OCTOBER 2016 • VOL 44, ISSUE 10 **INLAND EMPIRE CHAPTER • EST. 1972** A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE SPOKANE MODEL T FORD CLUB Special Extended for email subscribers print subscribers will get the same main content, but without all of the extra photos IN THIS ISSUE: Message from the Prez Photos from the MAC 100 Tour Photos from the 38th Can-Am Tour Upcoming Events Calendar FALL TRE BEWARE THE GREMLIMS





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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:

"Buffy the T Dog" in Bob Allen's 1913 Runabout from the Puget Sound Chapter - at the 2016 Can-Am Tour on Sept 16. -photo by Jeff Hipp

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## A Message from our Club's President:

September has been a great tour month for Model T's. The Horseless Carriage Club had a brass era tour in Coeur d'Alene and of the 51 entries, 24 were 1909-15 Model T's. Our Can-Am tour had 58 Model T's and 16 were Canadian. The Model T is still a popular car.

Thanks to Mike Stormo, Mark and Janice Hutchinson, and their committee members for two successful tours: the Annual 4th of July tour and the Can-Am tour.

We will nominate candidates for next years club officers at the October meeting. Consider who you would like to lead the club next year.

— Lee



# Minutes from the Last Club Meeting

#### September 2, 2016

President Lee Burgess called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

◆ These are unofficial minutes, as the meeting didn't have a quorum. According to the club bylaws, three of the five members of the Board of Directors must be present for an official meeting to be held. (The Board consists of the four elected officers plus the immediate past President. The only members of the Board who were present were the President and the Secretary. Attendance was also lower than normal. The meeting was brief and no votes were taken. These minutes list only what was discussed.

#### Sunshine report:

Susie Carnegie said that she sent a get well card to Diane Swanson and a thank you card to Lee and Candy Burgess for hosting the August picnic.

#### C Raffle:

In addition to the usual 50/50 drawing, several club t-shirts were raffled. Although Treasurer Betty Patterson wasn't present she had said that we are nearing the break-even point in t-shirt sales.

#### ○ New business:

Officer nominations will be held at the October meeting, with elections at the November meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 PM.





## **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 October 7, 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!* 



# NW MAC 100th and Cd'A Park 125th

# in Spokane's Browne's Addition

Four Model T's at the Northwest Museum of Arts and Culture celebration of its 100th anniversary and the 125th anniversary of Coeur d'Alene Park in Spokane on Sept. 10th. Club participants included Rick & Carla Carnegie, Mark & Janice Hutchinson, Kerry & Suzie Tritt, and Jim Patterson. Cars from the Thunderbird and Model A Clubs were also present. Dinner certificates were handed out to all partipants. — Jim Patterson



# **Club & Model T Related Events**

## **Events Calendar**

Oct 5-8 Hershey Swap Meet - Hershey, PA

Oct 7 Spokane T Club meeting (Officer Nominations)

Oct 8-9 Monroe Fall Swap Meet - Monroe, WA

Nov 4 Spokane T Club meeting (Officer Elections)

Nov 19 39th Albany Indoor Swap Meet - Albany, OR

Dec 2 Spokane T Club meeting

Jan 1 New Year's Day Tour

Jan 6 No meeting this month

Jan 21 Annual Club Officer Installation Banquet



## 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 <a href="mailto:fenderchatter@gmail.com">fenderchatter@gmail.com</a>

## **Candy's Cookie Corner**

Oct Diane Swanson & Norma Skidmore

Nov Rebecca Hutchinson & Hal Moffat

Dec Everyone Bring Something to Share!





## **Sunshine Report**

Nothing new to report.

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

# **Tuesday Nights** at the Ranch

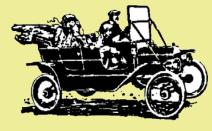
Come on out on Tuesday evenings around 4:30 pm with your T parts that need to be worked on.
Also join us **after** for dinner at McDonalds. **antiqueautoranch.com** 

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

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# **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 <a href="mailto:spokanemodeltclub.com">spokanemodeltclub.com</a> or our Facebook page <a href="mailto:spokanemodeltclub.com">f Inland Empire Model T Club</a>

Contact Nan Robison for tours (see pg 2)



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

# Recap of the Can-Am Spokane Tour



September 15 to 17, 2016

# 2016 CAN-AM Still Replaying after 38 years by Jim Patterson

It's taken 38 long years, but several Spokane T Club members finally made it to their first Can-Am tour put on and hosted by various western Washington and British Columbia Model T Clubs. From all accounts, this was the largest attended Can-Am tour on record, with 58 Model T's registered for the 2-1/2 day event.

### Here are the numbers:

- **58** Total of registered participants
- 25 Number of western Washington / Oregon participants
- 17 Number of eastern Washington participants
- 16 Number of British Columbia / Canadian participants
- 2 Oldest Model T's: 1911 Torpedo and 1911 Touring
- 1 Non-Model T: 1911 Stanley Steamer from B.C. (on day 2)

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The first day, Sept. 16th, was a beautiful sunny day and saw the Can-Amer's head out from Spokane's Airport Ramada Inn where our Tour Chairmen, Larry and Norma Skidmore broke down before they got off the airport. That threw our "drop-off: car system into a rough start, but by the time we got to Medical Lake, all was back to normal. It turned out to be a minor problem, and adjusting the rear brakes solved the problem.

