

# The Ahooga News



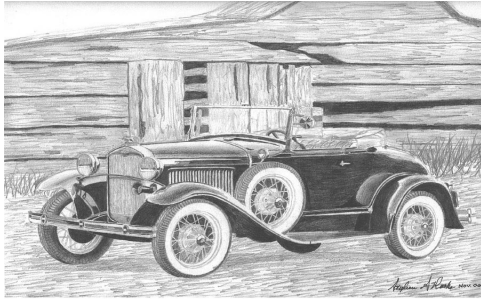
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## Dale Corah's 1929 Tudor Sedan 55 A

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## **BEAVER CHAPTER MODEL A FORD CLUB PORTLAND, OREGON**

The Beaver Chapter is a non-profit organization dedicated to the restoration and preservation of the Model A Ford automobile. Membership is open to all people with a sincere interest. Members will be asked to vol-

unteer a minimum of three hours annually to fill the club duty roster of the Portland Swap Meet.

**Beaver Chapter Membership** commences on January 1st or the date paid and expires on December 31st. Dues are \$10 for a member plus \$1.00 for a spouse/ partner. Late renewals are charged \$5.00. Make check payable to Beaver Chapter, submit signed membership application to the Membership Coordinator at the meetings or send directly to the Membership Coordinator Jennie Ryan at 2415 NE 110th Ave. Vancouver, WA 98684.

Bylaws Article III, Section 2 states: Membership in the national club ( Model A Ford Club of America) shall be a prerequisite for all active members of Beaver Chapter." MAFCA dues are \$50.00. Make check out to Model A Ford Club of America, mail directly to 250 S. Cypress St, La Habra, CA 90631-5515.

### **CLUB OFFICERS FOR 2023**

**President: Debbie Dutton 503.706.4843**

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### **CLUB REPRESENTATIVES FOR 2023**

NW Regional Group Reps: David Adair and Tom Winterrowd;  
Portland Swap Meet Reps: Mike Worthington and Bill Griffith;  
Sunshine: Brenda Caseday; Refreshments: Debbie Dutton;  
MAFCA Chapter News: Tom Irwin; Web Site: <http://beaverchapterford.org/>

**The Ahooga News** is the club newsletter. Articles and contributions are encouraged and will be used as space and time permits. Send directly to the Editor at: noe2912@comcast.net or 2222 Matterhorn Ct West Linn OR 97068. The newsletter deadline is the Sunday following the club meeting.

## PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

HAPPY 4th OF JULY!!

I want to wish everyone a happy and safe 4th of July! For those who weren't able to attend the June meeting, we have been invited to participate in the Corbett 4th of July parade. The \$15 entrance fee will be donated to local charities. If you are interested, please contact me and I will get the registration information to you. Parades are a lot of fun and a great way to get our club's name out there.

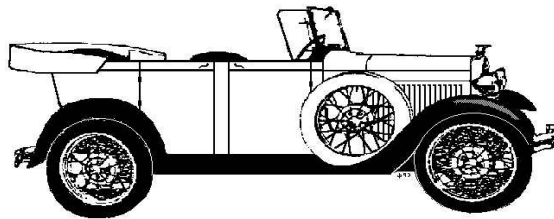
I'm sorry I was unable to attend the covered bridge tour this last weekend. I was really looking forward to it, but a family wedding was unfortunately at the same time. I hope everyone, or at least someone took a lot of pictures.

Richard Starkweather keeps asking for pictures to put on the website. He said there has been a lot of activity on the website lately with interest in our tours and activities on our calendar. Please if you attend a tour or even if you just take your Model A for a drive, take some pictures and send them to Richard Starkweather for the website or David Hawbecker to put in the Ahooga News. I know it is visited because several times I have received phone calls with people showing interest in our club or even just reaching out for help with their Model A.

Enjoy all the great weather we are having!

Respectfully,

Debbie Dutton



### CUTSFORTH'S CRUISE-IN AT WAIT PARK IN CANBY

Saturday, August 26th—Open from 9a.m.to 2 p.m.

Pre-registration—\$20

If any members are interested in attending, I am willing to organize a meet-up time and place and lead the group. Daily Holman (503) 964-1232 or phdaily@gmail.com.

## Beaver Chapter General Meeting Minutes for June 21, 2023

Call to order: President Debbie Dutton called the meeting to order at 7:27 PM with 52 members in attendance. Debbie led the flag salute.

President Debbie Dutton welcomed members and asked if any guest or new members were present. Ken Haider, who attended as a guest last month, joined this month. He is looking for a Model A Roadster to purchase. Flin was in attendance with his grandparents, Cody and Connie Watts.

Minutes Approval: A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as they were printed in the Ahooga Newsletter. The motion was voted on and passed.

