

Fender Chatter

A Monthly Newsletter



May 17th Safe T Inspection at Larry and Norma Skidmore's:

Mike Robison reports there were 30 cars inspected before noon. Found lots of missing cotter pins. pot-luck lunch, on this annual T Club's "Event of the Year", plenty of experts with "FREE" advice - free lunch, great friends, a beautiful sunny day in the 70's, and lots of food. Thanks for the great turn out! More pictures on page 5.



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President's Message – July
2009 Norm Warren
Find a reason to drive those
T's.

This is the kind of weather we have been waiting for – no snow, very little rain and lots of sunshine. Find a reason: go see a friend, get some gas, take your spouse or a friend for a ride, check out the farmers' market, drive by the Dairy Queen, or maybe find a parade or a car show, or whatever it takes to enjoy your T.

No meeting in July, but check out the Model T booth at the Fairgrounds swap meet.

Don't forget our August meeting will be a potluck at the Burgess home, 1109 N. Felts Rd. Spokane Valley. Plan to bring your T for a nice display in the Burgess' back yard.

General
Club
Information

Please direct club correspondence to the clubs mailing address:
IEMTFCA
PO Box 11708
Spokane Valley, WA
99211-1708



Dues

The yearly dues are \$20 per year for an individual or for 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.

Newsletter Co-editors
Diane Swanson
Sandra Pringle

Thanks for keeping our newsletter busy. Your articles and pictures are greatly appreciated, Thanks, Diane



If you find those oops items, send in the fixes to the newsletter email at fenderchatter@gmail.com by the 18th so that it can be made right or at least made believable.

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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.

NO JULY MEETING Next meeting August 7, 2009, picnic

MODEL T CLUB MINUTES

Friday, June 5, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President, Norm Warren.

"We are really glad to see you here tonight. This past month Virginia and I have had the opportunity to participate in four different club activities.

This is truly where the "action is" different cars - different ideas - different food, well maybe not different food, mostly hamburgers and hot dogs, but all very enjoyable.

EXHIBITION, as in my last month's President's letter, is to exhibit your cars, whereas EXHIBITIONISM is to deliberately attract attention to oneself.

Mark Hutchison said an exhibition is getting in the T and driving with the top down, or without a top.

WELCOME

Joe Swanson: No new members to introduce.

SECRETARY? REPORT

Ed Hope - No corrections to the previous minutes. Motion to accept as written, seconded, and approved.

TREASURER? REPORT

Stamps and rent need to be paid. That was moved, seconded, and approved.

VICE PRESIDENT? REPORT

Steve Heid - Swap Meet. We will be inside, hopefully, the same place as last year. All gate duties have been filled, 7 signed up for Thursday.

Show up and sign in and note that you are from the Model T Club. We start at 7:00 a.m. at the fairgrounds. We are working the SE gate by the train.

Steve will be there for most of the time. Bring something to sell and a chair to sit on.

SUNSHINE REPORT

Julie Heid - Card sent to Dan Coslic who suffered stress fractures of his ankle and regrettably was not able to attempt the climb up Mt. Denali with his team members.

Craig Nelson has had 3 heart surgeries.

TOURS

Car-B-Que Show was on May 9. 100+ cars, tractors, working models of steam engines, a 1912 Maxwell, Model T's and hetrods.

- Wooden Boat Post Falls Tour was a hit, 9 Model T's and Rick's Model N. Motion was made, seconded, and passed to send a thank you note.

- Royal Park Nursing Home Tour on May 13th: 3 Model T's and 2 Model A's participated.

- Safe T Inspection at Larry and Norma Skidmore's: Mike Robison reports there were 30 cars inspected before noon. Found lots of missing cotter pins.

- Road Clean-Up: Travis Thorseth, road clean-up tour was Sunday, May 31st, 14 people showed up and collected about 24 bags of trash.

FUTURE TOURS

Brighton Court Car Show-up and Barbeque at Brighton Court 11:00 to 2:00 June 13th.

- Medical Lake Founder's Day Parade is being held at 10:00 AM on Saturday, June 20th. Meet at Rosauer's at 8:00 AM at 3rd & Oak in Spokane for a back-road tour out to Medical Lake.

We'll plan to meet anyone who wants to go directly to Medical Lake at 9:00 AM at the St. Anne Catholic Church at the corner of Stanley and Lake streets in Medical Lake.

Jim will email further details.

- Montana 500: June 21-25th.

