



ROCK-FORD A's MANIFOLD NEWS

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MONTHLY MEETINGS

7:00 pm **LAST** Tuesday
Central Christian Church
6595 Guilford Road
Rockford, IL 61107

Calendar of Events

Wed., Aug. 3 6:00 p.m.	Car Show at 1 st Evangelical Covenant Church (Free hot dogs, corn & pie) 316 Wood Road ~ Rockford, Illinois
Sunday, Aug., 7 8:00 – 5:00 (Vintage vehicles must arrive before noon)	26th Annual Vintage Transport Extravaganza at the Illinois Railway Museum – Union, IL Mail in registration for \$10/car admission
Saturday, Aug. 13 Noon	Annual Club Picnic Martin Park, Rockford, Illinois (Bring a dish to pass – meat, beverage and tableware provided)
Saturday, Aug. 20 Noon	Annual Model A Day in Amana, Iowa http://www.festivalsinamana.com/model-a.html
Saturday, Aug. 20 7 – 11:00 a.m.	EAA Chap. 60 Pancake Breakfast, Fly-in & Car Show at Beloit Airport 4046 East Highway 67, Beloit, WI (benefits scholarship for Aviation Program at Rockford College - \$3.00 drivers; \$6.00 others)
Tuesday, Aug. 23 4:00 – 8:00 p.m.	Boone Co. Historical Museum Ice Cream Social Free pie & ice cream for drivers! 314 S State St, Belvidere, IL http://bchmuseum.org/calendar/
Friday, Aug. 26 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.	Fairhaven Christian Retirement Center - Ice Cream Social Rockford, Illinois
Tuesday, Aug. 30 7:00 p.m.	Monthly Meeting Tech-Talk: 'Show & Tell' (or What'cha been doin' ?) Lady A's Chat: Video ~ Era Lingerie
Saturday, Sept. 10 8:00 – 4:00	Central Christian Church Car Show http://www.cccrockfordcarshow.com/
Saturday, Sept. 10	International Model A Day 
Sunday, Sept. 11 10:00 line up; 11:00 parade	Roscoe Lions Parade Roscoe, IL Thank you sponsor Bob Nowicki - Roscoe True Value Hardware!
Sunday, Sept. 11 11:00 – 4:00	Beckman Mill Heritage Sunday Beloit, WI http://www.beckmanmill.org/event/heritage-sunday-2/
Saturday, Sept. 17	Model A Day at the Gilmore Auto Museum Hickory Corners, MI http://www.gilmorecarmuseum.org/event/model-a-day/?instance_id=215
Saturday, Sept. 17 6:45 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Hill & Valley Antique Auto & Americana Show http://crossplainschamber.chambermaster.com/events/details/hill-valley-antique-auto-americana-show-09-17-2016-235
Sunday, Sept. 18 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Beloit Autorama http://www.beloitautorama.com/
Sunday, Sept. 25 12:00 line up; 1:00 parade	Stillman Valley Fall Festival Parade Meet at Dave & Sara Werckle's for dessert after the parade. Thank you very much, Dave & Sara!
Tuesday, Sept. 27 7:00 p.m.	Monthly Meeting

