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FOUNDING MEMBERS:

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Jim Langley Dec 2018-2019	Al Lugo Dec 2019-2020-2021

From the President...

February 2021

Sixteen members, driving seven Model "A's and two modern cars participated in a great Club Tour on January 23, 2021. We had great weather, driving in great "Model "A" Roads" and our last event was a great presentation at the Swamp Fox Distilling Company. A great "Thank You" Jim for another great tour.

Our January meeting was held at a new location since our normal meeting place is still closed because of COVID. Members met at Buffet City in Phenix City, and those that attended enjoyed the meal and the private meeting room. We will meet again at this restaurant in February.

John Robertson still has some openings for programs for the months of July, August, and October. A program can be anything from a "Show and Tell", a mechanical topic or anything that can be of interest for our members.



Remember dues were due as of December 31. If you have not sent your check please do it at once.

See you on the road,

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"Our recent club tour"



Photo by Mark Smith

**"PARICIPATE,
DRIVE, HAVE FUN"**

River Cities Model A Ford Club

The regular meeting of the River Cities Model A Club was held January 21, 2021 at the China Buffet in Phenix City.

Members present were: Mark Smith, Mary Nell Singer, Mickey Tombes, Jim Langley, Bob Smith, Wayne Kennedy, Scott Singer, Dick Noxon, Bob and Connie Penny and President Al Lugo.

The Pledge of Allegiance and prayer by Jim Langley then the members proceeded to the buffet.

No visitors were in attendance.

Under the weather: It was good news that Levi was feeling better. Al Lugo's Son Mark and Wife Carol were battling the Covid 19. Hoping they will feel better soon.

There were no corrections for the December minutes, and they were approved by a motion from Jim Langley and second by Bob Penny.

Dick Noxon gave the treasurer's report, and it was approved by vote. Motion by Jim Langley and second by Bob Penny.

Old Business: It was reported we had 21 members present. President Lugo thanked everyone for their support.

Al Lugo and Bob Smith took the \$200.00 contribution to the Salvation Army and they were very appreciative.

Al Lugo passed around some Model A books the Club could use in their library and it was voted on by members to purchase the full set from MARC.

Dick Noxon reported that the Roadrunner trophy has not been engraved with Bob Smith's name on it. An audit will be done in February by Wayne Kennedy and Scott Singer.

Last reminder that club dues are due by the end of January.

President Lugo asked again if there were any current members wanting to join MARC.

New Business: The club will again meet at the China Buffet in February.

Program: Jim Langley gave another excellent program on A Condensed History of Gasoline Fuel and Wholesale and Retail operations. Thanks, Jim, for another informative and interesting program. Your research is appreciated by all.

Future Programs: We need more programs for our monthly meetings.

The Club will be going on a tour Saturday 23 to Buena Vista.

Having no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by

Connie Penny

Club Secretary

JOIN US!

BY AL Lugo

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, February 18, 2021-6:00PM (EASTERN)

Our next Club Meeting will be at Buffet City at 2401 10th Street, in Phenix City.

COMING EVENTS

February 6	MATTS & Planning Meeting (Saturday: 9:00AM)
February 5-6	Moultrie Swap Meet
February 18	Club Meeting
February 27	Jordan Car Show
March 6	MATTS & Planning Meeting (Saturday: 9:00AM)
March 18	Club Meeting (Location to be announced)
March 20	Club Tour

CRUISE EVENINGS

Every 1 st Tuesday-	Cooks Hot Dog on Miller & Airport Thruway
Every 2 nd Tuesday	Jim Bob's (By Hobby Lobby)
Every 3 rd Tuesday	Jason Deli (Close to Sears)
Every 4 th Tuesday	Country's on Broadway
Every 5 th Tuesday	El Vaquero Mexican Restaurant (Stadium Drive)
Every 2 nd Saturday	Opelika Home Depot Cruise In
Every 3 rd Saturday	Phenix City Home Depot Cruise In
Every 4 th Saturday	Steak and Shake (Bradley Park Drive)
Last Saturday of month	Opelika Cruise In at the Tracks
Every Sunday AM	IHOP Airport Thruway

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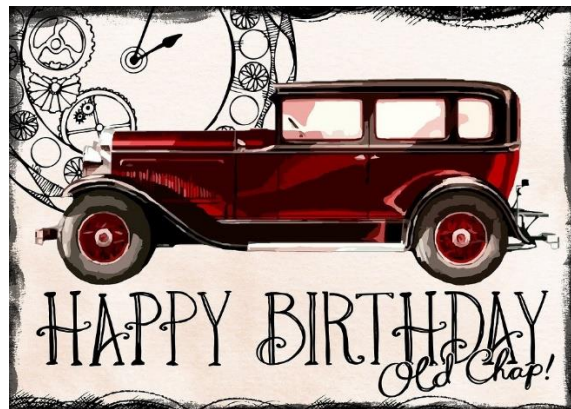
June 20-25	MAFCA National Tour- North Conway, New Hampshire
December 2-5	National Awards Banquet, Fort Worth, TX
June 12-17, 2022	MAFCA National Convention, Kerrville, TX

ANNIVERSARIES



February 10th Mark & Pat Gamble

February 14th Bobby and Connie Penny



February 3rd Robert Wharam

February 11th Mark Gamble

February 14th Friederilke Robertson

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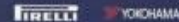
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Information and photos by Al Lugo & Mark Smith

Members met at Bobby's shop on January 2, 2021...



"Bobby talking about an antique saw he found...."



“John talks to members about upcoming meeting programs”...



“Members are carefully listening to Bobby’s presentation”...

