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....."Daddy, we gotta get a new truck, this one is falling apart.""I know John-Boy, but if you'd pull your head out of your journal, you might notice that we're in the middle of the Great Depression".

November, 1993.

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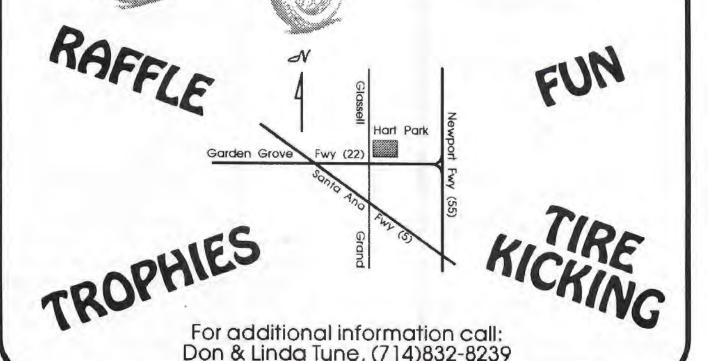
CARS

Join us for our annual PANCAKE BREAKFAST
Sunday, March 13 at Hart Park in the City of Orange
8:00 AM to 11:00 AM

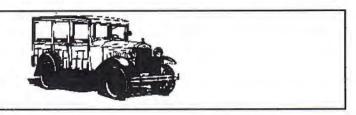
Pancakes, eggs, sausage, milk, juice, and coffee

Donation: Adults \$3.00, Klds \$2.00

RAFFLE GRAND PRIZE: Model A Overdrive



Schedule of Club Activities



February, 1994

2-10 Thursday

General Meeting 7:30 P.M. Santiago Elementary School.

2-12 Saturday

Technical Seminar, distributor rebuilding, 8:00 A.M. Terry Lucas' residence.

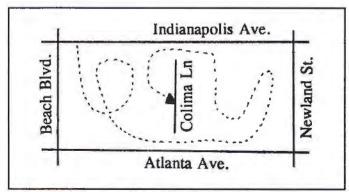
2-13 Sunday

Tour, Valentine's Day Sweetheart Brunch. Queen Mary Grand Salon/Windsor. Time and departure location TBD.

2-17 Thursday

Board Meeting 7:30 P.M. Dan Simmons' residence.

20871 Colima Lane Huntington Beach, CA 714-960-7456



Map to Dan Simmon's House

2-27 Sunday

Tour, Universal Studios. Meet at the "Citadel", City of Commerce, I-5 Fwy and Eastern Ave. at 8:45 A.M. Depart at 9:00 A.M. sharp. (Rescheduled from 1-23-94)

March, 1994

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3-11 Friday

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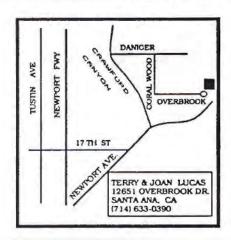
Annual Pancake Breakfast at Hart Park. Chapter Member Volunteers at 6:00 A.M. General Public at 8:00 A.M.

3-17 Thursday

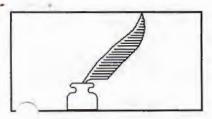
Board Meeting 7:30 P.M. Location TBD

3-25 & 3-26 & 3-27, Friday, Saturday & Sunday

LAUGHLIN, NEVADA. Phoenix Moder A Ford Club 6th Annual Laughlin Meet at Ramada Express. Information 602-963-4860.



The Merle Norman Museum in Sylmar was severely damaged in the recent earthquake. A spokesperson for the museum told us that it may be several years before they are able to open again. During last year's tour the curator told us that the museum had been damaged during the 1971 earthquake.



Secretary's Report

by Dan Simmons

February Board Meeting Minutes.

The meeting was called to order by President Don Tune at 7:45 P.M. January 20, 1994. The December board meeting minutes were read and approved.

Paul Steed, Technical. Paul indicated that there was a good turn out for the headlight seminar. Only two cars had headlights that were able to be adjusted. Information was available on the difference between original and reproduction parts. The next seminar will be on distributor rebuilding at Terry Lucas' residence. A seat belt installation seminar is planned.