Tours: Michael Haight introduced Anne Humble to share the details of the Pat Brost Covered Bridge Tour she and her husband Lynn will lead on June 24, 2023. She told the membership that the map she would give to those who attend the tour would be one that was originally drawn by Pat Brost. Pat was known for creating lots of fun tours. He was a long time club member and has since passed away. The tour will visit 7 covered bridges. Next to share his tour plan was Mike Worthington. He is planning a tour to view the Lacey Lady at the Salem airport on July 22. Mike Haight highlighted the details for the tour to Hood River that he will lead on July 8<sup>th</sup>. Debbie Dutton announced that the club had been invited to two events coming up in the near future. The Corbett 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade wishes for some Model A's to participate. The cost is \$15.00 per car and will assemble at the Job Corp parking lot. The other opportunity is a picnic being held by the Model T Club. They have set the date for the picnic on September 30<sup>th</sup>. More details will follow.

Past President: Lynn Sondenaa presented details about the upcoming Past Presidents Tour on September 22, 23 and 24, 2023. He stressed that if we plan to attend we must get the \$50.00 per couple check to him by July 1, 2023. This check will be returned to you on the evening of the club dinner. Lynn has secured discounted rooms for members at The Breakers in Long Beach, Washington, but they must be reserved by July 1 to receive the discount. When calling The Breakers ( 1-360-642-4414 ) identify yourself as a Beaver Chapter Member.

Sunshine: Brenda Caseday reported that Greg Edwards had shoulder surgery and she sent him a card.

2023 Banquet report: Brenda shared that she was able to save the club considerable money and returned a check for the amount to Treasurer Mike Worthington. She has volunteered to host the 2024 Banquet and set the date as May 11, 2024.

Holiday Potluck: The club Holiday Potluck will be held at our club meeting location on Saturday, December 2. More details will follow.

Treasurer's Report: Mike Worthington stated that all the bills have been paid.

Swap Meet Report: Mike Worthington reported that the Swap Meet Board and team are working hard to identify areas that need improvement. Some of those areas identified are vender relationships, safety issues, website improvements, advertising and cost cutting locations. Mike will be giving a full report at our July or August meeting.

Membership: Jennie Ryan shared that we have one new member as of tonight. She is also working with a man who may join.

Membership Drawing: Person not present

Name Tag Drawing: Ron Baird had the winning ticket.

50/50 Drawing: Dean Boring won the money, Danny O'Neil won oil, Gary Batman won oil and flowers for his wife, Dale Witkowski won flowers for his wife, David Caseday won oil and Terry Finley won oil.

New Business:

Canada Tour: Tom Irwin and Bill Jabs, shared the fun and challenges of their trip to Canada earlier this month with a number of other club members. They had a beautiful album for those who wanted to see the pictures taken on the tour. They told the membership that they drove about 350 miles a day, had very little trouble with their cars and saw beautiful scenery. They reported that they prepared for the trip by doing good mechanical prep work before beginning the trip.

Club Jackets: Chris Irwin showed the club members the options for club jackets. The club is paying the setup fee for the logo. Members will have to pay for the jacket and the application of the logo and their name. Call Chris for dollar amounts and jacket information.

Men's Seminar: This evening David Adair is presenting a discussion on the transmission and transmission tower

Ladies Seminar: Jeanie Adair is hosting a seminar on the Model A Era.

Gots and Wants: Jeff Johnson, a Salem, Oregon resident, has contacted the club with a need for help in putting a price on his Dad's Model A as well as the many Model A parts that his dad owns. All is for sale. Jeff is selling these things to raise money for the care of his father. If interested, contact Debbie Dutton for his phone number.

Thankyou: Jeanie and David Adair provided the club with delicious Strawberry shortcake. What a nice treat. Give Ted Downs a thank you for providing the club members with the drinks.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Penny Haight, Secretary

## Beaver Chapter Board Meeting – June 21, 2023

**Call to Order:** Debbie Dutton called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

**Board Members present:** Debbie Dutton, Leonard Dutton, Jennie Ryan, Tom Ryan, Mike Worthington, Bill Griffith, Michael Haight, Penny Haight, Lynn Sondena, and David Hawbecker.

**Minutes Approval:** A motion to approve the May 17, 2023 meeting minutes as printed in the Ahooga Newsletter was made and seconded. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously.

### Reports and New Business:

**President:** Debbie Dutton reported that she had received two invitations to events that the club may be interested in participating. The Corbett 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade would love to have some Model A cars to attend. The cost is \$15.00 per car and the formation area is the Job Corp parking lot. The Model T Club has invited the club to a picnic they plan to hold on September 30, 2023.

Debbie Dutton reported that Chris Irwin is taking on the job of organizing a way for members to purchase a club jacket with the club name on it. One can have their own name added to the jacket. She has asked the club to pay for the setup fee for the art work for the jacket. The board discussed the proposal. A motion was made and seconded to pay for the setup fee. The motion was voted on and passed.

