



October 2015

Celebrating our 40th Year - 1975 to 2015
Santa Anita A's
Arcadia, CA

Spoken Wheels

FICTION AND FACT

General Meeting

Friday, October 30 - 7:30 PM

Arcadia Red Cross, 376 Huntington Dr., Arcadia

Program

Louis Skenderis is a Special Agent (SA) with Homeland Security Investigations which is the main investigatory arm of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. SA Skenderis is currently assigned to the Los Angeles Border Enforcement Task Force and was previously assigned to a money laundering task force in Orlando, Florida. Prior to his time with DHS, SA Skenderis worked at the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, the National Park Service, and the U.S. Army. SA Skenderis has a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Bucknell University and a law degree from Syracuse University College of Law.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - BOB TRAVIS

Happy Halloween everyone. I have never understood this crazy holiday. Maybe it's more like a celebration than a true holiday. Come to the meeting in costume if you choose and bring your favorite carved pumpkin. Prizes will be awarded.

Although I was unable to go I got a report that the tour/visit to the Battleship Iowa was enjoyed by those who made the trip. That grand ship sure is a great piece of our military and national history.

I am proud to report that the nominating committee has finished it's work and will announce the following candidates for office for 2016. The nominees are: President- John McDannel, Vice President- Ken Mallory, Secretary- Elaine Perry, Treasurer- Sheri Johnson. Board members: Bob Travis (Immediate Past President), A.C Byrd, Steve Concidine, Carol Emanuelli, Rick Phillips. Jim Frick and Jim Kroeger. Club members will be asked to vote at the November general meeting. In addition to developing a slate of officers the committee has filled all of the committee chairs and special jobs that are required to make the club function smoothly.

A great thank you to the nominating committee for a job well done. Those serving on the committee were: Elaine Perry (Chairperson), Sheri Johnson, Mickey Fruchter, Ken Mallory and Nancy Stancil. Let's give them a pat on the back.

During my presidency I have reported on significant items of interest to the car hobbyist as identified by the association of California Car Clubs (ACCC). Our club is a member and receives continuous communication from the association. Recently Senate Bill 350 has been receiving a lot of attention because it proposes a 12 cent per gallon gas tax increase, a 20 cents per gallon diesel tax increase and an across the board \$35 registration fee increase, Fortunately, for the moment, has been referred back to committee, meaning it will not come up again until the next session in 2016.

I will not be with you at the next meeting as I will be driving one of the cars for the football game activities which has over the years been a good fund raiser. I am sure you will be in good hands with our VP, John McDannel.

Until next time, drive an A every day.



Elections

At our next General meeting we will be presented a slate of Officers and Board members prepared by this year's nominating committee and asked to cast our votes to elect them for one year terms beginning January 1, 2016. See the list of candidates on page 3. That list also includes the members who have been appointed to the Committee Chairs.

Spoken Wheels is the monthly publication of the Santa Anita A's based in Arcadia, California. The organization is dedicated to the restoration, preservation and enjoyment of the Model A Ford. It is a chapter of the national organization, MAFCA (Model A Ford Club of America). Meetings are held on the last Friday of most months at the Arcadia Red Cross facility , 376 Huntington Drive, Arcadia California. Mailing address PO Box 660904, Arcadia. Web Site www.santaanitaas.org

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October

30 - General Meeting,

November

7 - Graber Olive House Tour, see page 4
 9 - Ladies' Brunch, Annia's Restaurant, El Monte Airport, 11:00
 11 - Board Meeting, Temple City City Hall, 7:00 PM
 19 - Men's Breakfast, Annia's, El Monte Airport, 9:00 AM
 20 - General meeting - Note date change, **one week early**
 21 - Spectacular Ruby Anniversary Gala, see page 4

December

6 - Arabian Horse show tour at Cal Poly, see page 4
 12 - Christmas Party, see page 5
 16 - Christmas lights tour, details TBA
 27 - Holiday Motor Excursion Tour

January

17 - Installation Banquet

Halloween Night at the Cross

It's costume night at the Cross for our October meeting. So let's all have fun. Look in the closet for your best costume which might be that outfit you bought last year but have been to embarrassed to wear in public. Bring a carved pumpkin to share with the others. There will be an award for the best carver.

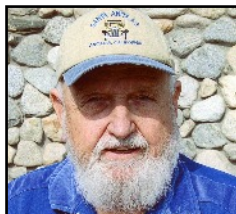


40th ANNIVERSARY LANYARDS

If you missed the General Meeting in September and you failed to pickup your Santa Anita A's "40th Anniversary Lanyard, see Mickey Fruchter to get yours soon. They are a gift from your club to help us celebrate our milestone.