- 3rd Annual Millwood Classic Car Show To End Hunger & Alzheimer's: June 27th, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Meet at 9:00 a.m. at the Dairy Queen on Trent and Argonne.

There will be live music by "The Country Jammers." Cost: \$10.00 per car or \$5.00 & 5 cans of food.

FENDER CHATTER

Norm Warren complimented Diane Swanson for a great job on the June issue.

WEBMASTER

Mike Robison - Mike reported that he has received requests to post Model T's for sale on the website from non members.

Should this be allowed? Lively discussion ensued. Tom Carnegie made a motion that we allow club members to post adds for free.

Motion was seconded. Question was raised about fees for non-members. More discussion followed. Tom retracted his motion. Alan Henzen made a motion to accept Model T advertising from members AND non-members without charge. Motion seconded and passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Status of Model T Club of America Insurance: Jim Patterson reported that one of the directors was not a member of the Model T Club of America which did not comply with our insurance coverage.

She has since become a member, not naming any names.

NEW BUSINESS

The National Veterans Wheel Chair Games, July 13-18: Need volunteers for anything and everything, 4-hour shifts. Contact John Wyman for more information.

- Studebaker Car Club 100th Year Car Show: Minnehaha Park, August 29, 10-4:00. For information, phone 484-4104.

- Our newest member, Bill McKenna, has totally rebuilt his T in 5 weeks.

PROGRAM

Three members (Glen, Norm, and Ed) drew marked raffle tickets and were then asked to relate their experiences with their Model T's.

RAFFLE DRAWING

Jake Stormo won the drawing.

- Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Ed Hope

WE•RE THINKING OF YOU Sunshine Report -

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In memory of Merwin Eickmeyer.
June 20, 1920 - April 19, 2009



Candy's Cookie
Corner
**JULY NO MEET-
ING**
**August
Picnic**

Picture to the left
complements of Glen
Whitely.

Tours and Activity Reports

CHECK THE CLUB WEB SITE FOR SPUR-OF-THE-MOMENT EVENTS.

Tours may be arranged at the last minute so check the club website Calendar of Events at
<http://www.spokanemodeltclub.com> for the latest activities.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| July 3rd-5th 2009 | Panorama Land Tour - Registration deadline May 15th |
| July 4th 2009 | Celebration in Oaksdale, Wa Contact Ace Evans
(NOSPAM)ACEUPNORTH@OAKSDALE.NET |
| July 10th-12th 2009 | No Regular meeting- V8 Swap meet Registration Information |
| August 2009 | Summer Banquet |
| September 4th 2009 | Regular Meeting |
| September 13-17th 2009 | Skagit-Snohomish Regional Group of the HCCA
12th Annual Fall Tour, based out of Port Townsend
gsteve@hammatt.com 2009 Fall Tour Chairman
Steve Hammatt |

Quick cancelled event notice

Car show and BBQ at Brighton court has been cancelled but hopes to rescheduled soon.
Posted by Carla Carnegie

TUESDAY NIGHTS'

If you need to work on your T, perform tuning, help out or need help, want to learn something new or just to hang out then come on over. Join us, then follow up with some lively discussion at Burger Time. If you have questions, call Tom or Mike at the Antique Auto Ranch, (509) 535-7789. They're located at 2225 N Dollar Rd, Spokane Valley, WA. 99212 or are available on the web site at <http://www.antiqueautoranch.com>

Some of our regulars from Tuesday night crew have their speedsters up, ready and rollin in the Montana 500.
Good luck to all!

Tuesday Nights Update

This is Bill McKenna's "T" Ambulance WWI - It's moving along well. It's being painted now.



WOW CONGRATULATIONS!!!!!! I can't believe you done that, that fast!!!! I can't believe Bill McKenna finished in about 5- weeks from the start!

Provided by Alan Stacey

Lilac Parade - 5-16-09

Suzie and Alan Stacey ran their 27 T lead the Alzheimers Association in the Lilac parade. The parade was great, at the end, we lost the starter, that sure was a big problem, but they hope to have a permanent fix soon.

Submitted by Alan Stacey



Safety inspection continued from page 1.



Road clean up

On May 31st on the Pullman Highway, Travis Thorseth put together a good size good of about 14 people and 4 or 5 T's where present. It was a beautiful sun day close to 80 degrees with a light breeze, the 4 mile stretch of roadway only took about an hour. From there Travis took the group on a tour, to Spangle, crossed over to Fairfield, on to highway 27 to the Palouse and finally to their destination at his house. After their hard work of 24 bags of trash and the great tour, they enjoyed BBQ burgers and hot dogs.

