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TOURS, SPECIAL EVENTS, AND SWAP MEETS

Bakersfield MAFCA Swap Meet August 28 Fairgrounds

September 8 GENERAL MEETING 935 N. Cambridge Orange, CA 7:30 P.M.

10 PROGRESSIVE DINNER TOUR FIRST STOP: CHUCK AND PEGGY BLOOM'S (SEE ENCLOSED MAP) 16601 APPLE STREET FOUNTAIN VALLEY. 6:00 P.M. (714) 839-7656. SECOND STOP: JOE AND MARION WAVRA'S, 7:30 P.M. THIRD STOP: PAUL AND DIANE STEED'S.

16 Seminar: Bob and Patty Ferazzi's 13402 Laurinda Way Santa Ana, (714) 838-1036 7:30 P.M.

18 Paradise Valley MAFCA Swap Meet Riverside City College

23,24,25 RIM OF THE WORLD TOUR BIG BEAR LAKE

23,24,25 SAN DIEGO FUN MEET TOUR **ESCONDIDO**

NOTE: NEED SATURDAY A.M. TOUR LEADERS

October 2 WILL ROGERS TOUR Call Piet Dwinger (714) 639-4767

9 Pomona Swap Meet

GENERAL MEETING 13

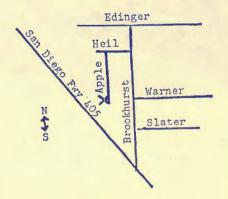
16 THRESHING BEE TOUR TO VISTA

DEPART COCO'S, EL TORO AND 5 FREEWAY

8:00 A.M.

28-30 LAS VEGAS IMPERIAL PALACE AUTO RUN TOUR TOUR DEPARTS THURSDAY, A.M., OCTOBER 27

Chuck and Peggy Bloom 16601 Apple St. Fountain Valley CA 92708 (714) 839-7656



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From the 22 Freeway exit Brookhurst S; after about 15 minutes take a R on Heil and L on Apple; 2 blks on R is 16601.

DON'T WAIT ... DRIVE IT IN '88

Dan Simmons

Can It Be September Already?

It sure is, and now is the time for to start thinking about your you involvement level in the club. It's time for you to start thinking about which office you want to run for on the board. That's right. This year you can run for a specific office. I know alot of you have been wanting to see some things done differently. Now's the time to get yourself into a position where you can promote your ideas. Remember the board now carries only a one year term. So don't hold back. Call Terry Lucas at 633-0390, and let him know which office you're running for.

I wasn't able to go on the summer tour this year, and as of this writing, I'm anxiously awaiting the news. I'm sure ve'll all hear about it at the September meeting. Don't forget we're back at Yorba Junior High School in September. See you there!

SOMETHING SPECIAL

Les White

By the time you read this those on the summer tour will have returned. Hope you all had a pleasant trip. We are all anxious to hear all about it.

Back to business: A number of the malls I have contacted are interested in having a mall show. However, those malls contacted are under construction and will not be through until next year. A few are not interested at this time and just some need to see the benefits therein. I haven't given up, however. I'm looking into more possibilities and hope to have more news for you soon.

See you at the next meeting.

GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

August 11, 1988

The meeting was opened by President Dan Simmons, at Lake Park, Huntington Beach, at 7:30 P.M. Guest Orville Hanson of Huntington Beach was introduced. The Activities Report of upcoming events was presented by Larry McKinney [refer to your calendar for these events]. There will not be a technical seminar for August, everything is fine with The Distributor, and there was no Hard Luck Trophy for the month. Mileage patches were awarded to the following individuals: Dick and June Riha, Joe and Marion Wavra, Larry and Jill McDonald, and Gerry McKinney.

There was no Old or New Business. The Imperial Palace Antique Auto Run of October 27-30, will have a morning and evening departure on Thursday, October 27. Individuals leaving in AM contact Larry McKinney, and PM departure, Bev and Jim Marsh.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

Note: The Board Meeting for August was cancelled.

LET'S GET TECHNICAL

Pete Hiatt

The seminar for September will be held at the Ferazzi's home on Friday, September 16, at 7:30 P.M. The subject matter will be "Model 'A' Motors: How to Rebuild, Reassemble, and Install Insert Bearings and Modern Valves in the Model 'A' Motor," as well as setting up the babbit bottom end. We will have motors on hand to show what's what, and we will do an actual assembly procedure on a motor.