Stan Ingels Dies

Stan Ingels passed away on September 17. Stan was a long time member, joining the club in 1980. His wife Dorothy passed away several years ago. Stan was born November 16, 1925 in Los Angeles. Services were held on October 2 at Rose Hills Memorial Chapel.



OFFICERS, BOARD & CHAIRS

OFFICERS

President:
 Bob Travis 626-574-0665
Vice President:
 John McDannel 626-791-3221
Secretary:
 Elaine Perry 626-443-0638
Treasurer:
 Sheri Johnson 626-446-3367

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 Mickey Fruchter, 626-797-2048
 Immediate Past President
 Jerry Lampassi 909-899-6015
 Don McBride 626-792-8652
 Rick Phillips 626-447-0611

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Activities:
 Elaine Perry 626-443-0638
Advertising:
 Dick Canzoneri 626-358-8182
Club Liaison:
 Don McBride 626-792-8652
Fashion Coordinator:
 Bonnie Nelson 626-614-0528
Ladies' Day:
 Carol Emanuelli & 626-286-5267
 Bonnie Nelson 626-614-0528
Low End Boys:
 Marlin Perry 626-443-0638
 With Brad Balmot, Ted Bruns,
 John Emanuelli, Louie Formia,
 Mickey Fruchter, Dick Homet, Gene
 Reinhardt, Randy Gross, Larry
 Rummens and Chris Wickersham.
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Jim Frick 626-303-5233
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 Bea Fruchter 626-797-2048
Raffle – Men's:
 Jack Dawson 818-790-6592
Raffle - 50-25-25:
 Josie Byrd 323-721-1996
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 Nancy Sharpe 626-359-1751
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Roster:
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Think About It

If there really is a Heaven and a Hell I don't really care which one I go to, I just want to be where my friends are. If they aren't in Heaven I guess I'll have to go to Hell with them.

SUNSHINE LADY - JOYCE TRAVIS

Get Well cards sent to: Chuck Sharpe, Louie Formia and Ted Bruns
 A Sympathy card sent to Family of Stan Ingels

COOKIE BRINGERS ALERT - CAROLYN MCBRIDE

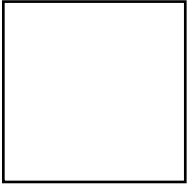
Patty Lampassi, Sheri Johnson, Bonnie Nelson,

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Sheri Johnson, Elaine Perry, Jim Kroeger, Joe Wilson

NEW MEMBERS

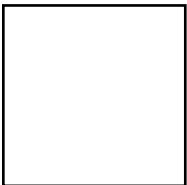
Here are the new members who joined in the last four months. Welcome them into our club.



Joss & Regina Rogers
626-403-3324, cell 626-862-4400
525 Grand Ave., S. Pasadena, 91030
srogers413@aol.com
Joined July, 2015



Mark & Karen Gollhardt
626-335-2003
1155 E. Plymouth St., Glendora, 91740
gollhardt@aol.com
Joined July 2015 1929 Closed Cab PU



Larry & May Pare
818-951-3215 cell 818-389-1885
10843 Delibon Ave., Tujunga, 91042
Filonkideca@it.com
Joined July 2915 1931 Victoria



Marco Marquez & Mayrena Ocha
Cell 626-318-1070
375 Parke St., Pasadena 911010
onemarcomarquez@yahoo.com
Joined Sep. 2015



Garry & Trang Weber
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2059 La France Ave., S. Pasadena
Blumustang65@sbcglobal.net
Joined Sep. 2015 1931 Coupe

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

November Birthdays

2 - Larry Pare	17 - Marlin Perry
3 - Jim Austin	19 - Wilbert Smith
3 - Judi Moore	19 - Joe Wilson
5 - Mary McDannel	19 - Sue Guarrera
9 - Mark Gollhardt	20 - Scott Bonner
9 - Bob Kincart	24 - Marian Foye
10 - John Knox	24 - May Pare
11 - Elsie Johnson	25 - Jim Skalicky
12 - Steve Newton	26 - Judi Moore
14 - Don McBride	28 - Carol Emanuell
15 - Frank Sepulveda	28 - Marianne Spielmann

November Anniversaries

1 - Tracy & Larry Butkus	22 - Steve & Barbara Voors
15 - John & Susie Lacey	23 - Steve & Kathy Concidine
17 - Louie & Jo Ann Formia	25 - Chuck & Gail Boekenoogen
20 - Keith & Joann Smith	25 - Ted & Paulette Bruns
21 - John & Gracie Fant	27 - Cliff & Alice Mount

Nominating Committee Slate

Below is the slate presented for election at the October 30 meeting. Members will vote on the nominations for the Officers and Board members. The Committee Chairs are appointed.

