

Harbor Area Model 'A' Club

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Torrance, California

February 2023

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2020 MAFCA
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Local Palos Verdes area drive in 2010
Lusk, Wagner, Marshall and Wyckoff

HARBOR LIGHT

Reminder of upcoming event: 2023

Saturday, Jan 28th- Annual banquet at
Blue Water grill, Redondo Beach, CA



License plate recently seen in Washington D.C.

Technical Activities

Saturday mornings.
We meet from about
9:30AM to noon to work on
Model A projects.
Bring your Model A by and
we'll work on it.
Al's Garage,
907 Van Ness, Torrance CA



Next Board Meeting

The next Board meeting
will be
Saturday, February 11th,
2023
At Al's Garage. 9:30AM



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A Note from
Harbor President
Rob Hernandez



2023 is already looking to be much more exciting than recent years. No, I am not referring to the record-breaking rain and heavy snow pack, but they are amazing and much needed no matter how the song goes. The committee is busy with many fun events and tours which are well in the works and there will be sign up sheets to pulse interest at the February business meeting.

With all the rain we have been driving the modern cars instead of the Model A. Don't forget modern cars need maintenance too. With the current wave of rain ending, you have a break to change out those worn wiper blades and check your tire tread.

Along with our events there are other opportunities to tour such as the Pancake Breakfast on 18 March. It is nice to get a large group of cars together, but it isn't a car show. It is breakfast, the most important meal of the day, just with a bunch of Model As.

Stay safe and I hope to see you at the next meeting or on the road.

Rob

HARBOR MARC/MAFCA BUSINESS MEETING

DATE: December 17th, 2022

LOCATION: The Hibbard's

PRESIDENT: Rob Hernandez called the meeting at 1:06 PM. Rob reported information on upcoming events will be in the Harbor Light. Because of the cookie and gift exchange we are going to close the meeting. Jim Speights made a motion to close the meeting, Joan Gordinier seconded the motion, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 1:15 PM.

NEXT BUSINESS MEETING: January 28th, 2023 at Banquet.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: January 14th, 2023 at Al's Garage.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: *Gloria Ypoukin, Secretary.*



February Birthdays

3 Don Knott
5 Ron Ragon
5 Phil Bonneau
5 Laura Pahls
6 Sheree Wright
9 Gloria Younkin
15 Elaine Pisu
18 Liz Dye
24 Dick Wyckoff
25 Daffy Wagner

February Anniversaries

14 Jim & Anita Perreten
20 Mike & Sheree Wright



Editor with his '29 Roadster Pickup in 1960. He still has it!

Editor's Corner

By Dick Wyckoff



Retired Navy after 25 years as Chief Petty Officer

I was thinking of how my Model As have been part of my life. As I was looking through some old pictures, I ran across the ones above.

The 1929 Pickup was my first car that I bought in 1960 while I was in high school. I drove it daily for the next several years to college and to work. It was there for me while I did my active duty in the Navy. When I returned home, I bought a newer car and retired the pickup. It sat for 30 years in my garage while I went on with my life. My wife, Jan, convinced me to restore it in 1998 and that is when the real Model A bug took effect. I joined the Harbor Area Club, bought and restored my '30 Cabriolet and have been enjoying both cars ever since. Driving them takes away life's troubles and has helped make many new friends.

As I think about it, it seems strange how a car can help sooth the mind. Interesting, huh?

Dick



Saturday Morning Coffee Gathering is Alive and Well!

If you are looking for a little tire-kicking adventure on **Saturday** mornings between 7 and 9AM, check out the Caffeine Cruisers at the corner of Artesia Blvd. and Hawthorne, in Torrance, CA. Several of the Harbor Model A club members and other car enthusiasts of all car types meet to talk cars. There are some very nice autos and some nice people there, too!

The address is 17400 Hawthorne Blvd., Torrance CA. (at Artesia Blvd.)

Come on by and get your weekend started in true So. California style.



2023 Membership, Roster and Club Merchandise Items

Ruxella and Jim have a selection of new **Club merchandise**. We have hats, shirts, patches, t-shirts and we still have 60th anniversary items for sale at a discount. More to come. The updated **2023 Harbor phonebooks/rosters** are available from Ursi free of charge through e-mail. Club members that don't attend events can request a phonebook/roster by mail. Contact **Ursi Schmidt** at 310-539-5391. Make sure Ursi has your latest info.

Just a note: We regularly update the roster. If you have any address changes, phone number changes or email changes, let Ursi know. Let Dick Wyckoff know, too. He'll put the info in the *Harbor Light*.



Police vehicles in 1930

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TECH ARTICLE

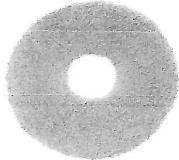
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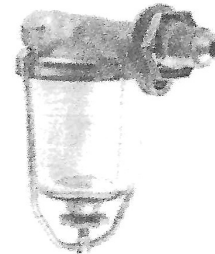
Jim's Tech Tip

Ford originally used a fine mesh brass screen at the top of the glass fuel strainer bowl that's mounted to the Model A firewall. The bowl gives a place for water to settle into (water is heavier than gasoline) and a place for dirt and rust particles to collect.