Come on out and join us and contribute to our club. We'll see you at the seminar.

ON THE ROAD AGAIN

The McKinneys

Today, thirteen happy travelers returned home from nine days and a 1490 mile Model A vacation tour. Our six A's all ran perfectly; a couple of flats and changing a set of points were our most serious problem.

Thanks and congrats to all of you guys who drive and maintain your cars so well. It's really appreciated by your fellow tourists.

Our 1988 Progressive Dinner Tour will be in a couple of short weeks, September 10. Get your cars tuned and on the road early. All of our hosts will need a lot of help at their homes to get ready to serve 80 or 90 guests. Please call one of the hosts and offer your time and help; it takes a real group effort to feed that many people.

We have several good tours and swap meets coming up in September and October, so get your A's in gear and join us on tour.

FOR SALE:

1930 Model A Tudor. \$7950.00/0B0. Scott at (805) 652-0654.

Model A engine. Running long bloc \$700.00/080. Exchange. Also, Model A short Block. New babbit. \$500.00/080. \$575.00 with "B" head. Larry McKinney. Fountain Valley (714) 963-2724.

Overhead conversion for Model A-B-C. Complete set of all the goodies. Pete Hiatt. Westminster (714) 897-1661.

1920's Player Piano made by Linguard. Piano works good. Player action needs rebuilding. \$535.00. Larry McDonald. Orange (714) 633-3988.

WANTED: Rumble seat. Looking for deck lid for a 1930-31 coupe. Ed Loeffler. Work: (714) 540-3574. Home: 644-5136.

NOTE: Hoke and Margie Dillon invite you to attend an open house in honor of their Fifty Years of Marriage on Sunday, September 11, 2:00 to 4:00 P.M., at the First Baptist Church, 1010 West Seventeenth Street, Santa Ana.

June Riha

August 13

It was a beautiful morning as five Model A's and one modern left Fountain Valley, California, at 6:25 A.M. Our group consisted of Joe and Marion Wavra (1930 Coupe), Bob and Patty Ferazzi (1930 Standard Roadster), Bob and Kim Kelley (1930 Tudor), Larry and Gerry McKinney (1930 Fordor), Dick and June Riha (1931 Fordor), and Dennis and Judy Griffin (1987 Mazda Pickup). Merle McClellan joined us at San Luis Obispo.

We hadn't been on the 405 Freeway more than five minutes, when we hit a giant traffic jam as far as you could see. So at 6:45, we exited 405 at Valley View and took Highway 91, then back to 405 and on to the Santa Monica Freeway and PCH, heading north.

Our first stop was in Ventura at the Omlet Parlor for breakfast. On the road again at 11:30 A.M. We arrived at our otel in San Luis Obispo where Merle was aiting to join the group in his 1929 Sport Coupe. We had supper at McClintock's.

August 14

Rise and shine at 6:30 Breakfast at Denny's and on the road at 8:05. We stopped at The Antique Barn and Swap Meet for awhile, and on the road again at 12:30 P.M. Stopped for a late brunch at a fantastic place called The Flying Lady II in Morgan Hill. An adventure in dining with seven full size aircraft overhead, and 100 scale model planes rotating about the dining area. We also toured the Wings Museum on the property. As we waddled to our cars, we met up with another Model A group from Modesto on a Sunday tour. We pulled into the motel in Walnut Creek at 6:00 P.M. We just snacked for supper as everyone was still stuffed.

August 15

After breakfast we walked two blocks to the BART Station and took an exciting 40 minute ride to San Francisco. This hearty group decided to WALK to Fisherman's Wharf Pier 39. After huffin' and puffin' up four blocks, I swore it was a 90 degree angle. The downhill walk was easy. Had lunch on the pier and broused through the shops. Walked again to Ghiradilli Square and bought some chocolate. We deserved it after the hike. Took the #32 bus back to the Embarcadero Center. Hopped on the BART and got back to the motel at 4:00 P.M. The "boys" took off to some old timers to look at car parts and came home with "precious finds."