Officers and Board Members - Elected Positions

President	John McDannel
Vice President	Ken Mallory
Secretary	Elaine Perry
Treasurer	Sheri Johnson
Board Members	5 members Total
Past President	automatically appointed -Bob Travis
4 Positions open, 6 people nominated:	
	Steve Concidine, Carol Emanuelli
	Rick Phillips, Jim Frick, AC Byrd, Jim Kroeger

Committee Chairs - Appointed Positions

Activities	Elaine Perry
Advertising	Bob Moore
Fashion Coordinator	Susan Hornet
Ladies Day	Vicky Balmot & Carol Emanuelli
Low End boys:	Marlin Perry, Assistant John Emanuelli
With:	Jim Frick, Brad Balmot, Louie Formia, Mickey Fruchter, Dick Hornet, Larry Rummens, Randy Gross & Chris Wickersham

Membership	Randy Harper
Merchandise	Mickey Fruchter
Participation Records	Jim Frick
Phone Committee	Joyce Travis & Bea Fruchter
Ladies Raffle	Patti Lutz
Men's Raffle	Tom Johnson
50/25/25	Bea Fruchter
Refreshment Sign-ups	Diana Kincart
Refreshment Hostess	Gerry McKinney
Restorer Articles	Keith Smith
Roster	Joe Wilson
SCRG Rep.	Marlin Perry
Seminar Director	Bob Travis
Spoken Wheels Editor	Joe Wilson
Sunshine Person	Judi Moore
Technical Director	Bob Travis
Tours- Individual	Jim Frick, Joe Wilson & Bob Moore
Tour Meister	Jim Kroeger
Webmaster	Eric Sandberg
Youth Outreach	Wilbert Smith

COMING EVENTS

Graber Olive House Tour

Saturday, November 7

by Jim Kroeger

For many people the fall season means going back to school, football games and the holidays. Do you know it is also harvest time for olives? We will be touring the Graber Olive House to see how those little fruits are graded, cured and canned. C.C. Graber purchased land in Ontario in 1894 and has been providing olives ever since. In fact, it is Ontario's oldest existing business.

Our tour will take place on Saturday, November 7th. We will meet at Citibank in Arcadia at 9am and travel by surface streets only. The address is 100 S. 1st Ave. After the tour we will head up to Molly's Souper restaurant in Upland. Built in 1912 by citrus pioneers William and Mary Stewart, this home was converted into a restaurant in 1972 offering freshly baked bread and homemade soups...hence... the "Souper". Today Molly Brouse owns and operates The Souper by featuring home cooked meals in an old-time, at-home atmosphere. Their address is 388 N. 1st Ave. in Upland.

If you intend on making the tour there will be a sign up at the general meeting. If you can't make the meeting please call Jim Kroeger at 626-710-6592 to RSVP. We need a head count for the restaurant. Hope to see you on tour.

3 Times a Charm Arabian Horse Show Plus

Sunday, December 6

by Bob Moore

Rain or shine, we will tour the W.K. Kellogg Home at Cal Poly Pomona followed by a lunch at Kellogg West Conference Center and Hotel. If there is shine, we will see the Arabian Horse Show. If there is no shine, we will have a docent who will take us through the horse barns.

Built in 1926, the W.K. Kellogg House was designed by Myron Hunt, a distinguished south land architect whose projects include the Pasadena Rose Bowl and the Huntington Library. Charles Gibbs Adams, a colorful character whose work was popular among many silent screen stars, was selected to landscape the grounds. One of his more notable commissions was the Hearst Castle garden in San Simeon California. The Kellogg house was built at a cost of \$150,000.

After the house tour, we will go to Cal Poly's Kellogg West Conference Center and Hotel for a buffet lunch. Following lunch, we will visit the horse stables. If there is a horse show, which will start at 2:00 PM, we will be there. If time permits, after lunch, we will stop at the Farm Store.

The cost for the Kellogg House tour, lunch at Kellogg West and the Arabian Horse Show is \$25 per person. (Actually, the horse show is free) Payment must be made in advance and the headcount on November 20 will be provided to the restaurant. Make the check payable to the Santa Anita A's and give to Sheri Johnson at the October or November meetings, If you cannot attend the meeting, send the payment to Sheri at her home. It's in the roster. We plan on departing Marlin and Elaine's house at 9:45 AM on Sunday, December 6, rain or shine. It is 16 miles each way on surface streets. Call Bob Moore. 626-358-2027.

