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



From the President...

September 2021

This Labor Day weekend you will have a chance to participate on many different car activities. We start with Saturday September 4 with a very short MATTS and planning meeting followed by a Car Show at the Civil War Naval Museum. On Monday September 6 you can participate in the Festival at the Old Russell County Court House. So polish your Model "A" and bring it out during this Labor Day Weekend.

Thank you to Robert Wharam for presenting a very interesting program during our August MATTS. He showed us many of his auto memorabilia and his great knife collection.

Remember on Saturday September 11, 2021 we will have our 19th Workshop. The subject will be lubrication and we hope many of you will take this opportunity to lubricate your Model "A". Last day to sign up is September 3, 2021.

During the September meeting we will present the nominating committee that will nominate the new Club Officers for

2022. Hope many of you will accept to serve the Club in the different positions.

See you on the road,

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"WE PIONEERED ON THE EIGHT-HOUR DAY, THE FIVE-DAY WEEK, AND THE MINIMUM WAGE THAT WAS HIGHER THAN THE MARKET RATE, BUT WE DID NOT DO THIS BECAUSE OF REGULATION AND COMPULSION, WE DID IT BECAUSE WE WERE FREE TO DO WHAT WE THOUGHT WAS RIGHT".

"Henry Ford"

June 16, 1933, New York Times



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River Cities Model A Ford Club

The August 29,2021 minutes of the River Cities Model A Ford Club opened at the China Buffet.

President Al Lugo opened the meeting with Pledge of Allegiance and Blessing.

Member's present were Mark Smith, Joe Carter, Brian Chin, Bob and Connie Penny, Mary Nell Singer, Dick Noxon, Joe Spooner, Jimmie and Angie, Steve Inabet, AL Lugo, and Skipper Barfield.

Members proceeded to the buffet.

President Al Lugo welcomed all members, there were no visitors.

Under the Weather: John Robertson reported had a mild stroke. Larry Farrah is still waiting for his surgery and Bob Smith recouping from the flu.

Secretary Minutes: Having no corrections to the July minutes printed in the newsletter it was accepted as read. Motion Mark Smith and second from Joe Carter.

Treasurer's Report: Dick Noxon gave the treasurer's report and it was approved as read by a motion by Joe Carter and second by Joe Spooner

Old Business: A big Thank you to Brian Chin for a great July program. 15 members were present at that meeting.

The August program was presented by Robert Wharam at Matts because he could not attend the August meeting. The program was on Robert's great knife collection and auto items. Thanks, Robert, for a great program.

New Business: It was decided to meet at the China Buffet for September meeting, The meeting will be September 16, 2021.

No date has been set for the car visit to Warm Springs or River Place in October.

A nomination committee will be assigned in September.

The Business meeting and Christmas party was not decided at this meeting.

Program: Al Lugo showed a video on Petersen Car Museum in California, it has vintage cars and airplanes.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by

Connie Penny

Club Secretary

JOIN US!

BY AL Lugo

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, September 16, 2021-6:00PM (EASTERN)

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

COMING EVENTS

September 4	MATTS & Planning Meeting (Saturday: 8:00AM)
September 4	Motors at the Museum-Naval Museum
September 6	Russell County Labor Day Festival
September 11	Workshop at Al's Garage
September 16	Club Meeting (Program: Al Lugo)
September 18	Strut the Hooch Parade
September 18	Lannett Masonic Lodge Car Show
October 2	MATTS & Planning Meeting (Saturday: 9:00AM)
October 21	Club Meeting (Program: Bryan Chin)
October 23	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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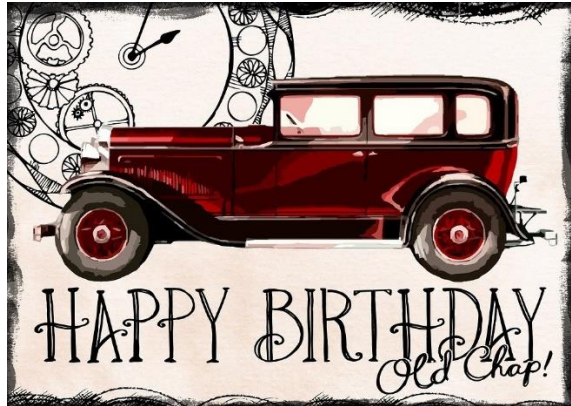
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September 16th Leroy Napier
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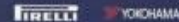
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Information and photos by Al Lugo & Mark Smith

"Members met at Bobby's shop on August 7, 2021" ...



