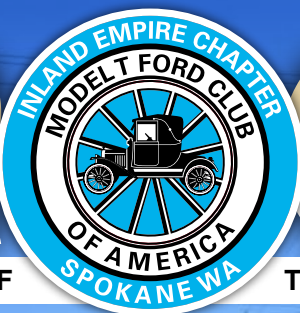


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A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF

THE SPOKANE MODEL T FORD CLUB

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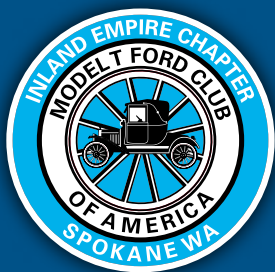
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*Willie found a Ford one night,
Didn't understand it quite;
Curiosity never pays---
It rained Willie several days.*

THE APRIL SHOWERS

HELP DISGUISE LIZZIE'S LEAKY RADIATOR



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The April Fools

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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

On the Cover:

Club cars thru downtown Spokane during the March 2024 St. Patrick's Day tour.

- Photo provided by Mike Robison

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A Message From Your Club President:

Thanks to our Vice President, John De Jong, for filling in for me at the March meeting, and on such short notice. Late that afternoon I took my wife to the emergency room for a problem that was affecting her kidneys. They admitted her at Valley Hospital, and then took her to Deaconess Hospital by ambulance, in case she might need kidney dialysis. She spent three days in the hospital, but didn't need dialysis. She is home now and doing well, but it was quite a scare. Thanks to everyone for your thoughts and prayers!

Weather is improving, and our first tour is coming up on Saturday, April 12. We will meet at 9:30 AM in the Safeway parking lot at Argonne and Trent (8851 E. Trent), where many of our past tours have started. We will drive to E. Sherman Ave. in Coeur d'Alene, where there are many antique and other shops. Lunch will be afterwards at Hudson's Hamburgers at 207 E. Sherman. Drive a Model T if the weather is good, or bring a modern car if the weather is bad--or if you prefer not to drive that far. This should be a fun day!

Be sure to also come to Darcy's restaurant (10502 E Sprague) at 5:00, before our April 4 meeting. The food is good, and we usually have a good turnout. — Larry Mann



Meeting Minutes

Minutes for the Friday, March 7, 2025 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 by Vice President John De Jong, who had only discovered about ten minutes earlier that he would be presiding. Our best wishes to Carole Mann that you feel better soon!

The minutes from the February meeting were approved as printed in the *Fender Chatter*.

➡ **Treasurer's Report:** Karma Roth presented the Treasurer's Report. She has the 2025 rosters printed and would appreciate it if as many people as possible would either pick them up in person or have someone do that for you. Postage to mail them will be very expensive this year. The Treasurer's Report was approved.

➡ **Sunshine:** Susie Carnegie reports that she sent no cards last month, but will now be sending one to Carole Mann.

➡ **Safety:** The date of the Safe-T Inspection is being changed this year. It will be held on **SATURDAY, May 17** rather than on Sunday. This is to accommodate the schedule of Jim and Sandra Elenbaas, who have graciously agreed to host this event.

➡ **Tours:** Janice Hutchinson, with some help from other members who had attended the Tour Planning Meeting, gave a quick run-down of upcoming tours. There is currently no tour planned for March, as the weather over St. Patrick's Day weekend is not looking great. If we get some spring weather, we may plan a last-minute tour.

In April, we have the April 1st Hitch Your Horse to Your T and Tour to Central Park Tour — Nan is leading this one — and a tour on Saturday, April 12th to go antique shopping along Sherman Avenue in Coeur d'Alene with lunch at Hudson's Hamburgers.

On Saturday, May 10th and Sunday, May 11th the Northwest Museum of Arts and Culture is having their Mother's Day weekend Historic Homes Tour in Millwood. They have asked if we could have cars on display at the Millwood Presbyterian Church each day from about Noon to 3 p.m. All but one of the homes on the tour are from the 1920s and are located in a threeblock radius from the church parking lot. We will receive free tickets for each driver and their family. We debated whether to tell them we could only be there on

one day, but then decided perhaps some people might prefer to go on Saturday and some on Sunday.

Other tours we are planning can be found on our website.

➡ **Scrap Book:** Roy Moffit was not at the meeting.

➡ **Old Business:** There was no Old Business or New Business.

➡ **Projects:** Jim Elenbaas, deciding that six Model T's was too many, bought number seven —

Tom Kite's Touring Car. He reports that to his surprise, Sandra was okay with this, because they have room for other people now.

John DeJong adapted the Model A cam he picked up at last year's Christmas Party and his '20 Speedster is back on the road. His advice is not to believe what you read online that this can't be done. So far, he has determined that it's louder, but he hasn't tested it at speed yet. John has also volunteered to be in the St. Patrick's Day Parade and Lilac Parade as part of the City's commemoration of the year Bing Crosby left Spokane for Los Angeles.