Debbie Dutton received a call from Jeff Johnson. He lives in Salem and has been tasked with selling his father's Model A car and parts. He needs advice on what to charge for these items. He is need of selling them soon to pay for his father's care. Call Debbie for his phone number if you are interested.

**Swap Meet Report:** Mike Worthington reported that all the bills are paid and money was made. He is planning to give the club a report tonight. He will be visiting the 6 clubs who are stake holders in the Swap Meet and sharing his forecast for the future.

**Treasurers Report:** Mike Worthington reported that all the bills are paid and that some funds are being returned that were not used for the May Banquet.

**Tour Report:** Michael Haight reported that the June tour to the covered bridges will take place on Saturday, June 24, 2023. Anne and Lynn Humble are using the map originally drawn by Pat Brost, a longtime member who has passed away. Mike Worthington will lead a tour to view the Lacey Lady on July 22. Mike Haight is leading a tour to Hood River so members can participate in the Friends of the Historic Columbia River Highway Antique Car Tour through the Mosier Tunnels on July 8<sup>th</sup>. This event requires previous registration.

**Past President:** Lynn Sondena reported on his progress in planning the September 23, 24 and 25, 2023 Past Presidents Tour. He has secured rooms for those participating at The Breakers in Long Beach, Washington. Our Friday night dinner will be held at this location. He has identified places to stop and the roads we will travel. Those who are attending the event must have their \$50.00 refundable check to Lynn by July 1, 2023. Room reservations must be made by July 1, 2023. Lynn needs to have the number of attendees for dinner to the restaurant by that date and rooms will not be held after the 1<sup>st</sup> of July at the price he has secured.

**Editor's Report:** David asks that members to let him know if they have any suggestions to improve the newsletter. Please write an interesting story about your car to be included in the newsletter.

Meeting Adjourned at 7PM.

Respectfully submitted, Penny Haight, Secretary

### Lacey Lady tour 22 July 2023



Come join us for a review of the Lacey Lady restoration progress on 22 July. After serving for almost seven decades as a local icon, the Lacey Lady is being restored to flying condition in the Salem airport. Restoring the 5000 pieces and parts of a Model A is a challenge. As you will see, restoring a B-17 to flight status is a herculean effort. The B-17 is a big airplane and seems even larger when disassembled. Additionally, the hangar has a small, but interesting, museum dedicated to WW2 memorabilia. We will meet at the Oregon City shopping center at 8:30 for a 9:00 departure.

### BEAVER CHAPTER TOUR SCHEDULE 2023

July 8—Antique car historic tour—Highway 30—Michael Haight

August 12—Sterner Cabin Tour—Tom Winterrowd

August 27—Scenic Valley Tour—Tom and Chris Irwin

September 16—International Model A—Andy Jackman

September 21,22,23— Past President's Tour— Lynn Sondena

October 21—Fall Colors Tour?

October 28— Pumpkin Patch Tour?

November 18 - Shop Tour—David Adair

December—Holiday Potluck

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Richard Murk 6th

Jim VanLente and Richard Sutter 7th

Jordon Beller 13th

Jerry Dyck 14th

Diana Hudson and Rayburn Mitchell 23rd

Michael Gombos and William Price 25th

Michael Haight 28th

Bruce Ernst 31st





**PICTORIAL PATTERNS—SUMMER 1931**

Pictorial Patterns was just one of the several clothing pattern companies during the Model A era. They had quite an interesting history so I created an article about it. You can find that on Beaver Chapter's club website at: [beaverchapterford.org](http://beaverchapterford.org). Hover over 'More' and click on 'Fashions,' the article is titled "Pictorial Review History."

Illustrated on this page are two formal afternoon frocks. Coming up the stair is a lady in a red, white and blue beach pajama outfit. Her hat perfectly tops her color theme. **Fashion Details by Jeanie Adair**



**FOR SALE:** 19" Rim and Tire with zero miles - \$100; Rebuilt Model B engine with counter balanced crankshaft - \$3000. Bill Jabs (971) 235-3804

**FOR SALE:** Wayne 615 Visible Gas Station Pump—20's era with matching Lubester Tidend Livery— \$6500. Marlin Binder (503) 432-6494

**WANTED:** Backing plates and brake set-up for 40-48 Ford. Also hubs and front spindles. Lynn Sondenna (503) 781-9741 or lynnsond@hotmail.com.

**GOTS:** 1929 Roadster. Need help in determining value. Also, have boxes and boxes of Model A parts. Jeff Johnson (503) 932-0741.

