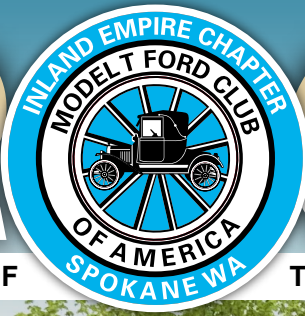


# FENDER CHATTER



A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF

THE SPOKANE MODEL T FORD CLUB

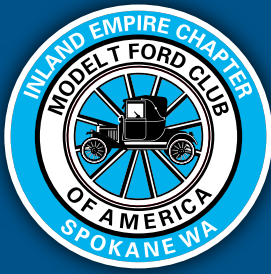


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# **SIGNS OF SPRINGTIME:**

**BIRDS CHIRPING, FROGS SINGING, JITNEYS LEAKING**



# General Club Info



**President**  
Ralph Brevik



**Vice President**  
Jim Elenbaas



**Secretary**  
Janice Hutchinson



**Treasurer**  
Karma Roth

## National Clubs

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



## Correspondence

Please direct club correspondence to the club mailing address:

**IEMTFCA**  
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](mailto:fenderchatter@gmail.com)

## On the Cover:

Rodney Waltz driving his 1915 Runabout in for the 2022 Safe-T Inspection.

- Photo by Jeff Hipp

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## A Message From Your Club President:

April showers bring May flowers. That's right, Spring is here! Don't be scared, it's ok to bring your cars out - it's tour season! We have great tours set up for this year. So I hope to see more people and cars out on tours. That's what makes a tour fun and you don't need to just drive your cars on tours. Just take them out on the town or whatever. It's fun to just get out of your daily driver and take your T out for a drive. Happy motoring. — *Ralph*



# Meeting Minutes

## Minutes for the Friday, March 3, 2023 Meeting

President Ralph Brevik called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. He welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming. There were no new members of guests.

The minutes from the last meeting were approved as printed in the Fender Chatter, but there is one correction: A motion was approved to send Jeff Hipp a gift in appreciation for all of the hard work he does on the *Fender Chatter*. Thank you, Jeff!

➔ **Treasurer:** Karma Roth's treasurer's report was approved as presented.

➔ **Roster:** Karma is also working on updating the roster and has a first draft completed. The MTFCA wants their records corrected and is requesting separate lists of our members who are MTFCA members and who are not. If you are not a member of the National Club, please consider joining – there is a link on our website under "Membership Form". We must have at least 50% of our local members also be members of the MTFCA in order to qualify for their liability insurance.

In preparing the roster information Karma has news about two of our members: Linda Jurgensen is in hospice care, and Dick Hathaway has moved to Texas.

➔ **V.P. Report:** Vice President Jim Elenbaas has nothing new to report, but confirmed that he has reserved our old spaces for the swap meet along the wall between the bay doors, and that our theme this year will be "1923". Get in touch with Jim if you have any ideas.

➔ **Sunshine:** Susie Carnegie was not at the meeting, but she did send me an email that she had nothing to report. Susie's brother has had a massive stroke – please keep him and his family in your thoughts.

➔ **Safety & seminars:** Mike Robison has nothing new to report.

➔ **Tours:** Nan Robison reports that several people attended her tour planning meeting: Myron Richardson, Larry Mann, Ralph Brevik, and Matt Hansen.

There were no plans made for March as it seems that spring will not be early this year, and all of the planned tours are subject to change due to weather or "1923" commitments. See the separate article in the *Fender Chatter* (page 6) or our website for the schedule. If you have an idea for a tour, contact Nan and we'll get it on our schedule. Impromptu tours that we announce by email are also great!

➔ **Club Library:** There was no report as Brooks Johnson was not at the meeting.

➔ **Name Tags:** See Bill Barr if you need a name tag.

➔ **Banquet:** We still need a volunteer to be chairperson for the annual banquet.

➔ **New Business:** We have been invited to participate in the Festival of Speed at the Qlispé Raceway Park in Airway Heights on Saturday, June 3rd.

Larry Mann and his collection of model trains and railroad memorabilia were featured in a recent Spokesman-Review article. [If you missed it, you can see it on our website.]

The last day to order the new club T-shirts is March 5.

There were no new cars purchased, items for sale, or projects reported.

➔ **Wednesday Night Dinner & Ts:** Wednesday Night Dinner on March 9 will be at Fujiyama Japanese Steak House in Liberty Lake. Watch your email or the club website for information about where we are having dinner each week.