~ Ruby Gala ~



The much anticipated Ruby Gala,
celebrating the 40th anniversary of the

Santa Anita A's

will take place on Saturday, November 21, 2015. The evening will begin at 4:00 PM with cocktails (no-host bar) on the Terrace followed by a tri-tip buffet dinner in the Ballroom of The Shakespeare Club. The Shakespeare Club is located at 171 S. Grand Avenue in Pasadena and is next door to the U.S. Court of Appeals so it is serendipitous that entertainment includes a Court of Appeals Judge on grand piano.



\$10 per member - \$15 per guest

RSVP to Elaine Perry

by October 30 (626-443-0638)

Make check payable to Santa Anita A's

and send to Sheri Johnson,

844 Diamond St. Monrovia, CA 91016

There is parking available in The Shakespeare Club lot and Officers are invited to take advantage of the designated "Officer" parking spots on the North side of the building. (A handicapped accessible ramp is also available on the North side.) There is always plenty of safe street parking nearby.

MORE COMING EVENTS

Christmas Party

Saturday December 12 by Elaine Perry

It is time again for the Santa Anita A's Annual Holiday Party. This is for club members and their Families.



RESERVATIONS ARE NECESSARY!

Place: Arcadia Presbyterian Church, 121 Alice Street, Arcadia (Corner of Alice & 1 St.)

5:30PM Appetizers

6:00PM Dinner

7:00PM Entertainment & Santa

BUFFET DINNER – The price for members and non-members will be \$12.00 per person for adults and \$5.00 for children 11 and under. Make checks payable to Santa Anita A's and give to Sheri Johnson.

Bring a wrapped gift for your child for Santa to hand out when he arrives. Reminder: Remember to bring non perishable items to be donated to the less fortunate. Items can be brought to November club meeting or Holiday Party.

Please sign up at the October or November meeting or call Elaine Perry (626) 443-0638. Deadline for reservations is December 1st.

2016 MAFCA NATIONAL MEET

June 2016 by Mickey Fuchter

If you have never attended a Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA) National Meet (or if you have in the past) you might think about attending the 2016 National Meet next June. It will take place in Loveland, Colorado on June 19 through the 24th. We have 4+ members who are planning to drive their "A's" ...BUT you can trailer your car OR drive a modern one if you prefer. The Meets are fun, informational and interesting. Traveling with a group is always fun. If you are at all interested in joining us, please contact Mickey Fruchter or John Emanuelli. You don't have to make a commitment at this time, BUT we will start having planning meetings soon after the first of the year.

PAST EVENTS

Model A Ford Day

September 18

Nancy Stancil

What a beautiful day to get outside and celebrate one of our favorite things, the Model A Ford. The weather was a little warm but we had a nice breeze most of the day. We had plenty of shade and a pretty view of the lake. It was a pleasure to spend International Model A Ford Day with friends from the Arcadia Santa Anita A's and the Downey Diamond Trend Clubs. The event was sponsored by the San Gabriel MARC Club.

Joe Principe and I (Nancy Stancil) arrived at Legg Lake close to 7:30 a.m. to hold our spot. We started table clothing 8 tables to hold them until the other clubs arrived. Larry Butkus brought us 3 pop ups and help set them up. Thank you Larry! Albert Robles arrived with his nifty bar-b-q and got all set up for cooking. And he did cook, thank you Albert! Sheila helped prepare and did some clean up, thank you Sheila.

Model A'ers started arriving around 10:30 a.m. Vicky Bartlett welcomed everyone and had each person attending introduce themselves by the year of their Model A. A different and fun activity that Vicky came up with. Thank you Vicky!

Lunch was hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken (San Gabriel MARC), and many delicious pot luck salads, lot of cold water (Diamond Trend), ice cream, (Santa Anita A's) cookies and cake (pot luckers).

Thank you, Joe Principe for wanting to celebrate with others and for following through to make this event/tour happen.

Wish you all could have been there to help us celebrate. We put on a good show for others visiting Legg Lake. The public loves the Model A's and we love sharing them.

Santa Anita A's participating in the event were: Vicky Bartlett, AC and Josie Byrd, John & Carol Emmanuelli, Joe Farino, Richard Favela, David and Patty Lutz, Terry Mills, Marlin and Elaine Perry, Joe Principe, Nancy Stancil, Bob and Judy Moore and Marco Marquez and Mayrena Ocha.