The screen also keeps these particles from traveling down to the carburetor (where you have another screen). With all these screens, I think Ford knew that gasoline supplies at the time were prone to contamination (more than today)

Many people have started to install a small pleated paper filter element in the glass bowl instead of the brass screen.



I'm not so sure it's needed; I think the brass screen is enough. The Model A has no fuel pump, it relies only on gravity feed, and I'm concerned about adding another restriction to the fuel flow.

But IF you use one of these paper filters, you need to know that the rust, dirt, etc. is trapped **INSIDE** the paper element, not on the outside of it like you'd think. Therefore, you can be collecting a lot of junk inside the filter, plugging up the filter element on the inside, and not even know it. One day, you lose all your power and the engine really acts like it is starving for fuel. You thought you would see the rust and dirt collect on the outside of the filter... but you don't. Surprise! (I hate surprises!)



So, if you are going to use these pleated paper filters, get into the habit of replacing them regularly, maybe once a year, since you can't see how dirty they are inside. And carry a spare filter and gasket with you in the car. It's a pretty easy thing to swap out in a parking lot. Kind of messy, but it can be done without tools. Use some disposable gloves and you won't smell like gas for the rest of the day.

That's all for now. Keep driving, help each other out, and Have a Model A Day!

- Jim Cannon

From the Cliff Moebius Archives —



Of everything I learned in grade school, avoiding *cooties* was the last thing I expected to be the most useful.

Contributed by tech editor, *James Broadhead*



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SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, January 28th - Annual Banquet
Blue Water Grill, 665 North Harbor Drive
Redondo Beach
11:00am - 4:00pm

Saturday, February 11th - Nethercutt Museum
15151 Bledsoe Street, Sylmar 91342
Contact Pat Harrison to sign up
More information to follow via email

Sunday, March 19th - Orange County Pancake Breakfast
Hart Park, 701 South Glassell Street, Orange
See Flyer for additional information
More information on the Harbor Area group to follow

Saturday, April 1st - Annual Safety Check
Jack & Joan Gordinier's home
2017 W. 238th Street, Torrance
More information to follow

April 20th - 22nd - CCRG Jamboree
Santa Maria 'A's
Be sure to sign up early
More information on the Harbor Area group to follow

Saturday, May 20th - Lyon Air Museum
19300 Ike Jones Road, Santa Ana 92707
More information to follow

Sunday, June 25th - International City Theatre, Long Beach
Play: Into the Breeches by George Brant. A heartwarming
comedy which takes place in 1942 when the men of the
town have gone off to war. We are planning on lunch
before the 2:00 matinee. It will be a fun day! Please
confirm by early May. More information to follow

**MANY EVENTS IN THE WORKS,
BUT I AM OUT OF SPACE
MORE NEXT MONTH**

NETHERCUTT TOUR INFORMATION

Saturday, February 11, 2023, we will head to Sylmar to tour the Nethercutt. We will meet at Harbor Freight at 7:45 am and leave at 8. The cost is \$10 each. The tour starts at 10 am and lasts approximately 2 hours. After our tour, we will head to Presidente Bar and Grill (Mexican) for lunch.

We will have a sign-up sheet at the Banquet or you can call or email Pat Harrison to sign up by February 4. We have a reservation for 25. If we have more than 25 signups, we will start a waiting list (first come first served).

Any questions call Pat Harrison. Additional information will be made available to those who are signed up.

Important MARC dues info

It is getting to be crunch time. The mailing list for the 2023 Marc members will dictate who and who does not receive the Model A News. Over 5000 Marc members have renewed their membership and will be receiving the Model A News starting with the January/February issue. Some of your regional members have not renewed. The membership dues is \$50.00 per year and is due NOW. Please bring this information to your membership. All members of your region MUST be members of MARC. That is directly stated in the MARC constitution. The Hagerty insurance that benefits each region is well worth the \$50.00. Add to that the six issues of the award winning Model A News and the personal auto insurance rebate is an added bonus. Also, the regional \$10.00 dues fee is also due immediately. Please notify your members that their MARC dues are due and notify your treasurer that the regional dues are due. Your cooperation will greatly be appreciated. I look forward to hearing from you. If there is anything that I can do for your region please contact me ASAP.

