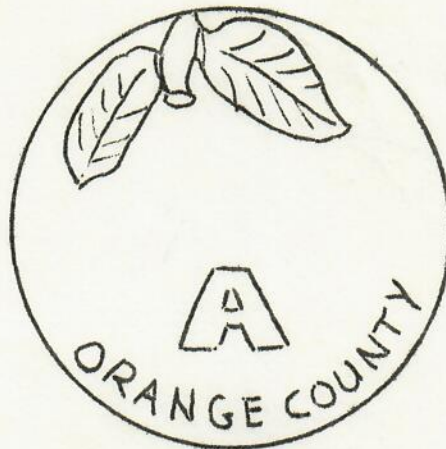


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MAY MEETING

DATE: May 12, 1966
TIME: 7:30 pm
PLACE: Izaak Walton Club House
1714 Santa Clara, Santa Ana

PROGRAM: Special treat !! Our meeting will feature a Walt Disney cartoon movie loaned to us by Laguna Federal Savings about our National Highway system. It ought to be a good one, don't miss it.

CALENDAR

MAY 14-15 Orange County's 3rd Annual campout. (See Andy Saez's article on page 2, and the flier on the back of the paper for information)

JUNE 5th ORANGE COUNTY MAFCA SWAP MEET at Santa Ana Civic Center, Santa Ana.

JUNE 11-12 San Fernando MAFCA Swap Meet, Sepulveda Dam Major Sports Center, Encino

JULY 16,17 HOCSO Swap Meet, Pomona Fairgrounds

JULY 16th Model A Inspection for MAFCA members driving to Albuquerque Nat'l. Meet. Sponsored by Whittier Chapter.

JULY 28 MAFCA NATIONAL MEET to 30th Albuquerque, New Mexico

JULY 31 MAFCA Swap Meet, San Diego

WHO'S IN THE NEWS

We're sorry that Herb Green is feeling under the weather these days. He and Harriett had to miss the Ladies Day Scramble last week -- hope that long haul back from Yuma didn't wear you out, Herb. Hope you're better soon.

LJB SPEAKING....
by Larry Boef

(Editor's note: Our honored president has just discovered that his initials are almost those of another well-known President; so he's insisted on changing the name of his monthly column. That's just fine Larry, but maybe you'd better wait awhile before you start using that drawl. And for heaven's sake, put away that cowboy hat and boots!)

Five is the magic number for May. 5th month, all good Model A's should tour at 50 mph, we have 50 members in our club, and June 5th is the day for the big Orange County Swap Meet.

Our club events so far this year have been very successful, and I want to thank all the people who are working so hard to make this year a success. Special thanks to the Twymans for the Scramble!

May 14th-15th is our campout, which will be a real family affair. Everybody is welcome; come out and get acquainted now.

All the Swap Meets I have attended so far this year seem to be getting bigger and better. We have an opportunity to really put Orange County A's on the map on June 5th, but we need help. Next meeting we will call for volunteers, so don't be refulgent, come out and help us. If we make this a success, Roundup chairman Gene Robinson says we'll have a 36 foot 1st place trophy for the Roundup!

We are open for suggestions for a tour in June, so bring an idea to the meeting.

Due to circumstances beyond his control (Uncle Sam) Smitty has had to relinquish the reins as Editor of The Distributor. John Shattuck, a member for several years, has agreed to take over the job for the rest of the year.

REBUILDING A DISTRIBUTOR by Pat Peddicord

A lot of engine trouble can be blamed on the distributor. The Model A distributor is a relatively simple instrument, yet it does need quite a bit of attention.

If you suspect ignition trouble, the first thing to look at is the timing. If the timing is okay, check the points--these should be set at between 18 and 22. Next in line is your condenser; this should be checked if your car is running rough or back-firing.

