



MODEL A CLUB NEWS

May, 2006

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What a great showing of the membership for the April meeting. There were 27 members that signed in. From my point of observation the room was full. Thirteen members drove their A's to the meeting.

Lillian Parker attended her first meeting. Nice to meet Lillian and come again.

Jim and Lois Estes visited again and it was a pleasure seeing them. Jim won the April meeting door prize. Visitors are always welcome.

The Wormans brought their friends the Kaikkons to the meeting. Mary has the biggest smile when she is driving one of her A's. That is JoAnn Kaikkons in the photo with Mary.

The Breakfast was well attended. I look forward to more breakfast get togethers. The Wormans, Seabournes, Capps, Hellebrands, Bellahs, Ola Powell, Shorty Johnson, Harris Lege and friend, and Joe Creecy enjoyed breakfast at Sue's Roost in historic down town Eustace. There were eight Model A's driven to the breakfast. One of Sue's cus-



tomers commented that it was the best lot of used cars he had ever seen. It seems everybody loves Model A Fords.

You will find in this issue Sue Capps article on the Poor Boy Tour. Thank you Sue Capps.

Starting with the May meeting, your door prize ticket will get you a second chance. As part of the August meeting we will have a grand prize drawing. The more tickets you buy each month the better your chance of winning.

Emory Founders Day is just

days away. Those folks have planned and worked hard to make 2006 Emory Founders Day one to remember. It is my hope that Cedar Creek Model A Ford Club will have a good showing of the membership for this event. The food and fellowship should be great this year.

Something New in this issue. There are things for sale on page two. If you have something to sale, let me know and I'll list it in the Newsletter.

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POOR BOY TOUR

Friday morning, April 7th, the Powells, Hellebrands, Capps and Shorty Johnson headed out for the 43rd Annual Poor Boy Tour. The PBT consists of four Model A clubs: Houston Model A Restorers Club, Victoria A's, San Antonio Alamo A's and Conroe Piney Wood A's. Bill, Sue and Shorty have been Houston members for about 15 years. Ola and Edie joined the Houston Club after attending their first PBT about three years ago in LaGrange as guests of Bill and Sue. Walt and Virginia attended as guest of the Powells.

Each year, one of these four clubs host this tour. This year the Houston Model A Restorers Club was host. It is called the Poor Boy Tour because when it started, the clubs wanted to make it a fun time, yet very

affordable since it is always scheduled around income tax time.

It was about 90 degrees on Friday

when some 180 folks and about 90 Model A's began arriving. Later that day we enjoyed a great catered Bar B Que dinner. Saturday morning brought us jacket weather. We were divided in two groups and each group departed in opposite directions for our Saturday driving tour. Our group headed to Shiner, Texas to visit the Shiner Bock Brewery. We had a very interesting tour and learned the history of the brewery. As our group left the brewery, the second group was coming in for their tour and history lesson. After about an hour and a half of driving around the countryside and small nearby towns, we arrived back in Shiner at the park for a catered box lunch. Just as our group was finishing lunch, the second group of Model A's began arriving for lunch. We all had time to visit and see each others A's. Some of the A's looked like they had just been driven off the showroom floor. Others—well they were mechanically sound, but needed some attention to detail. No matter what kind of A you drove—for two days—we were all the same—just lovers of old cars. Soon it was time to start back to

Hallettsville to shop, rest or whatever and meet back for the catered evening

There were only three breakdowns on the complete tour Saturday. They were all from the Conroe Piney Woods Club and you can imagine the beating they took at the Saturday night banquet. The MC told them that they need to arrange for more tech sessions in the future".

Walt and Virginia and several others were recognized for attending their first PBT. Saturday was also Walt's birthday and by some chance the MC found out and 180 new Model A friends sang "Happy Birthday". Shorty was the only winner of a door prize drawing. He won a battery cut-off switch for his Model A.

We arrived home Sunday evening tired, but we had a great weekend.

Submitted by Sue Capps

Classified Ads

FOR SALE:

Four 215X70R16 Uniroyal Tiger Paw Touring
Tires \$285.00
Tires are new and never mounted

Four 215X70R16 Grandtrek Dunlop tires with
four tubes \$460.00
These are radial tires for your 16 inch Model A
wheels. Tires are new and never mounted.

Six 17 inch Ford wire wheels
\$35.00 each. All wheels have been sand blasted
and are ready for paint.
Contact Harris Lege 972-754-1980

Tech Tips

ETHANOL blend fuel has been in the News a lot lately. This is my attempt to offer facts about ethanol blend fuel and the Model A.

Ethanol is an alternative motor fuel that is made from fermenting and distilling corn, barley, and wheat. Ethanol is being mixed with unleaded gasoline in varied percentages. The percentage seen most in this area is 10%. But expect to see higher percentages as time passes. Automobiles are now being sold that can run on 85% ethanol and 15% unleaded gasoline—E85.

Ethanol has a cleaning effect that will remove rust from the fuel system. By remove I am saying rust will break

loose from inside the tank, fuel lines, and inside the carburetor. If your Model A is like mine it has rust in the tank. The gas lines are easy to replace but not a Model A gas tank. I am using Shorty Johnson's tip of magnets on the gas tank. Hopefully the magnets and fuel filters will save the day. Expect to change fuel filters more often.

What about removing the gas tank for cleaning and sealing. I do not know of any sealer to recommend that will stand up to the ever changing blending of motor fuel.

Gasoline with ethanol has more oxygen, so it burns cleaner helping to keep intake valves clean. No need to

worry about water in gas, because ethanol absorbs moisture. Ethanol blend gas burns cooler helping to increase engine valve life. Gasoline with 10% ethanol also increases octane rating by 2.5 rating numbers.

Ethanol is a motor fuel additive that is made from what farmers can grow in the United States. It does not have to be imported. However it does have to be transported by truck or train because there is no pipeline system for ethanol.

Nuts & Bolts

GET WELL :

Imogene Needham
Lorene Cliver

CONGRATULATIONS:

Jim Estes winner of the April door prize

THANK YOU:

Dairy Queen of Seven Points
Danny, Shirley & Staff



COMING EVENTS

CCMAFC meeting: June 6, 2006.
5:30PM Seven Points Dairy Queen
Emory Founders Day: May 5-6
CCMAFC outing: May 17th
Van, TX Oil Museum
CCMAFC breakfast May 27th, 8AM
Bubba Jeans in Eustace, TX

PIRANIO'S : Saturday, June 3rd,
9 AM Workshop on dynamometer
and engines.
Texas Tour: June 8-11, 2006
Victoria, TX
June Parades: Mabank Pioneer
Days and Eustace Pioneer Days

BREAKFAST PHOTOS

