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A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF

THE SPOKANE MODEL T FORD CLUB

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SPRINGIS NEAR! # TAKE A DRIVE AND CHASE SOME RAINBOWS





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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

National Clubs

We are a chapter of the MTFCA and the MTFCI





On the Cover:

A TT belonging to Brent Burger in front of Antique Auto Ranch, taken May 2015.

-photo by Earl Hipp

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A Message from our Club's President:

Most car clubs are concerned about their decreasing membership numbers and work hard to maintain their present membership levels. Since the interest level for collector cars is based, in a large part, by nostalgia then it follows that the older cars have an older age group that remember and love those cars. We cherish some of the oldest cars around and need to actively promote our club to the general public. There are potential Model T enthusiasts that just need information and encouragement to get into the hobby and there are still T's in barns and garages looking for someone to bring them back to life. We need some fresh ideas to promote our club. I am encouraged by the number of young members that we have at our meetings and we need to increase those numbers to ensure a healthy future. Members need to bring their ideas to our meetings about how to promote our hobby and thus ensure that it continues to have a future in our area.

Even though it is still winter the birds are checking out the bird houses in my backyard. This means that spring is just around the corner. Start dusting off the T and fix that thing on the T that you have been putting off because the annual Safety Inspection and the touring season is just around the corner. I'm looking forward to a great year of touring. — Lee



Minutes from the Last Club Meeting

February 5, 2016

President Lee Burgess called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

- ◆ Welcoming Committee: No guests, but we welcomed back members Charles Hodges and Matt and Maggie Hansen who don't attend meetings very often.
- **○** Secretary's Report: A motion was made to approve the minutes from the January banquet as printed in the Fender Chatter. The motion was seconded and passed.
- ◆ Vice President's Report: There was no report because Vice President Jim Patterson was traveling in Montana.
- ◆ Treasurer's Report: Although Treasurer Betty Patterson was also away in Montana, copies of her report were passed out to members. A motion was made and seconded to accept the report. The motion passed. Someone asked a question about why we spend so much (\$220 per year) for a PO box. That is a question that the treasurer can address when she returns.
- Website Report: Webmaster Mike Robison had nothing to report.
- **Sunshine Report:** Susie Carnegie sent get well cards to Diane Swanson, Sharon Mullins, and Suzie Stacy. She also sent a sympathy card to Ed Basler's family and thank you cards to Larry Skidmore and Mark and Janice Hutchinson.
- Safety Report: We will again have our annual Model T safety inspection on May 15 at the home of Larry and Norma Skidmore.
- ◆ Tours Report: Nan Robison reminded us about the upcoming July 1-3 "Flashy Chassis" tour that is open to the first 200 people, not cars. The Can Am tour will be on September 15-17 and will start from Spokane this year. It has been years since the tour was here, so it should be a good opportunity to do some touring closer to home. The annual Montana 500 is scheduled for June, with details to be posted on our website and in the Fender Chatter. Nan would like to have an average of a tour a month. Please contact her to schedule a four.

- ◆ Road Cleanup Report: A question was asked about whether we still do a road cleanup. The answer is no, that we haven't done it in five years or so.
- ◆ Fender Chatter report: Editor Jeff Hipp had nothing to report (wasn't at the meeting) but received kudos for the good job that he does.
- Photos: Jillian Robison said that new photos are frequently added to the club website (and club Facebook page).
- **○ Library report:** Gene Kicha reported that no books or materials were borrowed recently. Give Gene a call if you would like to find out what the library contains.
- ◆ Old business: Mike Robison reported on the New Year's Day tour. Some 50 people attended the brunch and six cars started the tour. Three cars completed the estimated five-mile route. Mike said that "nobody died," that "it wasn't bad if you dressed in layers," and that "brain freeze from cold glasses" was a bit of a problem. Gene Kicha commented that the tour was "good fellowship and couldn't be better." There is a great tour video on the club website and on YouTube and a nice photo on page 1 of the February Fender Chatter.
- ◆ New business: Five members reported on new car projects that they are working on. Mark Hutchinson is working on a new Montana 500 car. Matt Hansen is working on a '25 coupe. Nan Robison is working on the body for "Tweety Bird." Tom Carnegie provided the evening's entertainment with a lively description of a "gow job" speedster with a '24 body that he is working on.
- **▶ Raffle:** Congratulations to Nan Robison who won \$9.00 in the drawing.

