

# The Ahoonga News

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Tom and Chris Irwin's '31 Pickup in the heart of the mountains (See more of story below)

The official newsletter of Beaver Chapter Model A Ford Club of America, Portland, Oregon

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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 volunteer a minimum of three hours annually to fill the club duty roster at 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 a check payable to Beaver Chapter, submit signed membership application to Membership Coordinator at the meetings or send directly to the Membership Coordinator Jennie Ryan at 28104 NE 72nd Ave. Battleground WA 98604.

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 and mail directly to 250 S. Cypress St. La Habra, CA 90631-5515.

#### CLUB OFFICIERS FOR 2025

**President: Debbie Dutton 503.706.4843**

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#### CLUB REPRESENTATIVES FOR 2024

NW Regional Group Reps: David Adair and Tom Winterrowd

Portland Swap Meet Reps: Mike Worthington and Leonard Dutton

Sunshine: Brenda Caseday:

Refreshments: Debbie Dutton

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**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 mail to 2222 Matterhorn Ct. West Linn OR 97068. **The newsletter deadline** is the Sunday following the club meeting.

## PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

First off I want to thank Dave Caseday for stepping in for me while I was on vacation. I heard he did a great job, as I knew he would.

I was excited to hear we have 4 brand new members. I want to welcome Dale and Christa Scott, Bob Foster, Peter and Kathleen Addy and Bob and Jamie Davis. Also congratulations to the winners of the Red Ticket drawing. 1st place Kirk and Rene Metteer, 2nd place Rayburn Mitchell and 3rd place Chris Jensen.

As I said last month, after the February meeting, instead of having the regular seminar, we will have a tour planning seminar, Please put on your thinking caps and lets fill up the 2025 calendar. 2024 was a great touring year. Let's make 2025 even better.

Respectfully yours,

Debbie Dutton



## FIRST WEDNESDAY BREAKFAST

February 5th 9:00 a.m. Black Bear Diner  
30175 SW Parkway Ave. Wilsonville OR



## Beaver Chapter Club Meeting Minutes

January 15, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 7:29PM by VP David Caseday. Minutes of the November meeting were approved as printed in the Ahooga News. David also noted the front three parking spaces were not left for Model A's and the A's driven to the meeting had to park elsewhere.

Guests: Bob Foster with a '31 S/W Cabriolet that he has owned since 1959; and Dale Scott with a '30 Fordor Briggs sedan his grandfather purchased new in Chicago, Ill.

David Caseday stated that he will be a greeter at meeting for the remainder of the year.

Treasurer: Mike Worthington stated he presented the 2025 budget to the Board tonight and he would present it to the club at the February meeting. He also praised Brenda Caseday for spending less then her budgeted amount on the May Banquet and the December potluck.

Portland Swap Meet: Mike Worthington reported that total spaces sold was at about 45%. 54% sold spaces are inside and 80% sold spaces were outside. He said the planning was coming together, expenses are hard to attack because there are so many fixed costs, but the variables are being controlled. Our club has 44 duties and 37 of the duties have been filled.

Beaver Chapter Swap Meet Booth: Rayburn Mitchell stated our club will have three spaces at the Portland Swap Meet and now would be a great time to sign up for duty at the club booth. One space will have a Model A on display, one will be to talk to and sign up prospective members and one space will be just to hang out at and socialize. Rayburn also needs help to set up on Thursday and to break down the booths on Sunday afternoon. Please sign up to help.

Name Tag Drawing was won by Lynn Sondena.

Membership: Jennie reported we have four new members: Peter Adey has a '28 Phaeton, Bob Davis has a '31 Coupe, Bob Foster has a '31 Cabriolet and Dale Scott owns a '30 Fordor.

Stan Symank's name was drawn for Membership raffle but he was absent.

Tire Ticket Drawing: First Prize, \$600 went to Kirk Metteer, Second Prize, \$100, won by Rayburn Mitchell, and Chris Jensen got \$50 for Third Prize.

Tips and Leads: David Adair gave away a new in the box set of over size Model A valves. Lynn Sondena is looking for outside half of a wind wing bracket, and Gary Bartman had a new manufactured distributor to show.

There was no new business.

Respectfully submitted, David Adair, Secretary



### Beaver Chapter Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 6:04 PM by VP David Caseday. Board Members present were Jennie Ryan, Mike Worthington, David Adair, Kent Uhl, and Ron Baird. Guest was Jeanie Adair.

Treasurer report: Mike reviewed the 2024 budget and the 2024 actual expenses. He noted that the actual expenses were lower than the budget. This was mainly due to Brenda Caseday spending way less than her budget allowed. Also presented to the board was the proposed 2025 budget. This will be resented to the club at the February meeting.

Portland Swap Meet: Mike also reported our club has forty four duty assignments of which twenty are filled.