PAST EVENTS

Santa Anita A's visit "The Big Stick"

September 26

by Jim Kroeger

More than thirty club members drove down to Berth 87 in the Port of Los Angeles and took a tour on one of our nation's most iconic naval vessels. We pulled our A's up to the bow of the ship and began a day steeped in naval history. Included in our group was Seaman First Class Lyle Umenhoffer, who served on the U.S.S. Indianapolis that was sunk by the Japanese in 1945.

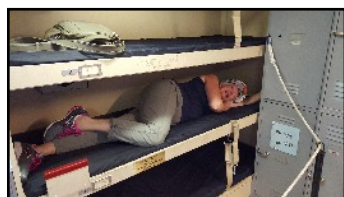
It is here where President Franklin D. Roosevelt stayed during his 1943 trip to Cairo and the Tehran Conference where he met with Winston Churchill and Josef Stalin. A bathtub was installed for Roosevelt by cutting a large hole in the side of the cabin along with an elevator to shuttle him between decks. This bathtub remains the only one ever installed on a U.S. Navy warship. This is one of the reasons why the Iowa is known as the "Battleship of Presidents."



Once up the gangway, our tour began on the bow of the ship. Launched in August of '42 at the New York Naval Yard and commissioned in '43, the Iowa is the lead ship of her class of "fast battleships" and designated BB-61.



Finally entering the ship, we toured what was the officer's mess hall and then explored the Captains quarters.



In 2012 the Iowa was donated to the Pacific Battleship Center which operates the ship as a museum and education platform. If you are a veteran touring the ship you are required to sign in upon boarding. Your name is then announced over the ship's loudspeaker including rank, and branch of service. It is a great way to say thank you to all our men and women who have served this country so well.

After we finished touring the ship we headed over to the Acapulco restaurant for some fine Mexican food and margaritas. It was a fantastic way to end what had been a remarkable day.



Temple City Car Show

October 17

by Marlin Perry

Ticket to the Twenties

October 3

by Nancy Stancil

Saturday, October 3rd, seven Model A's left on their journey from the Perry's to the Workman Temple Homestead Museums. Two other Model A's met us at the Homestead. It was a beautiful day to be out on the road enjoying our ride to the City of Industry.



The Ticket to the Twenties is always a special day for our group. It only takes about 20 minutes to drive on the streets and arrive early to get a good place to park in the shade.

The museum staff had ice water and treats set out for the Model A'ers.

It's a parade all afternoon long of men, women and children in era clothing. Besides our Model A's there were some beautiful bicycles with unique horns. People watching is one of my favorite things to do.



Jim Constantian was there with phonograph player and all his records from the Twenties. He was in his element and is well versed in music.

Those in attendance from the Santa Anita A's were: Vicky Bartlett, Tracy and Larry Butkus, Jim Constantian, Joe and Barbara Farino, Leroy Gilbert, Bob Moore, Marlin and Elaine Perry, Rick and Carolyn Phillips, Joe Principe and Nancy Stancil



The annual Temple City Car Show was held Saturday October 17th and again this year we had great participation from our members. Debbie Ingram, our leader from Temple City along with her husband started the set-up at about 7:00 AM. Our members started showing up about 8:00 AM and by 9:00 AM we had a full crew working. The weather was good this year and we had a good variety of cars for the show.

I want to thank the following club members that worked



the car show: John & Carol Emanuelli, Rick Phillips, Nancy Stancil, Joe Principe, Hal Anthony, Tom & Sheri Johnson, Mel and Maria Foye, Larry & Tracy Butkus, Bob Travis, and Joe Farino. These members helped with car check-in, registration, T-shirt give out, vote counting and raffle prize give away.

This year there was a very nice dash plaque given to car owners as well as a car show T-shirt, goodie bag and very nice trophy awards were given to the winners.

We had two of our club members win a trophy, Joe



Farino won for "Best in Class Antique" and Bob Travis won for "Collectors Choice Antique."

We also had David and Patti Lutz and new members Marco Marquez and Mayrena Ochoa come to look at the cars in the show.



Bob Moore has a new job

Recently, Bob was elected President of the Model A Youth Restoration Award (MAYRA) a non-profit 501 (c) (3) educational program that supports youth that are restoring Model A's. MAYRA was founded in 1995 and to date has provided \$70,000 in financial assistance to youth. Bob says that the most important influence affecting the future of the Model A hobby is with our current youth who will become the future leaders and ambassadors of the hobby.