July 26, 2016 Meeting Minutes - submitted by Anne Laviolette

1. Welcome members and guests. 40 in attendance. We also want to recognize the dedication of 2 of our members: Jim Morley, who got back from Texas at 4:30 pm and still made it to the meeting; and Kathy Forbes, who was downstate since last week and hadn't even been home yet, but still came to the meeting.
2. Thank you to Pat Bryan for the delicious cookies and cheesecake tonight! Thank you to Kathy Forbes for making the coffee!
3. Club vests cost \$17.00; one free to member, pay for an extra; patches from Jim Morley (\$4) and Lori Weber for embroidery (\$10). Contact Jim Morley if you are interested in purchasing a Rock-Ford A's metal license topper.
4. Treasurer's report – on this page of newsletter.
5. Social concerns: Doug Mather is doing well, but his treatments are ongoing. Jack Mann is in the hospital.
6. Al Montgomery is moving to Arizona and is need of someone with a truck and enclosed trailer to move his truck. He also donated his vests back to the club.
7. The new Club Roster was distributed at the meeting. If you have any changes to make contact Ron Lanquist.
8. The official car count at Model A Day in Sharon this year was 222 cars. The club took a loss at the event, but that included the \$500 donation to the Sharon Main Street Association to help with their costs to host the event.
9. John Hausen moved to have the club pay the dues for MARC and MAFCA for the club officers starting next year. The motion was seconded & carried by a majority vote.
10. Past events: MARC National Meet in Perrysburg, OH was attended by Bill & Chris Aupperle, Wendell & Sharon Anderson, Tony & Alice Whitney, Toni Lynn Whitney, Jim & Sharon Morley, Paul & Elaine Donley. Jim scored 423 points in the touring class and Paul & Elaine won "longest distance travelled"; We had 12 cars in the "Let Freedom Ring" parade in Mt. Morris and 12 cars in the ByronFest parade.
11. Upcoming events: 1st Evangelical Covenant Church Car Show on 8/3; Vintage Transport Extravaganza at Illinois RR Museum on 8/7; Annual Club Picnic on 8/13; Westminster Presbyterian Church Car Show on 8/13; EAA Chap. 60 Pancake Breakfast, Fly-in & Car Show on 8/20; Model A Day in Amana Colonies, 8/20; Fairhaven Ice Cream Social on 8/26; River Bluff Nursing Home Car Show on 8/27; Model A Day at the Gilmore Museum, 9/17; Beloit Autorama, 9/18
12. Fall Tour to Fireside Theater is on October 1st. Contact Russ Kothe to sign up.
13. Saturday Breakfast Club and monthly Dinner Club continue. Contact John and Sue Hausen for details.
14. **Next meeting will be on Tuesday, Aug. 30 at 7:00 p.m. at Central Christian Church.**

Glimpse from the Gavel

Rock-Ford A's Members,

Tech-Talk and 'Show & Tell' sessions at Club meetings have been great. Keep bringing in items for questions and discussion. The information gained from these sessions must be paying off... no one has the rubber chicken (or else it's hiding somewhere).

I would still like to have more individuals step forward now, with the intention of being an officer in 2017, so they can be included in committee meetings and planning sessions now. The current officers are willing to mentor the Club's new leaders. It would be in our best interest to begin the change-over process now.

More information on the NU-REX timing wrench, discussed at our last 'Tech-Talk', can be found at www.nurex.com; both the video and instructions.

Sincerely, Bill Aupperle, President

Treasurer's Report - submitted by Jim Morley

as of 7-24-2016

Checkbook balance on 05-30-2016	\$3580.68
Cash on hand	100.00
Total checkbook + cash	\$3680.68
Income	

Dues	\$ 30.00
Hats	445.00
Coffee money	5.00
Patches	8.00
Sharon carb/dist. Raffle	235.00
Sharon 50/50	178.00
LaShelle Ad payment	30.00
Mt. Morris parade	85.00
Total Income	\$1016.00

expenses

Donation to Historic Sharon, WI	\$ 500.00
Chris Aupperle May newsltr. expenses	53.95
Chris Aupperle June newsltr. & coffee	82.39
Russ Kothe Tour agenda printing	20.00
Total Expenses	\$ 656.34

Checkbook balance on 7-24-16-2016	\$3940.34
Cash on hand	100.00
Total checkbook + cash	\$4040.34

Total Sharon Model A Day Expenses = \$ 999.45

Total Sharon Model A Day Income = \$ 862.00

Net Loss from Sharon Model A Day = (\$137.45)

Detailed report available on request

Editor's Extras

There are lots of ways to enjoy your hobby car this month. It's a busy time of year with so many activities and places to go. Enjoy!

This month's "Members Corner" comes to you courtesy of Club member Pat Bryan – a published children's book author in our midst! Thank you Pat for sharing your delightful story!

