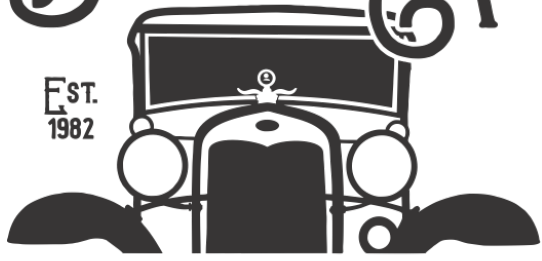


BEEHIVE A's Rumble Seat Review

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Maintenance Day April 2023



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President's Message

Mike Nichols

April was a very busy month for our club. We visited three schools in support of MAFCA's youth month, worked at the Salt Lake Auto Auction for our member and friend Russ Baker, held a garage day at V.P. Bill's house, and had a great drive and picnic at Antelope Island. Several members that came to the garage day asked that we have more garage days, so we will meet as a board and see if we can put another one on the schedule soon.

I really want to express my appreciation to the members who volunteered at the auction and at the schools. One of my fears as president is that we schedule these types of activities, and then have no members step up and help. Not this club, we are a club full of doers and it sure makes my job easier.

In January's newsletter, I mentioned a goal of mine for 2023 was to be brave and drive my car longer distances. The Antelope Island trip was the furthest from the barn my horseless carriage has been! Amazingly enough, Jan and I made it home safely. I believe the trip out and back from North Ogden was about 70 miles. We got home just in time, as my car started to make a nasty noise within a few miles of our house. It sounds like it is coming from the front of the engine compartment, maybe a bearing in the generator or water pump, or worse, something wrong with the cam sprocket. Hopefully my problem is not serious, and I will be ready for the Bear River Bird Refuge tour next month. See you at our next meeting.

Pres Mike

New Members

We had a new member in April, Troy Evans, son of longtime member Chuck Evans joined during our April meeting.

Next Meeting

Our May meeting will be held:

Monday, May 8, 2023 7:00 PM

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Pleasant Valley Library
5568 S Adams Avenue
Washington Terrace, UT 84405

Henry Dominguez will provide a presentation on early Ford dealerships.

Past Events

APRIL MEETING

President Mike Nichols called the meeting to order. He noted that Chuck Evans brought his son, Troy Evans, with him and he joined the club. Welcome Troy!

Mike covered the upcoming calendar which is available on our website <https://beehivea.com/upcoming-events>. Events are also listed in the newsletter in the long-range calendar section.

Dean Murray once again offered to host us for a summer get together at his home on August 19th. This will be the third time he has hosted us and it's always been a great time with LOTS of Model A's and a few other classic cars. The address will be provided as we get closer to the date.

Jim Brown provided a treasure's report and noted we are about where we expect to be in funding. He also noted we need to locate sponsors for the Ogden Pioneer Day's parade.

May is MAFCA Youth Month and Mike and Bill Wiser have been working with some of the high schools to get our Model A's to the schools auto shop departments. We'll announce dates, times and locations via email.

President Mike Nichols held a fun quiz on identifying the type of body style and year of car as well as if they were standard or deluxe. The winner received a steel panel with the Beehive A's logo on it.

Heidi and Clay Pitkin provided the refreshments.

MAINTENANCE DAY

We held maintenance day on April 15th at Bill Wiser's shop. We had about 15 to 20 attending and there were about 10 Model A's and other classics.

Mike Bachman got to have a look under his "32" ford while Randy Christiansen performed a through inspection.



Several cars were timed and other maintenance was performed. Bill provided some very nice soda and we all had a great time. We anticipate more of these to be done in the future. It was a great opportunity to get some work done on your car and for everyone to learn new procedures.

MAFCA YOUTH MONTH

Well, May is MAFCA Youth Month and the Beehive A's stepped up to the plate early. Working with the local high schools we fit nicely into their schedule mid- and end of April.

Bill Wiser kicked us off at Fremont High.

