

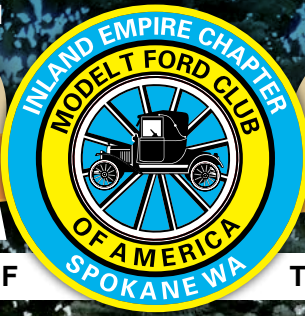
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THE SPOKANE MODEL T FORD CLUB

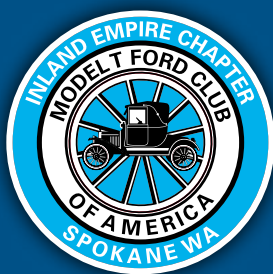


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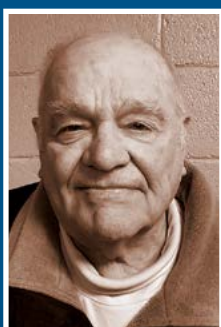
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President
Ralph Brevik



Vice President
Myron Richardson



Secretary
Janice Hutchinson



Treasurer
Karma Roth

National Clubs

We are the **Inland Empire Chapter** (Spokane) of the MTFCA and the MTFCI



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Please direct club correspondence to the club mailing address:

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PO Box 11708
Spokane Valley, WA
99211-1708

Dues

The yearly dues are \$20 per year from an individual or family and due by January 31st of each year. Please renew your membership or join the club as a new member. We look forward to seeing you!

Submissions

All items to be published are **due before the 20th** of the month. Please send photos, articles and anything else for the newsletter to fenderchatter@gmail.com

On the Cover:

Jim & Sandi Elenbaas' home address display T at daybreak on September 2nd.

- Photo by Jeff Hipp

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A Message From Your Club President:

I'm going start by saying happy Thanksgiving. The holidays are starting, cars are put away for the season, and the weather is getting cold. We did have a good season. We had some fun tours, and did fun things with the cars. I hope we can do it again next year and maybe do some things through the winter months. Elections are here, so keep in mind who you want to see run the club next year. I still need ideas for the Wednesday night dinners. Happy motoring! —Ralph

The next Meeting is at Willow Song Music Therapy



Meeting Minutes

Minutes for the Friday, October 7, 2022 Meeting

Vice President Myron Richardson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in place of President Ralph Brevik who was out sick. Myron's brief case was stolen, so he has no meeting agenda and no raffle tickets. We made up some quick raffle tickets, and made the agenda up as we went along.

➡ **Treasurer:** Karma Roth passed around information for the past four months, as that is how long it has been since we have had a formal meeting. A motion was also approved reimburse her for mailing the 2022 rosters that could not be hand delivered.

➡ **Tours:** Nan Robison reported that August's Economy Run was a lot a fun. We had half a dozen participants, Jim and Sandra Elenbaas as spectators, and Karma and Janice to measure the mileage. Mark Hutchinson won. We then happily drove to Ron's Drive-In to get out of the heat and have some lunch.

Jim and Sandra Elenbaas for hosted our August Picnic Potluck Meeting, showed us Jim's cool toys, and arranged a great tour around Saltese Flats. Thank you for a fun afternoon!

There were 13 cars at the Spokane Fair show, and prizes awarded in four categories. The first three categories were judged by last year's winners. The "Oooo Shiny!" prize was won by Mark and Janice Hutchinson's 1926 Roadster, "Most Honest" was Erik and Rebecca Hutchinson's 1924 Touring Car, "Best Display" was Jim and Betty Patterson and their 1914 Speedster. The fourth category was judged by people attending the fair. The "Peoples' Choice" award went to Montana and Glenn Barnard's 1925 Coupe. We would love to see more entries in the "Best Display" category next year! And we hope to see the same beautiful weather again!

Nan said that she was unable to pull the Poker Run together this year, but that since it is more fun with lots of cars and people, she might try next year and invite another club to join us. She appreciates everyone's patience with the changes and cancellations to the tour schedule this year. She will be having a meeting to plan tours for next year—everyone please attend if you can, or contact Nan with your ideas!

➡ **Old Business:** Myron reported that the swap meet went well. Myron talked to a bunch of people, and we signed up one new member. Myron also noted that there was no one in our old location in the main building, and that we could get our old spot back if we get our act together next year.

➡ **Sunshine:** Susie Carnegie says she didn't have to send out any cards last month. Good news!

