

President's Message

Fifteen Foothills T Club members and guests gathered at Robb's garage on February 28th to rebuild and tune T coils. Robb gave a short presentation on coil theory pointing out that the objective is to make each coil ramp up and fire at precisely that same time. Variations of even one mili-second in "ramp to fire" time will significantly affect engine performance at road speed.

Coils made by different manufacturers, using different procedures and material perform differently so it can be difficult to get dissimilar coils to act the same at high engine rpm. Vibrator spring tension and cushion spring travel and tension also significantly effect coil timing.

Harold Frischke brought a modified a .010" feeler gauge which he uses to "set" the rivet and standardize cushion spring travel to .010".

Cliff Proctor brought his Strobe Spark coil tester which was used along with the Club's Strobe Spark tester to fine tune coil performance. We also compared these modern testers with the Club's old buzz box.

The method we use to set coil timing is to set the points to deliver one distinct "first spark" and to set each coil so it requires the same current to open the points.

Robb



Mike Kosser from Kenilworth, NJ just announced that his Electronically Cranked Coil Tester (ECCT) is now available for sale. It measures coil dwell time to fire which is what we attempt to do imperfectly by setting coils to open points at 1.3 A. This product looks like it will set coils far more accurately than our Hand Cranked Coil Tester and Strobe Spark. It will also test magneto output. One nice feature is that it will operate on 12v and can be used on a tour to detect and remedy coil problems in the parking lot or on the side of the road.

We will be discussing the purchase of this tester at our March Club Meeting.

New vs Old





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Collector Car Appreciation Day, Friday, July 10, 2015

A wide range of automotive events are held on the second Friday in July to honor Collector car Appreciation day.

At the request of the SEMA Action network (SAN), HVA and SVAA , this holiday has been marked each year since 2010 by a US Senate Resolution, with the NAACC promotion in many Provinces of Canada, recognizing that the Collection and Restoration of historic and classic cars is an important part of preserving the technological achievements and cultural heritage of the United states and Canada. As this annual event continues to grow worldwide, states, provinces, counties and cities are following suit with their own recognition. The SAN encourages participation throughout the month of July to honor the classics of the past and the future.

Celebrate Your Hobby Your Way;

- attend an official vehicle event
- host your own or club meeting or cruise
- promote a Holiday sale at your business and invite a car club.
- Drive your special ride, new or old or what you have to a destination.
- talk cars and do some networking.
- write up a story accompanied by some pictures for your local newspaper or club publication.

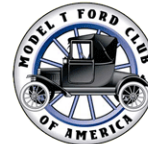
Enjoy the day.

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Minutes of the Foothills Model T Ford Club Meeting February 25th, 2015 Aerospace Museum

President Robb Wolff called meeting to order at 7:35 pm. There were 27 members in attendance.

March 25th Meeting has to been moved to the Chapelhow Legion at 606 - 38th Ave NE, as the AeroSpace Museum will be having their AGM.

Minutes: Kristen Anderson – Kristen read the minutes of the January meeting and requested they be adopted as read. Bill Price seconded. Carried.

Treasurers Report: Ross Benedict – Ross presented the January treasurer report and moved the report be adopted as presented. Seconded by Art Jewell. Carried.

Membership: Eileen Jewell – Eileen reported that we has 70 paid memberships for 2015. We have 52 members with MTFCA #s

Editor's Report: Chris Brancaccio – No report.

Tool Curators Report: Glen McDonald – All tools accounted for.

Librarian's Report: Jonathan Watson – Jonathan reported that Kristen had passed along the latest Vintage Ford for the library. Kristen added that she had sent Barb (MTFCA) our current executive listing with the roster. This had Jonathan's new contact information so the magazines should go directly to him again.

Tours & Workshops:

- February 28th Coil Rebuilding at Robb Wolff's – beginning at 9:00am. Robb has been doing some coil research and he will be doing a little presentation at 9:30.
- Wings & Wheels will be held Father's Day weekend again at Aerospace Museum and they would really like to see some T's. Many commented that this is a very busy weekend for members, so hard to get to everything.
- July 10th is Car Appreciation Day
- Heritage Park is looking for three Model T's for a special parade on Canada Day.
- Christmas Party – Discussion - Robb asked Art to report. Art and Eileen have been record keepers and organizers for this event and have noticed in recent years a steady decline in attendance. They have looked into another venue with catered meal rather than the potluck at Banff Trail. Costs will likely be \$60.00 per couple at the Legion. Legion will provide coffee, permits, etc. Costs for the pot luck at the Banff Trail are higher if you add the costs of snacks, coffee supplies, turkey and ham, liquor permit, rental etc. but would probably only be \$30.00 per couple. November 28th or 29th are the dates



available at the Chapelhow Legion. Questions asked will we be able to book Banff Trail in future if this does not work. At the Legion we will pay for however many tickets we ask for, regardless of weather etc. We will have to pre-sell the tickets.

