



GOING PLACES



Columbus MARC Region Since 1964, MAFCA Chapter since 2009

Upcoming Events

All events, including the Membership Meeting, through May have been cancelled or postponed. Other events are subject to change quickly.

Please contact the tour leader ahead of any event to confirm.

May 2020 Edition

“Four women have helped me: mother, sister, mother-in-law and wife.”

- Henry Ford, April 1935 True Story by William L. Stidger

President's Report

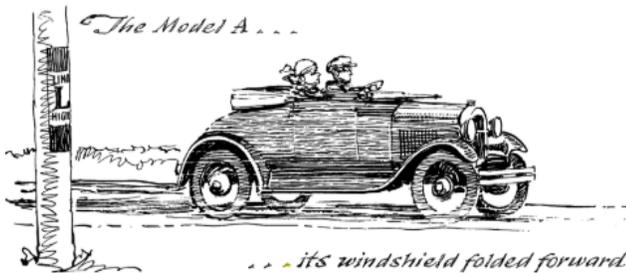
By Ron Lawson



Hello Membership!

A lot of our tours are being postponed or cancelled. Your newsletter and email will keep you up on what is being postponed and cancelled. We will not be having meetings at the Sirloin Steak House until they allow restaurants to start serving inside again.

The Cabin fever is getting me down. One advantage is that I can clean up the Model A's.



I am getting the best gas mileage in the whole country. Five weeks to a gallon. Can anybody beat this?

Last week I could not stand it. I had to take Daisy out for a run. Daisy was chomping at the bit to run. Katy and I packed a picnic lunch and drove Daisy down to Katy's farm. It was a sunny and warm day. We took a walk around her lake and enjoyed the fresh air. We did not find any mushrooms.

We have some bad news. Katy and I have to postpone our wedding for now. We still want to have a Model A wedding when this virus has been controlled.

See ya on the Road... soon! — **Ron**



In 2020
Focus On



OSHKOSH, WI
2020 MARC National Meet

HOSTED BY THE NICKLE A'S REGION OF MARC

OSHKOSH NATIONAL MEET UPDATE

IN LIGHT OF THE RESENT AND ONGOING SITUATION REGARDING THE **COVID-19** PANDEMIC, THE **NICKLE A REGION**, ALONG WITH THE **MARC BOARD OF DIRECTORS**,

REGRETFULLY FIND IT NECESSARY TO CANCEL THE OSHKOSH MEET FOR JUNE 2020.

THIS IS OF COURSE DONE WITH CONSIDERATION FOR THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF THE MEMBERS WHO WOULD ATTEND.

AT THIS TIME THERE ARE NO FIRM PLANS FOR RE-SCHEDULING THE MEET. THE HOST PLANNERS ARE BUSILY MONITORING THE SITUATION AND INVESTIGATING ALL PRACTICAL OPTIONS. IF THINGS IMPROVE, THE MEET MAY BE RE-SCHEDULED TO A DATE IN LATE **AUGUST**. SO DON'T CANCEL YOUR ROOM RESERVATIONS YET, AS THE HOST HOTEL WILL SWITCH THEM FOR YOU IF RESCHEDULING WORKS OUT FOR **AUGUST**. AT THIS TIME IT'S A "WAIT AND SEE".

WE WILL HOLD YOUR REGISTRATIONS UNTIL WE HAVE CONSIDERED ALL POSSIBILITIES OF A FUTURE DATE. WE ARE CHECKING OUT THE OTHER VENUES TO SEE IF **AUGUST** DATES ARE AVAILABLE. IF RE-SCHEDULING DOES NOT WORK OUT AND WE HAVE TO CANCEL **2020**, WE WILL THEN DISCUSS REFUNDS. WE WILL KEEP YOU UPDATED.

WE WILL CONSIDER ANY COMMENTS OR SUGGESTION FROM YOU, THE MEMBERSHIP, ON THIS SITUATION. WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE AND UNDERSTANDING UNDER THE TRYING CONDITIONS.

JERRY BRAASCH, 2020 MEET CHAIRMAN

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT [HTTP://WWW.NICKLEAREGION.COM/INDEX.HTML](http://www.nicklearegion.com/index.html)
CONTACT MEET CHAIRMAN JERRY BRAASCH AT JANDMBRAASCH@YAHOO.COM

Mileage Program

The annual mileage awards for year-end 2019 were have been determined! Below are the people who have reached a 5000 mile plateau . They will each receive a new tab for their mileage badge. Congratulations for 'Keepin' 'em on the Road'!