➔ **Tuesday Nights:** Tuesday Night at Antique Auto Ranch is the place to be if you have a project you're working on.

➔ **Tech Talk:** There was no Tech Talk this month.

➔ **Show & Tell:** Myron Richardson brought in four books from 1917-1918 that he picked up at the Puyallup Swap Meet.

➔ **Drawings & Door Prizes:** Brooke Robison and Miette Hutchinson pulled numbers for the 50/50 winner and door prizes.

Charley and Rose Hodges donated the 50/50 winnings back to the scholarship fund, and door prizes were won by Rose Hodges, Jim Elenbaas, Cheri Storey, Ron Stose, Sandi Elenbaas, Nan Robison, and Julie Heid.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 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!**

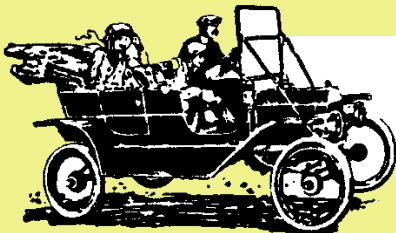
**National MTFCA Membership:** [mtfca.com/clubpages/joinamember.htm](http://mtfca.com/clubpages/joinamember.htm) (check, credit card, Paypal)

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

## The next regular club meeting is - April 7.

The monthly meeting begins at 7:00 PM on the 1st Friday of each month at the Opportunity Presbyterian Church, 202 North Pines, Spokane Valley, WA.

**Back at the Church, same place as pre-Covid.**



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

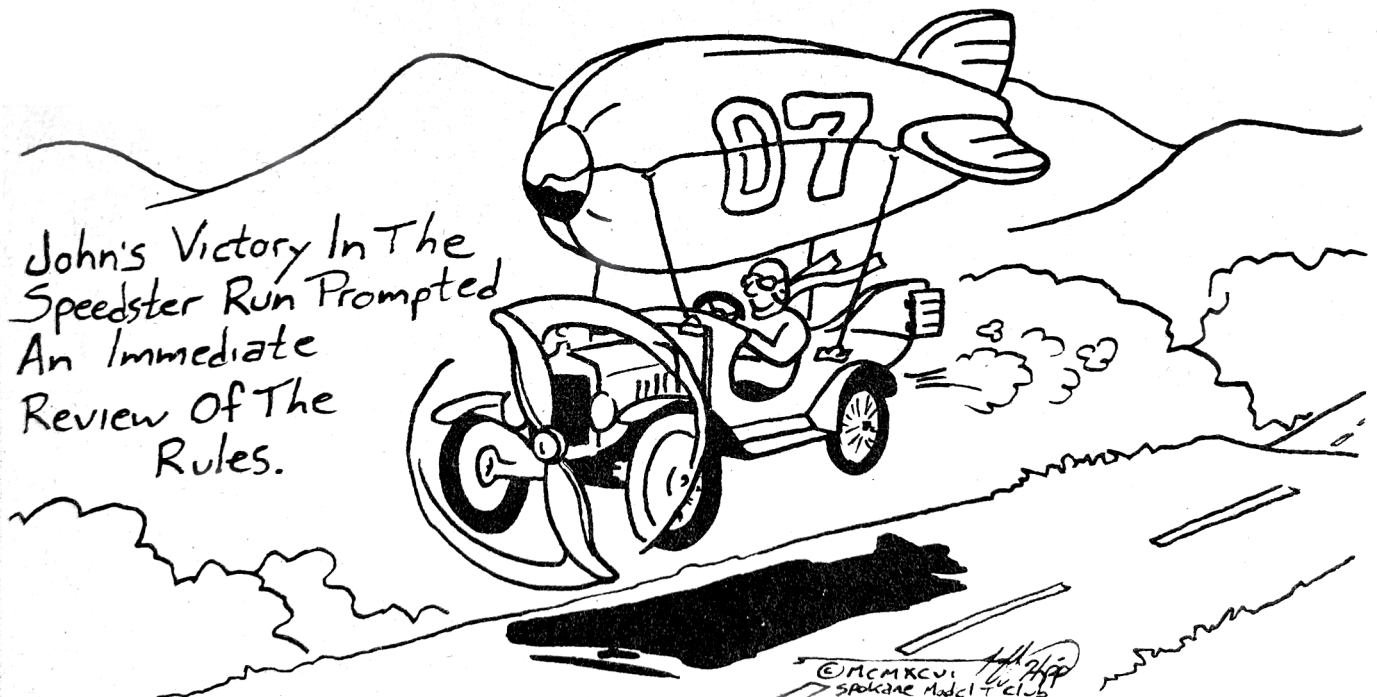
## Seen, Heard, and Shared

# Matt is Saving All the Forgotten Ts, One-at-a-Time

Matt Hansen has rescued another Model T. This time he's giving new life to a '26 Roadster Pickup that he says already runs & drives great, and will be for sale soon after he goes through it.



