

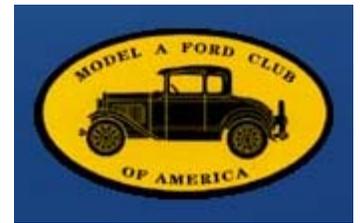


ROCK-FORD A's

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

Sunday, August 2 10:00 – 4:00 p.m.	25th Annual Vintage Transport Extravaganza at the Illinois Railway Museum in Union, Illinois \$10/car; ride all the trains, trolleys and buses; tailgate picnic. Call 630-460-5252 for more information.
Wednesday, August 5 6:00 p.m.	2nd Annual Cruise Night and Cookout 1st Evangelical Covenant Church, Rockford, Illinois
Saturday, August 8 3:30 – 7:00 p.m.	Westminster Presbyterian Car Show & Corn Boil 2128 N. Bell School Road, Rockford, Illinois
Sunday, August 9, Noon	Annual Club Picnic Martin Park in Loves Park, Illinois Bring a dish to pass - meat, beverage, tableware provided
Saturday, August 15	Model A Day – Amana, Iowa http://www.hawkamodelaclub.org/3-clubactivities/up-comming-events/168-imad2015
Tuesday, August 25 7:00 p.m.	Monthly Meeting Tech-Talk: Lady A's Chat: Reproduction Fabrics
Friday, August 28 2 – 4:00 p.m.	Fairhaven Christian Retirement Center Ice Cream Social & Car Show 3470 N Alpine Rd, Rockford, Illinois
Saturday, Sept. 12 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Car Show at Central Christian Church www.cccrockfordcarshow.com/
Sunday, Sept. 13 10:00 line up 11:00 parade begins	Roscoe Lions Parade in Roscoe, Illinois Line up starting at Bridge and Main. Please enter the parade route from McDonald Rd.
Saturday, Sept. 19 (adults \$10/seniors \$8)	International Model A Day Tour with the Great Lake A's – Hinchley Dairy Farm Cambridge, Wisconsin; 10:30 arrive Blue Bay Restaurant in Mukwanago; 12:30 leave for farm; 1:30 arrive; 2:00 tour
Sunday, Sept. 27 12:00 line up 1:00 parade begins	Stillman Valley Fall Festival Parade Line up behind high school off Meridian Road
Tuesday, September 29 7:00 p.m.	Monthly Meeting Tech-Talk: Lady A's Chat:
Saturday, October 10	Fall Tour – details soon!
Tuesday, October 27 7:00 p.m.	Monthly Meeting
Sunday, November 8	Annual Fall Banquet

Ford Fun

Have you told your friends about the Rock-Ford A's?
Car ownership is not necessary!



1. Welcome members, guests and visitors! (52 in attendance)
2. Thank you to Alice Whitney for delicious banana cookies & gluten-free cake!
3. Club vests now 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. MARC is strongly encouraging membership; insurance coverage is included in membership.
6. Bill Cummings is assisting with an update of the Club by-laws.
7. Past events: Morleys, Thompsons Donleys and Russ Kothe made the 821 mile round trip to the Arthritis Foundation car show in Dublin, Ohio; Mt. Carroll cruise night a nice event but our Club left early due to the distance;
8. Upcoming events: IRRM Vintage Transport Extravaganza 8/2; 1st Ev. Covenant Church Cruise Night/Cookout 8/5; 1st Presbyt. Cruise Night & Corn Boil 8/8 from 3:30-7:30; **Annual Club Picnic 8/9 – help will be needed – Bill, Jim and Ron cannot attend due to previous family commitments**; trip to Model A Day in Amana, Iowa 8/14-16; there WILL be a monthly meeting Tuesday 8/25; Fairhaven Ice Cream Social 8/28; Roscoe Lions Parade on 9/13; Central Christian Car Show 9/12; Beckman Mill Heritage Sunday 9/13 from 11:00 – 4:00; Gilmore Museum Model A Day 9/19; International Model A Day trip to Hinchley's Dairy Farm 9/19; Stillman Valley parade 9/27; monthly meeting 9/29; Fall banquet 11/8.
9. Upcoming wedding – cars needed for Sat., 10/17. Contact Alice Whitney.
10. **Next meeting will be on Tuesday, August 25** at 7:00 p.m. at Central Christian Church.