The awards will be handed out once we can get back together again.

2019 Mileage Plateau

| | | |
|------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Dennis & Kathy Meyer | 1931 Tudor | 15,000 miles |
| Roger, Cheryl & Eric Goodman | 1930 Town Sedan | 25,000 miles |
| Ed & Mary Dathe | 1931 Pick-up | 40,000 miles |
| Ronnie Lawson and Katie | 1929 Town Sedan | 50,000 miles |
| Larry Morlock | 1929 Roadster | 80,000 miles |
| Phil & Marge Sutton | 1930 Town Sedan | 110,000 miles |
| Jack & Linda Sullivan | 1929 Roadster | 155,000 miles |



Testing Your Vacuum

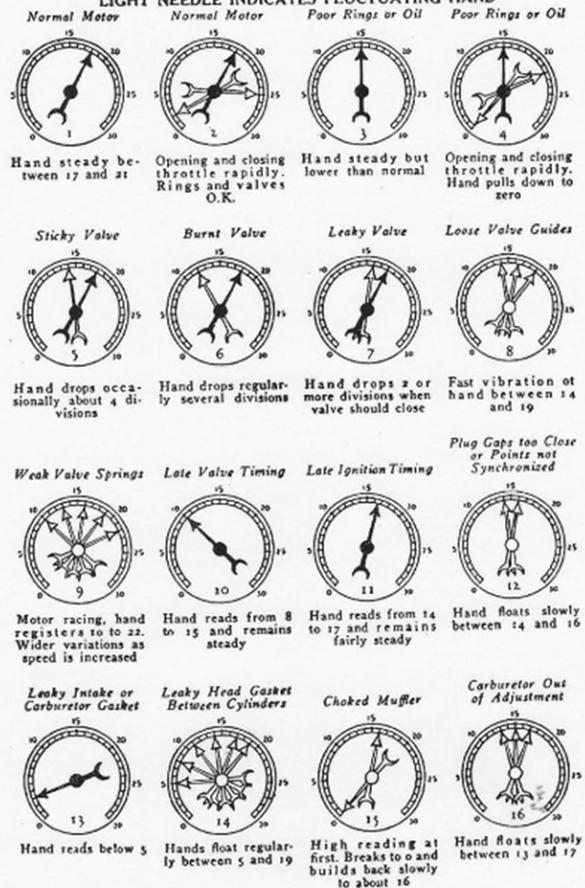
Monitoring your engine's deepest breaths can tell you a lot about its health

A vacuum test is one of the simplest and most effective diagnostic weapons the shade-tree mechanic has in his arsenal. With an inexpensive gauge, you can gain insight into the symptoms of vacuum leaks, incorrect timing, low compression, sticking valves and more. To begin, attach the gauge to the intake manifold where the wipers get their vacuum. Start the engine and let it run until it has reached normal operating temperature. Then compare the gauge readings to the table below. Remember to connect your wipers again before it starts raining!

Vacuum Gauge Reading

PERTAINING TO MOTOR TUNE-UP

DARK NEEDLE INDICATES STEADY HAND
LIGHT NEEDLE INDICATES FLUCTUATING HAND





Editor Note: Given our touring schedule disruption, Larry Morlock had a great idea to relive a tour of the past. Below is a tour from June 2018. Enjoy!

BRANSON DIARY – June 22 to July 1, 2018

Eight Model A Fords and one modern car made the trip to Branson, MO, to attend the 2018 MARC Convention. Participants were Tim Ellis, Dave & Wilma Evanczyk, Jeff Franz, Tim & Frieda Howell, Ron & Carmen Huddleston, Randy Hughey, Larry Morlock, Phil Sutton, and Don Wesseler. Don was joined later by his son and grandson. Phil was our fearless leader and did his usual outstanding job of setting up the route and all the hotels, plus leading us every day along the way.

We had two minor problems before we started when the choke rod on Tim Ellis' car came loose and we had to replace the distributor cap on Tim Howell's car. After that, we had no other problems the whole way. Pretty good for 90 year old cars (and their mechanics). The round trip was about 1200 miles.

On Friday, the first day, we ran into and out of rain most of the day, but the Model A's liked it and ran well. We stayed at Giant City State Park in Southern Illinois. We each had individual cabins in a very nice setting. We got there in time for some of us to take the hiking trail to see the giant rocks the park is named for, then had a good meal in the lodge.

