

# Rumbleseat Review

August 2018



### The Beehive A's of Northern Utah

#### Fords - Festivals - & Food



### **Temple Workers Appreciation:**

Twelve Model A's were displayed at the dinner July 14, along with cowboys, country music, dance, and much socializing at the park in West Haven.

Pics from the Youth Involvement Event car show and 'T' assembly in North Ogden at the McGriff Park on July 21. Great food: burger, dogs, chips, salads, fruits, dessert. What more could one ask for!







Thanks to Rick and Barbara Berry for hosting this event; to Doug Jenkins and the 'T & A' crew and to all those who participated and helped in any way.

Pics of the Ogden 24th Pioneers Days Parade



Twenty-six A's participated in the parade. Thanks to Rick Potokar and Jim Torghele for the parade pics and to Jensen Auto Service as our parade sponsor.

Also thanks goes to Jim Stegen for the invite and ambience in a unique secluded urban Shangri-La for our after the parade lunch. And thanks to Craig & Rick Berry and wives Jo and Barbara, Kirt Clausse, Rudi/Karen Eilander and Dave Spinden for putting this all together.



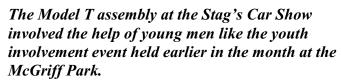


...just having a good laugh! That's what it is all about folks.

#### Stag's Car Show

The A's lined up taking advantage of the shade on a warm day out in Plain City on the  $28^{th}$ . Several hundred cars were there to be admired. Many activities took place such as the swap meet, raffle, Model T assembly, and again much food: dogs, chips, drinks, plus the socializing.









#### Layton July 4th Parade

Six cars were in the parade. Those attending were Dan/Chris Johnson, Jim Brown and his lady friend Pat Barber, Clay/Heidi Pitkin with their boys Brad and



Bryce, Dave Mananakis, Rick/Barbara Berry, plus Dennis Thompson with his four grandkids. A nice lunch in the cool air conditioning at Marie Calendars was enjoyed by all after the parade.

#### The Prez August message

We had a very eventful July and perhaps things will slow a little for August. On the 11th of August we have the Under the Stars Car Show in Sunset. I hope we will have a good showing from the club. That will be the last scheduled model 'T' timed assembly for the year; do come out and support the club.

I'd like to thank all who participated in the Model A youth social, it was a huge success. And thanks to all who helped with the food.

The picnic after the 24th July Ogden Pioneer Days Parade was also a resounding success. I believe everyone had a good time at both events.... I know I did!

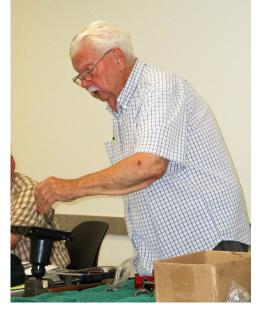
Thanks to Rudy and Karen Eilander for taking care of the Jensen Auto Service and Beehive A's banners for the 24th parade, a very inventive setup!

Our next meeting will be 13 August, 7:00 p.m. at the Pleasant Valley Library. See you there. Thanks Craig

#### **Clunker Clatter**

Jim Torghele presided at the last club meeting as Prez Craig was out of town. Dennis Thompson gave us insights into the happenings at the Reno MAFCA

Convention and the Layton 4<sup>th</sup> July parade. He may not do the Swap Meet in the future as it has not gained in popularity for the effort and cost expended. Doug Jenkins did the Model T assembly at car shows in West Haven and Franklin, Idaho. Bill Kesinger was introduced as a new member to the club. Jensen Auto Service was our sponsor at the Ogden Pioneer Days Parade. Dean Murray has invited us to his home in West Haven for an August backyard BBQ. Ray Wheelwright, assisted with Dennis Thompson, presented the 'Tech Talk' about the A's shifting tower. Four gents drove their A's on a hot July evening to the club meeting. Dave Spinden won the raffle drawing.



**Focus Reminders:** Russ Baker reminds all who are going on the Yellowstone 'A' tour to be at the August meeting as he will have the agenda, packets, and details ready for you. And...

Eldon Flinders will have the Beehive A's logo ballcaps for you to pick up also at the August meeting. The cost is \$17.00.

#### **Maiden Runs**

This nearly completed restoration of a very rusted Leatherback Fordor Sedan was brought out on a trial voyage to the youth involvement event at McGriff Park by member Mike Nichols. Beautiful work Mike.





And this finely embellished roadster also arrived at the park. It is the work of the Model T Ranch - Bear Lake guy Don McClellan, now of Brigham City. Don helped Richard Hales, the teenage son of Brent Hales, in the vehicle restoration. Now there are two new additions to the Model A hobby.

#### **Event Calendar**

Aug.: 11 Under the Stars Car Show, Sunset Central Park 85 W. 1800 N. 4 to 9 p.m. Model T assembly. Registration starts at 2 p.m.

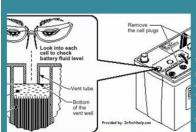
Sept.: 6-9 Yellowstone Park tour. Combined Beehive and Salty A's event.

- 22 International Model A Ford Day.
- Ardel Brown tribute, a last car show in his memory.

  Registration 8:00 a.m. Time 9:00+ 865 E. 12000 S. Draper, Ut.

#### Wanted - must have a pulse!

Jim Torghele is signed up and wanting to go on the Yellowstone tour. Charlotte will not be able to go. So, – Jim is looking for a companion. She must have her own teeth - Well -- most of her own teeth and at least one good eye. Inquiries— call Jim at 801-645-398-59.



#### Jim's technical tip by Jim Cannon, MAFCA Technical Director

#### Water In The Battery???

Yes, if your Model A battery has caps that you can remove to see inside, you need to add water to the cells on a regular basis. Charging the battery boils the water off while you drive. If the plates inside the battery are exposed to air, it ruins them and reduces your battery's storage capacity. So you need to check the water level about once a month.



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Unfortunately the battery access plate in the front floorboard provides a small opening to work through. Not very easy to add water to each cell. I've tried pouring water in from above and just made a mess!

Here's my tip: Get a plastic syringe (100 to 150 cc) from a pharmacy or feed store and put a 6-8" piece of vacuum hose on the end of it. Pour some distilled water into a clean cup. Now draw water up into the syringe and use the hose end to squirt water into each battery cell, to bring the liquid level back up to the bottom of the vent well (see figure).

Remember that this is sulfuric acid in the battery. Don't splash it up by spraying the water into the cell too fast. Don't let the end of the hose go into the acid. Please wear safety glasses while working around a battery. Have a Model A Day!



The Canyonlands
National Tour
October 7-11, 2019 is
coming together. The
registration form and
lodging information will
be ready in the fall.
Publication of the form
will be in the Restorer
Jan-Feb 2019 issue.

**PS/Quote:** When buying a used car, punch the buttons on the radio. If all the stations are rock and roll, there's a good chance the transmission is shot.

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#### \*\*\*\*Club Meeting\*\*\*\*

August 13 7:00 p.m. Pleasant Valley Library 5568 S. Adams Ave. Washington Terrace

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