and that it should have reported that Lee Coxwell is our new member. A motion was made by Howard Ruddick to accept the minutes with this correction, Glen Williams seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Treasurers Report: The Treasurer's report was given by Joe Carter. Al Lugo made the motion to accept the report with Jim Langley seconding the motion. The motion passed.

Old Business: No old business outstanding.

New Business: Paul Presented a proposed club budget that was created and discussed at the board meeting. We will vote on this at the next meeting. Paul reviewed the upcoming activities and encouraged the support of the club in participating in the car show in Opelika on April 12th as this is considered our sister club. He noted that Bobby Penny had to move the MATTS meeting from the frost Tuesday in April to the 18th of April due to a scheduling conflict. Jim Langley has been working on some very interesting and exciting tours. The may tour will be to the West Point Dam and downtown West Point. Don't forget Al's Garage seminar will be on May the 17th. Al was concerned about it being too close to the tour and has offered to see if Joe Sponner would be willing to move it to the 1st Saturday in May.

Program: There was no formal program for tonight however various members shared information to the group. Paul reminded the group to check out the web site for program announcements and tours.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Bobby Penny and seconded by Howard Ruddick to adjourn. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM Respectfully submitted by Sharon Webb.

SCHOLARSHIPS

It is time to begin thinking about College Scholarships. If you have a family member who would like to apply for the DR. DAN PALMER SCHOLARSHIP now is the time to begin planning. Bill Shirley has the applications, contact him for what you need. The completed application should be back into Bill's hands by April 2014. The absolute deadline is July 1st.



This is the 1936 Ford Tudor Sedan built for and owned by Allegheny Ludlum Steel. This is 1 of only 4 in existence and is the only one currently in running & in road worthy condition. Submitted by Paul Singer



Saturday 3 May 2014, Plains Georgia. The Plains Chautauqua Model T and Model A car show. Free registration and all vehicles should be there about 9 AM. There will be many activities ongoing the whole day and should be a lot of fun. They want to have as many Model T's an A's As possible attend.

Meet Jack Frost Tour





Grand time had by All

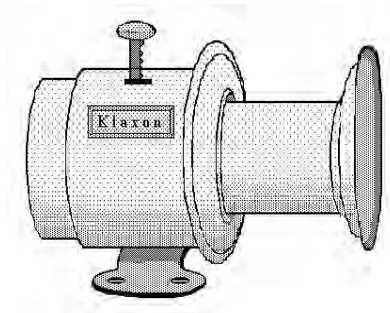
HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES



APRIL 1- Bill & Louann Buck

APRIL 29- Paul & Mary Nelle Singer

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS



APRIL 16- Connie Penny

APRIL 19- Debbie Morrison

APRIL 26- Sharon Webb

APRIL 27- Joe Spooner

Fellow Regional Model "A" Ford Clubs

October 16-18 8th Annual Sweet Home Alabama Tour
Montgomery & Prattville, Alabama.

The 8th "Annual Sweet Home Alabama Tour" will be conducted as a hub tour from the Montgomery and Prattville Alabama area's with visits to attractions in the central part of the state.

Thanks - Paul Majerick Central Alabama Model "A" Ford Club, Activities Director. Telephone (334) 312-3019 email paulmajerick@aol.com

2014 National Tour

The Model A Restorer's Club (MARC) National Tour will be held from Sunday September 21 to Wednesday September 24th 2014 inclusive.

The National Tour will be based in Cary, North Carolina one of the cities within the famed Triangle comprised of Raleigh, Durham and Chapel Hill.

Schedule of Events

Sunday, September 21, 2014

11:00 am – 4:00pm	Tour Registration at Hilton Garden Inn, Lobby
4:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Welcome Party – Carolina Pig Pickin' at Montague Lake

Monday, September 22, 2014

7:00 am – 5:00 pm	Repair Tent – Parking lot of Hilton Garden Inn
7:00 am – 9:00 am	Hospitality Room – DoubleTree by Hilton
7:00am – 5:00 pm	Tours
5:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Hospitality Room – DoubleTree by Hilton
8:00 pm	Drive-In Movie - Raleigh Road Theater, Henderson

Tuesday, September 23, 2014

7:00 am – 5:00 pm	Repair Tent – Parking lot of Hilton Garden Inn
7:00 am – 9:00 am	Hospitality Room – DoubleTree by Hilton
7:00 am – 5:00 pm	Tours
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Wednesday, September 23, 2014

7:00 am – 5:00 pm	Repair Tent – Parking lot of Hilton Garden Inn
7:00 am – 9:00 am	Hospitality Room – DoubleTree by Hilton
7:00 am – 5:00 pm	Grand Tour to Carthage 100 Years of Progress Show
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Farewell Banquet – Hilton Garden Inn

For more information gfo to the TarWheel A's web site www.tarwheela.com OR CONTACT:

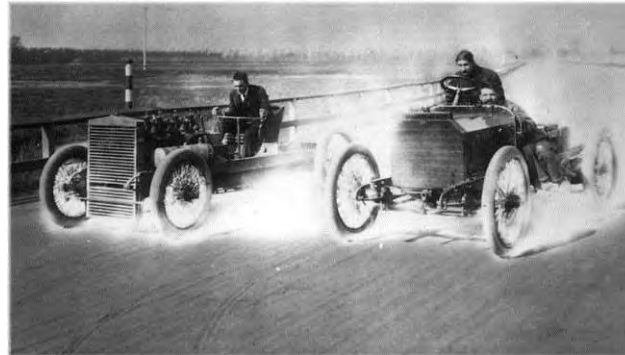
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Model A Tour to Birmingham By Bob Smith

59 Model 'A's were there, great weather and scenic roads over to the race track. Think it was 18 turns in 2 1/2 miles, could not go fast at all. But the cars & bikes get up to 140 in the straights -- lots of skid marks from the trainees.