Saturday had no rain, but comfortable weather again. Once we got into Missouri, the roads were curvy and hilly in the Ozark foothills all the way. We stayed the night in a good Mom & Pop motel in West Plains, MO.

As soon as we left on Sunday morning, the skies opened up and it rained hard most of the way to Branson. This included lightning and thunder. We got to Branson about noon, checked into the hotel and registered for the meet. There were 400 registrations. The temperature turned pretty hot and steamy in the 90's from then on.

The rest of the week was our typical convention activities, but interspersed by going to some of the many music shows that are available in Branson. On Monday, we went to a good show with 50's music, then attended the Welcome Party that evening.

Of course we spent a lot of time at the swap meet and several seminars. On Tuesday, some of us went to a show with 60's music, then that evening took a cruise on the Branson Belle dinner showboat. Unfortunately, the rain caught us again as we were waiting to board, but it was a very good show.

On Wednesday, Jeff and Larry participated in the Touring Class car judging. Others went on a local drive to the Top of the Rock. That night was the Ice Cream Social, which was held at a very interesting car and farm equipment museum.

Thursday was the Grand Tour to the Silver Dollar City amusement park. Jeff and the Wesseler's stayed at the park for the day and the rest of us went to see a fish hatchery and the College of the Ozarks, where we had a nice lunch and toured their campus that had an old grist mill and several other attractions. That evening we went to a Magic Show at one of the theaters.

We did something unique on Friday by going to a morning Country Music Show. All the shows were entertaining, but there were no big-name stars anywhere like it used to be. Larry won a raffle by guessing how long it would take to get an "out of the barn" Model A started. Friday night Jeff and Larry attended the awards banquet.

We decided to start out for home at 5:30am on Saturday to beat the heat and it was a good choice. We got into our hotel in Chester, IL, at 3:00pm and avoided the worst of the heat. Sunday we were away at 5:00am and home by mid-afternoon.

It was a great experience and everyone enjoyed it. The friendship and fun will be remembered forever.

Show Your Club Spirit!!!



We have partnered with Stogdill Sports in Seymour to provide our club with some apparel for purchase to show off our club pride. Below is what is available. Go to www.sanmar.com and search by the style number to see what the item looks like. Our club logo will be embroidered on the item. Prices reflect the price of the item plus embroidery. Tax and shipping is additional. Contact Howard Stogdill at 812-524-7081 for orders and full pricing.

| Style | Item | Size | Price | Size | Price | Size | Price |
|-------|--|-------|----------|------|----------|------|----------|
| SP11 | Men's Short Sleeve Faded Blue Denim Shirt | XS-XL | \$ 27.48 | XXL | \$ 29.48 | XXXL | \$ 31.48 |
| SP10 | Men's Long Sleeve Faded Blue Denim Shirt | XS-XL | \$ 27.48 | XXL | \$ 29.48 | XXXL | \$ 31.48 |
| LSP11 | Ladies Short Sleeve Faded Blue Denim Shirt | XS-XL | \$ 27.48 | XXL | \$ 29.48 | XXXL | \$ 31.48 |
| LSP10 | Ladies Long Sleeve Faded Blue Denim Shirt | XS-XL | \$ 27.48 | XXL | \$ 29.48 | XXXL | \$ 31.48 |

| Style | Item | Size | Price |
|-------|---------------------------------|--------|-------------------|
| J7620 | Men's Indigo Blue Denim Jacket | XS-4XL | \$57.48 - \$67.48 |
| L7620 | Ladies Indigo Blue Denim Jacket | XS-4XL | \$57.48 - \$67.48 |



Help Wanted!

We are experiencing technical difficulties with our club website. We *desperately* need a webmaster volunteer that can take over leadership and maintenance of the website. If you have any experience or interest in helping, please contact Tim Diehn or any board member.



What Is It??

Answer to last Month's Challenge



REAR WHEEL STUDS AA TRUCK
Rear wheel studs for the 30-1 AA trucks.
They come in L/H and R/H threads

Next Month's Challenge

What is it and where is it used?



For those of you that like to keep up with the Great Race.

