

Rumbleseat Review

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

Prez Message

Greetings, My Fellow

Beehive Model A'ers! We are getting ready to embark on a

Celestial Journey! While we, ourselves, might not be travelling to a distant planet or solar system, we will be able to see something in the heavens that we might only get to experience a few times in our lives: a 'Total Solar Eclipse.'

We might be a little crazy, headed up to what is bound to be a complete madhouse of people, but we will offer people a view of something else they won't see every day a group of beautifully restored Model A's.



Kids at the youth event drive the 'T'

I'm just wondering what most people will be looking at... a bunch of Model A's or the solar eclipse... Either way, I think it will be a lot of fun!

Even if you are not headed up to Idaho for a better look, at least take a minute to go outside and see the partial eclipse that will be visible from here in Utah. It isn't something you get to see every day.

Oh, and before I forget... I went out to Plain City to see the Model T assembly... They did it in 4:09! Congratulations! Another "Personal Best"!

2 Out and About

Our best wishes go to Shirley and Basil Combe as they pack up their duds and move to their second new home down in Beaver Dam, southern Utah. Rudi & Karen Stoker/Eilander attended long time member and past president Devere Brough's funeral. Flowers were sent by the club. Randy Christiansen and Ray Wheelwright gave DeVere a final remembrance "Aaogha" at the cemetery. Roy Van Orman blew the engine in his Model A speedster while going 87.5 mph, 3500 rpm, at the Bonneville Salt Flats. He is now looking for another 'B' block. The rear main seal shattered in Dave Spinden's '29 PU. It is now up at Bud Cheneys' in Idaho Falls being repaired. George Pravitt is giving his 'A' PU to his son who lives in Springville. He drove up to Ogden to drive the truck in Ogden's Pioneer Day Parade. The 'T & A Strippers' set a new record during the timed Model T assembly at the Stags' Car Show out in Plain City at 4 min. & 9 sec. Good going guys. Nine Model A's were at the past club meeting at the Riverdale City park.

The youth, A's - T's, event

Craig Berry spearheaded the club's youth involvement event by inviting the kids, their parents, and group leaders from his local church congregation to the rally. Burgers, franks, favorite dishes, plus accruement's galore satisfied the appetites of all attendees—especially Mary/Ray Wheelwrights' nine plus three bean soup.

Craig Berry summarized the afternoon's event in passing: "I spoke with my brother Rick, he said: 'the kids enjoyed it so much



they can't stop talking about it!' Kevin Fielding brought his 1925 TT--it was a huge hit when he allowed all the kids to drive it. The TA assembly was a huge success when we had the youth help with the first assembly: 9 min. 3 sec. wasn't a bad time at all with the kid's help! The food was great and I got a lot of positive feedback from the members."

Doug Jenkins directed the 'T & A Strippers' with the kids help to reassemble the 1924 Model T coupe. Roy Van Orman, as the public announcer, embellished the proceedings. Kudos goes to Kevin Fielding for taking the time to stand on his T's running board to direct each kid to drive the truck. Ten Model A's and three Model T's were present.

More pics of the youth A's & T's event





Ogden's Pioneer Days 24th. July Parade

Our thanks goes to Jensen Auto Service/Machine Shop for sponsoring us at the Pioneer Days Parade here in Ogden. The Hales family enhanced the turn out this year with their four Model A's and a 1916 Model T. Twenty vehicles in all participated in the parade with cars present from North Ogden to Bountiful.







The after the parade luncheon

At the conclusion of the Pioneer Days Parade, we ventured up Washington Blvd. to enjoy the ambience, thanks to the invitation of Jim Stegen of Stegen's Auto Body, at his secluded 'Hernando's Hideaway' in the mix of urban Ogden.

There we enjoyed a lunch break in the quaint shady landscaped surroundings of antiques, old cars and buildings. Dave Spinden spearheaded the lunch with the help of Kirk/Mary Clausse, Randy/Kathy Christiansen, Randy Ropelato, Karen Stoker/Eilander, and also thanks to

Clay and Randy as chefs.





The Fashion Guru Lady

Karen Stoker/Eilander is the caretaker of the shop jackets worn by the 'T & A Strippers' She saw to it that each jacket was imprinted with the Ford logo and the name of each assembler applied. She sees that they are laundered, and ironed. Thanks to her for a job well done.



Karen - the caretaker of the shop jackets



The 'T & A Strippers' do a camaraderie fist bump before each 'T' assembly.

an addition to a club member's inventory is...

A Model A tractor

This recent project that arose from left over parts and pieces is this imaginative creation of Dan Johnson, a much needed solution to snowplow his long and wide driveway. We also wish Dan a speedy recovery from recent knee replacement surgery.



The Breakdown Trophy

Ray Wheelwright is to receive back the 'Breakdown Trophy' and return it to its original configuration. And as decided at the last club meeting, the rules that were approved for the trophy back in 1987 are reestablished. To receive the trophy: 1. You have a breakdown on a club sponsored tour. 2. The trophy is passed on to the next breakdown person only on a club sponsored tour. 3. Flat tires, quick fixes, adjustments, and minor on the spot repairs that do not inhibit the tour's progress are grey area exceptions determined by those present at the time. The purpose of this is to encourage driving a well maintained functioning vehicle. A get out the 'A' for a personal about town breakdown does not qualify to receive the trophy.



The Salty A's Nevada tour

Info from Roy Van Orman

The Salty A's are in the final planning stage of their tour this August 30-31> September 1-2 tour out to Nevada. Those planning to do this Ely Tour to Lehman Cave, Delta, steam train, and Wendover need to notify Clyde Munson ASAP 801-376-0594. Tickets, hotel, and cave reservations are needed.



***Club Meeting *** August

Monday August 14, 6:30 p.m. /thereafter at the Home of Steve and Louise Sessions

1891 North 3000 West Clinton, Ut. Take 1800 N. Main Street in Clinton West to 3000 West Do bring a lawn chair and an appetite



Club Calendar Events

Aug. 12: Under the Stars Car Show. Sunset Central Park, 85 W. 1800 N. Sunset. Model T assembly at 4:30 & 6:30 p.m.

21: Idaho Solar Eclipse Tour, Soda Springs to Swan Valley, Idaho area. 30-31 Salty A's >

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

9: Peach Days Car Show. Brigham City.

16: Swap Meet at Autoliv Parking in South Ogden.

24-29 MAFCA National Pacific Coast Highway tour.

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

14: Providence Car Show

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

PS/Quote: Even duct tape can't fix stupid...but it can muffle the sound!

Wanted: Russ Baker is in need of a 1933 Utah licence to complete his collection. 801-544-1216 if you can part with one.





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