Motion by Tom Cerkvenac that we move the Christmas Party to the Chapelhow Legion on November 28th and have it catered. Seconded by Bob Hauswirth. Carried

- **Jubilee Tour 2015:**

- We have 100 cars booked to date.
- Tom Cerkvenac asked if anyone knew where to get magnetic flag poles for cars with Kiwi's and Brit's on board. We could use the flag pole to attach the flag for the day.
- Next tour meeting is March 4th @ 7:00pm at Cam Clark Ford, Airdrie.

Old Business:

Ross moved that we pay the membership dues in SVAA for the coming year. The amount owing is \$842.00. Seconded by Tom Cerkvenac. Carried.

Peter reported on the SVAA Meeting held in Lethbridge, February 14th. SVAA is requesting that our safety inspections be renamed safety checks. Safety Inspections are performed by licensed mechanics.

SVAA also requested the survey about right hand drive vehicles be completed before February 27th.

New Business:

Eileen reported that the club supply of 10 and 25 year member lapel pins is dwindling. Replacement of these pins was discussed at the executive meeting, and they had Eileen request a new plastic magnetic pin that adds the 10 or 25 years to the bottom of our name tags. The club will use up the old supply before switching to the new style. The club would continue to supply the anniversary pins for members, but current name tags will still be purchased individually. Motion by Tom Cerkvenac that club members can purchase pins with any year they wish on them, at any time i.e. 16 years. Seconded by Al Riise. Carried.

Winner of the 50/50 draw, Larry Kynoch

Adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Technical / Show & Tell:

Robb played with leather and beads. Murray discussed rubber products and speedos. Robb demonstrated how balancing beads work to balance wheels and tires. He also showed a leather restoration product from Griots Garage. Murray showed a Canadian T running board step plate that Les is considering reproducing (limited run).

Events

March 25 – regular club meeting

April 22 – regular club meeting, Aerospace Museum 7:30 pm

April 24-26 – Eureka Montana Rendezvous Days

Henry Ford Museum Dearborn USA

The Henry Ford is a large indoor and outdoor history museum complex and a National Historic Landmark in the Metro Detroit suburb of Dearborn, Michigan. A few members of our club have been there in the past and I only heard glowing reports.

We are planning a multiday visit for the spring of 2015, if there is enough support. Members of the Model-A and APAC clubs also have already expressed interest. Maybe we can get a group together to discuss further details and preferences. If you are interested please contact me.

Tom tvandijk@telusplanet.net

Birthdays

March 1	Reg Kober
March 10	Allan Millard
March 11	Mernelda Todd
March 12	Wayne Anderson
March 13	Thomas Will
March 14	Vic Patterson
March 18	John Sylvester
March 18	Adin Kloetzel
March 19	Sally Stotts
March 19	Rick Bonebright
March 23	George Howton
March 28	Ray Degen
March 31	Jackie Price
March 31	Len Dawson
March 31	Robert Ellis

For Sale – For Trade

Please note: All Advertisements from club members will be published in three consecutive issues, free of charge. Non-member advertisements relating to the Model T will also be published free of charge as space permits. Send info to the editor: phone 403-271-1238, or email

ChrisBranaccio@hotmail.com

For Sale: Warford transmission, cast case, shift lever & knob, gears are good, fits T or AA reasonable offers. Could bring it if someone is interested.

Ray Johnson 403-647-4440 Milk River AB

For Sale: 26-27 Model T front passenger door and a rear passenger door in Manitoba. Marcel 705- 242 2990. Phone call received by Ken Canning

For Sale: 1927 Ford Model T Coupe. Was restored 25-30 years ago, presently in storage, some seat rodent damage, all in reasonably good mechanical condition, Ruckstell axle, whitewall tires, front & rear bumpers. Appraised as Good to very good condition. Asking \$7500.00 Larry Gislason, 306-297-9309 Shaunavon Sask.



For sale: 1935 Ford, 5 wire wheels, tires, tubes, spindle's, backing plates.
1915/16 Engine block says made in USA.
Ford T 26/27 rear bumper brackets with original bolts for mounting. Al 403-274-4474 Calgary.

The Foothills Model T Ford Club

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

If you have already renewed for this year, would you please pass this renewal form on to someone who also shares in our interest of the Model T Ford.



If you have not renewed please take time now to complete this renewal form and send it along with your dues of \$35.00 to our Membership Secretary:

**Eileen Jewell,
2728 - 18th Street N.W.,
Calgary, Alberta T2M 3T8**

Name

Spouse

Address

CityProv.

Postal CodePhone #

MTFCA Memb. #.....Fax

E-mail

Your Birth Month & Day

Your Spouse's Name, Birth Month & Day.....

Year & Style of T's Owned.....

I do not object to having my name printed in the Club Directory: Signed: _____

[Web application found here](#)



The Model T Ford Club of America

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Yes! I want to become a member of the MTFCA and receive **THE VINTAGE FORD!**

Name

Address

City, Prov.....

Postal Code

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Includes six issues of THE VINTAGE FORD regardless of the date of initial enrollment: \$50.00 (in U.S. funds) for outside the U.S.

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Centerville, IN 47330-0126 USA

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