*We WILL have a regularly scheduled monthly meeting in August!
See you at the Picnic on August 9 AND
at the meeting on Tuesday, August 25.*



as of 7-28-2015

Checkbook balance on 6-30-2015	\$4232.10
Cash on hand	110.00
Total checkbook + cash	\$4342.10
Income	
Mt. Morris parade	85.00
Coffee money	1.00
Sale of vest	<u>17.00</u>
	\$ 103.00
Transfer from cash	<u>10.00</u>
Total Income	\$ 113.00
Expenses	
Sharon Anderson VMCCA coffee supplies	\$ 39.66
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 39.66</u>
Checkbook balance on 7-28-2015	\$4305.44
Cash on hand	<u>100.00</u>
Total checkbook + cash	\$4405.44

Glimpse from the Gavel



Please take a few minutes to read the new *Rock-Ford A's* bylaws included in this news. Bring any questions, comments or suggestions to our next meeting for discussion. A phone call or email to Bill Cummings or a Club officer also works.

The *Rock-Ford A's* is a very active Club that I'm proud to be a part. I receive frequent calls from other Model A clubs asking how we generate such participation. My only response can be is that we have a great membership that encourages friendship and camaraderie.

We will be discussing nominations for Club officers and the role and purpose of having a Board of Directors at our Meeting Tuesday, August 25th. This meeting has been added to our calendar.

There are still more touring events in the works! Keep your calendars handy and your Model As tuned-up and ready.

Keep bringing in items for our 'Tech-Talk' discussions. If you need help, call a fellow member. Our Club is all about driving, food, fun, friendship and ice cream (not necessarily in that order).

Bill

Editor's Extras

Chris Aupperle, Editor



Enjoy reading Wendell Anderson's unique car story this month! Do **you** have a story, car or event to share? You can email, "snail" mail or provide a handwritten copy. Members - we want to see **your** car (and you) here next time.

Thank you!

Member's Corner: "The Story of a Doodle Bug"

by Wendell Anderson

I was born in 1935 on my grandfather's farm southeast of Batavia, Illinois. We lived in a house built on an acre of land given to my parents by my grandfather. At that time my father owned a 1928 Model A Tudor. I remember many trips to northern Wisconsin to visit cousins with my mother, sister and me in the back seat with the passenger seat folded forward to give us more room. That car gave us many miles of good service but as time went on, it was showing wear. My Dad then purchased a 1937 Dodge as our family car. He worked in town but helped out on the farm as needed. With family transportation taken care of by the Dodge, he began to wonder what to do with the 1928 Model A.



Wendell working on the car before conversion

At that time, they farmed with horses and a 1925 McCormick Deering 10-20 on steel tractor. Dad decided to convert the Model A to a light duty tractor. The body was removed with only the cowl remaining. The rear wheels and drive train from the transmission back were removed and replaced by transmission, differential, wheels and tires from a big Packard. That combination gave many choices of speed or power. With chains on the rear wheels, it could pull a pretty big load. I officially learned to drive in a '37 Dodge but I learned more than that in that "Doodle Bug". I learned to make it stop and go as only a young boy in an open field could do. As modern tractors came to the farm, the Doodle Bug gradually went into retirement. It was finally sold for parts. I can't help but wonder if some cars on the road today might have some small part from our Doodle Bug keeping them going strong.



Doodle Bug before a seat was installed; photo taken during a test run; notice spot light.

This Month's Tech-Tip: News Article

Anticipating the New Ford

DETROIT REPORTS FORD CAR DETAILS

It Is Said to Have Four-Wheel Brakes, Double Flywheel and New Oil System.

SPEED PUT AT SIXTY MILES

Price Cut Is Also Expected, With a Wide Variety in Models and Colors.

Special to The New York Times.

DETROIT, June 21.—Information from an unusually authoritative source circulated in Detroit today, divulged what purport to be the specifications and equipment of the new Ford car, whose coming was publicly announced by Henry Ford and his son, Edsel, nearly a month ago. The official announcement, then disclosed no details, explaining that specifications would probably be announced in July.