If you are in doubt about your distributor, take it off and give it a good look. Remove the cam screw and cam. Check this cam closely as sometimes the lobes are worn unevenly. If they are, it is impossible to set the points with any accuracy. Now remove the top plate, being careful not to lose the spring under it. Check the wire between the top and bottom plates. This wire is the cause of a lot of trouble. Before the bottom plate can be removed, the condenser has to be removed. Take off the bottom plate. Now check the distributor shaft for wear. If there is any side play in the shaft, remove it by driving out the pin in the collar under the distributor housing. With the shaft removed, the bronze bushings inside the housing can be driven out. Replace the bushings with new ones. If the shaft is worn, replace it with a new one.

Before replacing the lower and upper plates, check the block that holds the stationary point. These are made of pot metal and are quite often broken. Install the points on the top plate and be sure they hit square together. The stationary point block is adjustable and can be moved until the points come together squarely. Replace the bottom and top plates--don't forget the spring between them. Now put in a new condenser. With the distributor rebuilt, check the distributor cam with a feeler gauge at each of the four lobes; these must be the same.

Now replace the distributor in the car. After timing and setting the points, put a little Vaseline on the fiber block of the moving point. I'll bet your A will run better.

THAT'S ABOUT THE SAEZ OF IT by Lucille and Andy Saez

It's Campout Time

Everybody tune up that A, it's campout time again. On Saturday morning, May 14, we'll head to Artesian Lakes, which is located on U.S. Highway 395, 9 miles north of Escondido, in San Diego County. This is a private campground and the daily rate is \$2 per couple and 50¢ for each child (children under 6 free). This includes free fishing privileges. Herb and Harriett Green passed there on their return trip from Yuma, and they say it is a beautiful spot.

Naturally, the official caravan leaves from Katella & Tustin Avenue, in Orange. We'll hope to get started about 8:30 am Saturday, but if you're late or can't leave till later, here's our planned route:

Plan to travel thru the Santa Ana Canyon to Corona, then south, thru Elsinore to Highway 395, then on south to Artesian Lakes.

There's no better way for new members and old members to get better acquainted than to have to spend 24 hours together in the wilderness. So if you're brave enough to brave the rest of us, pack your tent and camping gear and let's go!

Swap Meet Comin' Up

- S - Swap meet
- W - When? Sunday, June 5
- A - And be sure to come!
- P - Prepare to swap with the best of them!
- M - Members will be contacted to help
- E - Everyone can give a hand
- E - Every penny is needed for our Roundup
- T - There's nothing else that starts with T!

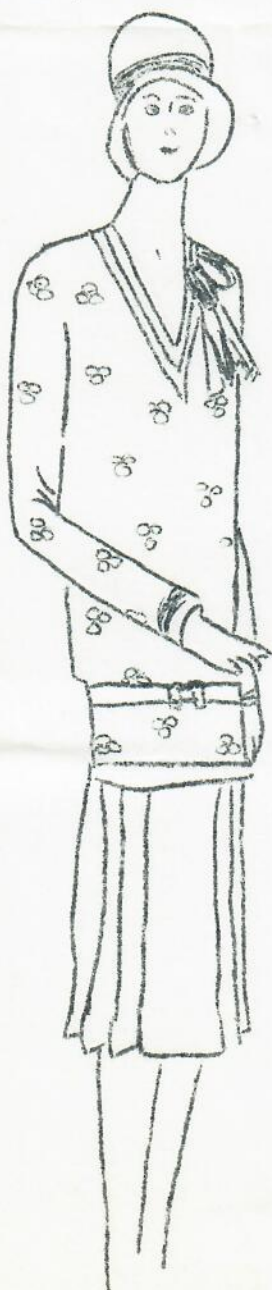
Get the message? This event is our number one fund-raiser of the year, so we need all of you to back us up and to publicize the meet.



VINTAGE FADS AND FASHIONS
by Sandy Antonacci

I first want to say that I am very proud of our Orange County Club. We had 26 club members at Yuma, and 50% were in era clothing for the banquet. Actually, almost all of them brought costumes. Our club also walked away with three clothing trophies. Congratulations to Harriet Green, Best-dressed Woman; Stew Sale, Best-dressed Man; and Lucille and Andy Saez, Best-dressed Couple. I overheard several compliments on our club enthusiasm and clothing.

