



Rumbleseat Review

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Beehive A's - The Model A Ford Club of Northern Utah

Prez Message:

Greetings Model A'ers!

At one time in my life I had thought about being a Mechanic as my preferred occupation. I chose, however, to do something else. It had nothing to do with anything, except the desire to have clean hands. I found, after a year of working as a fleet mechanic for my Grandfather's company, Linford Bros. Glass, I could no longer get my hands "clean". I still have many of the skills necessary to fix just about anything, which I haven't decided is a blessing or a curse. I can learn what I need to be able to fix things, old and new. Some things have changed a lot since the 1920's and 30's, and others are pretty much the same. And, believe it or not, I find working on vehicles to be relaxing and rewarding.



So here I am, looking at three major projects sitting in the rain in my driveway. I sometimes think that maybe I did become a mechanic...just super part time, and I don't get paid for it.

I hope everyone had a great ride Saturday. The weather was perfect. I am divided on what I would have rather done: gone to breakfast, and then to Cabela's or helping my son tear down his differential which included a trip to go pull a carrier out of a donor truck at the scrap yard. One would have been more fun for

me but, the other more beneficial for me and my son.

I am looking forward to our next meeting! We will again be meeting at Dean Murray's place in Farr West (1812 N. 2000 W.), and the next month, May, at the Eilander/Stoker home in North Ogden!

I'll see you all there!

Ride On! Prez. Dave

Pics from the March Meeting:



Ten club members drove their A's to the March meeting.

The two phases of the 'Dust-Off-Tour'

A. The Dust-Off tour, the last Saturday of March, was a rained-out bust; however kudos go to these die-hards: **Clay Pitkin, Jim Brown, Richard Hildreth, Phil Steiger**, and their families and friends. These souls ventured out into the 'Wash the Dust Off your Model A in the Rain Out Tour' where they met at the Golden Corral in Layton for breakfast. Thanks to Jim Brown for providing these pics.



B. Though it was April Fool's day, the weather did not fool with us for the second attempt on a cool but perfect day at the Dust-Off tour. Breakfast at the Golden Corral and then a leisurely drive on down to Cabelas and then home. Ten club members drove their Model A's.



We know our brakes on our Model A's, cast iron drums, brake shoe linings and all. However what's the deal with the brakes on this modern vehicle at the Golden Corral parking lot?

Out & About:

Our condolences go out to **Russ Baker** and family for the recent passing of Russ' dad. Do consider signing the pass around sheet for a tech talk or provide the refreshments. The club voted to pay for the lunches at the Solar Eclipse Tour. **Randy Ropelato** passed around a sign up sheet indicating an interest in a Durango tour for next year. **Harlan Fulmer** has a Dick Cheney rebuilt engine for sale plus a transmission, clutch, and other parts. He may be reached at 801-731-0751. **Craig Berry** provided the refreshments. Many thanks to **Dean Murray** for providing his upstairs business rumpus room for our last meeting.

*****A's Club Meeting for April*****

Monday April 10, 7:00 p.m. at
1812 N. 2000 W. Farr West, Ut.

Bldg. at Northeast Corner of intersection.

Enter front door to insurance agency

Upstairs to meeting room.

Bring a chair or you might sit on the floor!

The same place where we met last month



Check out these handy MAFCA Model A Technical Tips Q&A's.

Brought to your awareness by Randy Christiansen. Thanks

http://www.mafca.com/tqa_member_tips.html



Dan/Christie Johnson on a maiden voyage at the Dust-Off Tour in their rare but sweet 1931 slant window Cabriolet.

The Heart of the Problem

R. W. And the Cardiologist

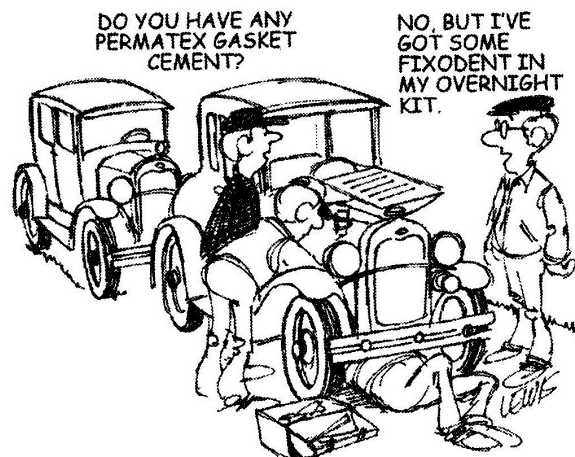
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Back in ancient history, the 1950's, Ray Wheelwright as a kid working in an auto shop removing a cylinder head from the motor of an 'A' coupe when a well-known heart doctor entered. The cardiologist was there to have the mechanics take a look at his Lincoln Town Car when Ray shouted across the garage, "Hey Doc, want to take a look at this?"

The cardiologist, a bit surprised, walked over to where Ray was working. R. W. straightened up, wiped his hands on a rag and asked, "So Doc, look at this engine. I opened its heart, took the valves out, repaired or replaced anything damaged, and then put everything back in, and when I finished, it works just like new."

"So how is it that I make \$2,400 a year and you make \$97,000 when you and I are doing basically the same work?"

The Doc paused, leaned over and whispered, "Son, try doing it with the engine running."



Will Rogers on Henry Ford and the Automobile

Did you know that Will Rogers actually nominated Henry Ford for President of the United States on May 31, 1923 in New York City? He said Democrats are the middle of the road party, Republicans are the straddle the road party and dubbed Henry Ford as head of what he called the "All Over The Road" party; his speech said Mr. Ford should win the election since he already carries 2/3rd of the American public and concluded with the remark, "There's no reason there shouldn't be a Ford in the White House, they're everywhere else."

Club Calendar Events

- May 8: Club meeting at the Eilander/Stoker home. 6:00 p.m.
 13: Tour to Oakley and its infamous Diner--a possibility.
 20: Utah Valley University. Swap meet.
- June 3: RC Willey Car Show.
 9-11: Boise, Treasure Valley 4 Banger 400 back country of southern Ida.
 23: West Haven car show 5:30-9:30 p.m.
 17: Swap Meet at Autoliv Parking in South Ogden.
 23-25: Antique Power Show, Wallsburg, Ut.
- July 4: Layton City Celebration Parade.
 16: Show our A's and 'T' assembly. Craig Berry sponsor.
 24: Ogden Pioneer Days Parade.
 29: Stags car show, Plain City park.
- August 10: Under the Stars Car Show. Clinton City ball park.
 21: Idaho Solar Eclipse Tour, Soda Springs to Irwin, Ida.
- September 9: Peach Days Car Show. Brigham City.
 7-17: Utah State Fair. Model T assembly. Doug Jenkins sponsor.
 16: Swap Meet at Autoliv Parking in South Ogden.
 24 - 29: MAFCA National Pacific Coast Highway tour
- Other: Salty A's--Ely NV., Car games, and youth involvement.

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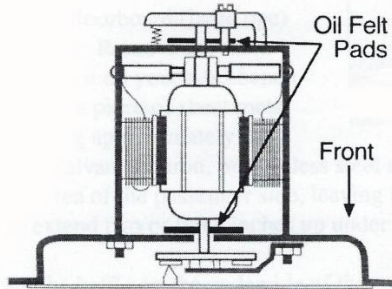
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PS/Quote: God gave us shin bones so we could find trailer hitches in the dark.

HORN LUBRICATION

Lubricating their horn is one item that some people overlook. There are two felt pads at the armature area of your horn. Put two (2) drops of 3-1 type oil on each felt oiler pad about two times a year and this will help keep your horn working. **DO NOT OVER OIL.**



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