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

Prez Message

Friends--Some random thoughts: My son and I were talking about restoring and maintaining older vehicles. We discussed some of the older technologies, we came to the conclusion that "simpler is better", well, for most things anyway.

Sure, some advancements in technology are nice...like positraction differentials and fuel injection but computer controls have made things more complex. Now some of those complexities prevent many people from working on their own cars.

Just imagine being 85 years in the future, and trying to restore a 'classic car' from today. They might not even be able to get them running



Hatter Basil Combe at the swap meet

because the computers would be so rudimentary however people kind of stopped working on their own cars 85 year's prior, because of those computers. Kind of a "Catch 22". We really cannot tell how things will be then (I won't be around to see it first hand) so to the future car nuts: Good Luck!

I took my daughter up to Midway for the weekend. We went to the Erickson Antique Power Show and on the same weekend, Heber City had their Car Show. My daughter is an 'American Muscle' kid. She likes the classics as the '67 Impala, '67 Mustang, '69 Chevelle, and her personal favorite, the 1969 Ford Mach 1. At

some point, I will have to find her one of these cars and help her restore it. It is what she wants, and I wouldn't mind it.

Sure, it isn't an 85 year old Model A but it is simple and if she keeps it in another 42 years it will be 85 years old. Since she is 15, it isn't out of the realm of possibilities for her to have the car that long. And, just think in 42 years I'll be 88 and my Model A will be 128 years old. Prez Dave.

Out & About

Twenty-two Model A's were on display at the RC Willey car show; the largest showing of A's on any one day in Utah. This was a money maker for our club. By vote at our last meeting, the 'Breakdown Trophy' issue was 'tabled' and will be

brought up for discussion at the July meeting. Our thoughts and condolences go out to Hap Linger who lost his son Tracy this past May. Rex and Kitty Zollinger of the Salty A's of Salt Lake City are now our newest club members. Craig Berry won the raffle ticket money. The 'T' and 'A' technicians did a timed assembly of its ancient Model T at the Museum/Gas Station Porterville Car Rally on June 24th.



The Model T laid out and ready for assembly

June meeting at Marv/Gerogina Thurn's home



Many thanks to Marv and Georgina for their gracious invite and hospitably to their home in West Kaysville for our June club meeting. It was a very refreshing setting in their beautifully landscaped yard...some pics to remember the occasion.







Past President DeVere Brough Passes

Last month fellow Beehive A member, and former president of our club, DeVere Brough, passed away. Our condolences go out to his family and friends. We think back on the activities and events where we got to spend time with him and LaRee. He loved to restore antique cars. DeVere was a past president four times: 1985, 1986, 1991, and again in 1998 of our Beehive A's Model A car club.

Kathy Christiansen remembers DeVere & LaRee Brough as always active in our club. DeVere held several offices, and was our newsletter editor for many years. "I remember one of our trips to Wisconsin to attend a National MAFCA meet. Randy, myself, Ray/Mary Wheelwright, Ed/Beulah Niederhauser trailored our Model A's. What an adventure. Kristina was 3 years old. We had a great time.

Ed came home with a trophy. I also remember looking forward every year to an 'Old Fashioned Picnic' held at the Brough home. Always good food, and good friends together. I miss both of them. They were always there to lend a hand, and were wonderful friends."



DeVere and Laree Brough

Eldon Flinder's new sweet coupe

Contributed by Eldon

Ever since I was a teenager I have wanted a Model A to fix up. I have been looking ever since. When I retired in 2014, I found one, a 1930 coupe in Ogden. It ran but I did not trust it so pulled the motor thinking I could rebuild it myself. I discovered that it had to be rebored and also needed new babbitt bearings so it was taken to Bud Cheney to do the work. While the motor was in Idaho, I decided to do a complete ground up restoration. I took everything apart and rebuilt anything and everything that was rebuildable. I did all of the body repair and body work, and with a friends' help from where I worked, we painted it. I ordered the interior from LeBaron Bonney and installed it. I think it came out looking pretty good.

The color is not a Model A color, it is the same color as my son's 2016 mustang GT--Deep Impact Blue. It took me around 3 1/2 years working 0 to 4 to 6 hours a day. For my first Model A I think it came out pretty well. I would Like to thank Ray, Randy, Dan, and Tom, for all of their suggestions and especially my neighbour Steve Sessions for helping when I need an extra hand and pushing me along to get it done.



Pics from the swap meet





Layton City Fourth of July Parade Contributed by Dennis Thompson

Attending the parade was Marv
Thurn and grandson Hyrum, Jim
Brown and friend Pat, Clay and
Heidi Pitkin with their kids,
Randy and Cathy Christiansen,
Steve and Louise Sessions, Dave
and Jo Spinden, Dave Maminakis
and daughter Sydnee, Richard
Hildreth and daughter Jenny,
granddaughter Savanna, friend
Antonio, and then myself.



Antonio, and then myself. *From the vantage point of Dennis Thompson* Parade ran fast and there were no know problems.

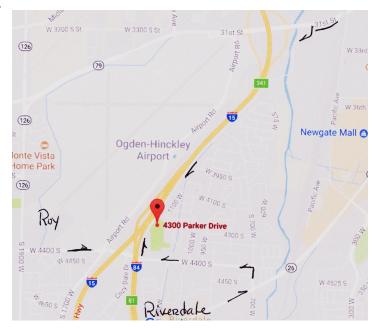
Incidently the previous weekend Clay Pitkin and family had a brush with law enforcement. Fortunately, Clay resolved the issue right there on the spot (fast talking and fast cash) and was able to avoid jail time to attend this parade.

(I suspect an explanation will be forthcoming at the next club meeting. The ed.)

Club Meeting forJuly

Monday July 10 7:00 p.m. at the Riverdale City Park 4300 South Parker Drive. Riverdale





Canyonlands Hub Tour October 7-11 2019 -- Kanab, Utah



This will be a hub and spoke tour of the Redrock Canyonlands of Southern Utah and Northern Arizona.

The tour will be based out of Kanab, Utah and travel through national parks and monuments of the area. The tour through Bryce Canyon, which sits at the northernmost part of the Grand Staircase and stretches to the north rim of the Grand Canyon, Bryce Canyon, Zion National Park, and the Grand Staircase-Escalate National Monument. Materials will be available in The Restorer and on the MAFCA website in early 2019.

Club Calendar Events

July 10 Beehive A's club meeting. Riverdale City Park 4300 S. Parker Dr.

15: Show our A's and 'T' assembly. McGriff Park, N. Ogden. Craig Berry sponsor.

24: Ogden Pioneer Days Parade. Jensen Auto Service sponsor. Afterwards BBQ at Stegen's Auto Body 3rd. Street and Kiesel Ave.

29: Stags Car Show, Plain City park. Model T Assembly and Swap Meet. 10:00 am-3:00 pm. All you can eat hot dogs.

Aug. 10: Under the Stars Car Show. Clinton City ball park. Model T Assembly.

21: Idaho Solar Eclipse Tour, Soda Springs to Swan Valley, Idaho area.

26: Kaysville Cool Cars & Cold Cones Car Show.

30-31 Salty A's >

Sept. 1-2. tour to Delta, Lehman Caves, Ely and Wendover Nv.

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.

October 7: Speak Easy, Ogden Conference Center. 6-10 pm. 3 cars needed.

December: Annual club officer installation and dinner party at Maddox.

Other: Car games, and youth involvement.

...and the question of the day is? If your Model A could travel at the speed of light, would your headlights work?



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