Thanks to everyone.

Submitted by Travis Thorseth



Arbor Crest Wine Cellars Hosting car clubs Wednesday Evenings

Arbor Crest Wine Cellars is hosting regional car clubs every Wednesday evening on their grounds. The evenings are really steered around being able to involve local car enthusiasts, and offer a new location for enthusiasts to drive and gather. We have reserved a few nights which you will see on the calendar that are open to all car clubs. No reservations needed on those theme nights:

Each night, the first 20-25 cars will be parked on the lawn and in the courtyard areas. The remaining cars will have reserved parking in our parking area.

We are not charging any fees, and just ask that no outside alcohol be brought on site, no pets and no one under 21.

Our caterer will be on site at our Tasting Room Cafe. Fresh food will be available for purchase. As well our wine and gift shop will be open for tasting, wine purchases and goodies.

What: Arbor Crest Wine Cellars Classic Car Evenings: Wednesday Evenings- Car clubs need to call to reserve date (509) 981-8199. Ask for Jim or jim@arborcrest.com . Or show up on theme nights/open to all car clubs.

When: Wednesday Evenings, June 10th-August through 26th 4:30-7:30 PM

Where: 4705 N. Fruithill Road, Spokane WA 99217 927-9463 or www.arborcrest.com

Schedule:

July 1st- All American-Any Classic/Vintage American Vehicle

July 29th- Lady's Night-Women Drivers Welcome-Women Car Enthusiasts

August 12th-Topless Night- Any and all convertibles; Come enjoy the splendor of summer at the Cliff House

OH? YEAH..

Jay Leno's Model T

Here is a web clip about Jay Leno's starting and driving his Model T. The web clip can be found at, http://www.jaylenosgarage.com/video/video_player.shtml?vid=190256

Provided by Joe Freitag

Brain Teaser for Stress

Here is a very quick test to determine your stress level. Read the following description completely before looking at the picture.

The picture below was used in a case study on stress levels at St. Mary's Hospital. Look at both dolphins jumping out of the water. The dolphins are identical. A closely monitored, scientific study revealed that, in spite of the fact that the dolphins are identical, a person under stress would find differences between the two dolphins. The more differences a person finds between the dolphins, the more stress that person is experiencing.

Look at the photograph, and if you find more than one or two differences, you may want to take a vacation or at least get a massage.

Posted by Caroline Latham on Mar 18th, 2007 on the www.sharpbrains.com web site.



Best Brownies

Yield: 24 brownies

Everybody has a favorite brownie recipe, but these are hard to beat!

- * 1 cup (2 sticks) butter, softened
- * 2 cups sugar
- * 1 tablespoon corn syrup
- * 2/3 cup cocoa
- * 4 eggs
- * 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- * 1-1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- * 1 teaspoon baking powder

Combine first 6 ingredients. In a separate bowl, combine flour and baking powder, and add to batter, mixing well. Pour into a 13x9-inch greased pan. Bake at 350 degrees F for about 30 minutes. Allow to cool in pan before cutting into bars.

Recipe from the [The Old Farmer Almanac](http://www.almanac.com). Website at www.almanac.com

MODEL T CARBURETOR TIPS

At the last Flatland T's club meeting we had a Carburetor Seminar. It was suggested that some of the rebuilding tips & techniques be written down for future reference. This is written specifically for the Holly NH carburetor but it will also apply to other carburetors.

