

# The Ahoooga News

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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 of the Portland Swap Meet.

**Beaver Chapter Membership** commences on January 1st or the date paid and expires on December 31st. Dues are \$10.00 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 Jennie Ryan at 2415 NE 110th Ave. Vancouver, WA 98684.

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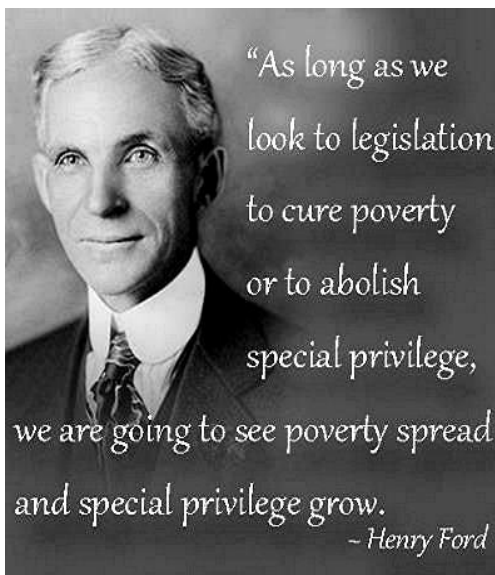
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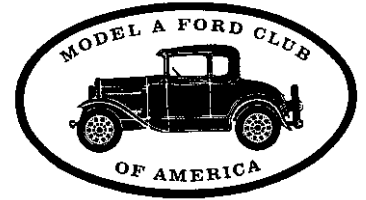
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May your trails be crooked,  
winding, lonesome  
and dangerous,  
leading to the most amazing  
views.

May your mountains  
rise into and above  
the clouds.



Gary Dawson	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Rob Oxley	2 <sup>nd</sup>
August Lehto	4 <sup>th</sup>
Penny Murphy	4 <sup>th</sup>
Randy Selvester	7 <sup>th</sup>
Bob Moore	15 <sup>th</sup>
Lisa Mitchell	15 <sup>th</sup>
Curtis Meade	16 <sup>th</sup>
Lynn Humble	18 <sup>th</sup>
Ron Whitworth	20 <sup>th</sup>
Marlynn Pugsley	22 <sup>nd</sup>
Bill Henderson	23 <sup>rd</sup>
Linda Downs	27 <sup>th</sup>



**Meeting Refreshments Hosts for February** are Art & Marlynn Pugsley.

**March:** Will be Bonnie Starkweather.

**April:** Doug Ingles  
Thanks for volunteering!

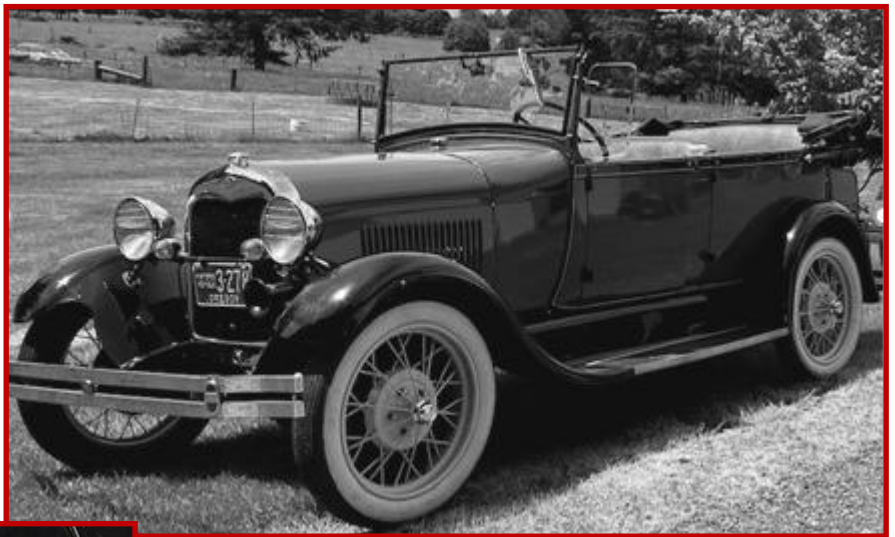


## Presidents Column

HAPPY FEBRUARY EVERYONE!