Steve Heid is working on Fanny — she doesn't want to hold onto antifreeze and he will need to pull the radiator.

➡ **Other:** Tom Carnegie will have a T at the Spokane Speed and Custom Show at the Fairgrounds in April.

Jim Elenbaas mentioned another possible tour to participate in the Valleyfest Parade in September. He will be driving his T, and there was some interest in adding this to our schedule.

Nan Robison reports that Tom says its too cold to pull Tweety's engine and install headbolt helicoils installed the block. Nan is sure that if Mike was at the meeting, he would tell this story differently.

➡ **Drawings:** The 50/50 drawing was won by Montana Barnard. Congratulations!

Door prizes were won by Mark Hutchinson, Jon Larsen, Glenn Barnard, Donna Carnegie, and Don Hart.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Janice Hutchinson, Secretary



Q: What do you call a Model T at the top of a hill? A: A miracle.

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 4

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.

You are welcome to join other T Club members for pre-meeting dinner 5:00-6:00 PM - **this month at Darcy's Restaurant** at 10502 E Sprague Ave. (University & Sprague) in the Spokane Valley. **We Hope to see you there!**

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

Seen, Heard and Shared

One Thing Leads to Another by John De Jong

I had removed my field coil from my 1920 speedster when I was building it and wasn't going to run the car on magneto so I left that out of the engine. I bought an outside oil line post kit and installed that on the car so I would have an outside oiler. Little did I know that during a run last fall....all of a sudden... there was oil flying all over the place. It was easy to track down the leak as the magneto post had separated and half of it went down into the engine(because it was not held up by the field coils...) and the other half flew out of the top.

I ended up JB welding the top of the post and finishing the run, but thought it prudent to pull the engine and see what remains of the post I could pull out. Thankfully the parts that fell into the engine were held in the bottom of the pan by the "crab trap" in the oil pan and nothing was damaged.

While I had the engine out I decided I may as well do something completely unnecessary and install a model A cam (retrofitted to fit a T) into the engine. With a little help from Mike Robison I was able to get the timing gear figured out and installed the cam. After startup it sounded great....for a few seconds. After a few seconds a very clean and distinct knock started near the front of the engine. Turns out the cam lobe of the A does not have a ridge on the bottom like the T ones and the cam has a tendency to move forward and the lobe hits the front bearing creating a bad knock.

Mike suggested a couple of shims in front of the timing gear between the cam and the front cover and after a quick order into McMasterCarr...parts were in hand. Originally I wanted to order the kit that Snyders had, but they were "out of Stock" and realistically, McMasterCarr has everything you would ever need and at great prices as well. A bronze oil infused bearing and two steel shims did the trick. Now it is running as it should! Thanks to Mike for helping me troubleshoot.



Q: How can you tell the difference between a Rattlesnake and a Ford Model T?

A: You can count the rattles on a rattlesnake but not a Ford Model T.



Have you seen the new Fords for 1917? They're a lot quieter now that they took the brass band off the front.

Club & Model T Related Events and Notices

Events Calendar

Apr 4-6 Portland & PIR Swap Meets - Portland, OR
Apr 4 **Spokane T Club Meeting**
Apr 11 Spring Warm Up & Swap Meet - Eagle, ID
Apr 12 **T Club** Antique & other shops in Cd'A. Lunch at Hudson's
May 1-2 Central Alberta Swap Meet - Red Deer, AB CA
May 2 **Spokane T Club Meeting**
May 3 Tri-Cities Swap Meet - Kennewick, WA
May 3 North Cascade Swap Meet - Mt Vernon, WA
May 10 **T Club** MAC Historic Homes & Buildings Tour- Millwood
May 17 **T Club** Annual Safe-T Inspection - Elenbaas' house
May 17 Wild Goose Bill Days Parade - Wilbur, WA
May 17 Harrington, WA Car Show 9-3 (*old car categories*)
May 17-18 Seattle Auto Swap Meet - Monroe, WA
May 24-25 NWVS Pre 1934 4-cyl. Speedster Run - Kennewick, WA
Jun 6 **Spokane T Club Meeting**
Jun 4-7 MTFCA Homecoming Event - Richmond, IN
Jun 7 **T Club** Model T Driving school (w/ hotdogs in manifold cookers)
Jun 7 Rickreall Swap Meet-Fairgrounds, Rickreall, OR
Jun 7 Mule Days Parade - Reardan, WA
Jun 6-8 SOVREN Festival of Speed - Spokane, WA
Jun 13-14 Car d'Lane Car Show - Coeur d'Alene, ID
Jun 21 **T Club** Progressive Dinner Tour
July 4 **T Club** Ford Car Show at Brookdale Park Place. Then Evening Spokane Indians game and fireworks
July 4 **No T Club meeting - see you at the swap meet!**
July 12-13 All Wheels Swap Meet (*only 2 days*) - Spokane, WA
July 13-18 MTFCA Nat'l Tour - Stettler, Alberta, Canada
July 19 Jacked up Big Car Show-Benef. Dislexia Alliance - Spkn
July 20-25 MTFCA Tour- Owatonna, Minnesota
July 26 **T Club** Tour, picnic, and riding an outdoor garden railroad at home of Carl Evans in Chattaroy
Sep 6 Saving Paws Car Show-Benef. Animals - Spokane WA
Sep 12-14 NWVS Annual Speedster Run - Post Falls, ID