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The Beehive As club was invited to participate in the Fremont High School Pack Party on Friday April 14th. We had a great showing from club members and were able to nearly overwhelm the area set aside for cars. While there were a few other vehicles there, most of the cars on display were our Model As.

The party is an annual event towards the end of the school year and gives the kids the opportunity to venture outside for their lunch period. The school had also opened the front of the building for games, a petting zoo, military recruitment with a climbing wall and several food trucks. The auto shop teacher, Mr. Erisoty, was really grateful for our involvement and for taking the time to make the visit to the school. He even got a personal tour and lesson on the ownership of a Model A and by Karen Stoker/Eilander. We had several kids stroll around the cars and were able to share some thoughts about the cars with them. Thanks to all those who took the time out of their busy schedule to come up and participate at this fun event.



The Beehive A's again pulled together to do show and tell at Bonneville High in Washington Terrace on Friday, April 28th. Adam Arndt was the shop teacher that hosted us and we met with three or four classes. Ray Wheelwright, Dennis Thompson, Mike Bachman all brought cars and Dirk Youngberg attended to help out.

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We had a good representation of cars, a '29 Phaeton, a '29 Tudor, a '30 Sports Coupe and a '30 Murray Fordor. Ray took the lead with some history on Model A's, he also spoke about the tools that came with the car. We adjourned to the shop to show the differences between the models and some of the features Model A's shared.



The students asked some good questions which we tried to answer. Dennis and Mike gave rides to everyone who wanted one and in the end Mr. Arndt had us line to cars up on the streets to have a photo taken with all the students. They asked us to come back next year. We even ran into a student that had his own A. Invitations were extended to attend our next meeting if they had interest.

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Also, on April 28th we met at the Ogden-Weber Technical College, this time the Beehive A's brought seven cars to display. The students were very attentive and interested in seeing and hearing about our cars. Both OWTC and Bonneville High asked us to come back and visit them again next year. Thank you to our members for taking the time to help create interest in a future generation of Model A's.



THE SALT LAKE CLASSIC CAR AUCTION



We had a great weekend helping our member and friend, Russ Baker, at the Salt Lake Auto Auction. There were about a dozen Beehive members there to help move cars on and off of the auction block. It was interesting to see such a variety of automobiles that went across the auction block, we saw antiques, classics, motorcycles, muscle cars, old foreign luxury cars like Mercedes Benz and Rolls Royce, and even a few Model A's. There were over 100 vehicles staged on Friday inside of a large convention hall and then on Saturday we put a driver in the cars one, hooked up a tow rope to a golf cart, and towed the vehicles up near the auction block. Russ had arranged for some youth groups to push the cars onto the auction block and then off the block after the bidding ended. We then hooked the cars back up to the golf carts and towed them back to the staging area. Some of our members drove the golf carts and some of our members drove the cars behind the golf carts. All-in-all it was a fun day hanging out with friends and observing the auction process. This was a fund raiser for the club and we thank those who helped out, especially those who went down on both Friday and Saturday.



ANTELOPE ISLAND TOUR

We kicked off our good weather touring season with a trip out to Antelope Island. It was a beautiful spring day and it appeared all have a good time, I certainly did. It appeared that we had around 20 cars make the trip, even some friends from the Salty A's joined in. Our timing was pretty good, warm enough but not too buggy yet. We did coat our windshields pretty good with smashed bugs as we crossed the causeway but once we got the ranch, the bugs were not bothersome. We had about a 15-minute delay as a heard of buffalo decided to cross the road in front of us. It was especially fun to see the new calves.

UPCOMING EVENTS

We will be traveling to Island Park/Yellowstone during September 13th to 17th to tour. Rooms are going quickly so you **REALLY** need to book soon.

Dennis Thompson will be organizing an overnigher to Evanston, WY on August 11.

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2024 MAFCA Awards Banquet

We are still planning this event. We need two volunteers to solicit donations and someone to build a quilt to raffle (MAFCA will pay for the materials).