Verne

1. Disassemble & clean carburetor. This includes: pulling out the throttle & choke plates; the carburetor bowl; removing the float valve & seat; the carburetor adjusting needle; the spray nozzle; and the fuel inlet elbow. It may be necessary to use heat to remove the spray nozzle. Just heat the carburetor body up, in that area, with a torch until it is almost red hot, then let it air cool. **BE CAREFUL – THAT'S GASOLINE YOU'RE WORKING WITH!!!** Once disassembled, sandblast all the parts with fine sand, then wire-brush them to remove the sand residue. Use small round wire brushes to clean out all the holes.
2. Paint the carburetor as you like; keeping in mind, most paint is dissolved by gasoline. The inside of the bowl and the surface of the carburetor inside the bowl can be coated with Glyptal as it is gasoline resistant. There is also a gloss black Glyptal that can be used for the surface that shows.
3. Run a tap through all the threaded holes to clean up the threads. Make certain the old gaskets are out of the float valve & seat hole and the spray nozzle hole. Inspect surfaces to be sure they are clean so that the new gasket will seat.
4. Gaskets can be cut using various hole punches. Bigger gaskets, like for the bowl, can be cut by using a compass with two "points". Just keep turning it around until you are through the gasket. Use professional quality gaskets such as a Garlock 3300. This type of gasket material can be "trimmed" by using sandpaper to sand it to size.
5. As for float valves, some folks use the newer Gros-Jet, that uses balls instead of a tapered needle & seat. The Gros-Jet seems to give some folks a lot of problems. The originals are fine if the cone is not cut too deeply. The seat can be lapped using various grades of valve lapping compound. (It comes in many grades.) A soda straw, with a little duct tape to attach the needle to it, works great as a handle to use for lapping the seat in. Keep the seat itself as narrow as you can. Some folks use the rubber (?) tipped seat for the float valve but most report that the tip breaks off after a short time.
6. Install a new spring on the choke return. These are only about \$1.00 from the T parts suppliers. Most of the earlier style choke & throttle plates had holes with a "staple" like piece of wire holding the plate to the shaft. These staples usually break when they are taken out. A piece of solid copper electrical wire works great for a replacement. Now's the time to be sure the throttle adjusting screw, on the throttle lever, is free to turn. If it is tight, bending the tab that is holding it can loosen it up. The shafts are sometimes loose on the lever. This can be repaired with silver braze. Silver braze has a wicking action that will allow the material to flow into the joint to make it strong.
7. As for the carburetor adjusting needle, it needs to have a nice long taper to it. Many have a groove worn in them from where folks have turned the needle into the seat over the years. A nice flat file and a little patience will work on this. For initial adjustment, screw the needle in all the way and back it off about 1-1/2 turns.
8. Check the float by holding it in a pan of hot tap water. If there is a hole in it, the air will expand, due to the heat, and escape as air bubbles into the water. New floats are available.
9. Bend the float lever so that the side opposite of the float valve is further away from the top of the float chamber than the side with the float valve. Make sure the float valve operates smoothly, through the travel of the float, so it doesn't hang up. Remember, that brass will break if bent too much (it work hardens).
10. The original fuel inlet elbow can be reused. A gasoline resistant pipe joint compound can be used on the pipe threads only, not the tubing fittings. The fuel system should be put together dry, with no gasket shellac or sealer. Don't use silicone (like blue Permatex). It will not stand up to gasoline.

Posted on the [The Flatland Tribune](#) April 2009

FOR SALE / WANTED / SERVICES

The For Sale/Wanted section is one of the most under used resources that club members have. We will run your ads for up to two months, unless notified otherwise, on a space available basis. If you have an ad (it's FREE) to put in the newsletter for parts or cars (T's or not) to sell or to buy/trade, contact the Newsletter Editor at fenderchatter@gmail.com.

**Dick Grosch's Collection on Craig's List**

>>>>Lifetime Collection of Automobila Items<<<<

A lifetime collection of old Automobila items, collectable toy cars, real cars, auto parts, tools, advertising, etc. Come take a look Priced to sell ! Come see it all today... See what you can find in the shop, and barn! BRING "CASH" ONLY!.....WE WILL NOT OPEN THE GATE UNTIL "12 NOON", SO NO NEED TO COME EARLY! ...LOCATED IN THE VALLEY NEAR SPRAGUE AVE. AND UNIVERSITY....422 N. RAYMOND RD. SEE YOU AT 12 HIGH NOON!

FOR SALE

1968 Chrysler Newport Custom - all original - 4 door 383. Excellent condition, runs and drives great. Contact Matt Beale at 509-243-9435 in Asotin, Wa during the evening

FOR SALE
1925 Ford Model T body

Do you know of a good home for my 1925 FORD Fordor body? Been stored for 58 years! I am third owner. Rust free ORIGINAL.

\$2000 includes rear fenders.

Jim Young Bellingham, WA 360-410-0103 cell anytime



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The road clean up crew from May 31st, off the Pullman Highway.

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To be included, as space permits, in the next newsletter, items must be received no later than the 18th of the month.

Please submit your articles, photos, trip reports, adventures, Ford T parts for sale, want ads, ideas, etc. to fenderchatter@gmail.com

See you next month and safe-T in your driving

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