You can email, "snail" mail or provide a handwritten copy of your story. Members - we want to see **your** car (and you) here next time.

Send Club activity photos by email, text or print so I can add them into the newsletter. You make my job easier with your help!

Thank you!

Chris Aupperle, Editor

Member's Corner: Meet Author Pat Bryan

The Lady A's had the pleasure of having our very own Club member, Pat Bryan, speak to us about her book, "Shoes for Horses?" recently published just last year. Pat shared the story of how her project came to be. This delightful children's book is available hardbound, in paperback, as an e-book on a Kindle, and as a read-play Microsoft app.

<http://www.shoesforhorses.com/>



Tech-Tip: Back Flush

By Tom Endy

The cooling system on a Model A Ford can get pretty crudded up with rust, calcium, and also with grease from the water pump. If the radiator has been in service for a long time it is best to remove it and take it to a radiator shop (preferably to one that is knowledgeable of Model A radiators). The engine block and the head are also usually crudded up, especially with rust. This is where a technique called back flushing can be effective.

The trick is to force water through the system backwards to the direction it normally flows. Various cleaning solutions have been suggested for use in dislodging the cooling system crud. Some have suggested a combination of oxalic acid with a baking soda rinse. Others have suggested liquid Cascade dishwasher solution. There are also commercial cooling system cleaning agents available from most auto parts stores.

Whatever cleaning agent is used, it is best to finish up by back flushing the system. It has also been suggested that a newly overhauled engine should be back flushed before being connected up to the radiator. A considerable amount of rust can become dislodged inside the water jackets when the engine was hot tanked and in all likelihood is still inside the water jackets, as well as machining chips. If the engine is immediately connected up to the radiator all the loose particles will be dumped into the radiator.

In order to back flush the Model A cooling system some special adapters need to be fabricated. Two plugs with a hole drilled in them must be made up, one to fit the large upper radiator hose, the other to fit the smaller lower radiator hose. The holes in the plugs should be tapped with a pipe thread. The plugs are then fitted to provide garden hose connections. The two plugs can be cut from steel or aluminum round stock.

All the other hardware can be obtained from a local hardware store. Standard Model A radiator hoses and clamps are used to connect up the flushing apparatus. To back flush the radiator, connect the adapters to the two radiator hose bibs. With a garden hose connected to the bottom hose bib adapter run water through the radiator backwards to the normal flow. Be sure to put the radiator cap on. A suggestion, connect the garden hose to your laundry machine hot water spigot and back flush with hot water. A second garden hose may be connected to the top radiator hose bib adapter to carry the exiting water to a suitable drain.

To back flush the engine, disconnect the radiator from the engine and install the two adapters to the engine. The large adapter is connected to the water outlet on top of the head. The small adapter is attached to the water inlet on the left side of the block. It is also suggested that the water pump be removed and a blanking plate be installed over the opening in the head. Connect a garden hose from the hot water spigot to the large adapter on top of the head. Connect a second hose to the smaller adapter on the side of the block and lead it off to a drain. Begin the back flushing.

You can also start the engine up to add some vibration if desired. The hot water will not only aid in flushing the engine, it will also prevent the possibility of cracking the block with the use of cold water if you run the engine.



Shown above are the two adapters and the water pump blanking plate. The long hose is the upper (larger diameter) hose. The short hose is the lower (smaller diameter) hose.

<http://www.santaanitaas.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/Back-Flush.pdf>

Fashion Fun: From McCalls April 1931 Style News - McCalls Patterns "It's the Shortcut to Paris Styles"

By Jackie Brooks

These are examples of some typical daytime dresses from 1931. There were many variations in fabric and colors as well as sleeve lengths and styles. The sleeveless cape style gave a Bertha effect reminiscent of 1929 but cut in geometric shapes rather than rounded. The shorter cap sleeves showed decorative openings, elbow length sleeves had accent trim and the longer sleeves are cuffed. The dresses feature scallops and geometric patterns following diagonal lines, with slightly fuller widths at the hemline, striking midway between the knees and ankle. The dresses with and without belts featured the natural waistline. There were even darts at the bustline on some to allow a more natural fullness as undergarments were also changing. Notice the variety of hat styles, shapes and sizes. All appropriate for daytime and off the face.