The present report, though branded as unauthorized by Ford representatives, has received wide credence.

Prices on the new model which replaces the former model T, according to the information, will be substantially less than at present, particularly for the sedan and coupe. In addition to the standard closed models there will be, it is said, a sport roadster and a cabriolet, to cost less than the present closed and open models of corresponding design. All of the cars will be available in a wide variety of color combinations and with a scratch-proof or pyroxlyn finish.

It is also said that standard equipment will include self-starter, five wire wheels, speedometer, windshield wiper, ammeter, gasoline gauge, oil gauge, dashlight, shock absorbers and four wheel brakes on a 104-inch wheelbase.

The four-cylinder engine for the new model will be rated, the report goes, at thirty-five horsepower and designed to operate at 2,400 revolutions a minute, being capable of a speed of sixty miles an hour. The gasoline consumption, it is predicted, will establish new economies, varying from thirty to thirty-five miles per gallon. Acceleration will also be rapid.

Standard three-speed gearshift will replace the former two-speed planetary transmission which was used on

Among the other unusual features accredited to the new car will be a tandem or double fly wheel which reduces vibration, a new type of generator, an especially designed irreversible steering gear which will not deflect or rebound on rough roads, a new force feed type oiling system, new water pump, heavier front and rear axles, heavier and wider frame and a transverse type of springs similar to those now in use on expensive foreign cars.

Statement for Edsel Ford.

When the New York News Bureau released on its tickers yesterday a report that was said to comprise "complete specifications and details of the new Ford car," N. W. Ayer & Son, advertising agents, issued a statement on behalf of Edsel Ford as follows:

"I have just had brought to my attention a statement issued by a news bureau purporting to give the details of designs and equipment of the new model Ford automobile. Any statement of this sort at this time is unauthorized and apt to be misleading. No statement as to the details of new cars has been made by the Ford Motor Company and none can be made at this time. As a matter of actual fact, the specifications for the new models are not yet complete, and it would be impossible for any one, even in the Ford organization, to discuss them with accuracy and with authority."

The New York Times

Published: June 22, 1927

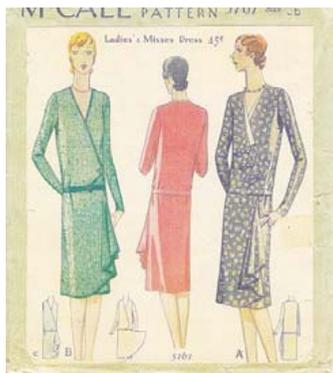
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Fashion Fun - A Reproduction Ensemble

by Anne Laviolette

Anne sewed this reproduction dress from a 1929 vintage pattern she purchased from the MAFCA pattern catalog. It is view "A" made of a cotton print, trimmed in white cuffs and "V" neck. Anne has enhanced her outfit with a black modern day cloche, decorated with matching hat band/ribbon. Black pump shoes complete her outfit.

Congratulations, Anne! Now you're driving in style!





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On Sunday, September 19th, hop in your Model A and head out to the Gilmore Car Museum for the 3rd annual Ford Model A Day and celebrate the heritage of a trusty American car with friends and family. Bring your Model A or come as a spectator. This show and swap meet will be sure to please as hundreds of Model A's gather in Hickory Corners, Michigan on the Gilmore's Historic Campus.

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For more information or to register your car for Model A Ford Day, please contact the Model A Ford Foundation at fordyhorses@aol.com

or

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Other Questions... contact Sandy Fox, Sweet 16 A's

419-344-1110 or sunfox511@hotmail.com

Bylaws of the Rockford A's Inc.
2015

Article I: The name of this organization shall be the Rock-Ford A's, Inc. hereafter referred to as the Club. The Club is a a region of the Model A Restorers Club (MARC) and chapter of the Model A Ford Club of America (MAFCA).

Article II: The purpose of the Club shall be to encourage the members to exchange ideas, information, and parts for the Model A Ford cars; to aid them in their efforts to restore and preserve the cars; and to display their cars and inform the public about the Ford Model A in such events as tours, shows, and parades.