Membership: Jennie Ryan reported the 2025 roster is almost completed and renewal applications are ahead of last year. She asked any changes to be made in the roster be sent to Mike Worthington. Discussion followed about retention of new members. It was pointed out that greeting guests and potential new members was the duty of the Sargeant at Arms. David Caseday volunteered to also be a greeter.

No New Business.

Meeting adjourned at 6:43 PM.

Respectfully submitted, David Adair, Secretary



### FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Gary Dawson , Bob Oxley and Dan Brentano 2nd August Lehto and Penny Murphy 4th Randy Selvester 7th

Lisa Mitchell 15th Lynn Humble 18th Ron Whitworth 20th

Mary Lynne Pugsley 22nd Linda Downs 27th



FOR DESCRIPTIONS SEE OPPOSITE PAGE

**M** FELT BERET \$1.00

WITHOUT FUR COLLAR

**P** BRUSHED WOOL TURBANS CHOICE-TWO QUALITY 79¢ AND UP

**A** GENUINE HORSHIDE LEATHER WITH FUR COLLAR \$14.98

**B** ALL WOOL SPORTS COAT \$6.95

**C** NEWEST WOOL SPORTS JACKET \$5.98

**D** CORDUROY BREECHES \$2.98

**K** VELOUR SPORTS COAT FOR THE MISS 8 TO 16 YEARS \$2.98

LEATHER L. FABRIC UT. RAIN CO. SUEDE CL. LINING \$3.98

**R** WON-PIECE FELT BERET 59¢

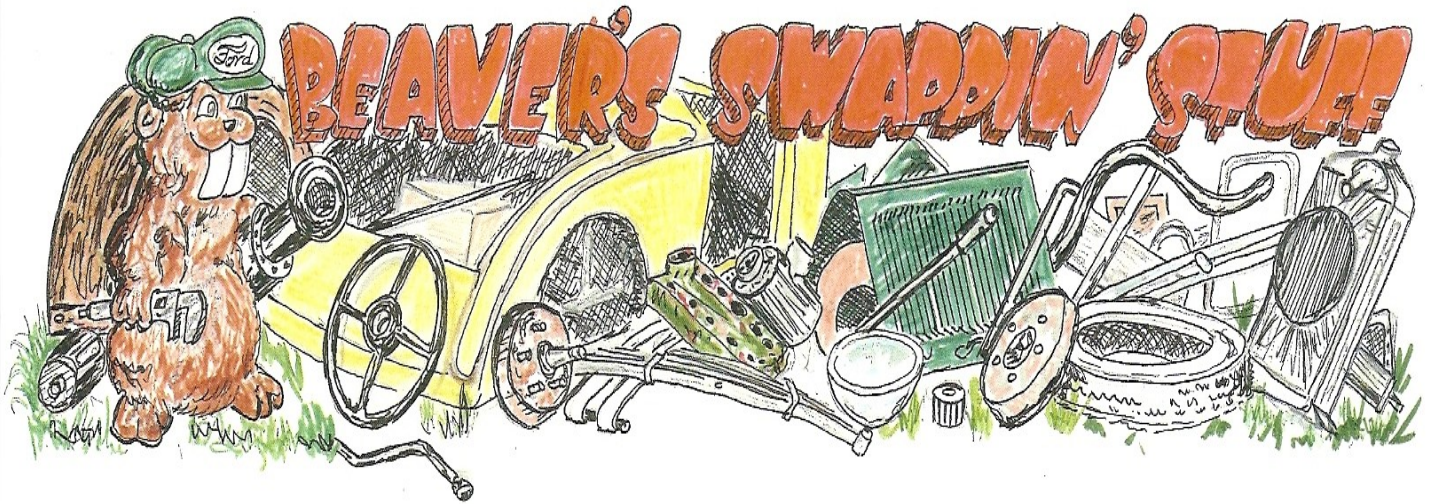
**E** THE SPORTS COAT IN NEW PILE FABRIC \$5.98

**H** FLANNEL SPORTS JACKET \$3.98

**O** NEW PILE FABRIC BERET \$1.00

**Winter weather for the ladies!** I copied this catalog from the MAFCA fashion face book page January 8th. It's a good assortment of warm hats and coats for the ladies to wear. Check out the text for more information on each item. FASHION DETAILS by Jeanie Adair





**WANTED:** Open car outside wind wing bracket, also a used 30/31 hubcap. Lynn Sondena 503.781.9741 Looking for a green and white gear shift knob. Arnie Jeffords 971.409.1004

**FOR SALE:** Complete rebuilt front backing plates loaded pair, \$250. Complete rear backing plates loaded with all E-brake parts. Ready to bolt on and use \$450. Lynn Sondena 503.781.9741 or lynndond@hotmail.com

**FOR SALE:** Numerous Model T, Model A and early V8 ford parts for sale. Brand new engine dust pans for Model A for sale. Ed Schroeder 503.655.4311

*"The Restorer", Sept /Oct. 2016*

During tune-ups, do you ever find it awkward to hand crank the engine while holding in the timing pin? Here's an easy and cheap fix:

Loop a common (4" x 1/4") heavy rubber band around timing pin threads. Then, stretch it back to a valve cover bolt head.