➡ **Banquet:** Betty Patterson has arranged for a Chicken and Shrimp Buffet at the Airport Ramada Inn. Cost will be \$40 per person, and you can begin signing up at the November meeting.

➡ **Safety and Seminars:** Jim Patterson is putting on a Coil Seminar at his home on Saturday, October 15, at 9 a.m. This is an opportunity for everyone to learn how to set-up their coils for the best performance. Bring a coil and there will be people on hand to show you how to re-build it. Jim has capacitors and Tom has points available to purchase at Antique Auto Ranch if you need them.

➡ **Nomination of Officers:** The following people were nominated for offices in 2023. Nominations will re-open at the November meeting prior to voting if more people are interested.

President:

- Ralph Brevik
- David Kite

Vice President:

- Myron Richardson
- Jim Elenbaas

Treasurer:

- Karma Roth

Secretary:

- Janice Hutchinson

➡ **Membership:** It's also membership renewal time. Dues are \$20 and Karma is requesting that everyone please fill out an application/roster update form even if there are no changes so that she has current information for the roster all in one place. Forms can be printed from our website, and we will have some at the meetings.

➡ **New Business:** Carla Carnegie has a thank you card for the tour guide at the Moore-Turner Heritage Gardens tour. A motion was passed to donate \$25 to the Friends of the Moore-Turner Heritage Gardens.

Myron announced that we can expect big changes in the Montana 500 next year, as every rule is up for change at October's annual meeting. If people who support the old rules don't show up for the meeting, the race could be very different next year.

Montana Barnard passed along the sad news that long-time member Jim Sills has cancer and perhaps won't be with us by Christmas. Please keep Jim and Margaret and the Sills Family in your thoughts and prayers.

➡ **Raffle:** Cheri Storey won the 50/50 drawing. Carla Carnegie and Scott Colgrove won door prizes.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Janice Hutchinson, Secretary

Please Join the National Club!

This is a reminder to all Spokane T Club members that you are encouraged to **also join the MTFCA!** We need at least 50% of our club to also be MTFCA members in order to qualify for the club insurance they offer.

If you are not a MTFCA member - please join today!

National MTFCA Membership: mtfca.com/clubpages/joinamember.htm (check, credit card, Paypal)

For more tour or event details: check the [club website](#), [club Facebook page](#), or watch your e-mail.

The next regular club meeting is November 4.

The monthly meeting begins at 7:00 PM on the 1st Friday of each month at **Willow Song Music Therapy Services**, 21101 E. Wellesley #102-103 in Otis Orchards, WA.

NOTE:
Dinner venue is subject to change at last-minute due to capacity. Check your email for any change prior to joining us.

Seen, Heard and Shared

T Coil Rebuilding Seminar - October 15

On Saturday, October 15th, Jim Patterson hosted a Coil Building Seminar with Mark Hutchinson being our teacher. There were 10 people in all. A lot of coils got rebuilt and a lot of learning going on. Thank you Hutch and Jim. You guys did a great job! It was a great time to get together. —Betty How-to instructions on next page...



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Model T Coil Rebuild Instructions

In-case you missed out on the coil rebuild seminar - below are instructions that Jim Patterson made & handed out.

Spokane Model T Ford Club - Model T Coil Rebuilding Seminar - Jim Patterson

Model T Coil Re-Building Instructions

1. Check coil for continuity between all three coil box contacts with an ohm meter. As you move the lower set of coil points up and down, you should see the ohm meter reading fluctuate. If there is no continuity between the three contact points, then there is an open circuit inside the coil and it is likely not re-buildable without extensive work.

2. Lay the coil on its side with the two coilbox contact points facing towards the right. (see diagram). Remove the sliding lid by removing the nails from the bottom edge with a pair of side cutters.

3. Remove the tar on the left 1/3 side of the coil down to the capacitor and glass, being careful not to get into the secondary coil that is embedded in the tar on the right-hand 2/3 side of the box. You will find a waxed-paper and tin foil wrapped capacitor next to the wood side panel and then a piece of glass between the capacitor and the secondary coil. With a pair of side cutters, pull the end connecting wire out of the lower end of the capacitor and cut it off. Then pry the lower end of the capacitor out with a screw driver. Once you can get hold of the capacitor, pull it out. The wire connection on the top end should pull off the capacitor. Sometimes, the wood joints are loose enough to pull the side panel off and dig the capacitor and glass out from the side. If not, you will need to break the glass out by hitting a screw driver with a hammer in the middle of the glass. **Be sure to wear eye protection when trying to break the glass out!**

4. Once the glass has been removed, re-glue all joints and the back cover using Elmer's Carpenter Wood Glue. Clamp the coil box on all 4 corners both lengthwise and width wise, using 8 "C" or "Bar" Clamps. Let dry overnight.

