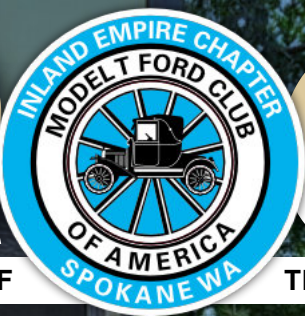


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A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF

THE SPOKANE MODEL T FORD CLUB

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SUMMER SUN & HEAT

IS GREAT FOR T TOURING - IF YOUR TOP IS UP



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John DeJong



Vice President
John Lynn



Secretary
Janice Hutchinson



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Karma Roth

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



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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:

Tom Carnegie and Mark Hutchinson's cars at the Spokane MAC Tour of Homes on May 10.

- Photo provided by Nan Robison

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A Message From Your Club President:

Wow, has it been a busy month! Between celebrating America's 250th anniversary, attending the swap meet, and enjoying all the other fun summer activities, I hope you've had a chance to get out and drive your Model T.

A few weeks before the Fourth of July, I had the opportunity to visit Washington, D.C. I was struck by how clean the city was and by the incredible amount of history packed into such a small area. While there, I came across an enterprising tour company that offers sightseeing trips in what some might call a Model T. In reality, it was a heavily modified Model T body butchered and then mounted on modern running gear. I'm still trying to get that image out of my head! Despite that, the trip reminded me of the great privilege we share as citizens of a nation built by innovators, inventors, and pioneers.

This summer has also been a learning experience for my son, who received his driver's permit last month. His latest challenge has been learning to drive a Model T. So far, he has logged about 25

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Meeting Minutes

July 3, 2026 There was no regular meeting in July, therefore, no report due to the Spokane Swap Meet, July 11-12.

There will also be no regular August meeting - See you at the Club Picnic Aug 7! (Details on pg 5)



Our Spokane Model T Club booth at the 2026 Spokane Swap Meet. - Photo by Nan Robison

President's Message continued...

miles behind the wheel. As if there isn't already enough for a new driver to think about, adding all those levers and controls—along with instructions from a nervous passenger—certainly makes for an exciting driving experience. Still, there is only one real way to learn any skill: practice, repetition, and time behind the wheel.

I encourage everyone to invite a neighbor or friend out for an evening drive around the block. Spokane's summer weather is perfect for enjoying a Model T, with its mix of warm days, cool evening breezes, and picturesque sunsets.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the picnic at Nan's house on the 7th at 6:00 p.m. Until then, enjoy the rest of the summer and keep those Ts on the road! —John DeJong

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

NO CLUB MEETING IN JULY - Club Picnic at Nan's Place

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.



Model T Show, Tell and Share

Driving Around Hayden Lake (An Adventure) – by John DeJong

A couple of weeks ago, I took my touring car out for a drive around Hayden Lake with my father-in-law. Since neither of us had spent much time around the lake, we thought it would make for an interesting afternoon drive.

Our adventure began in Coeur d'Alene, where we stopped for fuel and noticed that the carburetor float appeared to be sticking and overflowing. A few gentle taps with a ratchet seemed to free it up—at least temporarily—and we were soon back on the road. Or maybe not. Soon, upon starting it appeared that my spark advance wasn't working. After some investigation, we found that the lever on the spark advance rod had broken. There wasn't much we could do about it, so we started the car, set the spark where we thought it needed to be, Zip tied it into place and discussed whether we should turn around and head home or continue around the lake.

Being unwilling to give up that easily, we decided to forge ahead. The car was definitely down on power and running less efficiently than normal, but it kept moving, and that was good enough for us.

After completing the loop around the lake, we decided to find an ice cream shop. We pulled off the road to get our bearings and check directions, preferring not to navigate while driving. That stop confirmed our suspicions: the carburetor was overflowing once again.

In hindsight, I think it had been flooding the entire time we were driving around the lake. When I checked the fuel tank, I estimated that I had used nearly seven gallons of fuel in only about fifteen miles! My father-in-law was staying quite a ways behind me on the trip around the lake but reportedly did smell some gas from time to time. It quickly became apparent that the float was sinking rather than floating.

After a little roadside ingenuity, I managed to adjust things enough that the float would at least keep the needle from letting in too much fuel. The solution wasn't perfect, but it worked. I could drive comfortably at about half throttle without gasoline pouring out of the carburetor. Any more throttle than that, however, and the engine would become fuel-starved.