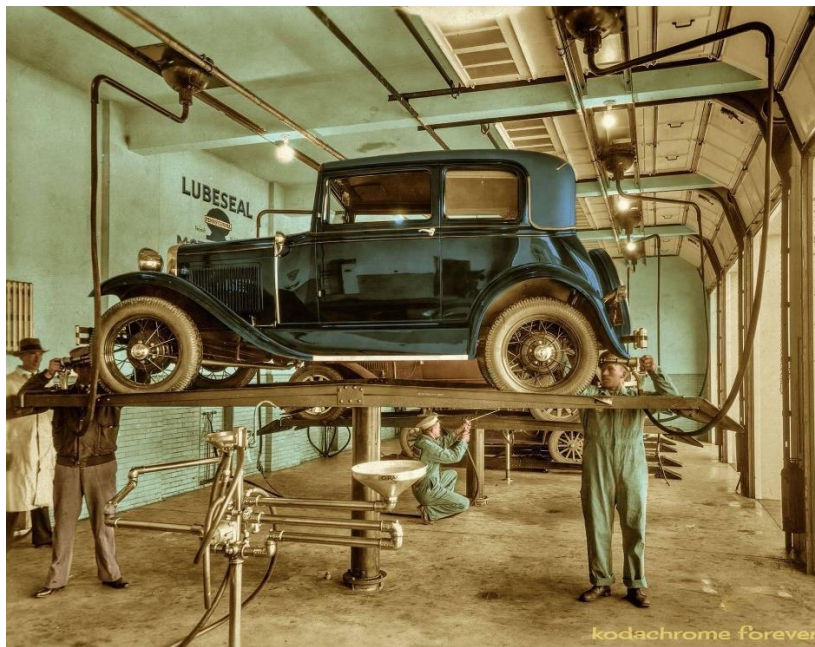
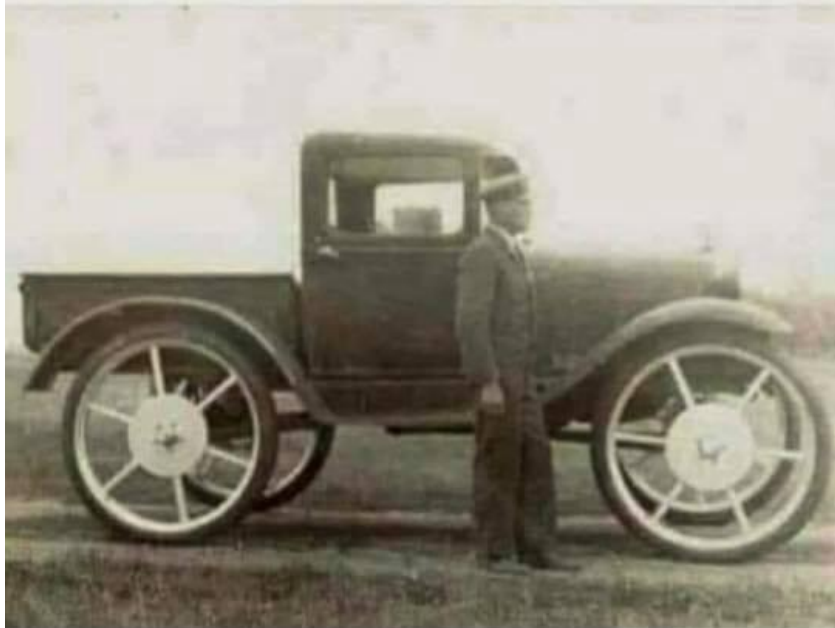


“Scott talking about collector car insurance”...



“Bobby asking and discussing mechanical issues experienced by members since the last MATTS”...

On this day in history: In 1927, Ricky Dale Everclear becomes the first man to put oversized rims on his truck with his girlfriend's tax return.



Garage back in the day

Provided by Mary Singer

Meet the Maffi folks



Marsha Quesnel

Club Contact person for MAFFI. Her job is to send out a monthly “update” called the MAFFI Minute, to newsletter editors about what is new at the museum or other MAFFI news. She always provides us with good ideas.



From rags to riches

Club tour

On a nice Saturday noon, we took off from St Mark's Church with 5 Model A's and Wayne's Mercury going east toward Upitoi. We took narrow city streets down to Macon Rd, then headed east. We were to pick up Scott and his wife at the Chevron, but they were on the new 4 lane while we were on the old road. Finally connected as we got to Box Springs.

The tour turned south toward Ft. Benning on a one lane road, where we stopped at Eelbeck to see the old train station with water tower and there must've been a coal stop there too, way back when. Further south that road finally turned to dry dirt. There were some nice low stone walls that let you know you were at Ft. Benning. Well-kept area. Then we backtracked to Rt 80 going further east to Rt 355 near Juniper, Ga.

Passed Lake Juniper with a neat history as a family party place in olden days, passed the Buck air strip that is being made into a solar panel field. Welcome to the new century. Lots of big farms on Rt 355, then turned southeast on Rt 352 to see the

General Store along there.



WE couldn't get into the store as we were 20 minutes early but Buena Vista was waiting for us, so we headed on to town. Nice scenery on these county roads. The street by the Court House was blocked off for our parking. The building was neat and had 3 antique cars inside too. A 56 Olds, 55 T-Bird and 69 Firebird - all in mint condition. Wow

The talk and question and answer took a bit too long so we could not continue to Tazewell and the picturesque Court House, hopefully we can see this on a later tour.

Leaving Buena Vista on old Rt 137 west toward Rt 355 and Ft Benning was a beautiful drive, then we took Rt 26 to Cussetta and on toward home.

Roving Reporter, Bob Smith