5. After the glue has dried, remove the clamps and scrape the wires in the box where you'll be soldering the new capacitor (see diagram). [Capacitors can be purchased at Antique Auto Ranch or online.] Solder in the new capacitor using only a rosin core solder suitable for electrical or electronics work. **DON'T USE ACID CORE PLUMBING SOLDER!!** It will corrode and give you a bad electrical connection in short time!

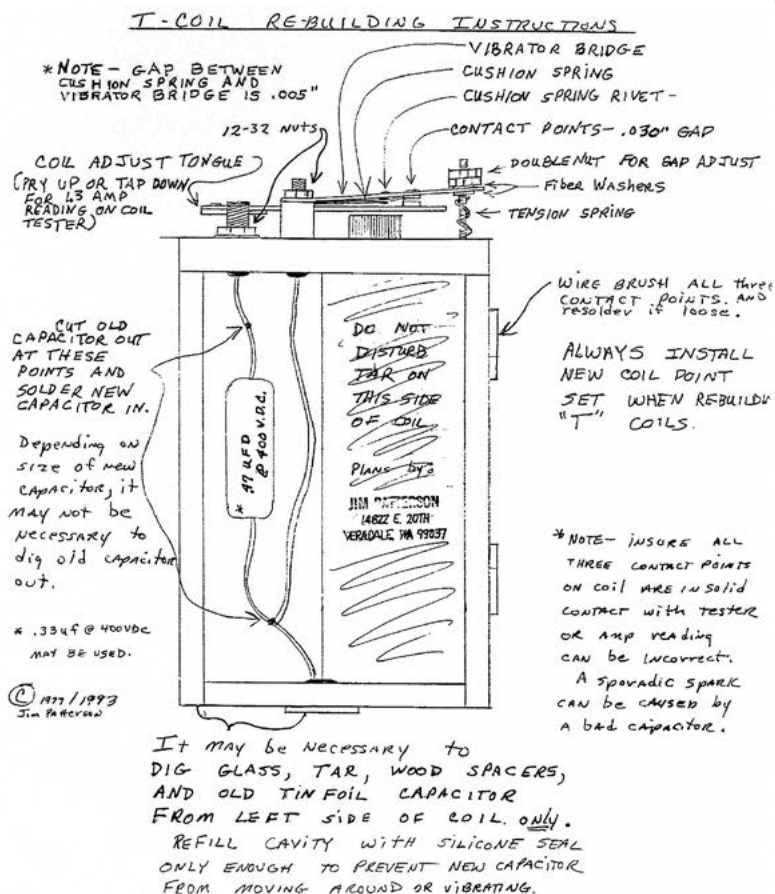
6. Stuff the capacitor into the cavity, making sure that the wires coming off each side of the capacitor are not touching. Embed the capacitor in silicone seal caulking. This will keep the capacitor from vibrating inside the box to the point of breaking a wire and it will also keep the inner components of the coil in place.

7. Replace the outer cover and use small brads to secure the cover in place. Take the coil box and clean it and all of the coil mounting hardware on a power wire brush.

8. Install new coil point sets (never use old coil points) with a .030" gap and adjust the coil to 1.2 - 1.4 amps A.C. for optimum coil performance. Refer to diagram for specific settings.

Editor's Note: When tearing apart a coil to rebuild, be sure **NOT** to nick or damage the inside coil windings in any way - the wires are hair-thin and damage is unreparable (I found out the hard way). It's also advisable to test the coil to see if it's rebuildable before spending any time tearing into it, only to find out later that it's dead and cannot be repaired.

An additional coil article from *The Vintage Ford* Jan/Feb 2003 is posted on our Club website spokanemodellclub.com/tech-info.php



Club & Model T Related Events and Notices

Events Calendar

NOTE: These events are subject to change due to Corona Virus guidelines - we marked what we've heard as canceled at the time of publication - please confirm before attending any events.