We had our morning break at Medical Lake's beautiful Waterfront Park. From there, the group headed west across back country roads going through scenic pine forests, channeled basalt scab-lands, and finally across the freshly harvested wheat fields before going to the small farming community of Harrington, WA, (population 407) which is about 14 miles south of Davenport. Harrington and most small farming towns are fighting for survival, and it was interesting to see how each town copes with declining communities and economics. Harrington is remodeling some of the town's well known and significant buildings, including a large working opera house where they hold dances, town meetings, bazaars, and traveling road shows. They have a refurbished a main street barber shop and museum. Main Street is also decked out with new sidewalks and antique looking street lights, bright sidewalk flowerpots, along with several other re-furbished storefronts.

An original Model T Ford dealership building is now a Studebaker museum with about 25-30 Studebakers going back to the early 1900's. The Studebaker Club of Spokane put on a delicious BBQ lunch, and afterwards, the building provided a fantastic photo-op as all the Model T's drove through the service bays to get their pictures

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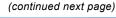


taken as they exited the building. Another photo-op was taken with the posing of each Model T parked under the very antique and original 30's era "Ford" oval painted on the building's exterior.

After a nice warm afternoon drive back to the Ramada, the guests were bussed after dinner to the Dry Fly brewery in downtown Spokane for a tour of the first licensed hard liquor brewery in the State of Washington since the prohibition days of the early 1900's. Very interesting!

The second day, Saturday, started out 180 degrees (almost literally) different. It was raining lightly as we departed the Ramada heading to Cheney, about 16 miles west. Cheney is the home of the Eastern Washington University Eagles and their very bright red turfed football stadium. They also have a nice treed city park, which was used for our morning break and for running a demonstration for a 1911 Stanley Steamer from Vancouver Island in British Columbia. The Steamer had participated in a Horseless Carriage Club tour in the Coeur d'Alene area a few days earlier and the owners asked if they could join the Can-Am tour as a guest. The request was carefully considered as it was made known that this was only the second time in the Can-Am's history that a non-Model T was allowed to participate. Interestingly, the first time over 30 years ago was also with a Stanley Steamer.









Having that beautiful car full of brass and billowing steam outside all day in the windy and rainy weather didn't appear to bother the owners.

We again headed southeast on rainy country roads to the farming town of Fairfield, WA. (population 608), where we saw another small struggling farm town. A very interesting site, however, was a vacant lot with two 70's era gas pumps and two similar diesel pumps - no building, no restroom, no small convenience store or anything else

automotive related, just 4 individual self standing fuel pumps with separate old styled credit card readers. It brought back many fond memories of how innocent country life was a few decades ago. Even the second-hand thrift store was full of interesting 50's and 60's stuff.

There were two very good museums in Fairfield, the Fairfield Museum and

The Lost Dutchman Museum. Both showed the household tools, equipment, and furnishings of everyday life in the farming community dating back to the turn-of-the-century.

Windy and rainy weather continued as the old cars headed back to Spokane. The clouds finally started breaking up in the late afternoon and the sun sporadically popped out. On Spokane's south hill, we stopped at Comstock Park for an "ice crème" break. It was here that we met Bart Batchelder, who has perfected the art of making homemade ice crème instantly by pouring liquid nitrogen (at minus 321 degrees Fahrenheit) over the fresh, flavored, liquid cream mix. The cream curdles instantly when contacted with the frozen nitrogen and in the ultra-extreme cold, it looks somewhat like frozen popcorn, except if tastes like the best and coldest ice-cream you've ever eaten! It was an excellent novel treat to cap off an otherwise chilly and wet day.



Back home, everyone got ready for the closing banquet, where several awards were given out for the People's Choice, the Oldest Model T, the most Can-Ams attended, the Most Miles Driven in a Model T, and other thank you's going out to all the organizers and Committee Chairmen for their hard work in putting on a very successful and fun tour. Many thanks also go out to the Canadians and west coast Model T'ers for encouraging and supporting

the Spokane T Club getting involved in putting this tour on. We hope to reciprocate in the years to come.

Our club's thanks go out to the 2016 Can-Am organizers and committee chairmen for the outstanding tour. They were: Mike & Jackie Stormo, Mark & Janice Hutchinson, Tom Carnegie, Larry & Norma Skidmore, Nan Carnegie, and all their helpers.

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photos provided by Spokane T Club members and tour participants - thank you!



# For Sale • Wanted • Services

For Sale: Entire collection of 150+ antique wheel locks many of these are very rare makes, all in woking order. Includes the display stand. Worth \$17k - closing out my collection for \$10k. Allen McSweeney in Colfax, WA 509-397-4180 allenmcsweeney765@msn.com



For Sale: Brass Aeromore Exhaust whistle with cutout valve to install into your Model T exhaust pipe. Used very little. Sounds like a big locomotive coming down the road. Model A up-draft carburetor with adapter fitted to use on a Model T. Also included are misc, clamps, brackets, exhaust pipe, Zenith B-2 carbureator (including factory repair manual), special air/fuel adjust rod, manifold, etc. to install everything on your late Model T. All of the above for \$350.00 or best offer. Call Frank Baker in Kennewick, WA - phone 509-783-0380.



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

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

## **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.

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