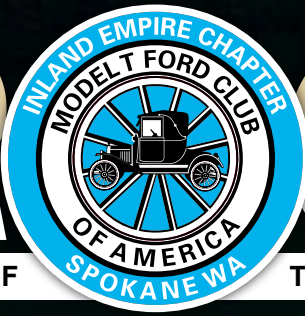


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THE SPOKANE MODEL T FORD CLUB

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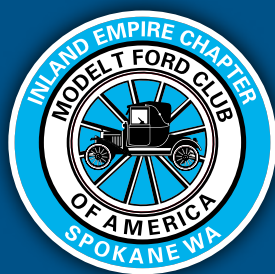


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THAT NIP IN THE AIR MEANS ONLY ONE THING,

FLIVVER DRIVE TIME



General Club Info



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Treasurer
Karma Roth

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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 & Betty Patterson's 1914 Speedster decked out for a Halloween Trunk-or-Treat in 2017. - Photo by Betty Patterson

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A Message From Your Club President:

So this month I want to talk about something that everyone needs to do. Insurance! Last month we had a couple of wildfires go through the area. Some people lost everything, which makes me think about having insurance on everything - house, cars, etc. You just never know what will happen. Some people don't have insurance on their old cars for one reason or another. Even if you don't drive them, it's a good idea to have them insured. It's also a good idea to check to make sure you have enough to cover everything you have. Happy motoring. —Ralph

(Editor's note: It's illegal to drive a car in Washington without having liability insurance)



Meeting Minutes

Minutes for the Friday, September 1, 2023 Meeting

President Ralph Brevik called the meeting to order at 7:18 p.m. and thanked everyone for coming. There were no new members or guests, but a few people we haven't seen for a while.

➔ **Treasurer's Report:** Karma Roth distributed the financial statement for June and July. August's statement will be presented at the next meeting. One item to note is that we will now be receiving interest income because of the new account structure at Global Federal Credit Union. Karma has mailed the remaining rosters to those members who had not picked them up and a motion was approved to reimburse her for postage. A motion was also passed to amend the amount to be paid to Nan for the food at the August club picnic to \$75. The Treasurer's report was approved as presented.

➔ **VP Report:** Vice President Jim Elenbaas said the Swap Meet was a success, but it's a good thing we arrived early to claim our spots. When he arrived he discovered that someone from Montana had passed herself off as a member of the Model T Club and tried to take over two of our spots, but this was resolved and we had all of our spaces. Jim said he appreciated everyone who helped, especially Myron Richardson – round of applause here – who took care of things while Jim was away. Myron said our booth generated a lot of interest. He passed out all copies of the *Vintage Ford* that we had on display and more copies of our Membership Application than last year, but no new members actually joined.

➔ **Sunshine Report:** Susie Carnegie was not at the meeting, but sent word that all of the cards she sent were in the *Fender Chatter*.

➔ **Safety & Seminars:** Mike Robison was not at the meeting and there was no report.

➔ **Tours:** Nan Robison asked Matt Hansen to report on the Eloika Lake and Lone Tours. He said that there was a good turnout – 10 or 12 T's – at Eloika Lake. We had a nice, relaxing day in a beautiful spot on the lake, with hamburgers, hot dogs, and salads for lunch.

There was also a good turn-out for the Lone Tour and everyone had a lot of fun. Matt reported that Nan got lost; Nan cried out, "They left me behind!"

There were good challenges at the Model T Olympics, good huckleberry picking, good food, good weather, good Model T roads, and plenty of room for everyone to stay overnight. All agreed this would be a tour to do again.

Nan reported on Larry Mann's Tour to Green Bluff, starting out by thanking Larry and everyone who put on tours this year. We have been

there before, but not for some time. Larry led us to Green Bluff and gave us some time to explore wherever we wished before meeting at Harvest House for lunch. We could then call it a day or visit more places. We had great weather and a fun day!

Nan also reported that the Pickup Tour which had been scheduled for the end of July was postponed due to a conflict with an Alaska fishing trip, and probably would not happen this year.