- Nov 4 **Spokane T Club meeting**
- Dec 2 **Spokane T Club meeting**
- Jan 1 **25th Annual** New Year's Day Model T Tour
- Jan 6 **No Regular T Club Meeting** (See You at the Banquet)
- Jan 7 T Club Officer Installation Banquet - Airport Ramada
- Feb 3 **Spokane T Club meeting**
- Feb 18-19 Early Bird Swap Meet - Puyallup
- Mar 3 **Spokane T Club meeting**
- Mar 17-18 Chickasha Pre-War Swap Meet-Chickasha, OK
- Mar 31-Apr 1 Portland, OR Swap Meet

Mark Your Calendars - January Banquet

The January Officer Installation Banquet will be at the Spokane Airport Ramada Inn on January 7, 2023, Cocktail Hour at 5:30pm, Banquet at 6:30pm. Dinner will be a buffet featuring Cashew Crusted Chicken or Wild Sockeye Salmon. Tickets will be \$51.00 per person and will be available at the November meeting or by contacting Betty. Please send checks for the banquet to the club PO Box 11708 Spokane, WA 99211 or to Betty Patterson at 11709 S Greenfield Lane, Medical Lake, WA 99022. We will be having a silent auction of various items. This is not a big fundraiser, just fun to out bid the next person. If you have any items to auction, please let Betty or Ralph know. Please RSVP to Betty Patterson at 509-214-9522 or jimbetpatter@gmail.com. Reservations will need to be paid in advance. We need at least 30 people to get this price. We can hold your check till December 31st before we cash them. Just let us know. Will be fun! Always nice to get together!!! —Betty



Nan's Nibbles

- Nov: Ralph Brevik/Martha & Myron Richardson
- Dec: Everyone bring a goody to share!
- Jan: See You at the T Club Banquet!



Sunshine Report

- Get Well Card to Jim Patterson.

Any new updates will be announced at the next meeting or in the next newsletter ~Susie Carnegie

If you know of a club member in need of some cheer - please let Susie know.

GET YOUR T CLUB ID BADGES

If you are a new Spokane T Club member and need a club name badge, or need a replacement, please contact Bill Barr.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS & MODEL Ts

Each Wednesday we hold T Club meet-ups at various dinner stops around town (except weeks of a club meeting). Watch your email for details on where and when the next one will be! Have a suggestion? Let us know. C'ya there!

T CLUB MEMBERSHIPS RENEWALS ←←

are coming up soon. Please, even if nothing has changed regarding your information or cars, **please fill out a renewal form and turn it in.** It enables me to ensure the roster is correct and that nothing was either missed or listed incorrectly. I plan on sending out an update to the roster that will include updated mailing addresses, email addresses and new members. Just tuck it into the back of your current roster. Thanks so much for your help. —Karma

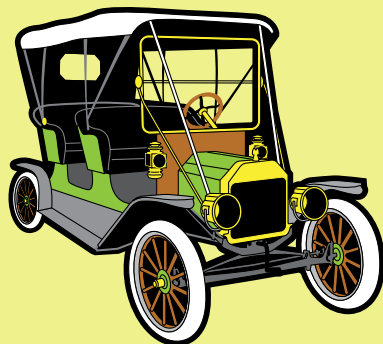
TUESDAY NIGHTS AT THE RANCH

Come on out on Tuesday evenings around 4:30 pm with your T parts that need to be worked on. Also join us **after** for dinner at McDonalds. antiqueautoranch.com
Note: Antique Auto Ranch is only open to the public on the first Tues of each month. Other times by appointment.



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Last-minute notices, fun stuff, lots of photos, links, etc.



Tours and Activity Reports

Tours may be arranged at the last minute so check the club website Calendar of Events for the latest activities at spokanemodeltclub.com or our Club Facebook page [f Inland Empire Model T Club](https://www.facebook.com/InlandEmpireModelTClub)

For tours, contact Nan Robison or Matt Hansen, Carla Carnegie

Model T Show, Tell and Share

Model T Aftermarket Items and Accessories

I think it's fun to collect Model T related items - a legitimate part of the hobby. Below are just a few of the interesting items that I have picked up over the years. I hope you find them interesting too. — Jeff Hipp

Please [email](#) us photos of your favorite aftermarket T items and a brief description for sharing in future issues of this newsletter.