Now's the time to start getting clothing ready for the Roundup. In the next few months I will be showing styles that are practical for this type of meet. Daytime styles matching the year of your car are best. Get hubby and the kids in on this too!! Please let me know what you would like to see in this column, and also what questions you have.



This picture and the following quotation are from a 1928 Ladies Home Journal:

Wool Jersey remains among the very smart materials, and it is used in this two piece sport dress. Blouse and skirt are light blue, the belt and bands a somewhat darker shade. Small flowers in brilliantly colored wool embroider the blouse.

YUMA '66
by Beth and Stew Sale

Another great Yuma Tour was enjoyed by 26 of our eager Orange County members. We had two organized tours to Yuma, and many unorganized tours home. Heading East in the early group at 6 pm were the Antonaccis, the Boefs, the Eathertons, Poddicords, Sales, and the Shattucks. The late group featured the three Bonds, the Greens, Don and Bill Koenig, the Robinsons, the Saczs and the Twymans. The early group sped along between the traditional pit stops and dinner break in Indio, where they were met by the Parrishes and Engodals, and arrived in Yuma at 1 pm. Immediately we embarked upon a self-sponsored Welcome to Yuma party which ended at 4 am Arizona time. After a good night's rest we were ready for any and all activities to begin at 9 am the next morning.

A search party was just being formed when the second group rolled in, after 11 fun-filled hours on the road. The rest of the day was spent in leisure and inspecting the competition. About noon, however, our president decided to cool off in the pool, clothes and all (by the way, Larry, where's your hat?) During an afternoon party, several strong-armed men decided to throw the fattest, baldest member of the club into the pool. Guess who. Fortunately he took two of the strong arms in with him.

At 6 pm the MARCA Chapter sponsored a cocktail party which featured drinks served from an old time still mounted in the back of a Model A pickup. Following a Chuck Wagon dinner the awards were presented. Sandy Antonacci's column lists winners of Clothing trophies. Out of eight Special Awards (not trophies) Blue Ribbons, four were won by our club. Those receiving blue ribbons were Don Antonacci, Pat Poddicord, Don Koenig and Stew Sale.

After the awards banquet, our president went for a swim again, and again he went in fully clothed. Word has it that the only thing he didn't get wet that whole week end was his bathing suit!

It was a tired but happy group of Model Aers that started home Sunday. All of you that didn't make it this year, plan to get those cars rolling and make Yuma '67 -- it's a ball.

THE LADIES DAY SCRAMBLE

or

"Whatta'ya Mean, How Many Stripes
in the Crosswalk?!"
by Larry Boef

Where are our other 35 families? Last Sunday's Scramble Event was missed by a large majority of our members. Peggy and Bob Twyman staged a first for Orange County Model A. Thirteen cars took part in searching out addresses, counting stripes on crosswalks, and looking for blue-roofed buildings. Mileage and correct answers were the winning combination.

First place trophy went to Gene (Overdrive) Robinson.

Second place was Jack (GTO) Dierberger.

Third place was won by Joe Eatherton and co-pilot.

Fourth place went to Mel Howell, while the Hard-Luck Trophy was presented to Gene Howell.

Thanks to Peggy and Bob and family for really doing a great job. These kids really worked hard on this tour, and again -- you stay-at-homes are sure missing a hunk o' fun.

WANT ADS

WANTED: Desperately!! Some want ads for our newspaper! The deadline for any ads, articles, etc. for the Distributor is two weeks before the monthly meeting. Of course there is never any charge for personal advertisements. We'll take the info just about any way we can get it -- written and mailed, phoned, via carrier pigeon, telegram, special messenger -- just about any old method will do. Just get the message to:

John Shattuck
9572 Blake, Garden Grove
534-4217
or

Mary Robinson
9161 Canal, Orange 637-5506



SPRING CAMPOUT !!

MAY 14-15 ARTESIAN LAKES, ESCONDIDO

CARAVAN LEAVING SATURDAY, 8:30 AM - KATELLA & TUSTIN
ORANGE

MAPS AVAILABLE AT MAY 12 MEETING