I am back from vacation now and ready to get to work.

2022 got off to very rough start for me. On January 2nd I lost a very dear friend and the Beaver Chapter Model A Club lost a very long time member. Darlene Erickson passed away peacefully in her home which she was wanting all along. She has now joined her husband Bob who was a loyal long time member of the Model A club.



Bob and Darlene's passion was their cars, especially their 1928 Phaeton which Leonard and I was blessed to be allowed, actually asked to purchase. Darlene wanted to keep the car in the club and we drew the lucky straw. She always said she came in second place to the Phaeton. It took a village to care for Darlene in her final days and she had a huge support system. She could be a challenge in the end but she had a very huge heart and a very caring heart, She always wanted to take care of everyone. I want to thank everyone that stepped up and helped with Darlene's care, it meant a lot to Darlene and to me. The biggest thing that will stay with me forever is when leaving her or talking to her on the phone her last word were "Love Ya".

So Rest in Peace Darlene and "Love ya"!

I want to thank Tom Winterrowd for the January tour. The weather was beautiful sunny but a little chilly, I was ready to go back to Mexico! The Pittock Mansion was closed for maintenance but the view of the city was amazing.

On a lighter note, we are still in need to fill up that duty sheet for the Swap meet. If you can step up please contact Mike Worthington and let's get that duty sheet filled up.

The board decided to do away with door prizes as we have known it in the past and we are starting a new program of what we call a 50/50. You purchase tickets and the winner will collect 1/2 of the pot and the club will keep the other half. I plan to start this at the February meeting.

One more issue I would like to address is as of now, masks will be optional and will be the choice of each individual. I want everyone to understand I want to work "with you" not "for you" and will support the majority.

February is a month to celebrate love and kindness so please have a pleasant Valentines Day. Do something special for that special someone. See you at the February meeting!

Thank you,  
Debbie Dutton

"to love and be loved  
is like feeling the sun  
from both sides" ❤️





## PAINTING WHEELS

If you are painting your wheels and don't want to remove and reinstall the tires, here's a tip for masking the tires.

- deflate the tube
- break the tire beads from the wheels
- cut a "donut" from a sheet of heavy-duty plastic. The center of the donut is an 18" diameter circle and the outside of the donut is 32" (for 19" wheels). For 21" wheels, add 2 inches to these dimensions.
- Stretch the donut over the wheel allowing the plastic to drop down into the drop center of the wheel. The donut will cover the tire and can be taped in place with masking tape.
- Now, do the same thing with another plastic donut on the other side of the wheel.

**ONE CAUTION:** don't use the plastic donuts for priming and then for color coat painting (paint peels easily from the plastic and flaked paint will mess up your job). Make donuts for each paint procedure.

## PREVENTING PAINT POPPING

If you have trouble with freshly painted wheels "popping the paint" when the lug nuts are tightened, "mask" the holes in the wheels with a set of lug nut spacers held in place with small strips of body caulking material. After the paint job, these spacers can be carefully removed. A light coating of lubricant on the tapered part of the lug nut will help prevent "popping the paint."

*Submitted by Gene R. Bassage Palmyra, New York*



Whadisit?  
Former club member  
Julianne Williams sent it in.



I met this guy a while back and he has a motto he lives by everyday. He said listen carefully and live by these 4 rules:

### **Drink, Steal, Swear & Lie.**

I was shaking my head "No" but he then told me to listen while he explained his four rules. So here they are:

1. **Drink** from the everlasting cup every day.
2. **Steal** a moment to help someone that is in worse shape than you are.
3. **Swear** that you will be a better person today than yesterday.
4. And last, but not least, when you **Lie** down at night thank God you live in America and have freedom.

**Turn your ordinary  
sofa into a sofa  
bed simply by  
forgetting your  
wife's birthday.**





I much prefer to feature full colored pages for my fashion pages, however the third model from the left shows an interesting feature. "Slide fasteners" were not commonly used during the Model A era so when I do see them used I take note. If you haven't figured it out, a slide fastener is what we call a zipper today.

I've seen them used in galoshes, children's snowsuits, etc. but not used in men's slacks. The slide fastener just hadn't caught on yet for general use during our era. Button closure was still the vogue.