The subject of club owned tools was discussed. The location of many of the tools is unknown. It was determined that a better system of lending administration is needed.

Glenn Johnson & Piet Dwinger, Tour. The versal Studio tour was postponed until February 27, due to the recent earthquake. The Queen Mary tour is still planned for February 13. Piet discussed the contract with the Queen Mary and a motion was presented by Piet to issue a check for the required deposit. The motion was seconded by Roger Aday and approved by vote. Piet also presented a motion for approval of payment to Universal Studio for the tickets ordered for the tour. The motion was seconded by Don Tune and approved by vote. The Merle Norman Museum tour has been canceled due to extensive earthquake damage suffered by the museum.

The American Cancer Society has requested donation of used vehicles for an auction to be held at the Long Beach Veteran's Stadium February 19, 1994.

Roger Aday, Special Events. The club needs more cars for the Buaer Park Mall Show at 9:00 P.M. January 26. The cars will stay in place until 6:P.M. January 30. The fees for the mall shows and the Pancake Breakfast were also discussed. The Buena k Mall Show, scheduled for June 15-19, needs over 30 cars to participate. Roger would like to get at least one car for display that is in the restoration

process. The proper placement and set up of the cars was also discussed. The Huntington Beach Mall was contacted, and an answer is pending. The June 26 Heritage Hills Festival was also discussed. Free preferred parking is available.

Linda Tune, Pancake Breakfast. The discussion involved the particulars concerning rental and transportation of the equipment. There is a need for a number of empty syrup bottles.

Red Kiser, Treasurer. Red discussed the disbursements of funds and the need for receipts. Red described his method of keeping the books. A schedule will be established to gather the necessary people required to do the yearly audit of the clubs finances.

Jim Nichols, Logo Memorabilia. Jim advised that the coffee mugs are in and sales are brisk. Jim offered to provide helium filled balloons with the club's logo for the Pancake Breakfast. Liabilities and merits were discussed.

Tom Endy, Editor. Tom discussed the need to appoint someone to write the bi-monthly "Chapter Chatter" article for submittal to the National for the Restorer Publications. It was decided that the club secretary would be responsible for it. Tom advised the board that he sent out 30 letters inviting 1992 club members who had not renewed their 1993 membership to rejoin the club for 1994. Several had responded. The distribution of the 1994 Roster was discussed. The cutoff date for membership inclusion was discussed. February 10, the next General Meeting was decided upon. Tom mentioned that a twelve page Distributor was the maximum allowed for mailing with a 29¢ stamp. It was suggested that an effort should be made to keep the Distributor limited to 12 pages. The board discussed the subject of purchasing several copies of the 1994 National Roster.

Terry Lucas, Raffle Chairperson. Terry requested a supply of Pancake Breakfast flyers to mail out to businesses for prospective raffle donations. Terry advised that he has purchased an overdrive for the main raffle item. Terry requested, and was granted budget approval from the board to purchase a number of original Model A parts at the upcoming major swap meets for inclusion as raffle items.

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New business. There was a general discussion and demonstration of communication equipment that may be more desirable than the C.B. radios currently used on tours.

Old business. The subject of a definition of an official club sanctioned tour was discussed. It was determined that a sanctioned tour would be one that the entire membership was advised of by either publication in the Distributor, special flyer, or by No minimum number of telephone networking. participants are required as long as the entire membership has been advised beforehand. A motion for acceptance was initiated by Piet Dwinger, seconded by Paul Steed and approved by vote. A committee was formed to establish a set of guidelines for the Jim Marsh Memorial Award. Chairman is Roger Aday. Other members are Piet Dwinger, Dan Simmons, and Don Tune. The March board meting will be held at Dan Simmon's residence. The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 P.M.



Members Note!

There are about 25 1993 members who have not renewed their 1994 membership. Time is running out. February 10, (February General Meeting date) is the cut off date for inclusion in the 1994 Roster. Members who have not renewed their membership by this date will not be on the mailing list for the March and subsequent distributor publications. If you are uncertain of the status of your membership, contact Red Kiser, the club treasurer.