2020 GREAT RACE ROUTE

SATURDAY, JUNE 20
START: Alamo Plaza (Alamo front), San Antonio, TX - 8 a.m. to noon
LUNCH: Courthouse Square, downtown San Marcos, TX - noon
OVERNIGHT: Santa Fe Plaza, Temple, TX - 4:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, JUNE 21
LUNCH: Historic Courthouse Square, Granbury, TX - noon
OVERNIGHT: Main Street, downtown Ardmore, OK - 5 p.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 22
LUNCH: Heart of Route 66 Auto Museum, Sapulpa, OK - 12:15 p.m.
OVERNIGHT: Main Street, downtown Joplin, MO - 5:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 23
LUNCH: Benton Square on East 5th Street, Rolla, MO - 11:45 a.m.
OVERNIGHT: Main Street, downtown Cape Girardeau, MO - 5:15 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24
LUNCH: Broadway and Water Street, downtown Paducah, KY - noon
OVERNIGHT: Veterans Blvd., downtown Owensboro, KY - 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 25
LUNCH: Elizabethtown Sports Park, Elizabethtown, KY - noon
OVERNIGHT: Griffin Gale Marriott, Lexington, KY - 5 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 26
LUNCH: Heritage Station, 11th Street, downtown Huntington, WV - 11:40
OVERNIGHT: Word Park, Neville Street, downtown Beckley, WV - 5:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, JUNE 27
LUNCH: Main Street, downtown Galax, VA - 11:15 a.m.
OVERNIGHT: Main Street, downtown Mooresville, NC - 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, JUNE 28
FINISH: Hyatt Regency, Main Street, downtown Greenville, SC - 1 p.m.

800-989-7223 or JEFF@GREATRACE.COM

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2020 Sponsored Tour and Event Schedule

- ~~April 2-4~~ — MARC Membership Meet, Swan Lake Resort, Plymouth, IN (Sutton)
~~April 9~~ — Membership Meeting — Sirloin Stockade 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 meeting
~~April 18~~ — Spring Mill State Park — Picnic at the Inn/Cobweb Tour (K. Sullivan)
~~April 25~~ — Pancake Breakfast, Bloomington, IN (Sutton/Lawson)
~~April 26~~ — Columbus MARC Swap Meet 4-H Fairground (Morlock)
- ~~May 4-6~~ — Spring Tour to Berlin Grand Hotel, Berlin, OH (Howell) **Cancelled**
~~May 9~~ — Ron and Katy Lawson Wedding, North Vernon, IN (Lawson) **Postponed**
~~May 14~~ — Membership Meeting — Sirloin Stockade 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 meeting
~~May 20~~ — Stream Cliff Farms and Winery, Commiskey, IN (Meyers)
~~May 30-Jun 8~~ — MARC National Meet, Ashkosh, WI (Lawson/Sutton) **Cancelled**
- June 13 Tour de Cluck, Wagner's Village Inn at 12:30, Oldenburg, IN (Prohaska)
 June 13 Pancake Breakfast, Bloomington, IN (Sutton/Lawson)
 June 27 Hardy Lake Breakfast and Car Show (Lawson)
- July 11 Picnic at Brown County Park (Sutton, Lawson, Howell)
 July 22 Dine at Ford Garage, Noblesville, IN, Lunch 1pm (Lawson)
 July 25 Pitch-in Dinner and movie at The Historic Artcraft Theatre in Franklin (Dean)
- July 31-Aug 1 Clifty Falls Inn, Madison, IN (Meyers)
- August 7-9 Keck-Gonnerman Steam Show, Mount Vernon, IN (Morlock)
 August 22 Tri-club picnic at Johnson County Park, Indiana Live Steamers (Lawson)
- Sept 10 Membership Meeting - Sirloin Stockade 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 meeting
 Sept 12 Fire Truck Show, Seymour, IN (Ryder)
 Sept 19 North Vernon Airport Day (Huddleston)
 Sept XX Trip to Shipshewana, IN (K. Sullivan)
- October 3 "The Fords meet the Hudsons" at Ed Dathe's home (Dathe)
 October 8 Membership Meeting - Sirloin Stockade 5:30 Dinner, 6:30 meeting
 Oct 13-20 Fall Tour - Southern IL, KY, MO, IN (Sutton)
 October 31 Fall Foliage Tour (Jack/Linda Sullivan)
- November 12 Membership Meeting and Election of Officers - Sirloin Stockade 5:30 Dinner,
 6:30 meeting
- December 13 Christmas Party at Pines with Entertainment, 4pm, (Club Officers)