Model T Fiber Case Ignition Coil 1916-18 - Not an "accessory", but not a common find. These coils were produced by the Ford Motor Company between late 1916 to early 1918. Ford referred to these as a "Cast Case" coil. They can be found in two slightly different styles - mainly the appearance of the Ford script (thick or thin). 1917-18 only had the logo on one side & the door has a ribbed pattern.

These coils were an attempt by Ford to replace the wood-cased coils. The case is composed of a plastic-like material made from wheat gluten and asbestos fibers that were used as a binder (not soybean paste as is commonly believed). These were discontinued when it was discovered the material used to make the case was unstable (humidity caused them to swell).

The removeable door is only held in place by the stickiness of the Ford Hydrolene insulating "tar" inside the coil.

The contact bridge support collars were cast into the top of the casing to help reduce costs.

It's said that not many survive because they tend to disintegrate when left for decades out in the elements, or break when dropped. Plus, rodents and livestock were known to eat them.



Coils shown: top two belong to Tom Carnegie, bottom coil is one I own.

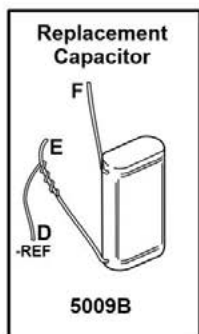
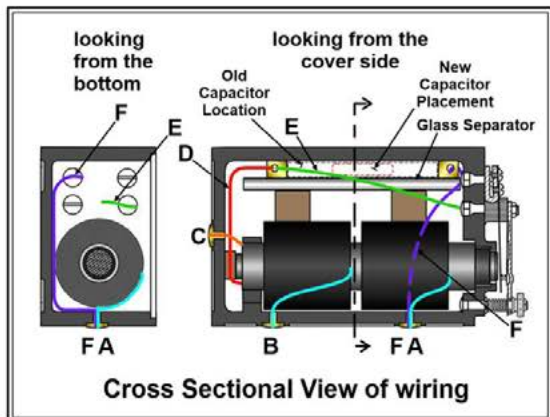
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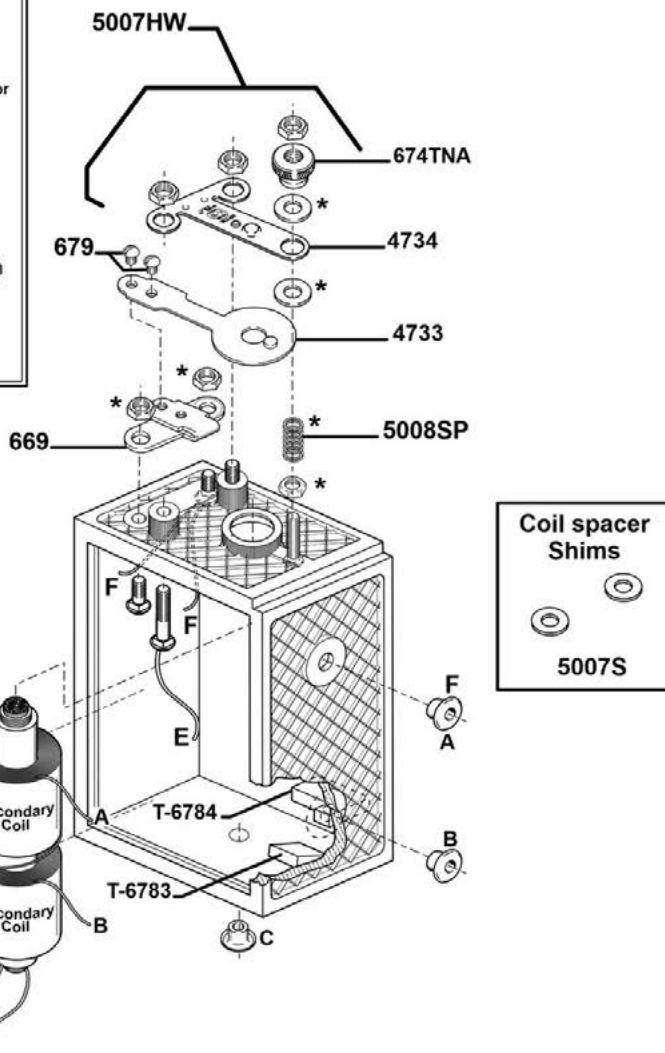
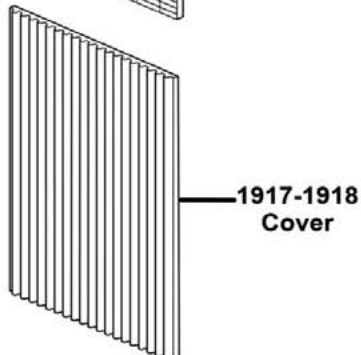
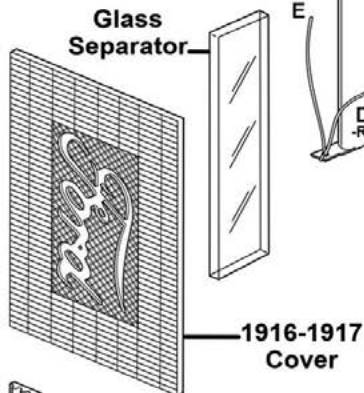
Model T Fiber Coil Diagram The following coil diagram was created by Martynn Vowell and used here by permission. vowellart.com