Article III:

Section 1: Members of the Club may be anyone who is interested in the Model A Ford car whether they own such a car or not. Members are strongly encouraged but not required to belong to MARC, the national Model A organization which represents our Region or MAFCA. An interest in the purpose of the Club and a desire to take an active part in Club activities shall be the primary requirement for membership.

Section 2: The dues payable by each member shall be \$15 per calendar year. Dues are payable to the treasurer by January 1st of the year. Each paid membership shall be entitled to one vote at any meeting calling for a vote of the membership. Members who are more than 90 days in arrears (March 31st) shall have their names removed from the Club roster and newsletter distribution. Reinstatement shall occur when yearly dues are paid.

Article IV – Meetings:

Section 1: The regular monthly meeting shall be held on the last Tuesday of each month except for the months of January, February, November, and December when other events may take the place of monthly meetings.

Section 2: The annual meeting and election of officers (if appropriate) will be held at the Annual Banquet during the month of November. The purpose of the annual meeting will be to elect officers for the next calendar year and to transact other business which may come before the meeting.

Section 3: Special meetings of the membership may be called by the President, another officer, or not less than 20% of the paid up members in good standing. Notice of any special meeting must be delivered by regular or email not less than five days before the date and time of the special meeting. The purpose of the special meeting is to be included in the notice of the meeting.

Section 4: A quorum at any meeting of the members shall be not less than 20% of the members in good standing who are qualified to vote at a meeting. If a quorum is not present, a majority of the members present may adjourn the meeting.

Article V – Officers:

Section 1: The elected officers of the Club shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and four Directors. Beginning in 2016, the election of officers shall take place at the annual meeting of the Club in November and the term of office shall run for a period of 2 years unless otherwise stated below. For the first election under these by-laws in 2016 the President, Treasurer, and two directors' terms will be for two years. The Vice-President, Secretary, and the other two directors' terms will initially be for one year and then two years thereafter. This procedure will insure that not all officers and directors will be elected in the same year. In case of a vacancy in one of the offices before the end of the term, the Board of Directors may fill the vacancy by a majority vote.

Section 2: The chief executive officer of the Club shall be the President. The President shall supervise and oversee the business and affairs of the Club and shall preside at all meetings of the Club and perform all duties incident to the office of President.

Section 3: The Vice-President shall act in the absence of the president and shall perform the duties normally done by the President.

Section 4: The Secretary shall keep minutes of the meetings, provide notice to the members in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws, keep a database of members names, addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses, and in general perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary.

Section 5: The Treasurer shall have charge and custody of the checkbook, books of account and be responsible for all the bank accounts and funds of the Club. The Treasurer shall provide a report at each regular meeting as to the income, expenses, and cash balance of the club accounts.

Section 6: The four elected Directors shall serve as members-at-large and their function will be to broaden the leadership of the Club by offering additional input and direction.

Section 7: The President of the Club may periodically call together the officers and Directors to meet as a board of directors for the purpose of addressing matters of concern to the Club.

Section 8: Committees – the President may appoint committees of the membership to address special needs and concerns of the Club.

Article VI – Ratification and Amendments to these Bylaws:

To become effective or to be amended, these Bylaws or amendments must be ratified by a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting at a regular meeting. Adequate notice of any meeting regarding changes to the Bylaws must be given at least five days before any meeting with the intent to alter, amend, repeal, or adopt new Bylaws.

New Members

Member Concerns: Cheryl Bradley - health

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Contact: Howard Stahlheber 815-562-2795 home

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

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

For Sale: 1929 Model A Roadster body parts.

Contact: Don Emmert 779-537-4163

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

For Sale: 1933 BB Ford Dump truck, 4 cylinder C engine; overhauled; \$20,000

Contact: Vern Eklund 815-282-4682; photo available from Chris Aupperle, Editor

For Sale: like new Firestone wide whitewall 600x16 bias ply tires mounted on black, painted '35 Ford wheels 2/new hubcaps - \$400 firm; Nu-Rex autom. Advance setup from 2003 brand new in the box - \$100. **Contact:** Larry Schmitz 815-703-5656

For Sale: project 1929 special coupe w/new wood kit \$5K; 1926 Star Roadster pickup \$6K; 1935 Ford Firetruck \$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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