President Lee Burgess adjourned the meeting at 8:12 PM. Larry Mann, Secretary



Monthly Meetings

The monthly meeting begins at **7:30 PM on the 1st Friday of each month** at the Opportunity Presbyterian Church, 202 North Pines, Spokane Valley, WA.

The next regular club meeting is March 4, 2016.

You are welcome to join other T Club members for pre-meeting dinner 5:30-6:00 PM at Conley's Restaurant next to the White Elephant just east of Pines at 12622 E. Sprague in the Valley. *We Hope to see you there!*

Club & Model T Related Events

Events Calendar

Mar 5 Spokane T Club meeting

Mar 12-13 36th Almost Spring Swap Meet - Puyallup

Apr 1 Spokane T Club meeting

Apr 1-3 51st Annual Portland Swap Meet

May 6 Spokane T Club meeting

May 14-15 43rd Seattle Auto Swap Meet - Monroe

May 15 Annual club Safety Inspection & Potluck

June 3 Spokane T Club meeting

June 4-6 MTFCA Homecoming Event - Richmond, IN

July 1-3 Classy Chassis Tour (We're hosting this year)

July 8-10 46th Annual Spokane Swap Meet

July 17-22 MTFCI 60th Annual Tour - Auburn, NY

Sept 15-17 Can-Am Tour (We're hosting this year)



2016 Safety & Potluck Info

The upcoming 2016 Safety Inspection meeting will be **May 15 at 9:00 a.m.** at Larry & Norma's place. Lunch will be a potluck. A to M bring a salad, P to Z bring deserts, the club will provide hamburgers & hot dogs. Thanks - Norma

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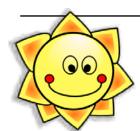
Candy's Cookie Corner

Mar Carole Mann & Susie Carnegie

Apr Janice Hutchinson & Diane Barr

May Cheri Storey & Joanne Jepperson





Sunshine Report

• get well card to Steve & Julie Heid

Any new updates will be announced at the next meeting ~Susie

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**

More info on Spokane Model T Club wesbite: **spokanemodletclub.com**

And available on

Facebook: Inland Empire Model T Club





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 Facebook page f Inland Empire Model T Club

Contact Nan Robison for tours (see pg 2)



"Like Us" on Facebook
Inland Empire Model T Club

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





Our club is hosting two big tours this Summer!

The Flashy Chassis rotational tour July 1-3 and the Can-Am Spokane tour Sept 15-17.

Emails have been sent out to club members with Registration Info & Registration Forms. These forms and more information are also available on the club's Facebook site event section.

If you didn't receive an email, or have questions, please contact Mark Hutchinson 509-220-0892, or Janice Hutchinson 509-448-2819, or email hutchie@comcast.net. Hope to see everyone there!

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Flashy Chassis Hosted by the Inland Empire Chapter Model T Ford Club of America Spokane, Washington July 1 - 3, 2016 Registration Form	Flashy Chassis ROTATIONAL TOUR
Name of Driver: Passenger(s):	
E-mail Address; Club Affiliation: Vehicle:	Zip/Postal Code: Telephone:
Year / Make / Model / Body Style Insurance Company:	Policy Number:
Fees: Tour Fee, Car & Driver \$140.00 Tour Fee, Passengers@ \$120.00 each T-shirts@ \$14.00 each Total Due by June 1, 2016 Please indicate number of T-Shirts in each size:	\$ 140.00 \$ U.S. Dollars SMLXL2XL3XL
Please make checks payable to: Inland Empire M Mail registration form and check to: Janice Hutchins 6003 South Mt. Spokane, WA 9	on Vernon St.
Refunds for cancellations after June 1, 2016 will be determined by paying the registration fee, participants agree to hold hamiless the inla its individual members from any liability, suit, or claim arising out of participant and consequential damages to the participant and any other in actions.	nd Empire Chapter of the Model T Ford Club of America and ipation in this tour. This disclaimer of liability shall cover