### **Jesting Jitneys** (Revisited) *by Jeff Hipp*



# Club & Model T Related Events and Notices

## Events Calendar

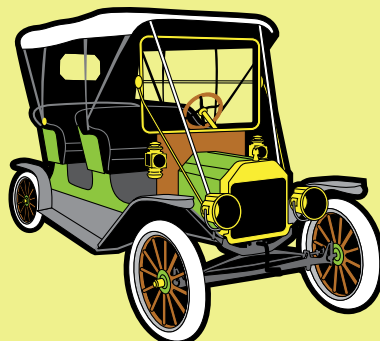
- Apr 7 Spokane T Club Meeting**  
**Apr 13-16** Pre-War Swap Meet - Tulare, CA (Bakersfield)  
**Apr 15** T Club Hobby Tour  
**Apr 22** SHS Sr Class Benefit Car Show - Sunnyside, WA  
**May 5 Spokane T Club Meeting**  
**May 6** Tri-Cities Swap Meet - Kennewick, WA  
**May 20** Harrington, WA Car Show 9-3 (*old car categories*)  
**May 20-21** 50th Seattle Auto Swap Meet - Monroe, WA  
**May 21** T Club Safe-T Inspection & Potluck at Skidmore's  
**May 28** Spring Fest Car Show - Moses Lake, WA  
**May 28** T Club All Pickup Tour - all years welcome.  
**June 2 Spokane T Club Meeting**  
**June 2-4** Festival of Speed T "Races" - Airway Heights, WA  
**June 3** Pre-War All Ford Swap Meet - Brighton, CO  
**June 3** 119th Mule Days Parade - Reardan, WA  
**June 3** MTFCA Homecoming Event - Richmond, IN  
**June 4** 48th Mother Lode Swap Meet - Auburn, CA  
**June 4** Rickreall Swap Meet-Fairgrounds, Rickreall, OR  
**June 10** Flag Day Parade - Fairfield, WA  
**June 18-19** Car d'Lane Car Weekend - Coeur d'Alene, ID  
**June 18-21** Montana 500 - *no info*  
**June 25** T Club Eloika Lake Tour  
**July No T Club Meeting - see you at the swap meet!**  
**July 1-2** T Club Usk & Lone Tour & Campout  
**July 4** Car Show, Lion's Park 11-4, Othello, WA  
**July 7-9** All Wheels Swap Meet - Spokane, WA  
**July 15** 69th Long Beach Swap Meet - Long Beach, CA  
**July 15** Pioneer Days Parade - Davenport, WA  
**July 16-21** MTFCl 60th Annual Tour - Baraboo, WI  
**Aug 4 Spokane T Club Picnic (no regular meeting)**

**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.*



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



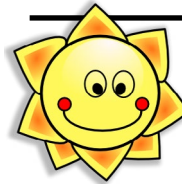
## Tours and Activity Reports

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](#)

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

## Nan's Nibbles

- Apr:** Karma Roth & Diane Barr  
**May:** Nan Robison & Ralph Brevik  
**Jun:** Lachlan Robison & Karma Roth



## Sunshine Report

- Thinking of You card to Linda Jurgensen.
- Get Well card to Karma Roth.
- Get Well card to Nan Robison.

*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 for a while now, we've had T Club meet-ups at various dinner stops around town. Watch your email for details on where and when the next one will be! C'ya there!

## 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 the nearby McDonalds. [antiqueautoranch.com](#)

More info on Spokane Model T Club website: [spokanemodeltclub.com](#)

And available on [f Facebook: Inland Empire Model T Club](#)

**Note:** Antique Auto Ranch is only open to the public on the first Tues of each month. Other times by appointment.

# Seen, Heard and Shared • 2023 Tours

## Wednesday Night Dinners

On March 8, several club members attended the club's weekly **Wednesday Night Dinner & Model Ts** at Fujiyama Steakhouse in Liberty Lake. Judging by the photos, everyone had a great time and a great meal.

—Photos provided by Janice Hutchinson



## 2023 Planned Tours

### 2023 Club Tour Schedule (so far)

We always welcome more ideas for tours to add to this schedule! Contact Nan Robison...