Long Range Calendar

Please see our calendar of upcoming events at <https://beehivea.com/upcoming-events>

Date/Time	Event	Locations
May 8	Club Meeting 7:00 PM	Pleasant Valley Library Washington Terrace
May 20	Classic Car Show	962 W Porter Ln. West Bountiful
May 21	Jelsco Car Show	1150 W Highway 89, Harrisville, UT
May 27	Bear River Bird Refuge Club Tour	Meet at Smith and Edwards 11:00 AM, bring a lunch (NOTE TIME CHANGE!)
June 2	Photo Reproduction Club Event	25 th Street and Wall Ave 7:00 AM Opportunity to reproduce an original era photo with our cars. Individual car photos can be taken upon request.
June 2	Historic 25 th St Car Show	25 th Street Ogden, UT
June 3	Youth Impact Car Show	South End of Ogden Airport
June 4	Mountain West Street News	Roy Municipal Park
June 10	Garage Day Club Event	Doug Jenkins 2088 N 3700 W Plain City, UT 10:00 am to 2:00 pm
June 10	Sounds of Freedom Car Show	Layton Commons Park

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June 10	Grinchfest Car Show	South Jordan
June 11-16	MAFCA Midwest Regional	Breckenridge, CO
June 16-18	Rockin Rust Revival Car Show	6/16 Bear Lack Cruise 6/17 Car Show Woodruff Park 6/18 Salt Flat Cruise
June 24	East Canyon Tour	Meeting location and time TBD.
June 24 th	Back to the 50's Car Show	Heber City Park
June 29-30, July 1	Cache Valley Cruise-In	Logan, UT
July 8	Heavy Hitters Car Show	Weber County Fairgrounds
July 29	Westsider's Car Show	West Bountiful City Park
August 12	Junction City Classic Car Show	Ogden, UT
August 14	Club Meeting 7:00 PM With a Swap Meet at 6:00 PM	Pleasant Valley Library Washington Terrace
September 13 to 17	Island Park Club Tour	Island Park and Yellowstone (not the series)

Want a Complete Calendar of Events?

Go to our website at <https://beehivea.com/upcoming-events> and see what's lined up for the year.

Tech Corner

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

If you have questions you would like to have discussed at an upcoming meeting, please send them to us at beehiveas1@gmail.com. Because of lead time in preparing the Newsletter, questions arriving less than two weeks before a meeting will be published in the following Newsletter for discussion at the following meeting.

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VAPOR LOCK

We all know what it is. The gasoline has changed states from liquid to a vapor in the fuel line. What causes it? High temperatures, low atmospheric pressures and the fuel. Fuel is blended for the season. Winter blend has a lower vapor pressure (boiling point) than summer blend.

Moving down the highway increases air flow around the engine cooling the fuel line, we're operating at a higher RPM which makes the fan speed higher. This can have a cooling effect on the fuel line. Stopping to idle slows the air flow down and with the fuel line location close to the exhaust system can create vapor in the line, so you may first notice the symptoms when idling or starting from an idle.

Mike Bachman reminded me of the farmer fix for vapor lock at our recent outing to Bonneville High. Clothes pins. I remember my father putting clothes pins on the fuel line in an effort to cure the issue. I don't know if this works or not or the rationale, do the clothes pins insulate the line. I recall dad claiming that they drew the heat off from the fuel line, but it seems pretty far-fetched to me.

What can be done to "cure" the problem? Chris Wickersham of the Santa Anna A's indicates the most effective method is to increase the boiling point of the fuel itself. He recommends fuel stabilizers such as Sta-Bil and other items such as Marvel Mystery Oil. A little bit of Diesel or Mineral Spirits in every tank full has been used by the flat head V-8 crowd for years in an effort to prevent vapor lock. For Sta-Bil he recommends following the directions, for Marvel Mystery Oil he recommends starting at 1 ounce per five gallons of fuel. Mineral Spirits or diesel fuel he uses a half-pint per 5 gallons of fuel. Diesel is his favorite as it's cost effective and readily available.