So the model with the slide fastener is showing a new sports frock that has a tuck-in blouse, and a skirt with a yoke. A slide fastener is used to close the blouse, and also the skirt - note her left hip.

You can check out the other models to glean what was typical for ladies 1929 daywear. ~ Jeanie Adair

"If you obey  
all the rules,  
you miss  
all the fun."

Katherine Hepburn

"Women think of all colors except the absence of color. I have said that black has it all. White too! Their beauty is absolute. It is the perfect harmony."

"The best color in the whole world, is the one that looks good on you!"

"Fashion changes, but Style endures."  
Coco Chanel



Happy  
Valentine's  
Day





## Out and About in our Model A's...

On a cold but sunny January Sunday morning, Bruce Ernst led a group of Model A's to have lunch or breakfast in Silverton, OR.



The Silver Falls Brewery was the destination. You should check it out when you want to get out for a drive in your Model A. Silverton is a fun little town to spend some time browsing it's many interesting shops and painted murals.

Club members who drove Model A's were: Bruce & Manijeh, Stan & Lori Symank, David & Jeanie Adair, Tom and Leslie Atiyeh, Tom & Chris Irwin. Also attending were Tom Winterrowd, and four guests. Breakfast or lunch was enjoyed by all. If you are interested in these spur of the moment tours call Tom Irwin and have him add you to his email list.



A company, feeling it was time for a shakeup, hired a new CEO. The new boss was determined to rid the company of all slackers. On a tour of the facilities, the CEO noticed a guy leaning against a wall and idly picking his teeth. The room was full of workers and he wanted to let them know that he meant business. He asked the guy, "How much money do you make a week?" A little surprised, the young man looked at him and said, "I make \$400 a week. Why?" The CEO said, "Wait right here." He walked back to his office, came back in two minutes, and handed the guy \$1,600 in cash and said, "Here's four weeks' pay. Now GET OUT and don't come back."

Feeling pretty good about himself the CEO looked around the room and asked, "Does anyone want to tell me what that goof-ball did here?" From across the room a voice said, "Sure – he was the pizza delivery guy from Domino's and was just waiting to collect the money!"

Everyone makes mistakes in life, but it doesn't mean they have to pay for them for the rest of their life. Sometimes good people make bad choices. It doesn't mean they are bad. It means they are human.



# Beaver Chapter visits Pittock Mansion



**Pittock Mansion Tour** - On Saturday, January 22nd five Model A's and ten Model A fanatics braved the low fog cover that obstructed views from the Pittocks eastern garden. Mt Hood and Mt St. Helens are always marvelous from this spot on a clear day. From the West Hills we proceeded down Burnside Street and across the river to Grand Central Bakery sampling their fabulous cinnamon rolls. Mixed among mouthfuls of pastry, great conversation collided. Members attended from far and wide including Ridgefield, Canby, Portland and Sandy. A good time was had by all! Thanks to Dennis Wright for the photo.

## Tiny Tip

The starter motor and generator when removed from the Model A are hard to store. The round shape cannot be stacked. There are projections from the ends so you cannot set them on end. Storage gets to be a problem, but is easily solved.

Just take two pieces of plywood 4" x 5 1/2". Cut a half circle (radius 2 1/4") in the plywood and nail this to a 2 x 6 that is cut 4" long. You can line the half circle with felt or a scrap piece of radiator shell lacing. This is a nifty solution and cost almost nothing.

David Adair





## **Beaver Chapter Board Meeting –January 19, 2022**

Call to Order: 6:02 PM by Vice President Tom Winterrowd. Board Members Present: Tom Winterrowd, Penny Haight, Mike Worthington, Jeanie Adair, Tom Ryan, Jennie Ryan and Lynn Sondena.

**Minutes Approval:** A motion to approve the November 17, 2021 meeting minutes as printed in the Ahoooga Newsletter was made and seconded. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously.

### **New Business and Reports:**

**Treasurers Report:** Mike Worthington presented the Board with two budgets. The first was the 4<sup>th</sup>-Quarter 2021 Beaver Chapter Actual Budget. The second was the 2022 Beaver Chapter Budget. The board will review and discuss these reports at the February board meeting.