**April 15:** Hobby Tour – This is a progressive tour to visit the homes of people who have a hobby other than Model T's to share. This is a tour that can be started at the beginning or joined at any point along the way. If you have a hobby that you would like to share, get in touch with Nan.

**May 21:** Safe-T Inspection at Larry and Norma Skimore's place, beginning at 9 a.m. The inspection will be followed by our usual pot luck & bbq lunch. Larry will also have many Model T items available for sale.

**May 28:** Pick-up Tour – Pick-up Trucks will be the stars today and all pick-up trucks are invited, antique to modern.

**June 3:** SOVREN Festival of Speed at the Qlispe Raceway Park in Airway Heights.

**June 3 or 4:** Hill Climb.

**June 18-21:** Montana 500.

**June 25:** Eloika Lake Tour.

**July 1-2:** Usk & Lone Tour – come Friday and camp-out or stay at someone's house, or join the tour on Saturday morning.

**July 7-9:** Spokane Swap Meet.

**July 22 or 23:** Larry Mann's Tour.

**August 4:** Annual Picnic & BBQ Meeting at Nan Robison's house.

**August 26:** Economy Run – We will provide the set-up to attach a can to your car that will hold a specific amount of gas. You then drive around a set route, using all of the gas-saving secrets you know, until you run out of gas, then someone will come by to measure how far you went. We have a route that makes a loop so that spectators can see how everyone is doing. This was a lot of fun last year and we hope to see more people come out to try it this year. Challenge 2022 Winner Mark Hutchinson for the title!

**September 9:** HASSIE Car Show at Mirabeau Park.

**September 16:** Model T Display at the entrance to the Spokane County Interstate Fair – just bring your car to show the fairgoers, or think up a fun way to deck it out.

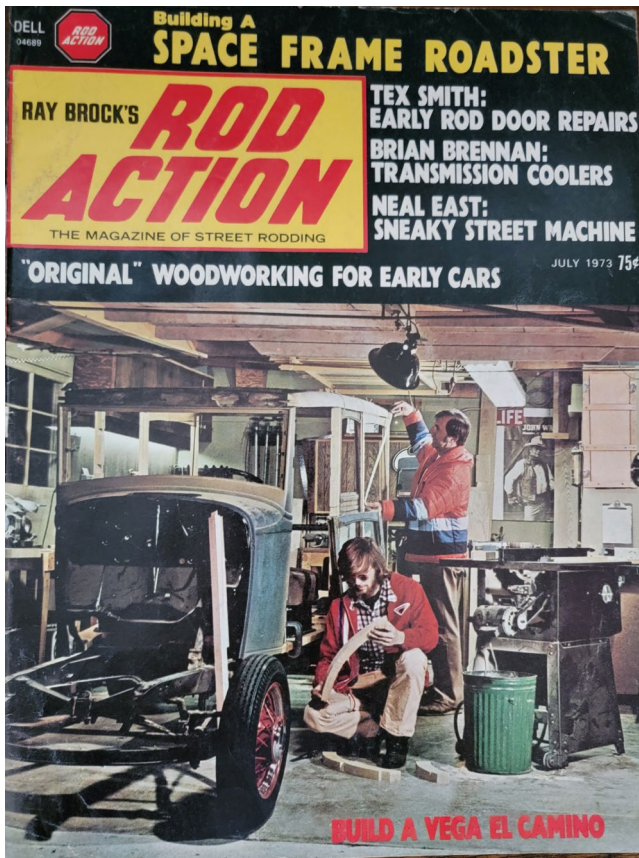
**October 7 or 8:** Poker Run – We are planning to invite another club to join us on this tour as a poker run is more fun with more people.

**November** No plans yet.

**December 10:** Breakfast with Santa at the Hayden Fire Department.

**December 17?:** We'll try once again to have our 26th Annual Christmas Soup Party

# Seen, Heard and Shared



## Antique Auto Ranch 1973

Jim Elenbass was gifted a few boxes of old hot rod magazines earlier this year. While looking thru the July 1973 issue of *Ray Brock's Rod Action* magazine, he discovered an article written about the Antique Auto Ranch. Some folks reading this may remember how it was it back in the day.