Oh, and by the way, ethanol free fuels have a higher vapor point than those containing ethanol.

You can find the full article at <https://www.santaanitaas.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/The-Dreaded-Vapor-Lock-CW-6-2022.pdf>

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Member Sales Corner

If you would like to place a free ad in the newsletter for Model A related items, please contact Kevin Youngberg at Beehiveas1@gmail.com. Ads MUST be in at least two weeks before the next meeting and will run for two consecutive months unless you notify me ahead.

Car for Sale:

Vaughn Nelson's wife has decided to sell a couple of his favorite cars. One is a 1928 Model A Tudor sedan. Some of the older club members knew this car and what a good running A it is. The history of this car is very interesting. While Vaughn was working for Hafer's Inc. he came across the old A at a friend's shop in the St. George area called Dixie Diesel. He kept his eye on the car for years before he got the chance to purchase it. One may say, big deal, it gets better. The owner of Dixie Diesel grandfather bought the Tudor brand new in 1928 and the car stayed in the family until Vaughn purchased it. To make things even better the VIN # on the original title matches the engine # in the car. How often do you hear of that in a Model A? He, of course, restored the old A and drove it throughout many of our Western States. During the restoration of the car, he built two engines for it, the one that's in the car now and the original engine that will go with the car. The last 5 or 6 years now the car hasn't run because he couldn't drive, but he loved to look at it and tell stories about the A. Now it's time for another owner, so they can tell the history behind the 1928 Model A Tudor when out on tours.

Any questions, want to look, or talk about the car, call Jim Nelson 801-547-7780 \$18,500.00

Not a show car just a sound rust free Model A with only two owners. How often do you find one like this, next to never. His 1940 Ford Sedan is also available, same type of history. Two owner Car.

Parts Wanted:

28/29 headlights, rear and front bumpers.
Mike Nichols 801-725-4833

Email: mtnichols@yahoo.com

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RPM TO MPH Correlation

Overdrives	Borg Warner	33.30%	Laycock	27%	Mitchell	26%						
Tire Size	Wheel Size	Rear End Ratio	O.D.	30 MPH RPM	35 MPH RPM	40 MPH RPM	45 MPH RPM	48 MPH RPM	50 MPH RPM	53 MPH RPM	55 MPH RPM	60 MPH RPM
600	16	378	N	1361	1588	1815	2042	2178	2269	2405	2496	2723
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600	16	354	N	1275	1487	1700	1912	2040	2125	2253	2337	2558
450	21	378	N	1271	1482	1694	1906	2033	2118	2245	2329	2541
500	19	354	N	1231	1436	1641	1846	1969	2052	2175	2257	2462
450	21	354	N	1190	1388	1537	1785	1904	1983	2102	2182	2380
600	16	411	Y	1036	1209	1381	1554	1658	1727	1811	1900	2072
500	19	411	Y	1000	1167	1334	1501	1601	1667	1767	1834	2001
450	21	411	Y	967	1128	1289	1451	1548	1612	1709	1773	1934
600	16	378	Y	953	1112	1271	1429	1524	1588	1683	1747	1906
500	19	378	Y	920	1073	1227	1380	1472	1533	1625	1687	1840
450	21	378	Y	889	1038	1186	1334	1424	1482	1572	1631	1779

Sponsors



Ray Wheelwright provided this handy chart to help us figure out our RPM to MPH correlation. Thanks Ray!

Parts Wanted:

30-31 PU bed
Dennis Thompson
801-510-5837



Books Available:

Model A Judging Standards and Restoration Guidelines (very old edition)
Restorer's Model A Shop Manual by Jim Schield
How to Restore Your Model A, Volumes 1-5
Model A Ford Service Bulletins, 1957 Edition
Model A Ford Service Bulletins, 1972 Edition
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For Sale:

29 Ford Woody
29 Ford AA Dually
Steve Flint
435-757-3183

For Sale Engine Stands with Model A Engine Mounts

Two engine stands with Model A engine mounts \$60.00 each. Call Dan Johnson – 801-941-4834.