Our most recent tour was the Economy Run. For those who have not been on an Economy Run, Nan explained that everyone receives 3 cups of gas in a can attached to the carburetor. If you decide to participate in an Economy Run, make sure your carburetor doesn't leak! On our course you may start uphill and run clockwise, or downhill and run counter-clockwise. Everyone started downhill, and many didn't start their engines until halfway down the hill. The results: **Mike Robison won with 26.13 miles per gallon**, following was Nan with 22.4 mpg, Tom Carnegie with 20.27 mpg, Bill Barr with 19.73 mpg, Ron Stose with 16 mpg (not bad for a Tudor!), and Jon Larson with 8 mpg in his '27 Coupe. Lunch after the run was at Ron's Drive-In.

Upcoming tours include the HASSIE Club Car Show at Mirabeau Park on September 9, the Model T Club display at the Spokane County Interstate Fair on September 16, and possibly a No-Frills Speedster Run on the first weekend in October.

➔ **Library:** Brooks and Pat Johnson were at our meeting and it was great to see them both after a long absence! Brooks reports that the library is up to date.

➔ **Name Tags:** Bill Barr is working on name tags. If anyone needs a new or replacement name tag, get in touch with Bill.

➔ **Roster:** Karma reports that all of this year's rosters are out. She is also requesting that when you pay your dues and complete the Roster Update Form, please fill out the form completely rather than just writing "same as last year." It's easy to forget things that have changed and these are sometimes missed if the form is not completed.

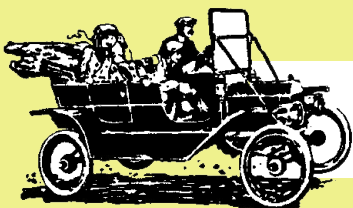
➔ **New Business:** There was none.

➔ **Old Business:** We sold some of the extra t-shirts with Jeff's new design at the Swap Meet, but there are still 4 left: 2 size Large and 2 size Extra Large. If you are interested in purchasing one of these, contact Karma Roth.

➔ **Annual Installation Banquet:** Matt Hansen has agreed to chair this year's banquet and has begun making plans. With the cost of everything getting very expensive, we thought we needed to explore cheaper

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



The next regular club meeting is - Oct 6.

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

Gone, But Not Forgotten - Jim & Betty Patterson's Cars

One day everything is all okay dokay, a normal day. Sun is out, a little warm, and wind is blowing, life is normal. Jim and I are sitting on the back deck saying let's stay here another 10 years, then do the retirement living thing.

Then we decide to go to lunch and leave the house with the clothes on our backs. We see smoke, but that is someone else's problem.

Wrong....life has changed for us forever. The garage shop with all its treasures has burned...along with a lot more.

Jim is out there when the insurance company takes away the '14 Model T, the '23 Model T, '30 Model A and the '26 T chassis (*not insured*). Sadness comes over us...but we go on. (*at right*)

We had **JC Taylor insurance** through **Foremost**. It is a **Stated value policy**. That means at renewal in March, we looked at the coverage and I asked Jim how much value he wants on his cars. We do this every year because things change so much. Luckily we raised them all a little. We feel good about the coverages. Then wild fire claims them.

Foremost were very responsive and we were happy with the payment for the cars. I just thought telling our story might prompt the club to be aware of their insurance policies.

Broad form insurance covers the driver. I know at the Montana 500 race someone had that and let someone else drive his car and had an accident. Nothing was covered because only the car owner was insured for liability only.... no car coverage. Yes, this policy is cheaper, but the car had no coverage and the accident goes uncovered by car owners insurance.

If you drive your car every day you are to have **regular Auto policy**. Six common car insurance coverages are:

- auto liability coverage
- uninsured and underinsured motorist coverage
- comprehensive coverage
- collision coverage
- personal injury protection

This is full coverage. There are different limits on each item. Talk to your insurance agent what coverage is best for you.

Be informed....don't get caught when it is too late. Take the risk, or don't take the risk, just don't be heart broken when life's "wildfire" hits you. —*Betty Patterson*

Editor's Note: While Jim & Betty have access to their property, they are not yet back living at their home. Power & sewer have not been restored, and their house (although it was untouched by the fire) is undergoing a deep clean to help eliminate the toxic smoke residues. They hope to be back by October 1st (six weeks after the big wildfire). —*Jeff*



