

April 2020



"T" DRIVER



SOUTHERN NEVADA MODEL T CLUB
A CHARTER MEMBER OF THE M.T.F.C.A.

April Birthdays

28th – Jerry Karr, 28th – Randy Kidd, 30th –Gabor Orosz

April Anniversaries

11th – Aaron & Eileen Passman, 14th – Jon & Pam Bibbens
23rd Frank & Sukhi Ross

Officers for 2020

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OUR GOALS ARE:

- To Promote The Model T Ford
- To Promote the Preservation and Restoration of This National Treasure
- To Provide Information and Assistance to All Interested People



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"T" DRIVER EVENTS

Saturday AM Tours

Note: All Saturday tours meet at 7:30 AM and leave at 8:00 AM from:
 White Cross Plaza (Oakey & Main St.)
 Call John Warren for details 702-353-4436

Club Meetings

Meetings 2nd Tuesday of the month 7:00 PM
 @
 Skyline Hotel & Casino
 1741 N. Boulder Hwy.
 Henderson, NV 89011

Proposed Club Calendar ???

~~Apr 7th~~ – Aliante Golf Club
 3100 W. Elkhorn Rd.
~~Apr 11th~~ – Winchell's Pub & Grill
 199 E. Warm Springs
~~Apr 14th~~ – Meeting Skyline 7:00 PM
~~Apr 18th~~ – O'Aces 4955 S. Decatur
~~Apr 25th~~ – Breakfast @ DeDe's
 1317 Palm St. Henderson
 May 2nd – Moe's Race Day Café
 6825 Speedway Blvd.
 May 9th – Las Vegas Days Parade
 May 9th – Cookout @ Carson's

Webmaster - Ron Custer

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Newsletter Contributions

Terry Sago 702-373-2321 or email:
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SOUTHERN NEVADA MODEL T CLUB

Minutes of the March 10, 2020 Meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:55 pm by Terry Handy, President.

OFFICERS ROLL	PRESIDENT	TERRY HANDY
	VICE PRESIDENT	EUGENE RAMSEY
	SECRETARY	CHERYL SAGO
	TREASURER	HAROLD MANN
	MEMBERSHIP	GARY COOPER
	TOUR MASTER	JOHN WARREN (absent)
	TOUR MASTER	DE DE LAGROW
	NEWSLETTER	TERRY SAGO
	HISTORIAN	TERRY SAGO
	WEBMASTER	RON CUSTER
	JR. AMBASSADOR	CARSON COMBS

NEW MEMBERS None

SECRETARY Cheryl reported that a new form was designed for minute taking. The visit to see the vintage train is still undecided due to owner's illness. She has collected dues from several renewing members. Terry and Cheryl did a photo shoot with a Canadian couple with their Model T. Noted that they will miss the next 2 meetings but Dirick Van Gorp has agreed to fill in. Thanks to Dirick!

TREASURER Harold gave report for March.

VP REPORT None

HISTORIAN/
NEWSLETTER Terry reported that 89 newsletters were mailed and emailed. We are trading newsletters with other clubs and getting new ideas for our club. He explained what the insurance for our club was from the National Club after speaking to Susan Yeager, and asked the members to give him your National Club number so we meet minimums to be insured. Books were made available from the lending library. He reported that Helldorado Days is now called Las Vegas Days. The Las Vegas Historical Preservation Committee has requested that our club participate and be willing to accommodate them to ride in our cars in the parade, needing enough cars to transport 5-10 people.

WEBMASTER Ron was called away unexpectedly and was unable to give a report.

TOUR MASTERS DeDe reported that the April 25th breakfast was still scheduled for her home. Participants should wear their hats as there would be a fashion show as part of the festivities. She also commented that when the club is on the Saturday tours, the tour master should hold the group beyond a red light until the group catches up, then continue to keep the group together. The May 9th breakfast tour will now be a lunch at the Comb's residence, immediately following the Las Vegas Days Parade at approximately 1pm.

OLD BUSINESS The DMV has new 2020 guidelines regarding odometer readings for registration renewal on our Model T's. Harold says to put "not available" and it will go through.

NEW BUSINESS It was voted and approved that the club will participate in the Las Vegas Days parade on May 9th, and members in attendance committed to how many riders they could accommodate. The parade runs from 10am-12pm, and staging takes place on Fourth St. from Charleston Blvd. to Gass Ave. Parade route is north on Fourth St. Harold officially turned over the Treasurer job to Cheryl Sago.

50/50 DRAWING Won by Carson Combs, \$16 to Carson and \$15 to the club. Meeting adjourned 7:45pm.