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Name of Driver:	
Passenger(s):	
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T-shirts	\$140.00 \$ 140.00 @ \$120.00 each @ \$14.00 each \$ ris in each size:SMLXLXXL
Please make checks payable to:	Inland Empire Model T Club
Mail registration form and check to:	Janice Hutchinson 6003 South Mt. Vemon St. Spokane, WA 99223
Refunds for cancellations after August 1	5, 2016 will be determined after the tour.
its individual members from any liability, suit, or	to hold harmless the Inland Empire Chapter of the Model T Ford Club of America and claim arising out of participation in this tour. This disclaimer of liability shall cover articipant and any other individuals, groups, or entities as a result of any participant's

T Club Member Profile



Chuck & Sandy Dyer By Chuck & Sandy Dyer and edited by Jim Paterson

Nestled down in the snow covered wheat hills of the small town of Wilber, WA, (some 64 miles west of Spokane), are a dedicated Model T couple who have been very active in Spokane Model T Club activities for over 25 years.

Chuck and Sandy Dyer's love of old cars dates back to his childhood when he had the chance to ride in his brother-in-law's 1931 Model AA truck. His Model T days started out in 1991 when good friends and T Club members, Jim and Marie Mearns, talked Chuck & Sandy into taking a ride in Jim and Betty Patterson's Model T Touring to the top of the Keller Grade, overlooking the Columbia River north of Wilbur. They were hooked for life and soon joined the Spokane T Club, eventually buying Bob and Carol Sills '21 T Depot Hack in 1993. The next couple of years were spent finishing the restoration, and Chuck had the T running for the 1995 tour season.

To confirm the time honored adage that once you get a Model T, you soon will have a second one, they purchased a '27 T Roadster in 1997 and had it restored and ready for the 1998 National Tour that our club hosted in Post Falls. The Dyer's now have three antique cars, the '21 Depot Hack, and two 1931 Model A's (a coupe and a Tudor sedan).

In 2001 Chuck was elected the club President and he and Ed Jepperson chaired and organized the longest mileage Model T Tour in the club's history by driving 13 Model T's roundtrip from Spokane to Anaconda, MT and back over eight days totaling over 800 miles! That certainly turned out to be one of the club's highlight tours!

Among the other highlight tours that Chuck & Sandy participated on were a Pendleton, OR bus tour, a Deer Lodge, MT bus tour, and most of the club's hosted 4th of July tours. They have also participated in dozens of local club tours.

Their very first T tour was an overnighter to Sandpoint, ID where a celebration of Vern Story's and Ed Jepperson's birthdays resulted in setting off the motel's fire alarms due to all the smoke coming off the many candles of their combined birthday cake. We almost got kicked out of the motel for that incident!

One Christmas, Chuck strung over 400 lights around his Model T and drove the car around Wilbur, delighting old and young alike. Another time Chuck wanted to go out to dinner in Almira, a little

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Chuck & Sandy continued...

town 13 miles west of Wilbur. Sandy wasn't too sure about the venture as it was below zero and they had no windows in their T. But she didn't want to be an old sissy so off they went with as much heavy clothing as possible and both vowed not to give in to the extreme cold. By the time they reached the café, they looked like something out of the North Pole!