The five members of the Board believe that the purpose is to solidify the idea of the Model A hobby in the minds of our youth at an impressionable age with the intent and hope that this will be a lasting association that will help support Model A restoration and the hobby in general into future generations. This activity promotes a good, clean, educational experience which could support and encourage a youth to spin off a hobby into gainful employment and occupy time that might otherwise be used for less productive activities.

Two of Santa Anita A's club members also play important roles in MAYRA. Our own Olive Moore is Secretary and uses her creativity to develop our brochures and advertising. Keith Smith is our Webmaster and keeps us on track. The remaining board members are Charles Viosca, the founder, Donna Lewis and Charles Cheshire, both former MAFCA Board Members and Mark Schwing, actively involved with the Orange County Chapter.

Awards are made biennially at either a MAFCA National Convention or MARC National Meet. The next awards will be at the MARC National Meet in 2016. In 2014, nine youth were each awarded \$2,000 in financial assistance. Bob looks forward to continued support from the Santa Anita A's and it's members.

Bucket List Trip Report

by Sheri Johnson

Tom and Sheri Johnson recently checked items off their bucket list during a driving trip through the Midwest. Sheri is an avid Angels baseball team fan and wanted to see them play in different stadiums in the US and Tom wanted to visit the Ford Museums in Hickory Corners and Detroit.



Their four week, 6,738 mile trip included five baseball games, the MAFFI museum and the partner museums in Hickory Corners, and in Detroit, the Henry Ford Museum, the Automotive Hall of Fame and Greenfield Village.

Sheri said they saw the Angels play in Chicago, Kansas City and Detroit, saw the Cubs play in Chicago (Wrigley Field) and the Cardinals play in St Louis (Busch Stadium).

In addition to their baseball and auto museum odyssey, their trip included a tour of the

Harley Davidson plant in Kansas City and the American Pickers store in LeClaire, Iowa.

Sheri said, "Tom can cross those item off his bucket list, but I have 22 more stadiums to visit".



The Santa Anita A's have embarked on a project to identify and honor club members who served in the U.S. Armed Forces. Forty club members have been identified. Four of them served during WW2, 14 served in the 1950's, and 22 served during the 1960's. The club has begun to honor these veterans by publishing a story about each veteran's military experience in the newsletter each month.

I have been tasked with the assignment of writing each story and presenting it to the newsletter editor. Each story will be one page and will be written in the first person. I can gather the information in a number of ways; e-mail works the best, but telephone and letter will also work. We would also like to include a photo of each veteran in the article, preferably in uniform during the time he served.

The story will be written in the veteran's own words. My task is to organize it into a document file, organize continuity, include the photos, and edit it for sentence structure, punctuation, and spelling. No story will be submitted to the editor for publication until it has the full approval of the veteran. We can go through as many drafts as it takes to get it right. It is understood that a story such as this is very personal, and we want to get it right. Every veteran's story is important to us regardless of where they served, what they did, and what they endured. They served their country and we want to hear about it.

Model A Ford Club of America

Santa Anita A's is a chartered member of the Model A Ford Club of America, Inc. (MAFCA). It is a California not-for-profit corporation and a national historical society dedicated to the restoration and preservation of Model A Ford vehicles as manufactured from 1928 through 1931.



We encourage our SAA members to also participate in the MAFCA organization. Check out their web site. It contains a wide variety of information about the organization, activities, technical references and instructions on how to join the organization. (www.mafca.com)



Santa Anita A's Veteran



Jack Dawson National Guard\US Army 1948-1964

My place of birth was Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, although in my early years my family lived in 42 different places. My first three years of high school were in Evanston, Illinois, where I met the woman I eventually married over 60 years ago. My family then moved to Sierra Madre, California where I spent my senior year in high school on the campus of Pasadena City College.

I enlisted in the California National Guard, 223rd Infantry Regiment, heavy mortar company when I was 17 in high school in 1948. The meetings were held in the basement of the Sierra Madre City Hall building. The only event of action was fighting a forest fire on Mt. Baldy's Devil's Backbone. We trained each summer at Camp San Luis Obispo. I transferred to an ordinance maintenance company while at Camp San Luis Obispo. When the Korean War broke out in June 1950 the whole 40th Division was called into active duty and assembled at Camp Cook, which is today Vandenberg Air Force base. They trained there until the 40th was sent to Japan, and then to Korea. My company was left behind at Camp San Luis Obispo to maintain the camp. Some of my high school friends in the 40th never came back from Korea.