**GOTS:** Engine and transmission with Bell Housing; Sundry parts; New 21" tires. Lynn Humble (503) 349-2023.



## REFRESHMENTS

July - Linda Nielsen (360) 936-9143

August - Debbie Dutton (503) 706-4843

September - Andrew and JoAnn Jackman  
(503) 658-6270

October - Tom and Jennie Ryan



## Long, Long Ago... by Pam McClafin

In 1931, a 1931 Slant Windshield Town Sedan came to live in the small town of Vernonia, OR. The original owner, Sam, loved his new car and took very good care of it. After many years of ownership of this wonderful vehicle, and when the car was “older”, a teenaged boy approached him about buying the car. He refused the offer. He told the young man that he “didn’t want the car to become a hotrod”.

In 1973 Sam decided it was time for a new car and sold the Model A to Kenny. Kenny thought it would be a great idea to do a complete ground up restoration. Ken proceeded to completely disassemble the car and began the process. He had the engine rebuilt, the garnish moldings were newly wood grained, had the fenders and splash aprons painted black and bought some replacement parts. The interior was in the basement waiting for new upholstery. Then... a flood. Muddy water ruined any usable parts and Ken became really discouraged. About 10 years later he gave up his dream and asked my friend Al if he wanted to buy a Model A.

Al was thrilled! You see, Al was that teenaged boy who tried to buy the car all those years ago. He told me that Sam was a pretty smart guy. He had been totally correct in assuming that Al would hotrod the car. Except now Al was much older and wiser. Now he wanted to complete what Ken had begun. Al worked on the brakes, bought more parts, and got a complete interior kit from Le Baron Bonney.

After all these years, Al realized that so much time had passed that he no longer wanted to spend all that time and money in completing the restoration. That’s when he called me. He actually asked if I could help him sell the car. We talked about the actual value of an unfinished car that was currently stacked in piles and put in boxes all over his barn. I was pretty happy when he offered me a “screamin’” deal.

Terry and I trailered the car and all the parts home and we began the process to finish putting the car back together.

It is still a project , but it’s getting closer to being finished. Currently the body is in the paint shop and should be finished before we head back to AZ this October. I hope it will be sitting on the frame with the wiring installed and most of the interior together.

I plan to drive the finished car as my daily driver during the summer when we’re here in Oregon. I’m really anxious to show my friend Al what he could have had. Yes, I going to rub it in a little.



## **BEAVER CHAPTER MEMBERS TOURED TO BANFF AND LAKE LOUISE , CANADA**

Over the past several years a small group of Beaver Chapter members have toured their Model A's throughout the Pacific Northwest and Canada. This year twelve brave couples (Barnett's, Bartman's, Brentano's, Ernst's, Humble's, Erwin's, Jabs, McClafin/Findley, McLaughlin's, Metter's Patrick's and Symank's) traveled over 1800 miles in 9 days to Banff and Lake Louise, Canada, May 23rd through May 31st.

The weather was great, the scenery spectacular and the comradery fun as usual. Other than day one, when the Humble's car experienced tour ending problems, no one else had significant issues. Fortunately, the Patrick's were driving a modern car and the Humble's were able to hitch a ride for the remainder of the trip. Each day, a different couple was responsible for planning the exact route, the day's activities and places to eat. Highlights were the Canadian Rockies scenery, multiple happy hours, the Hotel Condon and some good laughs as the Ernst's tried to lead us out of Cranbrook B.C.

### **GROUP READY TO LEAVE ON CANADA TRIP**





Only real problem solved (below) My Revelstoke National Park (above)



Group at Lake Louise (above) Tom and Chris Irwin at the Continental Divide (below)



GETTING READY FOR COVERED BRIDGE TOUR –JUNE 24



Shimanek Covered Bridge

## COVERED BRIDGE TOUR



**Gallon House Bridge**



**Gilkey Covered Bridge**

# CORKS & CARS

This week I had the opportunity to ride in my Dad's '31 Model A for the first time. What an experience! Up until that point, I'd only seen it in the garage or in pictures.

We also attended a gathering at the local winery, Tumwater Vineyard, in West Linn. Each month, on the last Friday, they host what they call Corks & Cars, an event giving classic car enthusiasts, from all over, the opportunity to show off their "babies" and share their passion. We decided it was time for Muriel, his Model A, to make her debut.

His was one of about 50 cars. She was the oldest, and in my mind, the coolest car there. There was a little of everything – Classics, Relics, Muscles and some that cost as much, if not more, than my house.

We're planning on joining the crew next month for Corks & Cars and would like to extend the invite to any of you who might like to tag along for some sips and show and tell. It would be awesome to have a strong Model A presence! It's a fun evening with good people.

Ahoooga,

Susanne Nelson

Dave Hawbecker's daughter and co-editor

July 2023 Corks & Cars

Friday, July 28 4-8pm

Tumwater Vineyard

375 Barrel House Way

West Linn, OR

503-454-0208