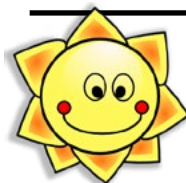
NOTE: These events are subject to change - the info is what we know at the time of publication - **please confirm for yourself before travelling to, or attending any events.**

Wanda's Refreshments

April: Diana Barr & Cheri Storey

May: Rodney Waltz & Nan Robison

June: Karma Roth & Jillian Robison



Sunshine Report —Susie Carnegie

- Get Well Card to Carole Mann.
- Get Well Card to Donald Carnegie.

Any new updates will be announced at the next meeting or in the next newsletter.

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 recieved one in the mail, please let Susie know. We don't want anyone left out.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS & MODEL Ts

Wednesday Dinners are on hold for now. If you have an idea for a T Club dinner stop around town - let Ralph know! Watch your email for details on where and when the next one will be! C'ya there! — Ralph

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 website:

spokanemodletclub.com

And available on

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

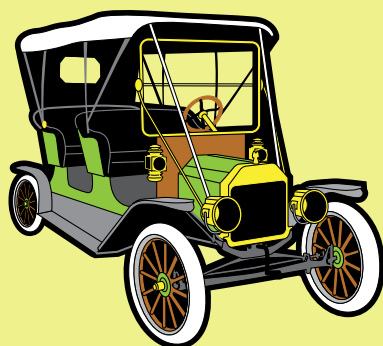


Note: Antique Auto Ranch is only open to the public on the first Tues of each month. Other times by appointment.



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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 spokanemodletclub.com or our Club Facebook page **f** [Inland Empire Model T Club](#)

For tours or events, contact Larry Mann or Steve & Julie Heid.

Model T Show, Tell and Share

A page from the 1922 Catalog - Knight Merchandise Company of Monroe Wisconsin. Courtesy of the Gortsema-Alex Robinson Collection.

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New "Kingston" Carburetor

For Buick
Light 6 Only

Kingston has designed and built a carburetor for the Buick. It scientifically solves the problem of thorough carburetion for the "Little Six" Buick owner. This Kingston Buick Special will deliver every atom of Power and Punch in the fuel to the motor. It gives an astonishing increase in mileage per gallon. It is extremely flexible and insures a quick Get-A-Way. Install a Kingston and be sure of the maximum economy, maximum flexibility and absolute dependability of the motor.



Retails for \$17.50

Stock No. 638

12.38 Each

"Kingston" Carburetor

Special for Maxwell Cars
Specify for 1914



Retails
For \$15.00

The Kingston Maxwell Special gives increased power with lower fuel consumption. It handles high or low test gas with equally successful results. Picks up instantly under load without choking. Gives greater ease in starting and increased flexibility and smoothness in the operation of the motor. This carburetor is extremely economical and delivers the maximum of power at the minimum of expense and trouble. The Kingston Maxwell Special is designed especially for the Maxwell Motor Car and is guaranteed to meet its every requirement. Equipped with new idea fuel strainer and several added features.

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9.38 Comp

"Kingston" Special Carburetor

For Chevrolet 490
And Baby Grand

These carburetors have been tested under the severest weather conditions. They have met successfully every test. They do not have to be adjusted with every change of the weather, for climatic conditions and changes do not affect them. Kingston Chevrolet Special Carburetors are simple in construction, efficient, and extremely economical in operation. Baby Grand is equipped with new idea, fuel strainer and separator.



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For Model 490 Stock No. 637

8.25 Each

"Kingston" Carburetor

For Dodge Excepting
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Designed especially for Dodge Cars. It breaks even the poorest gasoline into the most minute particles and thoroughly mixes these particles with air. This means thorough mixture and complete vaporization. It insures instant starting and immediate warming up of the motor under the most severe weather. It insures the utmost economy in fuel consumption, is simple to adjust and once adjusted to the motor requires no further attention. Equipped with guaranteed new idea fuel strainer and separator.



Retails for \$16.50

Stock No. 648
11.25 Each

"Kingston" Carburetor

For Ford Cars



Retails for \$7.50

This is a standard carburetor in use on thousands of cars. Its control permits the car to be slowed down to a pace of walking or accelerated to 40 miles per hour in 20 seconds. Easily attached. Made entirely of brass.