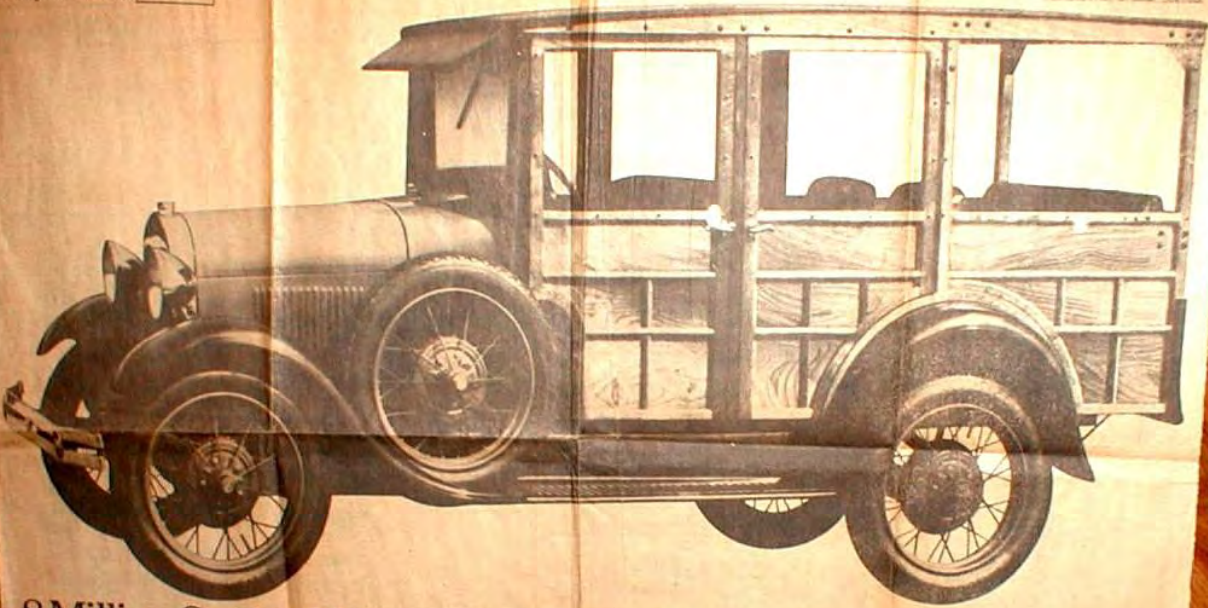
The Frost collection is being sold, but will take a few yrs to get rid of all the neat cars he has restored. Wow



“Don't find fault, find a remedy; anybody can complain”

— Henry Ford

Automobiles - 1920's
 10 Get it together—Buckle up.
 The Los Angeles Times
 Los Angeles Times
 Thursday, July 27, 1982, Page 1 11



8 Million Station Wagons Later, Ford Is Still Leading The Way.

Today, as the righties, it should be no surprise that Ford Escort Station Wagon is the best selling wagon in America. It embodies a half century of Ford Station Wagon superiority that started in 1929 with Ford's first station wagon, "Woody."

In those days, America (and the world) was already family on the road. Thanks mainly to Ford Motor Company which had sold 15 million Model T's to an eager public. And while the Model T satisfied most families' driving needs, what about the larger family with four children and a Grandma? And what about taking the dog on the picnic?


"Woody," the first Ford Model A Station Wagon was the answer, and because it filled a need it became part of America.

Over the years, "Woody's" descendants became American hallmarks. In the thirties and forties, Ford Deluxe Station Wagon led the way. In the fifties, Ford Country Squire and Mercury Monterey Wagon became suburban pride. The sixties saw Country Squire and Colony Packer reaffirming the Ford tradition. In the seventies, Ford Fairmont Station Wagon took their place in the American driving scene.

Ford created many innovations along the way, including the now famous three-way tailgate, to keep us in the forefront. In fact, innovations have made Ford Station Wagon the best selling station wagon more times than our competition would care to remember.

And there are more innovations to come, some are on our drawing boards, some are already being tested.

Ford Station Wagon continues to provide roominess, elegance, and value for the large family. And Grandma. And you can still take the dog on the picnic.



Ford
 Ford Experimental Aerostar

There's A Ford In America's Future.

"8 million Station Wagons later, Ford is still leading the way."

L.A. Times Newspaper

July 27 1982

Ford Experimental Aerostar

FOR SALE

FOR SALE: 1931 Deluxe Roadster, owned by the late Robert (Bob) Jackson, River Cities Club. Restored and a trophy winner many times. Nothing needed for pleasant miles of touring. All you need is the key. Contact Betty Jackson: jonanabray@aol.com

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***A:** The 1904
Thomas Flyer, which
had a removable hard
top.*