'23 Touring



'14 Speedster



'30 Model A

Club & Model T Related Events and Notices

Events Calendar

- Oct 6** **Spokane T Club Meeting**
~~Oct 7~~ ~~T Club~~ - No Frills Speedster Run - *Postponed*
Oct 7 Spokanimal Cars for Critters Car Show - Hauser, ID
Oct 7 Latah Car Show - Latah, WA
Oct 28 Precious Metal Pumpkin Lane Car Show - Deer Park, WA
Nov 3 **Spokane T Club Meeting**
Nov 18 Albany Indoor Swap Meet - Albany, OR
Dec 1 **Spokane T Club Meeting**
Dec 10 Breakfast with Santa Benefit - Hauser Lake, ID
Dec 17 **T Club** - 26th Holiday Soup Party at Hutchinson's
Jan 1 **T Club** - **26th Annual** New Year's Day Model T Tour
Jan 5 **No Regular T Club Meeting** (See You at the Banquet)
Jan 5 **T Club** - Annual Officer Installation Banquet
Feb 2 **Spokane T Club meeting**
Feb 16-17 Early Bird Swap Meet - Puyallup, WA
Mar 15-16 Chickasha Pre-War Swap Meet-Chickasha, OK
Apr 5-7 Portland Swap Meet - Portland, OR

NOTE: These events are subject to change - the info is what we know of at the time of publication - please confirm for yourself before travelling to, or attending any events.

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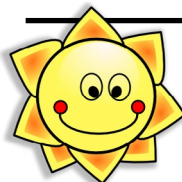
options for this year. Matt has a friend who gave him a recommendation for a caterer, and the banquet can be held at Opportunity Presbyterian Church with no rental fee for the room. Our meal and dessert will be \$25 per person, and we will need to pay the church custodian for setting up and cleaning up. It was also suggested that we invite him to the banquet. The food is supposed to be great. There will not be alcohol served, as this cannot be done in the church. A motion was passed to accept this plan. The banquet will now be held on Friday, January 5, 2024.

➡ **Wednesday Night Dinner:** Ralph reports that we are going to some good places, but he always needs more ideas – just let him know if there's a place you would like to go.

➡ **Tuesday Night at Antique Auto Ranch:** Tom is still open on Tuesday evenings for anyone who needs to work on something or who would just like to stop in and visit.

Nan's Nibbles

- Oct:** Janice Hutchinson & Cheri Storey
Nov: Myron Richardson & Montana Barnard
December Everyone bring a goody to share!



Sunshine Report

- Get Well Card to Rose Hodges.

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. If it's stated in this newsletter that you were sent a Sunshine card, but never received one in the mail, please let Susie know. We don't want anyone left out.

➡ **Tech Talk:** No Tech Talk or Projects to discuss, but there were a couple of Show & Tell items.

➡ **Show and Tell:** Myron brought in a collection of old papers from the railroad for people to look at.

Jim Elenbaas brought in a Dutch Model A Club magazine that he and Sandi picked up on their recent trip to Europe. He told about their trip, including connecting with a fellow Model T owner in Amsterdam who invited them to join a tour they were having. The club has about 600 members and is primarily Early Ford V-8s. There were 63 cars on tour, everything from a 1910 T to a '64-1/2 Mustang, including two A400 Model A's. They toured through one of the richer areas of Holland, which is a big egg producing region. Jim and Sandi learned that people dress more formally on car tours there than we do here, and that the roads are VERY NARROW – one lane for two cars, and sometimes even less than that. Jim reported one instance where the GPS took them on down a road that became too narrow for the car and he had to back his way out.

➡ **For Sale:** Harvey Dunham is having a liquidation sale on Model T motors. He has motors from 1913 to 1927 and says, "Make me an offer! Take one or all!" Gae Ann Moffitt also still has some things for sale.

➡ **Drawing:** Matt won the 50/50 drawing and donated his winnings back to the scholarship fund.

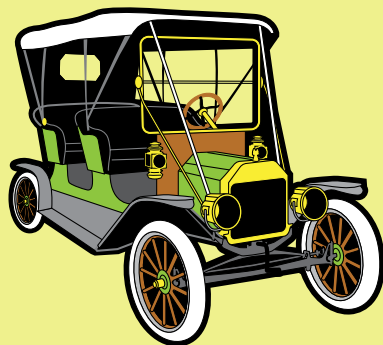
Ralph adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m. Thank you all for coming!