**Spring Banquet:** Mike Winterrowd reported that he had contacted Pam Mc Claflin. She reported that the plans for the Spring Banquet were coming along fine.

**2022 Christmas Potluck:** Brenda Caseday reported via text that she is working on finding a location.

**Membership:** Jennie Ryan reported that she is in the process of getting a computer program that will aid her in producing the new club directory.

**Tours:** Tom Winterrowd is planning a tour to the Pittock Mansion for January 22, 2022. It will be for viewing the Portland skyline and enjoying cinnamon rolls. In July 2022, Tom is planning to have an exhibit of Model A's at the Forest Grove Concours d'Elegance Car Show. This is the longest running car show in the Pacific Northwest. A club tour will be made to this event. The 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday Breakfast will be at Pappy's Greasy Spoon in Canby. It is located at 243 NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave., Canby Or. 97013. He will be asking club members to plan and lead tours at the general meeting.

**Portland Swap Meet:** Mike Worthington reported that the biggest challenge may be good bus service due to Covid 19 issues and driver shortages. He is in the process of filling duty assignments. The duties have been reduced for this year. The Swap Meet is developing a staffing plan for possible illnesses.

**Northwest Regional Group:** More information to be presented at a later date.

**Editor:** Jeanie Adair is asking members who have not received the January Newsletter to call her.

**Past President:** Lynn Sondena reported that he received a phone call from a member asking the club to consider moving the meeting time to earlier in the day for older members. The club will discuss this at the February meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Penny Haight, Secretary

## **RED TIRE TICKETS**

The **Red Tire Tickets** had been on hold due to Covid, but are now back being distributed to the membership.

Each member gets one ticket for attending a club meeting and board meeting. You get an additional ticket if you drive a Model A to the meeting or tour. Club members also get a ticket for attending a club tour.

The key is to save your tickets until next January... Throw them in an envelope, staple them on a piece of paper... You get the idea! Just remember to save them and then bring them to the January meeting 2023.

The original intent was some lucky winner would receive enough reward to purchase four new tires for their Model A. Thus the name "Red Tire Tickets". Of course the cost of tires has risen over the years. So the rules have evolved and changed a bit. Now the "big" winner doesn't quite receive enough to cover the whole cost of tires, but it's still a nice reward for just attending club functions. There has also been added two lesser dollar prizes to two other winners. Again, still a nice reward for being an active member!

**So decide how you're going to keep track of them! You could be a winner...**





## **Beaver Chapter General Meeting Minutes for January 19, 2022**

**Call to Order:** Vice President Tom Winterrowd called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with 24 members in attendance. Tom Ryan led the flag salute.

**Vice President Tom Winterrowd** welcomed the members and asked if any guests were present. Bob Moore introduced his personal assistant, Nancy Gardener. She told us that she loves the Model A and has driven them.

**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.

**Treasurer:** Mike Worthington presented the Treasurer's report.

**Name Tag Drawing:** Gene Scott had a ticket drawn and the lucky winner was Cheryl Witkowski.

**Sunshine Report:** Brenda Caseday reported that Darlene Erickson had passed away. Her husband Bob had passed away several years ago. They were long time members.

**2022 Swap Meet:** Mike Worthington reminded the members to sign up for Swap Meet duties at the back of the room. There is a room for more Beaver Members to join the Swap Meet Team. The Swap Meet Team consists of 6 car clubs who have joined together to make the Meet happen. They will be having regular meetings from now until the event is completed. The biggest challenge of the Meet may well be the bus transportation from PIR. If you have questions, please contact Mike at 503-788-5965.

**Vice President Tom Winterrowd** asked the members to share how they have updated their Model A's this winter. Kirk Metter added a heater jacket to his pickup. He believes they stayed warmer. Bill Jabs completed his 1931 Cabriolet. Bob Moore shared that he had purchased and installed an alternator that looks like a generator in one of his Model A's. He loves the idea that it looks original while giving him a better running quality. Bob Moore and Tom Winterrowd each installed 160 degree thermostats in their cars and recommended the practice for winter driving.

**Gots/Wants/Leads/Tips:** Jeanie Adair sent around the form for adding gots and wants. Tom Winterrowd asked members to be on the lookout for 1926 truck lug nuts.