If you've never driven around Hayden Lake, I highly recommend it. The route is scenic, relaxing (when not repairing a car), and surprisingly free of traffic—just the kind of road a Model T was made for.

I've since installed a new float and repaired the spark advance linkage, so the touring car is back in proper running condition and ready for the next adventure. If you'd like company on a drive around Hayden Lake sometime, let me know—I'm ready to do it again!



Clearly something is not right.

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)

Club & Model T Related Events and Notices

Events Calendar

- Aug 1** Hot Rockford Car Show - Rockford, WA
Aug 5 **Spokane T Club Picnic (no regular meeting)**
Aug 5 Wheels 4 Meals Car Show - Ron's Drive-In Spkn Vly
Aug 5-8 MTFCA Homecoming Event - Richmond, IN
Aug 7 **T Club** Annual T Club Picnic - Nan's Place
Aug 8 **T Club** Model T rides to be given at Olympus Living
 Root beer floats will be provided.
Aug 20-22 Hot August Nights - Lewiston, ID
Sept 4 **Spokane T Club Meeting**
Sept 5 **Vintage** Harvest Truck & Car Show - Davenport, WA
Sept 10-12 **T Club Can-Am Tour - Spokane, WA**
Sept 11-13 34th NWVS Endurance Run Albany, OR
Sept 11-20 Spokane Fair - Spokane T Club Car Show?
Sept 12 HASSIE Club Car Show - Spokane, WA
Sept 12 Oregon High Desert Swap Meet-Redmond, OR
Sept 12 Liberty Lake PD Car Show -benefits Special Olympics
Sept 13 Palouse Days Car Show - Palouse, WA
Sept 27 Valleyfest Car Show - Spokane Valley, WA
Oct 2 **Spokane T Club Meeting**
Oct 10 Spokanimal Cars for Critters Car Show -Hillyard, WA
Nov 6 **Spokane T Club Meeting**
Dec 4 **Spokane T Club Meeting**
Dec 13 Breakfast with Santa Benefit (40th) - Hauser Lake, ID
Jan 1 **T Club** Annual T Club New Year's Day Tour

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.**

Newsletter Help - Please

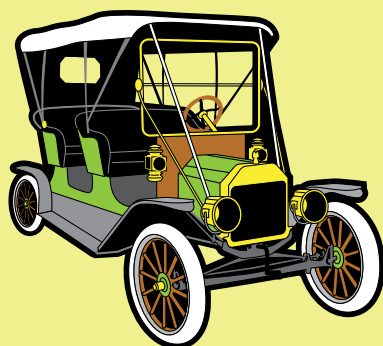
We need your help with content for the *Fender Chatter*. This newsletter is for you, the club members, but we ask:

- Input on content - current or something new.
- Do you like certain pieces we do monthly - or not?
- Is there an idea for an article you would like to see?
- Would someone like to be in charge of writing a monthly piece - could be technical, could be something entertaining.
- Photos - we need photos - every month. Send them in.



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

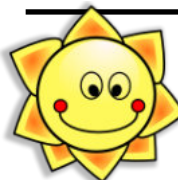


Wanda's Refreshments

Aug: None - See You at the Club Picnic

Sept: Montana Barnard

Oct: Julie Heid



Sunshine Report —Susie Carnegie

• No Reports this Month

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.

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.



ANNUAL T CLUB POTLUCK PICNIC - AUG 7

The annual picnic will be at Nan Robison's house.

Burgers and hot dogs will be provided, along with water and lemonade. Plates and utensils will also be provided. **Come AFTER 5:30 - no early-birds, please. Grilled food will be ready to eat about 6:00. Folks with last name A-P bring a side dish, Q-Z bring a dessert.** There will be plenty of tables and chairs, so you don't need to bring your own chair unless you really want to. Members are encouraged to bring their T's and they will be parked in the back yard. Modern cars will be able to park in my driveway, or on the street.

—Nan



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 Larry Mann.

Model T Show, Tell and Share

Tuesday Night at Antique Auto Ranch - July 28



Priest River, ID Lamanna HS Student Raffle Model T

Matt Hansen's students worked on and learned to drive this 1923 Model T Runabout that's a former Montana 500 car. They will now be raffling it off to fund other projects and CTE endeavors. **100% of proceeds will go into the Student account.** Drawing on January 1 2027.