Deadline February 10, 1994

The 1994 Roster will be available for distribution at the March General Meeting (3-10-94). Members not present at the meeting will receive a copy through the mail.



The President

Don Tune

I've never seen such a large turnout at a general meeting as long as I have been a member. I hope this is an indication of renewed interest and our growing membership.

As promised in the last Distributor, I have appointed a committee to develop the guidelines for awarding the "Marsh Family Participation Award". The committee will be chaired by Roger Aday and assisted by Pieter Dwinger, Red Kiser, Dan Simmons and Yours Truly.

The club bylaws were last revised in 1993. However, I have been given a number of items which need to be clarified and added to the bylaws. They include guidelines for awarding the traditional club awards, definition of Life Members and definition of an official club tour. I welcome suggestion for changes from the membership. A revision committee will be formed later this year. It is typically composed of six or seven members.

We have a number of new members. On behalf of the club, I would like to welcome you and invite you to participate in all our activities. Remember you don't have to have a Model A to tour with us. You can hitch a ride in a Model A or drive your modern metal.



Technical

by Paul Steed

The February seminar will be held at 8:00 A.M. Saturday the 12th at Terry Lucas' house. It will cover distributor restoration. Arragements have been made with Vintage Ford to have parts on hand at the seminar. It is highly recommended that a spare distributor be carried along when touring. Bring along an old ratty distributor you found at a swap meet and make it new again. You might even be able to hear the ocean.



I can hear the ocean!



I can see the ocean!



There is no ocean here Paul!



I stapled my hand!



It's a miracle, the ocean has light!



Paul, there is no ocean here!



Touring

in '94 with Pieter Dwinger & Glenn Johnson

February:

By Pieter Dwinger

The first tour in February will be the Queen Mary Valentine's Day Sweetheart Brunch, on Sunday the 13th. We will be meeting at 9:15 A.M. at the Simmon's business parking lot which is at 20902 Brookhurst Ave. in Huntington Beach. Take Brookhurst south to Atlanta, make a U-turn, then into the Beachcombers parking lot. The dress is "casual nice", preferably no shorts.

As everyone knows we had to cancel the Universal Studio Tour due to the earthquake. Three attractions were shut down, King Kong, Earthquake, and the Collapsing Bridge. The tour has been rescheduled for Sunday, February 27th. The meeting time and location will be the same as previously advertised.

Note: The off ramp to the Citadel is Washington Blvd.

We can get more tickets for both of these tours. The absolute deadline for registering and paying is at the February 10th General Meeting. Call Pieter of Glenn for reservations or questions.

Everyone who reserved motel rooms at Motel 6 in Santa Barbara last year, please let me know at the February General Meeting so that we know how many people can sign up. By the way, the motel is being refurbished!

There will be a sign up list at the February General Meeting for everyone who is planning on going to Laughlin in March. If you cannot be at the meeting give Pieter or Glenn a call to get on the list.

Tour Communications:

The main communications medium on tours has been the CB radio. As everyone knows, these radios have a very limited distance and lack in clarity of reception. We have found that it is difficult to keep a larger tour together due to these limitations. The two tours in February have over 60 people going to the Queen Mary and more than 45 on the Universal Tour, which means that there will be more than 20 cars on each tour. Roger Aday suggested to me that we look into having minimum of 3 cars with FM (VHF) hand held radios, which will allow us to have much clearer and longer distance communications he the front, middle and last cars.

My research has revealed that a hand held VHF radio with an external antenna will do the job. I have located a supplier who has these radios, which can also have a 2 meter "HAM" amateur radio chip installed so that those who have a "no code" Technician Class HAM License can use the same radio on that frequency. This will allow almost unlimited nationwide communication via 2 meter repeater stations. For those interested in obtaining more information on these VHF radios, give me a call. By the way, we are not planning to eliminate the CB, but are considering the VHF radio as an additional means to keep our tours safe and together.

Several club members have expressed an interest in getting their HAM license. There are two very inexpensive group methods of obtaining the no-code Technician Class license. A one day crash course is offered which will give you the basic license that information. At the end of the course a test is given in the class. There is generally a 98% pass rate.