Late 1916 - 1918 Ford Ignition Coil Assembly (Wheat Gluten/Abestos Case)

VowellArt



Old Ford Capacitor
Replace with 5009B



Note: Wire "A,B,C,D,E" and "F" are soldered to their corresponding letter points.

Remove old Ford capacitor from the box and unsolder the connections at the top and bottom capacitor terminal connections (capacitor wires F, D & E) at the two ends of the capacitor.

Install the new replacement capacitor in place of the old capacitor and reconnect capacitor wires F, D & E to the new capacitor as shown in this diagram (Small box left middle entitled "5009B")

If not using the original tar, repot (fill) with Type 3 Steep Roofing Asphalt, or contact your local roofing contractor and or building supply house.

* Denotes hardware included in 5007HW kit.
The two spools in the kit are not required.

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For Sale • Seen, Heard, and Shared

When available, photos with these ads will be posted to our Club website spokanemodeltclub.com/for-sale.php

For Sale: 1915 Depot Hack on Trailer. **new price* Asking \$11,000 cash for the T, \$2,500 for the trailer (if bought together).
— **Gregory Saue** 509-299-7771 Medical Lake, WA

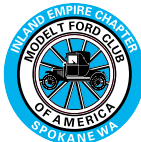


Membership Application

Condensed Version

If you have already renewed for this year, please pass this form to someone who also shares our interest of the Model T Ford. Please print clearly.

Due before Jan 31 of each year: join as a new member now, or bring this completed form to the next meeting, or mail to the address below with your dues of \$20.00 to:



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Spokane Valley, WA
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Changes since last year? Y / N

Name _____

Your Spouse's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____

ZIP _____ Date Application Paid/Sent _____

Phone # _____

Cell # _____

E-mail _____

I acknowledge that my name & info will be printed in the annual Spokane Model T Club Directory.

Newsletters will be an emailed PDF, unless specified:

I prefer a printed and mailed newsletter, please.

MTFCA member? Y / N • MTFCI member? Y / N

MTFCA Membership # _____

MTFCI Membership # _____

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Policy # _____

Model T's Owned:

Year	Body Style	Condition
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R = Restored, U = Unrestored, O = Original
PR = Partially Restored, BC = Basket Case

• **National MTFCA Membership:** (check, credit card, Paypal)
mtfca.com/clubpages/joinamember.htm

• **National MTFCI Membership:** modelt.org

• **You may also download and print this membership application form as a PDF from our club website:**
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WE NEED YOU TO PLEASE

SHOW YOUR CLUB PRIDE!



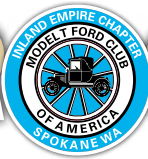
As a member of the Spokane Model T Club, you are encouraged to show your club pride by getting and wearing your **club ID Badge/Button!** If you do not have one, please contact Bill Barr now.

Club members are also encouraged to purchase and wear a **club Jacket** or **club-branded T-shirt**. These can be purchased from saturdaynightinc.net (a local Spokane Valley company), they have our club logo on file, and have a great selection of quality items to choose from.

Our T Club BENEFITS GREATLY when our members wear their badge, club jacket or club t-shirt!

Wear them at meetings, swap meets, all club functions, or even anytime you are out with your T. It helps build awareness of our club, shows that we are an active club, and helps recruit new members. You become an ambassador of good will for our club!

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A close-up of Jim & Sandi Elenbaas's home address display T, as shown on front cover.

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to fenderchatter@gmail.com