September 20-22nd, 2016

<http://hudsonvalleymarc.org/uploads/3/4/9/6/34962957/2016tourcombined0318.pdf>

Be sure to check future issues of the Model "A" News and visit the website:
www.HudsonValleyMA RC.org for more details and updates. Or contact any of the Steering Committee members for more information:

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Coming Together in Shipshewana



2017 MARC Membership Meet
March 23, 2017 – March 26, 2017



2017 MARC National Meet
July 30 - August 4
Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

Visit hubcitymodela.com/marc-meet-2017 for meet updates.
Send questions to marcnationalmeet2017@gmail.com.



6th Annual Model A Day
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September 16th & 17th 2016 9-5pm

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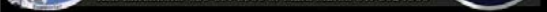
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For more Info 810-798-8803 Lou Ironside

For Swap Reservations and information

Ken Ehrenhofer 630-697-3906 or Mark Maron 847-302-7900



Now is the time when people start planning their vacations and trips. Why not a visit to Hickory Corners, Michigan for Model A Days, September 16 & 17? This great event at the museum is shaping up to be very exciting with the ever expanding swap meet, lectures and the Around the World Model A on exhibit at our wonderful Model A Museum. The Gilmore complex where the Model A Museum is located is beautiful and there is so much to see and explore. "There is no better way to see the USA than in your Model A!"

International Model A Day

Saturday, September 10, 2016



This day is a formal opportunity for Model "A" Ford owners and Clubs around the world to all go out for a drive or event on that same day and submit photos to me for submission to the National Magazines. Hopefully the photos will show UNIQUE backgrounds to your locale. Email HIGH RESOLUTION JPEG photos to me at my email address below.

Info: Bruce Adams,
Coordinator, IMAD, PO Box 45,
Northport, NY 11768

This year's patch is now available. Patches are \$3 apiece, with a minimum order of 20, and that includes postage in US.

<http://www.mafca.com/calendar.html#jul>

Welcome New Members!

John Westendorf – 1929 pick-up truck

Welcome, John!

*Member Concerns: Jack Mann, Cheryl Bradley,
Bill Lindsey, Darlene Ortberg and Doug Mather*

PAST EVENTS:

BYRONFEST PARADE; JULY MONTHLY MEETING



ByronFest Parade

Great turn out and dessert bash.

*Thank you Wendell & Sharon
for your hospitality after
the parade!*





*NU-REX timing wrench
demonstration*

*This actually can be a one-man
job, if necessary!*



*Thanks, Bob Bellard for
bringing the instructions
and video.*

More info: www.nurex.com

*Tony Whitney's worn out
crankshaft gear and cracked
crankshaft pulley. The pair
causing more wear and
engine noise.*

Good find, Tony!



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Contact: Dave Werckle (815) 979-3900. Call for details.

For Sale: "Gulf Oil" items (oil cans, signs, etc.) for my vintage gas station.

Contact: Wayne Henson 815-645-8695 or battgcmdr@aol.com

For Sale: Dozens of Model A parts, some stored for 30 years in good condition, few NOS items. No sheet metal. Call for complete list – Rock-Ford A's first on this sale.

Contact: Bob Bellard (608) 362-8356, Beloit, WI. Leave phone number for call back.

Wanted: 1931 Deluxe Model A Roadster **Contact:** Paul Sheldan 815-558-2565

For Sale: 1929 special coupe project w/new wood kit \$5K; 1926 Star Roadster pickup \$6K; 1935 Ford fire truck \$8K; 1935 project Ford Fordor top smashed/cut off & replaced, needs finishing. **Contact:** Bob Wendt 815-238-2854 wendt@aeroinc.net.

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