**Membership:** Jennie Ryan stated that she was getting ready to produce the new club directory. She held the membership drawing. The name drawn was not in attendance.

**Tour Plans for 2022:** Tom Winterrowd encouraged members to attend the January 22 tour to the Pittock Mansion. The tour will include a great view of the city of Portland and a fine time at Tom's favorite cinnamon roll haunt. The 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday Breakfast for February will be held at Pappy's Greasy Spoon in Canby. (243 NW 2<sup>nd</sup>, Canby 97013) He is in the process of planning a Model A exhibit at the Concours d'Elegance Car Show in Forest Grove this coming July. He is investigating the possibility of driving the Mosier Tunnels in July as well. Tom encouraged the membership to plan and lead tours this year.

**Editor:** Jeanie Adair reminded the membership that she has been editor for 10 years and is ready to retire. The position will be open in January 2023. Jeanie will train anyone interested. Call Jeanie if you did not receive your January Ahooga Newsletter. Send her your pictures of your Model A. Write stories about your Model A trips and send them to her. Tell the membership how you got your Model A. The mystery picture of twins in the January Newsletter was no other than Brenda Caseday.

**Model A Tools and Tool Trailer:** Ted Downs asked that the Banners used at the Canby Car Show be returned to the trailer.

**Past President:** Lynn Sondenaa stated that he is very happy in retirement.

**Bill Jabs** has information about the reformation of a Speedster Club here in the Pacific Northwest.

The Beaver Chapter gives a big Thank You to **Cody Watts**. The cookies and fruit were very good.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Penny Haight, Secretary



*To be  
successful, the  
first thing to do  
is fall in love  
with your work.*

Sister Mary Lauretta

**Editor's Photo Contest** - Can you tell me who the owners of these Model A's are? This photo was taken on a club tour several summers ago. Do you remember what kind of tour we were on? Call Jeanie, Editor, with your "guesses"... the winner will be announced at the club meeting this month. There will be a prize!

**Beaver Chapter Photo Contest** - Speaking of Photo Contests, we are starting it up again this year. So start taking those great, unusual shots! Here is a reminder of the rules:

1. Members photos only, no professional or photoshopped photos.
2. Your photos must include at least one or more Beaver Chapter Model A's.
3. It may include people, or not.
4. Photos must be taken within this year.

### Regarding a guy who is down on his luck...

I talked to a homeless man this morning and asked him how he ended up this way.

He said, "Up until last week, I still had it all. I had plenty to eat, my clothes were washed and pressed. I had a roof over my head. I had HDTV and internet and I went to the gym, the pool and the library. I was working on my MBA on-line. I had no bills and no debt. I even had full medical coverage."

I felt sorry for him, so I asked, "What happened? Drugs? Alcohol? Divorce?"

"Oh no, nothing like that," he said.

"No, no... I was paroled".





## 2022 Portland Swap Meet – The Inside Scoop

I have received many questions about this year's swap meet. The most common is "will there be a swap meet this year?" I would like to respond "absolutely!" The truth is less certain, so my answer generally lists several reasons why we think that there will be a 2022 Portland Swap Meet. The distilled answer is that there will be a swap meet unless the government prevents it.

On a more positive side – our goal is in sight, and we are progressing well. The official planning cycle started in September. Central to the planning process is the Swap Meet Committee which is nominally about a hundred people with its membership drawn from the six sponsoring car clubs. These are the folks who arrange for: the building, the buses, rent fences, contract for pot-a-pots, print the program, obtain traffic plan approval, provide security, mail vendor packets, provide duty packets – and the list goes on. Basically, they do all the things that allow us to open the gates to vendors and customers.

Most of us think that the swap meet starts on Thursday with vendor move-in. The swap meet committee actually starts its move-in on Tuesday. It is a big job to complete the layout of vendor stalls in each of the buildings, and the outside lot. Without this dedicated group, vendors would not know where to build their stalls, and the Thursday move-in would not turn out well. Many vendors know the process, what gate to enter, where to go, and what needs to get done – and many do not. That is where the club duty volunteers come in. We are there to provide direction, answer questions, and keep the process moving forward. Not glammers, but absolutely required – and amazing to watch.