2020 On Your Own Tours

- March 20-21 Chickasha Swap Meet, Chickasha, Oklahoma
 March 21 Dine at Ford Garage, Noblesville, Lunch 1pm (Howell)
- ~~April 4 Franklin County Antique Machinery Swap Meet, Brookville, IN~~
~~April 18 Cobweb Tour, Metamora, IN (Greenwood Club)~~
- May 8-10 Wings over Muscatatuck Migratory Bird Festival
 May 15-16 Hoosier Vintage Wheels Swap Meet and Car Show, Johnson County Fairgrounds
 Franklin
~~May 25 Progressive dinner (Greenwood Club)~~
~~May 31 Jun 5 MAFCA Midwest Regional Meet, Overland Park, Kansas~~
- June 6 Elizabethtown Parade - lineup 10am, parade 11am. Contact Gale Greathouse
 812-390-9857
 June 6 Columbus Municipal Airport Aviation Day and Car Show
 June 7 Lawrenceburg Flea Market
 June 9 EEA Chapter 1328, B17 and B25 Bomber visit, North Vernon, IN
 June 21-26 MAFCA National Convention, Yo Ranch Resort, Kerrville, TX
- August 6-9 72nd Pioneer Engineers Club Reunion, Steam Engines, Rushville, IN
 August 6-8 Michigan Round-Up, Auburn Hills, MI (Oakleaf Region MARC)
 August 17-20 Indiana Grand Auto Tour, Columbus, IN
 August 20-23 Greensburg Power of the Past, Decatur County Fairgrounds, Greensburg, IN
 August 26-29 Tri-state Gas Engine and Tractor Show, Jay County Fairgrounds, Portland, IN
 August 29 Bartholomew County Historical Society, Reeves Festival @ Breeding Farm
- Sept 10-13 White River Valley Antique at Elnora
 Sept 12-13 Brown County Antique Machinery Show and Flea Market
 Sept 12-13 Scottish Festival, Columbus, IN
 Sept 12-13 Old Car Festival at Greenfield Village, Dearborn, MI
 Sept 18-19 10th Annual Model A Day Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI
 Sept 18-19 Hoosier Vintage Wheels Swap Meet and Show, Johnson County Fairgrounds
 Sept 19 Hot Rods and Rock & Roll, Columbus IN
 Sept 24-27 Franklin County Antique Machinery Show, Brookville, IN
- Oct 4-6 Newport Antique Hill Climb, Newport, IN
 Oct 7-10 Hershey Swap Meet, Hershey, PA
 Oct 23-25 Fall Foliage Tour (Greenwood Club)

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Going Places is the official publication of the Columbus Model A Restorers Club Region and the Columbus Model A Ford Club of America Chapter. The general purpose shall be to encourage the members to acquire, preserve, restore, exhibit and make use of the Model "A" Ford vehicle, model years 1928 through 1931 and all things pertaining to the Model "A" Ford, including literature, technical and historical information and to promote the introduction of ideas and fellowship for the enjoyment of its members.

This publication is mailed or emailed to members and editors of similar publications monthly. Meetings are the second Thursday of the month. We invite members to submit articles containing technical Model A information and other interesting tidbits for publication in this newsletter.

Classifieds

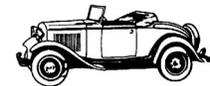


Large Model A Sale

1929 Tudor Sedan, 1931 Closed Cab Pickup, 1930 complete rolling chassis with engine

13 wheels (19" & 21") 7-21" tires, Starter, 2 Generators, Complete Engine with starter and carb, 2 sets of Headlights, Engine block with crank and cam, 2 Heads, 1930 Heaters, 1929 Radiator, 2 Radiator Shells, 2 sets of Rear Bumpers, 2 Rear Cross Member Spacers, 3 Carbs, Intake Manifold for dual carb setup, 1 box of Sparkplugs, 2 Arms for side mount tires, Tool to spread frame

Call Richard Hite at 317-535-1003



1930 Model A Cabriolet For Sale

The car has had a complete restoration. It has a 12V system and an alternator that looks like an ordinal generator. Every nut and bolt has been restored along with a Lebaron Bonney interior top and boot that was professionally installed. The car is the correct color as original. Everything has been replaced or restored. New Coker Tires and tubes. Original mechanical brakes and shocks. New wood where needed. The car drives like new.

Call James Cook at 513-520-6599