Treasurer's Report

Monthly Total	\$XXXX.XX
8 Re-Ups	\$XXX.XX
50/50 drawing (\$60.00)	\$XX.XX
1 Hat	\$XX.XX
Gift	\$XX.XX
Club Supplies	(\$XXX.XX)
February Ending Balance	\$XXXX.XX

Harold Mann

Starting in April, Cheryl Sago will be taking over for Harold as treasurer. If you have any dues to pay or financial business with the club, please contact her at (702) 373-5150

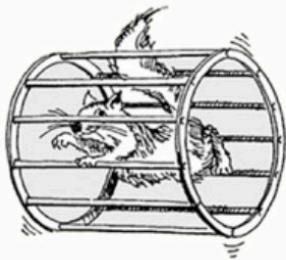


**Ralph Wilson in 1916 Model T
"Tim Wilson's Grandfather"**

Plans Can Be Changed

We are putting this newsletter together two weeks or so before it is actually being published and due to the uncertainty of the world with the Coronavirus, most events are cancelled. We are leaving everything intact with the calendar in this newsletter, but keep in mind that most of it is wishful thinking. Let's continue to plan for the breakfast at DeDe's, the cookout at Carson's and the Las Vegas Parade, maybe we will just alter the dates. If something is a for sure we will get word to you in plenty of time for you to participate. One of the best things about this club has been the socialization that we have experienced with the group and now we miss that greatly. The members in this club come from all walks of life, but we have all become instant friends. Henry Ford probably never imagined how many friendships that a Model T could make, even a hundred years down the line. Don't forget that if you really are in need, reach out. All of our numbers are at the beginning of this newsletter.

Terry & Cheryl



A special thanks goes out to Dirick Van Gorp. Dirick is taking on the job of our drawing chairman. He will be handling our 50/50 drawing as well as our hat and pin sales.

Magnetic Club Signs

Ron Custer has succeeded in getting magnetic signs made for our cars. We can use these for promoting our club at public events. Just \$5 each, call Ron (702) 460-4474.



Model T Ambulances

During World War I the Ford Model T was one of the most widely used vehicles. The British Army alone used some 19,000 of them. What made the Model T popular was its reliability, ruggedness, low cost and ease of maintenance and repair.

Henry Ford himself, was dead set against the war. He was one of the leading figures in the "Keep America Out of the War" movement. Even so, Ford did not refuse to sell chassis to the Military, but he made sure that Ford Motor Company did not manufacture any body parts for the military. Ford supplied the chassis, engine and running gear. These were then taken to various body and carriage makers who made the appropriate body. Both Model T's and T truck chassis were converted into staff cars, utility vehicles, machine gun cars and ambulances.

Legend has it that the first ten ambulance bodies were made out of the wood from the transport crates. Later bodies were produced by the coach builder Kellner of Boulogne, near Paris. The light wooden body was mounted on a standard Model T auto chassis and could carry three stretchers or four seated patients. The ambulance version's light weight made it well-suited for use on the muddy and shell-torn roads in forward combat areas. If stuck in a hole, a group of soldiers could lift one without much difficulty.

Many American field service men and Red Cross volunteer drivers, including writers Ernest Hemingway and Bret Harte and cartoonist Walt Disney drove Model T ambulances.

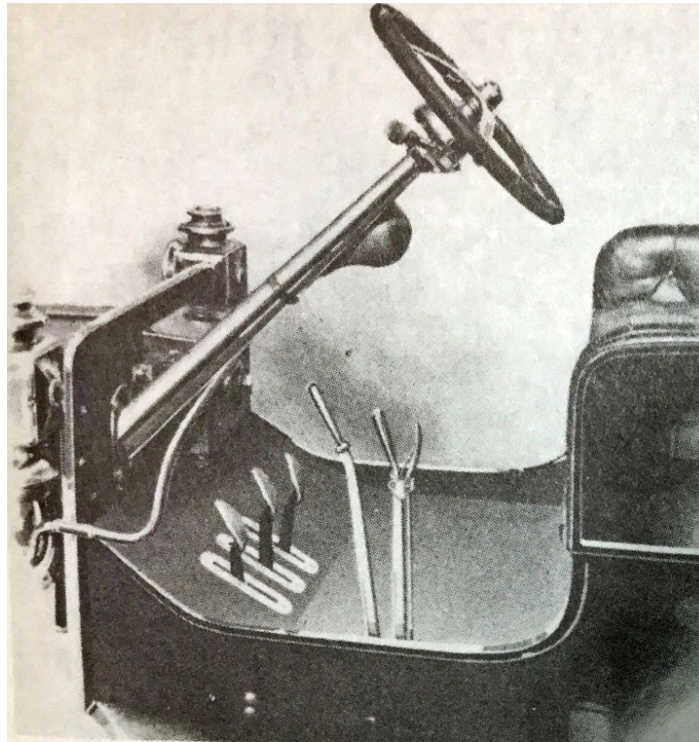


"Hunka Tin," a poem written as a parody on Rudyard Kipling's "Gunga Din," appeared in the American Field Service Bulletin and was used in Ford dealers' advertising throughout the United States. *Yes, Tin, Tin, Tin.*