**I will have the 2022 Swap Meet duty signup sheets at the February meeting.** Our roster is about half filled and I know that you do not want to miss out on this year's event, so give me a call at 503.788.596, or send an e-mail to [mike\\_worthing@comcast.net](mailto:mike_worthing@comcast.net), and we will find a place for you.

### Tiny Tip

I like to play a little mental numbers game featuring the Model A. I try to count all the nuts and bolts that one has to remove when taking the engine out of a Model A. I think my highest total was 47...

Many of you know I had to remove the engine from our Sport Coupe, Tilly, because the car would not start. The problem was a loose timing gear which has been replaced with a nice aluminum one. With the engine back in place I ended up with a tremendous oil leak out of the rear main. On a dry day you can track our car by the oil drips. This problem must be addressed. My hunch is the new nitrile seal at the rear main must not be in place properly or it is damaged.

It's not a fun thing to look forward to but the engine must be removed. The last time this happened, June of 2021, I spend a lot of time needlessly looking for the parts that I just removed a day or two before. This time I decided I must get organized. Remembering the little mental counting exercise I like to play, I listed all the parts in the order they are to be removed. To help keep track of bits and pieces I also noted the number of nuts or bolts involved. Knowing my list was going to be used on reassembly, I also listed the foot pounds of torque where this is important.

My little mental game with a high count of 47 was way off! I missed many things that you have to remove. My list on paper is fairly complete and I came up with 192 nuts and bolts. This just shows how poor my memory is. You should try this some time when you are bored stiff. Mentally take out an engine and count the little nuts, bolts and special washers. Lastly, if anyone wants a copy of my parts list let me know. ~ David Adair



We are stuck with technology when what we really want is just stuff that works.



## February Calendar of Events

**2 - 2 - 22** That's February 2nd for **First Wednesday Breakfast**. Meet at 9AM at Pappy's Greasy Spoon. 243 NW 2nd Ave. Canby, OR 97013.

Wednesday, February 16th, **Beaver Chapter Board Meeting** at 6PM, followed by the **Membership Meeting** at 7:30PM; Social starts at 7PM. Location is the Clackamas Community Center, 15711 SE 90th Clackamas OR.

**February Tour** - Saturday, February 19, 2022. Tour of small commercially operating machine shop in the Oregon City Area. Learn about their capabilities with machine work. More detail to follow at the February Meeting.

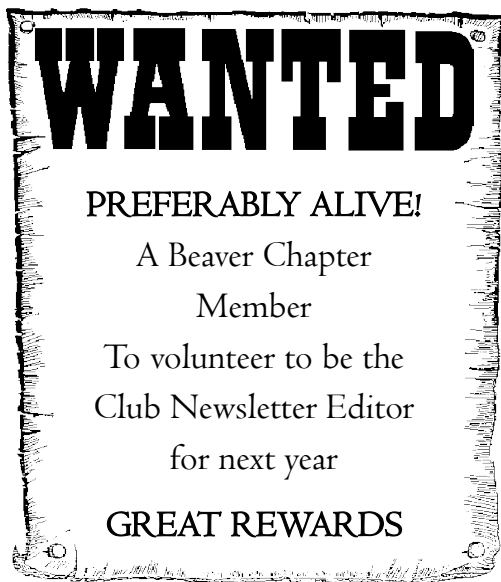
### To: Beaver Members:

If you have a favorite Breakfast Restaurant, let me know and we can make it a First Wednesday Breakfast destination.

Think of places you have wanted to drive your "A" to and make it into a Tour. We depend on club members to come up with creative tours. It can be as simple as a drive and peanut butter and jelly sandwich at a roadside park. Space is available in March, April and May.

Sincerely,

Tom Winterrowd



### WELL, THAT'S TOO LONG...

You've been in the garage too long when every tool you own is out of your toolbox and on the bench or the floor. You've been in the garage too long when you do the same job twice, or maybe three times and do it wrong each time. You've been in the garage too long when you cut your finger and it doesn't even bleed through the grease. You've been in the garage too long when your wife tells you that the kids are gone for the afternoon and you keep working on the Model A. From the Australia Queensland A's