August 16

Leaving Walnut Creek at 8:20 A.M., we hopped on 680 toward Sacramento. Our first stop was at the Towe Ford Museum, billed as the world's most complete antique Ford museum. We then drove to Old Sacramento to see the Railroad Museum and tour the shops and old buildings. Had lunch there. Pulled into our motel at 3:00 P.M., and headed for the spa and pool to relax. We all went to Baker's Square for supper.

August 17

You've heard the expression "Up the creek without a paddle?" How about "Down the American River in three rubber rafts and six paddles, splashing and laughing all the way." It was running very slowly, and we had to do a lot of paddling; it took four hours. We got back to the motel at 5:00 P.M., and all headed for the spa and pool again. Ahh! Cleaned up and ate at Bradshaw's next to the motel. Excellent corned beef and cabbage. Everyone was ready for early bedtime tonight.

August 18

Left Sacramento at 8:00 A.M., all gassed a fed. Our first stop was in Grass Valley at the Empire Gold Mine. Stopped along the way at Nevada City at a few antique stores and had lunch there. Hit the road at 2:00 P.M., took Route 20 East to 80, and came to a 5 mph crawl, one lane open for the next 7 miles. So we just putt-putted along. Stopped at the Donner Pass Memorial Park for awhile and on to South Lake Tahoe. Pulled into our motel about 5:30 P.M. Had supper at the Sizzler and then went to Caesar's to a cocktail show featuring the Playboy Bunnies, a juggling act, and a great comedian. Left a few dollars at the casino, and home to bed.

August 19

Today everyone was on their own to do whatever they wanted. Larry, Dennis, and the two Bobs drove to Reno. Bob F. almost lost a wind wing; good thing Dennis was there to catch it as it fell. Some went to a dinner show at Harrah's.

August 20

It's a long drive today, so we left at 6:15 A.M., and stopped in Placerville for breakfast. On the road again at 8:50. Got on Route 99 at 9:40 A.M., and headed south. Pit stop in Monteca, and on the road again at 11 A.M. Lunched in Fresno. Took a side tour to Merle's home, and got to the Motel in Tulare about 6:30 P.M. Today was the hotest day on the road: 99°F. All headed for the pool to cool off. Ate supper at Apple Annies'.

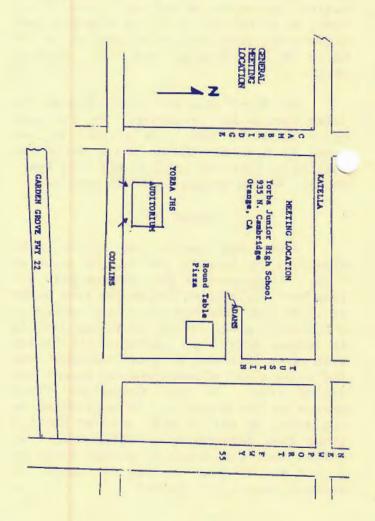
August 21

Today is the last day of our vacation. We decided to hit the road early, as it's supposed to get up to 99°F again, and we have that long climb up the Gorman Pass. We made it! to the top of the pass at 8:05 A.M., had breakfast, gassed up, and no more stops 'till home. Headed down the hill at 9:15 A.M., and arrived home at 11:30 A.M.

This was our first Summer Tour, and it was just great. So some of you people out there think about joining us next year. Who says 13 is an unlucky number? All the cars ran great, and we were all still speaking to one another (ha).

June Riha

Note: June did a GREAT job in writing this narrative of the 1988 Summer Tour.





Model A Powered Airplane



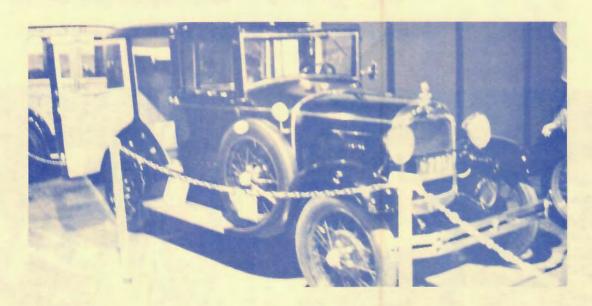
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1929 Town Car



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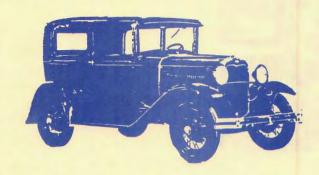


The Group at a Rest Stop



Antique Shopping Adventure





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