*You exasperating puzzle, Hunka Tin.
I've abused you and I've flayed you,
But by Henry Ford who made you,
You are better than a Packard, Hunka Tin.*

Words of Wisdom

"I talk to myself, because there are times I need expert advice"



What Is Wrong With This Picture?

Before the Model T, Ford's cars had right-hand steering, a holdover from horse and buggy days when the driver wanted to judge his distance from the road edge. With the Model T, however the driver was moved to the left side where he could better judge oncoming traffic. Also the passengers could dismount safely onto the roadside or sidewalk instead of the center of the road that was typically layered with horse manure.

The first 800 or so Model T's built had a two-pedal, two-lever system: one pedal was the brake and the other was the clutch. Forward and reverse gears were selected by one lever and the second lever controlled the parking brake. There is a very small number of surviving Model T's to have the original two-pedal, two-lever transmission, along with an early water-pump-equipped engine. In mid-1909, Ford switched to the Model T's standard three-pedal, one-lever transmission. The three-pedal system was used until Model T production ended.

In the photo you will see two levers and three pedals. There were never any cars built with this configuration. This illustration was taken from an early parts catalog. (Obviously the artist was not a Model T owner.)

Pie Wagon News

February 19, 2020 101 years ago today, in the news, it was announced that a parade for the returning soldiers of the Great War would be held here in the Nation's Capital. The 1914 Model T Pie Truck of the Connecticut~Copperthite Pie Baking Company was in that tribute to those who served, and the celebration of the end of the deadliest conflict known to mankind. One year ago, last year that exact same truck participated in the 100th Anniversary of the end of WWI and followed much of that same parade route down Pennsylvania Avenue.

Today we meet with the powers to be at the Museum of American History of the Smithsonian to offer them the truck for display as a gift from our family...like we did in 1903 for a pie wagon that has been on display there which has historical significance, as it was part of the revolution in sanitation, refrigeration, transportation, cooking, and marketing of foods for the household by the largest pie baking concern on the planet. It started right here in Georgetown in 1885.

Mike Copperthite



DeDe's

Breakfast & Hat Fashion Show

Saturday, April 25th (Postponed)

Join the regular Saturday tour from White Cross Plaza or head straight to DeDe & Frog LaGrow's house for breakfast. Bring your favorite gal, dress for the 20's and wear your special hat.

Breakfast will be an exquisite fare from DeDe's kitchen at 9:00 am.

1317 Palm St. Henderson, NV 89011

Just off Boulder Hwy.

(Between Sunset & Warm Springs)



The Southern Nevada Model T Club has been asked by the Las Vegas Historic Preservation Commission to provide transportation to their members in The Las Vegas Days Parade (formerly Hellsdorado). If you would like to drive your T or any other vintage car in the parade please let Terry Sago know. We need to know how many passengers that you can accommodate. We have been assured to have a spot at the beginning of the parade.

The parade will be held downtown along 4th Street between Gass & Ogden.

Proposed Time & Date: 10:00 a.m. Saturday, May 9th



Mimi's Café Henderson Feb 22, 2020

"What's a little rain?"

"Thinking is the hardest work there is, which is probably the reason why so few engage in it."

Henry Ford



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Needed: Book donations for the new SNMTC Lending Library

We are looking for any of your old Model T books, vintage automobile books or maybe some old highway travel books. We are actually looking for any books that you would think that your fellow Model T owners would like to read. Bring them to the next meeting or breakfast that you attend. If you get an email copy of your newsletter there will be an attachment that contains a list of the books we already have.

2020 MEMBERSHIP & RENEWAL APPLICATION FORM

Annual dues of \$30.00 per household membership

Make checks payable to **SNMTC** Mail to **6916 Hawaiian Sky Ct., Las Vegas NV 89131**

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Please list your Model T and/ or any other vintage vehicles owned:

Year	Make	Model	Body Style

MTFCA NO: _____



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Cookout at Carson's

May 9th 1:00 pm **(Proposed)**

We're planning a visit to Carson Comb's ranch for a cookout. Pulled pork, rolls, salad, cookies and more.

See the Comb's collection: firetruck, horse drawn hearse, chuckwagon, old cars and even more stuff.

Also, Think About Joining The National Club

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