In 1953 I was discharged from the National Guard with the rank of corporal and left California. At the age of 25 the draft board came calling so I decided to join the army reserves that required six months of active duty. Basic training was at Fort Ord, followed by five months at Fort Belvoir where I joined the critical skill reserves as a graduate engineer and served as an inspector on a nuclear power plant they were building.

My best learning experiences were learning how to drive WW2 tanks, operating huge machines, firing all sorts of weapons, and meeting such luminaries as Admiral Hyman Rickover. I was discharged from the army reserve in 1964.

When I had gone to college at Cal Poly, Camp San Louis Obispo was almost abandoned and our dorms were the old hospital area of the camp. It is now a high security state prison. Most of the old camp is now Cuesta College, the county junior college.



Jack & Barbara Dawson April 1955



- The meeting was called to order by President Bob Travis at 7:35 PM
- The flag salute was led by Ken Mallory
- Tours: Jim Kroeger gave an update on the following tours:
 - Sept. 26th Tour of Battleship Iowa Leave Northwoods Inn parking lot at 9:00 AM
 - Oct. 3rd Ticket to the 20's, bring chairs, drinks, meet at Perry's 1:30 PM
 - Nov. 7th Graber Olive
 - Dec. 6th Arabian Horse Show
- Spoken Wheels - Joe Wilson said he needs pictures of the new members for the Spoken Wheels. Joe also said that the Veterans need to send Tom Endy information for his articles in the newsletter. Bob Travis had Tom Endy stand up and he told about the project of the veterans' stories in the newsletter.
- General Announcements -
 - Bob Travis announced about the passing of member Stan Ingels, services would be Friday October 2nd at Rose Hills.
 - Chuck Sharpe is doing well after his surgery.
 - Bob talked about the up coming election of new board members and officers. He said there are 25 positions to be filled by the nominating committee. Please read the job description paper handed out tonight and volunteer for a job.
 - Janet Beggs told about the 40th anniversary Ruby Gala Nov. 21st. Janet passed around invitation and reservation card for members to fill out. Cost for members is \$10.00 per person and guests will pay \$15.00 per person.
 - Ted Bruns asked members to consider filling out organ donation section of drivers license.
- Program - John McDannel introduced Alan and Claudia Heller, also known as "Mr. and Mrs. Duarte", who presented a very interesting program on the Mother Road Rt. 66.
- BREAK
- Thurston LeVay said he still has his Phaeton for sale at a reduced price of \$16,000.00
- Minutes - The minutes of the August General meeting were approved as read.
- Treasurer's Report- Report was approved as read.
- Dues are due January 1, 2016.
- Thank you to cookie bringers Ken Mallory, Elsie Johnson, Elaine Perry, Lynn Neal, Sally Baquet and Gail Bookenoogen.
- Thank you to Tracy Butkus for the hot dogs and Marlin and Elaine Perry for tables, chairs and food..
- Thank you to Vicky Balmot for the ladies raffle prizes and Marlin Perry for purchasing men's raffle.
- 50/25/25 winners: John Emanuelli & Mickey Fruchter \$23 each
- Name badge winner Joe Giocomarra
- Drove Model A Charlie and Diana Lohr
- Men and Ladies Raffle
- Thank you to Nancy Stancil and Tracy for refreshment set up.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.

This is a different take on fashion. I will take you on my quest to repair a favorite vintage hat.

To take you back...I found this hat about 15 years ago at an estate sale...for about \$5.00 as I recall. It has been a favorite for quite awhile.

Made in England by Lock & Co. Hatters, St. James St., London! The style is a bowler. It has a 2" brim and a hat band of cording, with 3 rings around and ending with a knot.

The years went on and the inner hat band began to disintegrate. This released the satin liner in the crown of the hat. I kept it in a hat box for years. When I discovered the Goorin Hat Company in Pasadena, I took my hat to show them. They told me that they do not do that kind of repair but referred me to Baron Hats "Hollywood's Hat Maker" 1619 W. Burbank Blvd., CA91506 (818) 563-3025.

I took my hat over to Burbank and they said they could repair it. I asked that we retain the original leather label from the old inner hatband. They did a great job within a week and it was only \$25.00!



My point of this adventure is to repair old pieces of apparel as well as possible! You should look at both new pieces and old ones as well. As I have said before, you can add to your outfits one piece at a time. Enjoy your own quest!