If some members would like to take a more in-depth weekend course, you will be taught all the data necessary to pass the same test, but you also will be taught a much broader scope of the amateur radio hobby, including demonstrations of various equipment antenna, ship to shore, satellite and world wide amateur radio communications, disaster assisting, etc.

We will be able to arrange discounts for either one or both of these classes. Give Me a call for further information regarding the radios and/or the HAM class sign up. You do not need a HAM license to operate the VHF radio. The club will be the holder of the VHF license.

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Sunshine & Sorrow

We wish to express our condolences to Bob and Judy Baxter for the recent passing of her father.

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Earthquake Casualty:

The earthquake severely damaged the home and briness of our fellow club member, and professional Model A restorer, Hank Sorney in Reseda. He said that two cars he was restoring were damaged when seven engine pans fell on one and a torque fell on the other one. Most everything fell of his parts and tool shelves, everything that was breakable, broke.

Capistrano Brunch Tour, January 9th.

By Glenn Johnson

As most of you know, Les And Deeno Carlyle have left town on a permanent vacation. A couple of weeks before their departure a few of us decided to plan a farewell get together for Les and Deeno. How about a brunch at the old Capistrano Railroad Station Restaurant on January 9th? Sounds good so we made reservations and Piet Dwinger and I called everyone in the roster. On Sunday morning 18 Model A's, and several moderns met at the I-5 & El Toro Rd. Coco's parking lot. Don Tune led the group on a non freeway tour to the restaurant in Capistrano. Mough we had reservations for a large group, the resiaurant staff was unprepared. The food was OK but the service was very slow. On the bright side, the slow service gave all of us time to enjoy one another's company. Piet led a champaign toast to the Carlyles and we all wished them well in their travels. Les And Deeno promised to be in Tacoma for this year's National Convention so many of us will see them again this July. After brunch everyone went their own way to the antique stores, the Mission and other points of interest in Capistrano. See Piet's article for information on some great tours coming up in February.



Les & Deeno Carlyle



Listen Up!

By Linda Tune
* P.P.B.C.

Now hear this! There will be a morning muster at Hart Park at 0600 Sunday, 13 March, for all able body, and even not so able body club members. The plan of the day is to clean up the park and serve a ton of pancakes. The uniform of the day will be ridiculous looking orange CAL-TRANS jackets with Model A patches sewn all over them. Rain coats will not be required!

It is Pancake Breakfast time again! March 13th will find us, once again, hosting one of the largest local events sponsored by a single Model A club chapter in the entire country. Please remember YOUR help is needed! Last year's event saw 1,000 breakfasts served and over 200 Model A's on display.

The Pancake Breakfast Chairperson has the following "Wish List": Generators - Electrical power is a major problem; Four folding card tables and two chairs for each table; Syrup Bottles - after years of filling, use and washing, ours are looking pretty sad; Sausage cooking volunteers, to each cook 20 lbs.

Please don't forget the messy job of cleaning up and packing up, this is one job that always seems to fall into the same hands each year! Then the Breakfast Crew gets to enjoy the now "Annual Chili and Tamale-feast" at Don and Linda's house.

Please Volunteer!

See you at the February General Meeting, I will have sign up sheets available.

* Permanent Pancake Breakfast Chairperson





Hard Luck

.....and a sad story

At the January General Meeting the Roger Aday Humanitarian Hard Luck Trophy was awarded to Jim and Marilyn Groover because of a fuel spill that occurred as a result of Jim and Roger attempting to fuel Jim's 1930 Coupe by defeating the vapor recovery system. Using one of the new trick tools, they filled the tank up to the tippy brim. Everything was great for the rest of the day. The next morning Jim and Marilyn went to their garage and the smell of gasoline permeated the air. They looked under the hood and on the garage floor and found nothing. Only when they looked inside the car did they find a river of gasoline running down the dash from the fuel gauge. The Model A was frantically moved outside and the fuel tank drained averting a disastrous situation.

Roger was pleased to pass the trophy along to Jim, stating that he was glad it was going to a new home, because he was tired of lying to his wife about why he still had possession of it.