1 ticket for a \$5 donation or 12 for \$50 donation. Contact Matt Hansen at 509-998-9927, or matthewhansen@sd83.org.



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For Sale • Wanted • Membership

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

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.



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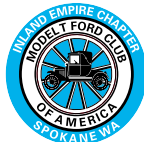
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Membership Application

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:



IEMTFCA

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Changes since last year? Y / N (if No, please still fill out)

Name _____

Name of Spouse/Partner: _____

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/Roster.

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 # _____

Insurance Carrier _____

Policy # _____

Model T's Owned: (if you need more room, include separately)

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/join-or-renew

• **National MTFCI Membership:**
modelt.org/join-or-renew-membership

• 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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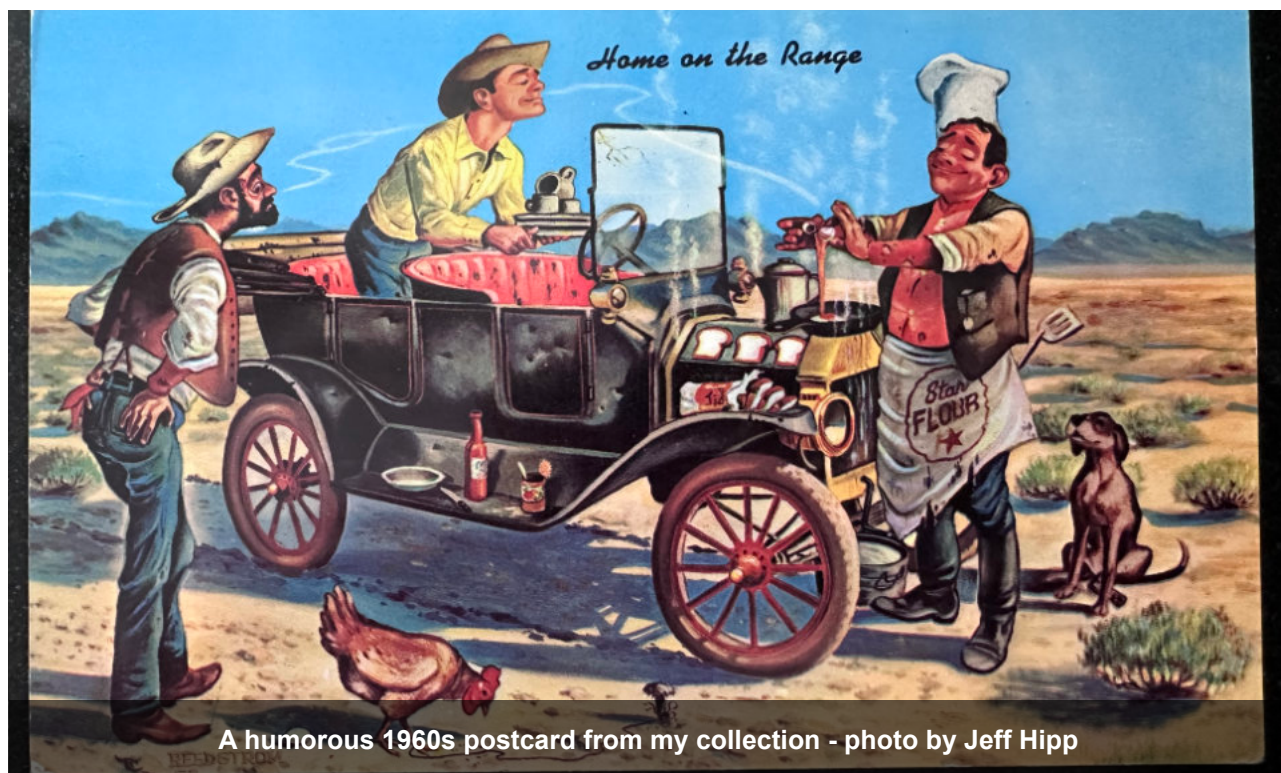
INLAND EMPIRE MODEL T CLUB GEAR IS NOW AVAILABLE!

This is just a sample!

CLICK LINK BELOW to see all of the items and color options to choose from.

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A humorous 1960s postcard from my collection - photo by Jeff Hipp

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