Stock No. 640

4.80 Each

Famous "D & B" Carburetor for Ford Cars

Thousands Now
In Use On Fords



One Man Said, It's
Worth Its Weight In Gold

Stock No. 642

7.95 Each

A springless, simple and efficient carburetor which insures perfect combustion. Operates on a new principle, having a positive controlled air valve. A new air choke control is furnished, which is operated from the dash, giving better control when starting. The D & B Carburetor saves gasoline, gives quicker pick-up. Throttles down low without jerking. A drain cock is furnished at bottom of float valve. Easily attached.

A Big Seller
Known
the World
Over!

Look at the Mechanical
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Improved "Kingston" Carburetor FOR FORDS



Retails for \$8.50

This is a new carburetor (Model L2S) specially designed by Kingston for Ford users. It carries many exceptional features, including a gasoline strainer, an integral part of the device. In these days of constantly lowering fuel values the need of strainers is apparent, and the addition will be appreciated by all Ford users. Like all of the Kingston line, this is a guaranteed product. Stock No. 647

5.62 Each

Schebler

Model Ford "A"
Carburetor

This outfit is especially designed for Ford cars and has no moving parts. This outfit can be installed in place of the regular Ford outfit (with no changes) in 20 to 30 minutes. Equipment consists of a carburetor, steering column control, hot air drum, flexible tubing, manifold gasket (2) 3/16 cap screws and radiator choke wire.



The Famous
Big Selling
Schebler.
Ford "A."

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Holley Carburetor for Ford

Standard on
Over Two Million Ford Cars



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4.80

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Famous "Toquet" Carburetor

Read the
Description



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10.00 Ea.

A Perfect Outfit for Ford
The fastest, most flexible and economical carburetor made for Ford. Built on the new "plain tube" vacuum principle, it atomizes perfectly, the low test gasoline. High speed jet delivers fuel through twenty holes instead of one, assuring perfect atomization and maximum power. Starts easily in zero weather without priming.

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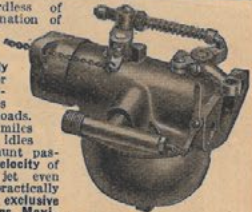
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No. 10239
5.95 Outfit

Red-Fit Accelerator for Ford

Every Ford needs a foot accelerator—it eliminates the necessity of moving the throttle to vary the speed. Set the throttle at certain speed control. Speed with your foot.

The Best Outfit
Ever Made For Ford Cars



1.10 Outfit
No. 660

For Sale • Wanted • Membership

When available, photos with these ads will be posted to our Club website
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Wanted: 1926-27 T COUPE PARTS. Cowl, firewall, and both doors, perhaps other parts. I'm a new Model T owner, what do you have for sale? Please contact Hunter at hunter74@gmail.com. Thank you.

For Sale: 1926 TOURING PARTS CAR 90% done, body is nice and not rusty. A new restoration that was never able to be completed - purchased from an estate. Feb '27 frame, July '25 engine - appears to be rebuilt, '25 or older front axle, new fenders & splash aprons & running boards are possibly reproduction, new top, new seats, 1924 or older transmission cover, new 1922 or older short radiator, body looks to be 1927. Asking \$7,000 negotiable, plus the ride. **ALSO 1915-16 FRONT RT FENDER & LEFT SPLASH APRON**, reproduction. Never mounted, very nice. Asking **HALF** of Lang's price, negotiable, plus shipping. **Call Myron 208-773-9259** Hauser Lake, Idaho. Please leave a message and call back number if he doesn't answer.



For Sale: 1926 COUPE. I'm a former club member, and this car has been in our family since 1971. My father and I drove it around the Spokane Valley for a couple of years, then we "laid it up" by draining the coolant, removing the battery, squirting WD-40 down the cylinders, and storing it indoors since. I consider it as a good project car with all major components in fair to good condition, including a Ruckstell Rear Axle. As I am deeply involved in the full restoration of another car, I would like to move this Model T on to a new owner who will complete the project. I hope it stays local so I can see and appreciate the final product! I am asking \$5,000. Please call or e-mail with questions or to see the car. Thank you! **Gerry Snow (509) 991-4121** gerrysnow@comcast.net

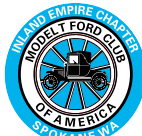


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Condensed Version

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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:



IEMTFCA
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Model T's Owned:

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R = Restored, U = Unrestored, O = Original
 PR = Partially Restored, BC = Basket Case

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Q: *Why are they not going to put horns on the Ford this year?* **A:** *Because they look like the devil anyway.*



May 7, 2024, Tuesday night at Antique Auto Ranch. Photo by Jim Elenbaas

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