Roger was a close runner up for the award for his regular scheduled monthly removal of the differential from his sedan. This month's removal was because of what was reported to have been a foreign object, such as a lug nut, found jammed in one of the overdrive gears.



Club Logos

See Jim Nichols

Official MAFCA Orange County Chapter collectibles are on sale at each General Meeting.

Name Badges Pennants Patches

Polo Shirts T-Shirts Aprons

....and now for the first time, Coffee Mugs



Special Events

by Roger Aday

I am looking forward to an exciting new year. I was impressed by the number of people at the January meeting. In the three years I have been a member I have never seen so many people at a general meeting.

The calendar is filling up fast with a lot of fun things to do. We have a lot of new members this year. Lets help to keep them involved.

I would like to thank those who helped in the first two mall shows of the year. The time and effort you put in made them a success and helped the club make some money to help cover our expenses for the year. Remember you can deduct \$10. from your next years dues by showing your car in a "paying" car show this year.

You all know what happens on March 13. We celebrate Linda's nervous breakdown, also known as The Annual Pancake Breakfast and Car Sh. Everybody be at the park at 6:00 A.M. to clean and set up. Be sure to grab some flyers and pass them out to your friends. Remember the Annual After The Annual Pancake breakfast And Car Show Tamale Festival for all the volunteers at the Tune's right afterwards.

During the week before Father's Day there will be another car show at the <u>Buena Park Mall</u>. We will need over 30 cars for this one. This will take a lot of planning and help. I will be in touch with all of you when it comes time. This one will be a big money maker for the club.

Car of the Month

The February car of the month will be Steve Balmer's 1928 Roadster Pickup. Steve has driven this truck over 95,000 miles since its basket case restoration. Steve has been on many club tours with it and has used the truck as a daily driver for a number of years. Car will be on display at the February General Meeting.



Classified Ad's

FOR SALE:

Small tank compressor, 100 Lb pop-off, \$100. OBO. Four (4) "A" shocks, three with arms, \$100. OBO. Jud Palmer 1186 N. California St. Orange, CA 92667 714-538-557.

FOR SALE:

1988 GMC 1-Ton Sierra Sport (towing vehicle). Extended Cab, 454 Fuel Injection, Auto W/Gear Vendors O.D., AC, PS, PB, PDL, CC, Tilt, Tent, Dual Batt's, Oil and Trans Coolers. HD 5th wheel hitch, & more. 67K miles. Well maintained. Top condition....\$13,995.00. Al Zannino 714-539-2915.

FOR SALE:

Craft Supplies. Entire inventory must go. Husband needs space for Model A projects. Please help. Seasonal / all occasion. Some stuff free, other stuff chap. Chris Aday 714-993-4558.

FOR SALE:

1931 68B Cabriolet. Complete new wood kit installed including all new body, door and top wood. Body has been completely sandblasted, repaired and primered. Excellent original fenders and splash aprons. Some chrome done. Has all the critical Cabriolet parts. Chassis stripped and repainted with great running engine and running gear. All new floor pans installed. This is a very solid complete car for \$6,500. or best offer. Terry Lucas 714-633-0390

FOR SALE:

Model A parts. Engine, completely rebuilt, new rebore, pistons, valves, and re-babbitted rods & mains, etc. \$1,200. New LeBaron Bonney interior kit for 1931 S/W Town Sedan. Still in the box, never installed. Done in Bedford Cord. Will sell at ½ the retail price of \$1,500.... for \$750. Terry Lucas 714-633-0390.



Movers and Shakers

Over the years a number of Orange County Chapter members have submitted Model A technical and general interest articles to the MAFCA National that have been published in the Restorer. Three Orange County Authors are still very active in the club today. Listed below are their names and their writing accomplishments. If you still have the back issues of the Restorer, it is worth while to read these articles.

Glenn Johnson:

Nov./Dec. 1981 "The Wagon you saw..." Nov./Dec. 1992 "1930 Deluxe Delivery"

Terry Lucas:

Jul./Aug. 1984. "Together again" Nov./Dec. 1990. "Sweets"

Dan Simmons:

Mar./Apr. 1983 . . "California YOM License Law"

A fellow was driving down the road in a Model A one day and ran into the south end of a northbound cow. The cow turned to the driver and said, "This is udderly ridiculous!"