Veteran's Day- November 11

Veterans Day is an official United States federal holiday that is observed annually on November 11, honoring people who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces, also known as veterans. It coincides with other holidays including Armistice Day and Remembrance Day, which are celebrated in other parts of the world and also mark the anniversary of the end of World War I (major hostilities of World War I were formally ended at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918, when the Armistice with Germany went into effect)

The following was adapted from an article which originally appeared in the Model A Times, written by Les Andrews.

ISOLATING ROAD TROUBLES

Following a logical sequence of checks can isolate most problems in as short of time as 10 minutes.

The Internal Combustion Engine requires just three components to run:

1. FUEL - Ideally you need 14 parts air to 1 part fuel (14:1 ratio). Most Model A's get about 12:1 ratio from the carburetor.
2. COMPRESSION -The fuel needs to be compressed to at least 55 psi to enable today's fuel to ignite.
3. IGNITION - 20,000 volts are needed at the spark plug to ignite the fuel. This combustion at the Power Stroke causes the engine to run. As little as 12,000 volts will ignite the fuel but a loss of power will occur when the voltage from the coil is less than 20,000 volts. If we look at the failure rate of each of the above components, the ignition circuit is the cause of 95% of all failures.

Failure Analysis

FUEL failures caused by:

Dirty gas tank, plugged gas shutoff valve, plugged sediment bowl, plugged fuel line, dirty carburetor, leaking manifold gasket. **(4% of all failures)**

COMPRESSION failures caused by:

Head gasket leaking, stuck valve. **(1% of all failures)**

IGNITION failures caused by:

Points burned or closed, condenser shorted or open, coil failure, high tension coil wire open, lower distributor wire broken, lower distributor plate shorted, ignition cable shorted or open, ignition switch faulty, ammeter nuts loose or open circuit, distributor cap carbon button worn or missing, distributor body cracked (shorted), rotor cracked, timing gear teeth broken. **(95% of all failures)**

Based on the overwhelming percent of failures in the ignition circuit, it stands to reason that the ignition components should be the first test when a failure occurs.

The ignition circuit provides voltage to the points and high voltage to the spark plugs.

TEST 1 - Open the points or place paper between contacts. Ignition switch On, test for 6 volts at the tip of the points. If this test fails, go to TEST 3. You now know the problem is in the ignition circuit. If there is voltage at the points, go to TEST 2.

TEST 2 - Remove high tension wire from the distributor cap and place or hold it 1/8" from one of the head nuts (or a bare ground). Ignition switch ON, open and close the points with a screwdriver. The points should spark each time they open and close. Each time the points open, a bright blue arc

Low End Boys

by Marlin Perry

The month found the Low End Boys very busy working on Dick Homet's car. Bob Travis and I along with Louie Formia have gone to Dick's house three times. Nothing is easy and we are staying busy, as I stated above our President Bob has been busy helping on Dick Homet's car. Thanks to Dick's daughter Susan we all ate well. We hope to finish up on Dick's car in three weeks. I am happy to say John Emanuelli is now my assistant; also Jim Frick is now a Low End Boy.

Call any of the Low End Boys if you need help on your Model A. No oil leaks or brake work.

should jump from the tip of the high tension wire to the head nut. This tests the coil for high voltage output.

TEST 3 - When test 1 fails, the problem may or may not be in the distributor. Remove the ignition cable from the distributor body and test for 6 volts at the tip of the ignition cable with ignition switch ON. If there is voltage, the trouble has been isolated to somewhere in the distributor body. Replace distributor.

When tests 1 and 3 test OK, the probability is the ignition circuit is OK. When tests 1, 2 or 3 fail, the problem is in the ignition circuit and further testing can trace the problem to the failed part. Use the Ignition Circuit Schematic to trace down the problem. With the ignition key ON or OFF, there should always be battery voltage measured at both coil terminals and at both wing nuts on the terminal box. Always check for loose connections at the ammeter. If the Ignition circuit tests OK, the next probability is FUEL.

TEST 4 - Remove the fuel line from the carburetor and drain a little fuel in a container (gas shutoff valve ON) to make sure a strong flow of fuel is going to the carburetor. If a strong fuel flow is present, the problem is probably in the carburetor. Replace the carburetor.

TEST 5- If tests 1 through 4 test OK, proceed with a compression test of each cylinder. Compression in each cylinder needs to be 55 PSI or more. A cylinder that measures no compression, or a difference of more than 8 pounds less than the other cylinders, indicates a blown head gasket or a stuck valve.




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The November General Meeting is one week early
It's election time at the October meeting
The Ruby Celebration sign-up dead line is October 30
It's Halloween night at the October 30 meeting - Wear a mask



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