All of their " T " trips have been so enjoyable but two stick out as being unique. They drove over the North Cascades Pass twice in their Depot Hack, the first time without a Ruxtell rear end, and the 2nd time with Jim and Margaret Sills who went along in their T. That trip created a lot of stares from passerby's

Two of the many tours the Dyers sponsored were to Bonaparte Lake, a year round resort located west of Republic, WA.. Both took place over Memorial weekend, the 1st one In 1996 giving the group a perfect weekend of sunshine and beautiful scenery, with an added plus of an old west town, Molson, WA. The 2nd tour was to the same area but the weather did not cooperate as it poured day and night for 4 days. Another tour originated at Sun Lakes State Park, located southwest of Coulee City, WA called the "Caribou Cattle Trail". It was put on by Rocky Rachuy and Chuck and they traveled to British Columbia, Canada and an old mining town called Barkerville.

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Chuck & Sandy continued...

Chuck and Sandy have enjoyed many day trips, a lot of them going to Republic, WA. over Sherman Pass (the highest pass in Wash. State) to Kettle Falls, WA., down Hi-way 25 along the Columbia River, and back home to Wilber. One tour Chuck planned was a dream tour he wanted to do to commemorate his 80th birthday in May of 2015. Three of the Dyers, Chuck, Sandy, and Lynn Hemmingway (Chuck's daughter) took off in their 1931 Model A Sedan on April 20 from Wilbur, traveling 3,500 miles to Grand Canyon and Bryce Canyon National Parks and other points of interest. They looked like a rig right out of the movie, "Grapes of Wrath". The only thing missing was a mattress on top of the car and a rocking chair hanging out the back!

Chuck worked 19 years at the Lincoln Lumber Mill as a Millwright. When the mill closed down he was hired at Grain Growers Warehouse Co. (eventually merging with Central Washington Grain Growers) and worked there until he retired (?) full time, only to be rehired in a part-time position in the local hardware store. Sandy

worked for 27 years in the office of the same company, retiring in Nov. of 1992. It was here almost 44 years ago that Chuck walked into this office, asked Sandy for a date, and eventually were married on July 8th, 1972. Both Chuck and Sandy had just come off first marriages, Chuck having two daughters and Sandy with 3 children, a girl and two boys. At this writing they love to brag about their 6 grandsons, and 5 great grandchildren.

Chuck and Sandy have had such a variety of hobbies going from motor cycling for 20 years and then dropping from 70 mph down to 35/45 mph in their later years. It was quite a change but a much needed and appreciated slower pace of life. Their hobbies now include old cars and tractors for Chuck and Sandy loves to sew and participate in craft fairs at 4 local bazaars.

Many thanks for your years of club participation, leadership, and friendship!



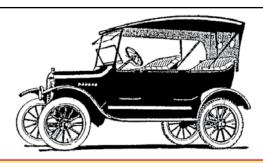
For Sale • Wanted • Services

When available, photos with these ads will be posted to our Club website

spokanemodeltclub.com/for-sale.php



For Sale: 1915 Touring – Older mid-1970's restoration which included professionally rebuilt wheels, Dec 1915 engine rebuilt in 1974, new transmission bands, new top, upholstery, tires, and wiring; Car has been kept inside clean dry garage ever since. Driven approximately 200-500 miles annually in 1980's & 90's and has not been out of the garage since early 2000's. Car in good running condition; used as a prop in a commercial Hollywood movie back in the early 80's. \$10,000 firm. For info, contact Jim Patterson – phone 509-953-9485; email at jimbetpatter@gmail.com



WE NEED YOUR IDEAS-PLEASE SHARE

If anyone has any new ideas or suggestions that you would like to see included in this newsletter please let us know! This is your publication and we want it to be as informative, helpful, and entertaining as we can make it.

Things you would like to see more or less of? We are open to all of your ideas in order to make the Fender Chatter more worth your time to read and use. Please let us know by sending us an email fenderchatter@gmail.com

Membership Application

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

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



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PR = Partially Restored, BC = Basket Case

I agree to having my name printed in the Club Directory Signed:

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

National MTFCI Membership: modelt.org

You may also download and print this as a PDF from our club website:

spokanemodeltclub.com/membership-form.php



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A Unique Model TT Ford Fuel Tanker Truck - posted in The Old Motor - read more http://theoldmotor.com/?p=154733

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