Respectfully submitted, Janice Hutchinson, Secretary



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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

Seen, Heard and Shared

T Club 2023 Economy Run - August 27

We had 7 cars show, with 6 participating. Each car is given a small container which they attach to their carburetor, bypassing the line from the gas tank. 3 cups of gas is poured into the container and then we drive a prescribed course until the gas runs out and the cars die....so sad. Our mileage is then recorded and our MPG calculated. It is an absolute hoot!! This year's winner was Mike Robison with a admirable MPG of 26.13!!! Second was myself (Nan) in Tweetybird with a good showing of 22.4! The full results are shown on the next page. Special "Thank you!" to Karma Roth for doing our mileage for us. —Nan



BETTER TRY →

LESS SPEED PER MILE →

Photos by Nan Robison

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Seen, Heard and Shared



2023 Economy Run

DRIVER	Car Model and year	Carburator type	Lap 1	Lap 2	Lap 3	Total distance	MPG
Mike Robison	1924 Touring	NH	X	X		4.7	26.13
Nan Robison	1925 Tweetybird	NH	X			4.2	22.4
Tom Carnegie	1926 Roadster	NH	X			3.8	20.27
Bill Barr	1927 Touring	NH	X			3.7	19.73
Ron Stose	1927 Tudor	Holley	X			3.0	16.0
Jon Larson	1927 Coupe	Simmons	X			1.5	8.0

THAT CAR →

MAY HAVE TO →

Seen, Heard and Shared

Model T Show at the Spokane Interstate Fair - Sept 16

There were 22 cars entered. We had a display for "1923" with 5 of the cars, that was very well received. There were five Touring cars, two Fordors, one Tudor, one Speedster, one Gow job, two Roadster Pickups and five Roadsters.

Ages of the the cars ranged from the 1907 Model N to 1914-1927 Model Ts. —Nan



Winners of Prizes for 2023: Karma Roth-Most Honest, Jim and Sandra Elenbaas-Oooo Shiny, Bill and Diana Barr-Showmanship, Tom and Sandy Olson-Peoples Choice.



For Sale • Wanted • Membership

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

For Sale: MODEL T MOTORS 1913-1927 Various conditions, Liquidation Sale - Make me an offer! Take one or all! Harvey Dunham 509-218-1437.

For Sale: 1926 MODEL T TOURING CAR
Rebuilt engine and transmission, Ruckstell rearend, Z head, Rocky Mountain brakes, excellent interior and top, new battery, runs great, tires in great shape(5) wire wheels, turnsignals, will include 1926 plates, \$10,500 - Matt Hansen Cusick, WA 509-998-9927



For Sale: 1925 MODEL T TOURING CAR
Great condition! New upholstery, new top, tires in good condition. Runs, but might need a carburetor cleaning. Has been stored in a garage. The car is located in Odessa, Washington. It comes with a clean title and the original owners manual. Looking for a fair price. Contact Matt Rodeck 386-916-4389



For Sale: 1924 MODEL T DOCTORS COUPE
Ruckstell axle, Rocky mountain brakes, Z High compression head, 6 volt alternator, New custom radiator, New Optima AGM battery, All new safety glass, New interior upholstery, 1924 Wn Washington license plate, Turn signals. 12000.00. Norman Warren, 13012 N Mill RD, Spokane WA 99208. 509-466-9125

For Sale: 1915 T FORD CENTER DOOR
Basket Case: Solid body with fairly good wood, 4 new fenders, new aprons and boards. Early motor that will run. Nice headlights and side lights. No radiator or early wishbone. No Title. \$3,500 for all Dave Butcher 509-290-3541

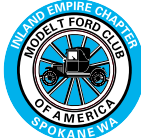
Wanted: VAPORIZER THROTTLE ROD (the one that goes over the top of the engine). Does anyone have an extra they don't need, or want to sell? Contact Jeff Hipp hippstah1@gmail.com.

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 _____

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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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Model T's Owned:

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

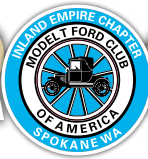
• **National MTFCA Membership:** (check, credit card, Paypal) mtfca.com/clubpages/joinamember.htm

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

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

Note: Our bank now requires any checks to the Spokane T Club must be made out to "IEMTFCA".

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The last photo of the Patterson's touring before the fire - Aug 4 Club Picnic



Rick & Carla's 1907 Model N gets a new top before the Spokane Interstate Fair Show - photo by Carla Carnegie

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