Thank you. *Jim Zellen, Director of Regions*



**FEBRUARY 2023
HARBOR A HAPPENINGS**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4 <i>MODEL A TECHNICAL SUPPORT</i> Al's Garage 9:30-12
5	6 <i>DINNER</i> 4:30 *Location TBD	7	8	9	10	11  <i>NETHERCUTT</i> Collection Tour followed by lunch at <i>PRESIDENTE</i> Bar & Grill
12	13 <i>DINNER</i> 4:30 *Location TBD	14 <i>VALENTINE'S DAY</i> 	15	16	17	18 <i>BOARD MEETING</i> Al's Garage 9:30 am <i>MODEL A TECHNICAL SUPPORT</i> Al's Garage 9:30-12
19	20 <i>PRESIDENT'S DAY</i> <i>DINNER</i> 4:30 *Location TBD	21	22 <i>ASH WEDNESDAY</i> 	23	24 <i>CLUB MEETING</i> Walteria Club House 7 pm	25 <i>MODEL A TECHNICAL SUPPORT</i> Al's Garage 9:30-12
26	27 <i>DINNER</i> 4:30 *Location TBD	28				

MAFFI Newsletter Minute

So... it is well established... you have a deep interest in the Model A Ford, and likely much more of the Antique & Classic Car Hobby. If you have not experienced the incredible automotive displays at the Gilmore Car Museum in Hickory Corners, MI, home of the Model A Ford Museum, you should really put it on your 'bucket list'! The Model A Ford Foundation, Inc. (MAFFI) was established in 1986 to preserve the historical significance of the Model A Ford automobile. This was very successfully accomplished by the building of the Model A Museum at The Gilmore. The displays there are updated frequently, giving you a fresh experience each time you visit. And many of our exhibits are interactive and provide an immersive experience for viewers, young and old alike.

If you are already a member of MAFFI, we thank you for your support. But for those who have not yet joined, please consider the many benefits. First, all paid members and spouses are granted free admission all year to the Gilmore Car Museum campus, which, in itself, is worth the price of annual membership. You can also get copies of original Ford factory photos, articles to share in your local newsletter, and find samples and detailed information on original Upholstery Materials and Model A Advertising. Members receive a quarterly newsletter and can borrow videos on a variety of Model A related topics.

The operation of the Model A Museum is funded totally through generous donations and member dues. That's right, one of the most important benefits of belonging to MAFFI is that you are financially supporting the Museum and related programs, allowing you and others to enjoy these benefits for years to come. I sincerely hope that you will join our ranks. You can get all the information you need on the MAFFI website, www.maffi.org.

You can also support your museum through monetary donations, as well as gifts of vehicles, parts, tools, era fashions and other related items. [MAFFI is a 501(c)(3) charity; donations are tax deductible.] 100% of every donation goes towards operating the Foundation and Museum. What a great way to become a part of the heritage of this special automobile, the Model A Ford!

Joe Fox, President - MAFFI

It's Car Puzzle Time!

Name: _____ Date: _____

Parts of My Car Word Search

DIRECTIONS: Find and circle the vocabulary words in the grid. Look for them in all directions including backwards and diagonally.

AIR BAG
AIR CONDITIONER
ALTERNATOR
AXLE
BATTERY
BRAKE
CARBURETOR
CLUTCH
DEFROSTER
DOOR
DRIVESHAFT
ENGINE
FRAME
FUSE
GAS TANK
HEADLIGHT
HOOD
HORN
IGNITION
MUFFLER
RADIATOR
RADIO
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TRANSMISSION
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WINDSHIELD

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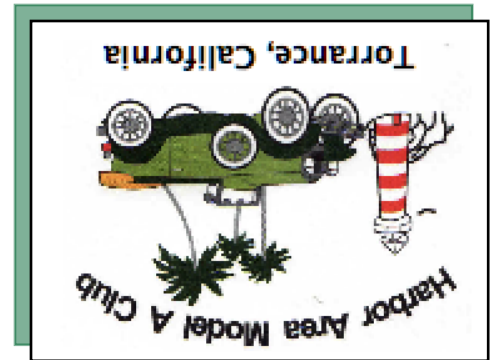
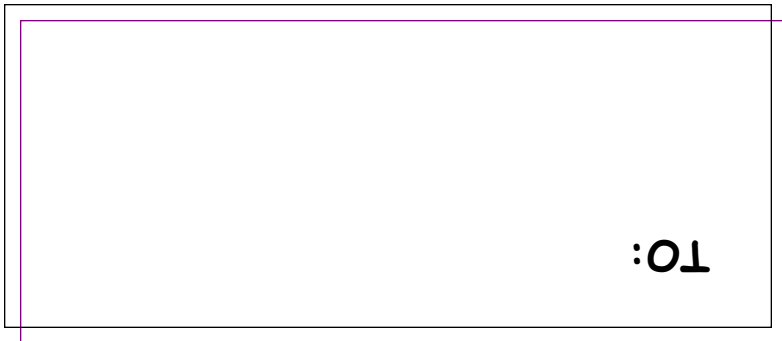
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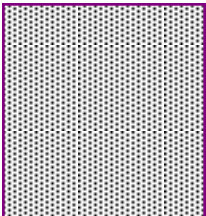
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