## THE ANTIQUE AUTO RANCH

Are you ready for a bent-tin yard exclusively for rodder and restorer?  
by Grant Hartlon

The Antique Auto Ranch of Spokane, Washington, is one of those delectable storehouses from the past which caters to present day needs of any old car builder, rodder or restorer. For 16 years Grant Linden has been filling the needs of the early iron nut from his eastern Washington base, and has built up one of the better selections of early car parts in the Pacific Northwest. Grant grew up with Model T's and has maintained more than a passing interest in them ever since. Originally the parts yard was just for a source of supply for personal

projects, but the inventory continued to grow until suddenly the place was a mecca for car enthusiasts everywhere who needed a hard-to-find part. Hardly a day now passes that there isn't a new "oldie" brought into the 2 1/2-acre site, and the staff has grown from Grant to a total of seven. Although the biggest aspect of the Ranch's business is parts for the early car builder, the staff does a limited amount of custom restoration. Reproduction parts are getting very popular, so the Ranch tries to keep a complete selection on hand to complement

its extensive assortment of vintage equipment. In addition, the inventory is diversified as much as possible, rather than limited to Ford or Chevy parts only. Grant's personal collection includes a restored 1915 Stutzaker touring, a restored 1917 Oakland touring, several Model T's for street use, and his Number 8 Montana Cross Country Race Special. Of course, the visiting rodder might think the most unique thing about this tin paradise is a 1934 Ford boom truck used in daily service. Address: Antique Auto Ranch, N. 26 Dollar Rd., Spokane, Washington.



# Club Swag • Membership

**NEW!**



**New Club T-shirts, 1st Batch Are Ordered!**

If you missed out ordering a shirt on the first printing, but are interested in ordering on a second printing, contact Janice Hutchinson at [iemodeltclub@yahoo.com](mailto:iemodeltclub@yahoo.com), call or text 509-990-4309.

Silk screened, 3 color, Port & Co. Brand, Medium Gray, 50/50 Cotton/Poly, Short Sleeve. Printed locally.

**Prices:** \$18.69 each size S to XL, +\$2.50 for 2XL, +\$4.80 for 3XL to 4XL, plus tax.

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](http://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!**

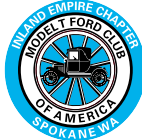
Wear them at meetings, swap meets, all club functions, or even anytime you are out with your T. It helps build awareness of our club, shows that we are an active club, and helps recruit new members. You become an ambassador of good will for our club!

## 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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**Changes since last year? Y / N**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Your Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

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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 # \_\_\_\_\_

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Policy # \_\_\_\_\_

**Model T's Owned:**

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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](http://mtfca.com/clubpages/joinamember.htm)

• **National MTFCI Membership:** [modelt.org](http://modelt.org)

• **You may also download and print this membership application form as a PDF from our club website:** [spokanemodeltclub.com/membership-form.php](http://spokanemodeltclub.com/membership-form.php)



# Seen, Heard and Shared

## Non-Model T Activities (yes, there is such a thing – sometimes)

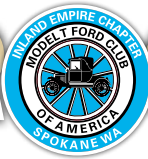
The hockey team of which T Club member Parker Hipp is goalie (*Palouse Youth Hockey 18U-A in Moscow, ID*), recently won **TWO IDAHO STATE TITLES!** The *Idaho State IAHA 18U B Rep Championship* on Feb 26, and the *Idaho State IAHA High School Div B Championship* on March 5. A very rare feat to win both in the same year. Both tournaments were held in Idaho Falls, Idaho on back-to-back weekends. We're pretty proud of this kid and his whole team. As Parker is a Pullman high school senior, this is his last year playing for this team that he has been with for the past 9 years. - Jeff Hipp



Parker Hipp is center in front of the banner in both photos.

photos by Jeff Hipp

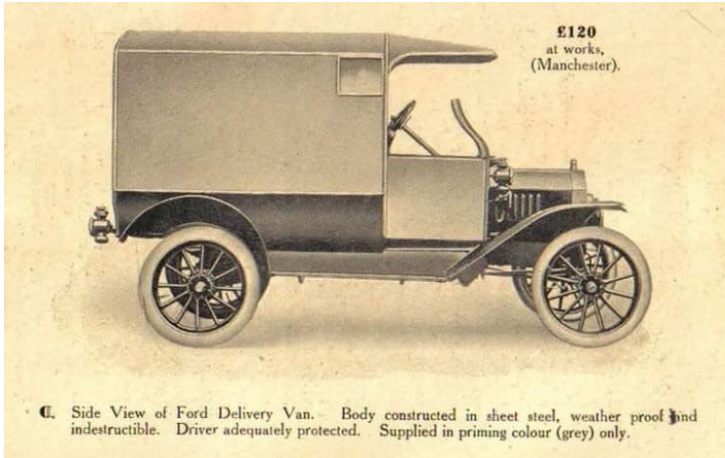
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