Apologies to Groucho Marks

FOR SALE:

1931 S/W Town Sedan, "C" Engine, Borg Warner (Orville) Overdrive, five (5) new Firestone WSW tires, black powder coated wheels, trunk rack, car cover, older restoration. \$7,500. Jerry Hartman, Riverside, 714-780-0267.



I can hear my echo!



This is not a lug nut Roger!



E.T. phone home!



A pretty lady surrounded by them!



I think I schwaallowed a headlight!



I can still hear the ocean!

Swap Meets



February, 1994

2-13, Sunday

LONG BEACH. Hi Performance Collector Car Open Air Market. Long Beach Veterans Stadium, Lakewood Blvd & Wardlow St. Long Beach, CA. Open 6:30 A.M. free parking, admission \$4.00. 24 hour information 1-800-762-9785. Sellers spaces \$25.00.

2-19, Saturday

LONG BEACH. Miles of Smiles Car Auction. Long Beach Veteran's Stadium, Lakewood Blvd & Wardlow St. Long Beach, CA. 8:00 A.M. Entry donation \$3. Under 16 free. 100 as is 1962-1986 donated cars. Sponsored by the American Cancer Society.

2-19 & 2-20, Saturday & Sunday

SAN DIEGO. 28th Annual Big 3 Regional Meet sponsored by the Horseless Carriage, Antique Automobile, and Early Ford V-8 Clubs. Jack Murphy Stadium @ junction of I-8 and I-15 Freeways (enter stadium from Friars Road). Public admitted free, free parking. For information call 619-276-1542 or 619-276-1872.

2-26 & 2-27, Saturday & Sunday

HEMET. Early Times Mid-Winter Rod Run 1994. Ramona Bowl. P.O. Box 7194 Long Beach, CA 90807. Phone 310-325-6176. Cruise Day and Poker Run on Saturday. The swap meet is on Sunday.

2-27, Sunday

SAN DIEGO. California auto related swap meet, Mesa College in San Diego. 619-484-9342 or FAX 619-484-8383.

March, 1994

3-6, Sunday

LONG BEACH. Hi Performance Collector Car Open Air Market. Long Beach Veterans Stadium, Lakewood Blvd & Wardlow St. Long Beach, CA. Open 6:30 A.M. free parking, admission \$4.00. 24 hour information 1-800-762-9785. Sellers spaces \$25.00.

Future dates: Sundays, 4-10, 5-8, 6-12, 7-10, 8-14, 9-11, 10-9, 11-13, 12-11.

3-13, Sunday

POMONA. Antique Auto, Corvette, Porsche, VW & Street Rod Swap Meet and Car Show. Admission \$6. parking \$3. spaces \$30. Special \$5. admission and parking for pre-1975 vehicles for sale, includes driver and one passenger. Fairplex (Pomona Fairgrounds). For recorded information call 714-544-7004.

Future dates: Sundays, 4-24, 6-5, 7-17.

3-20, Sunday

SAN DIEGO. California auto related swap meet, Mesa College in San Diego. 619-484-9342 or FAX 619-484-8383.

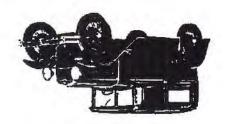
3-27, Sunday

SAN DIEGO. Big Brothers of San Diego swap meet at Jack Murphy Stadium. 619-756-3987.

The Acorn A's will be sponsoring their 18th Annual Swapmeet at the Alameda County Fair Grounds in Pleasanton, CA Sunday, June 5, 1994. For information call 510-297-4055.

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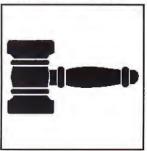


GENERAL MEETING LOCATION

(Second Thursday of every month.)

February 10, 1994 @ 7:30 P. M.

Santiago Elementary School 2212 N. Baker Street Santa Ana, CA



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		Santa Clara Ave.
Bristol Street	Х	Street 17th Street
Bristol		Baker