Now you can brace yourself with left hand, turn crank slowly with right hand and watch as the pin drops into the cam gear dimple.



**A COLD WINTER'S TRIP (picture on front page)**



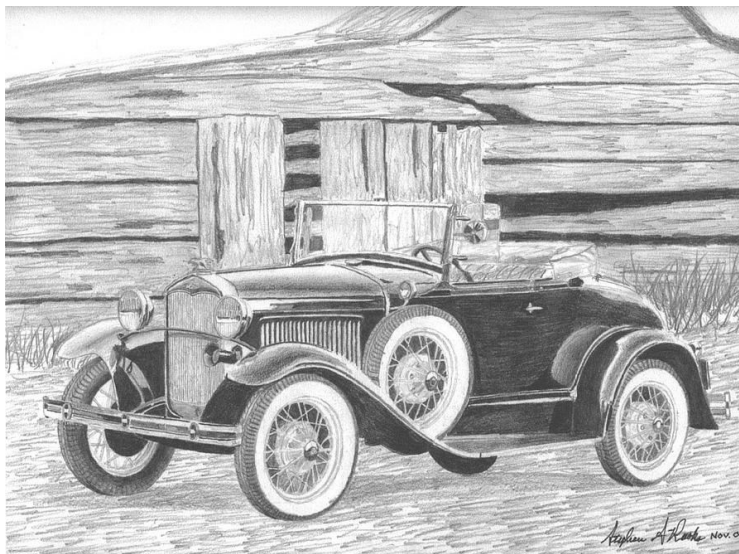
Irwins, Barnetts, Kip Johnsons, Brentanos, and Bruce Ernst enjoying lunch

When we left Newberg the temperature was 27 degrees. We traveled on the old road from Carlton to Beaver. We ran into colder weather with much frost and bridges all iced up as were the mountainsides. We saw no other cars on this road.

We decided earlier that we would go to the beach on this road on the first sunny day. It was an interesting journey, much colder than we expected, but all the cars worked well.

**MODEL A'S ARE WARRIOR CARS!!**

Tom Irwin





# Ford Motor Company

CHICAGO, ILL.

April 3, 1931

## WEEKLY SERVICE LETTER

### ENGINE TIMING

In checking complaints of poor gas mileage, or lack of speed in the Model A Car, we have found in practically every instance, these complaints are due to improper timing and incorrect spacing of the distributor points or spark plug gaps. We have also found in questioning dealers' shop foremen, superintendents and mechanics, a general lack of knowledge as to the correct clearances for these settings. We, therefore, direct your attention to Page 542 of the February Service Bulletin, showing the distributor points as correctly set .018 to .022 and spark plug point gaps properly set of .035. It will be very much to your advantage to question your own shop men to determine whether or not they are familiar with this clearance and to further ascertain whether or not they know how to properly time a motor. It is very important in timing a motor that the distributor body be installed and that the rotor arm is opposite number one contact in the distributor body as outlined on Page 480 of the August 1930 Service Bulletin, and also on Page 346 of the May 1929 Service Bulletin. These instructions should be reviewed from time to time, as this will assist considerably in the rendering of good service.

Office Use: Member# \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse# \_\_\_\_\_ Year Joined \_\_\_\_\_

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION BEAVER CHAPTER MODEL A FORD CLUB**

Last First

PRINT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE \_\_\_\_\_

STREET \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_

STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL M- \_\_\_\_\_ S/P- \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL M- \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTHDAY: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_

S/P- \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTHDAY: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_

MODEL A's - YEAR & BODY STYLE \_\_\_\_\_

HONORARY MEMBER SINCE (\_\_\_\_) .....\$ **PAID**

BEAVER CHAPTER DUES (\$10.00) .....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

LATE RENEWALS (after Dec 31st \$5.00).....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE DUES (\$1.00).....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER **EMAILED?** \_\_\_\_ (YES)..... **NO CHARGE**

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER MAILED (\$25.00 yr.) .....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL \$ PAID \_\_\_\_\_ PLEASE MAKE CHECKS**

**PAYABLE TO: BEAVER CHAPTER MAFCA**

MAIL TO: Jennie Ryan, Membership Coordinator

28104 NE 72<sup>nd</sup> Ave.

Battleground, WA 98604

**MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED TO BECOME & MAINTAIN MAFCA MEMBERSHIP PLEASE CONTACT:**  
MODEL A FORD CLUB OF AMERICA, 250 SOUTH CYPRESS

LA HABRA, CA 97331-5515.

**HAVE YOU PAID YOUR MAFCA DUES?** YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_ MAFCA NO. \_\_\_\_\_ NOTE: New members joining after July 1st, membership and all Beaver Chapter club benefits will continue through the following year. Beaver Chapter accepts Youth Dues (\$1.00 each). They must be between 15 and 20 years of age.