"Bobby talks about replacing a wire harness in his Model 'A' Phaeton"



“Using the proper light connectors on seal beams for the Model “A” ...



“Robert Wharam presented his program during MATTS. Here he shows a vintage handheld tachometer” ...

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“Robert shows one of the beautiful knives in his collection” ...



“Several members drove their Model “A” s and Mark Smith drove his beautiful early Ford V8 “... ”



Outside Wrigley Field in 1932.
Kids are hoping to catch a fly ball

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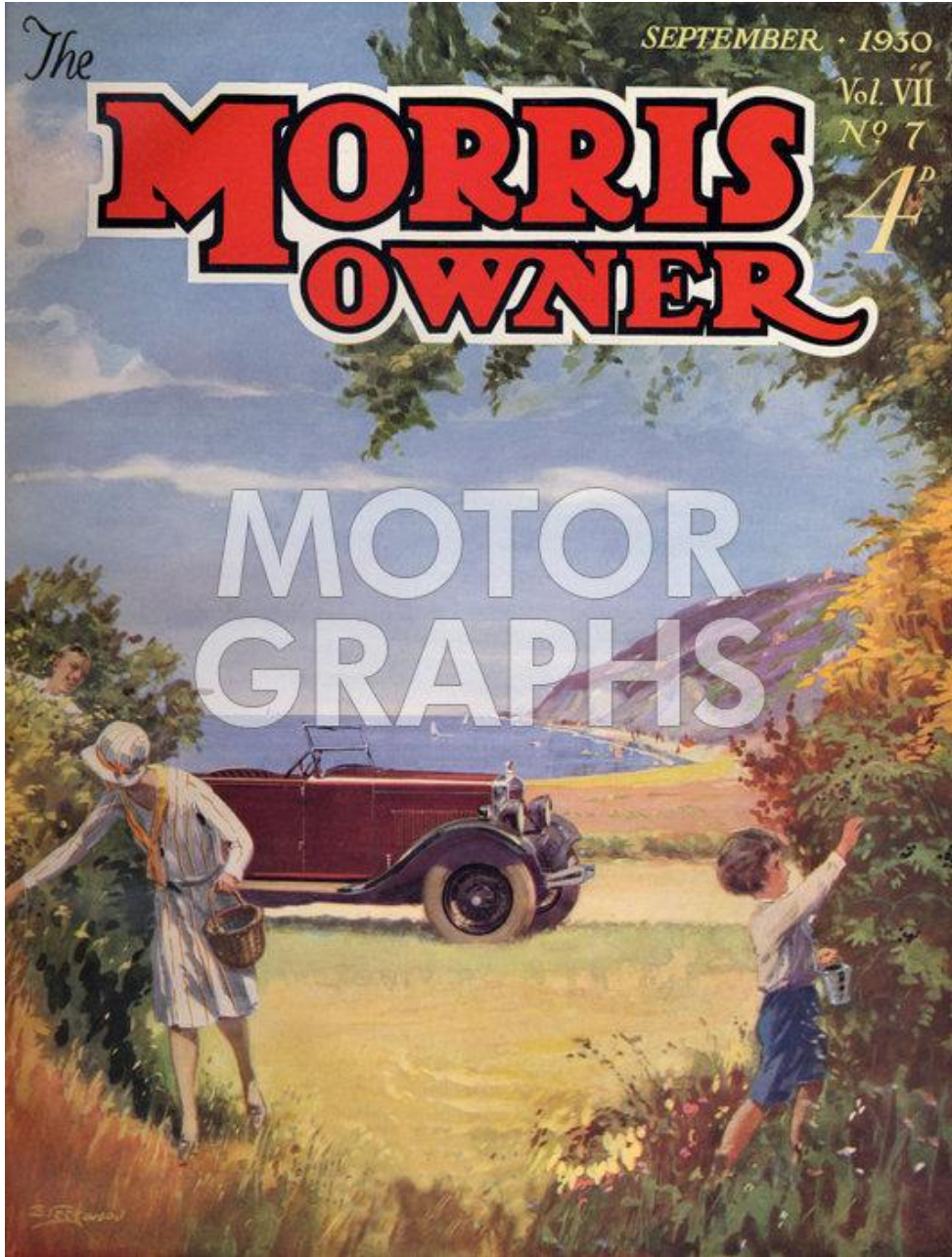
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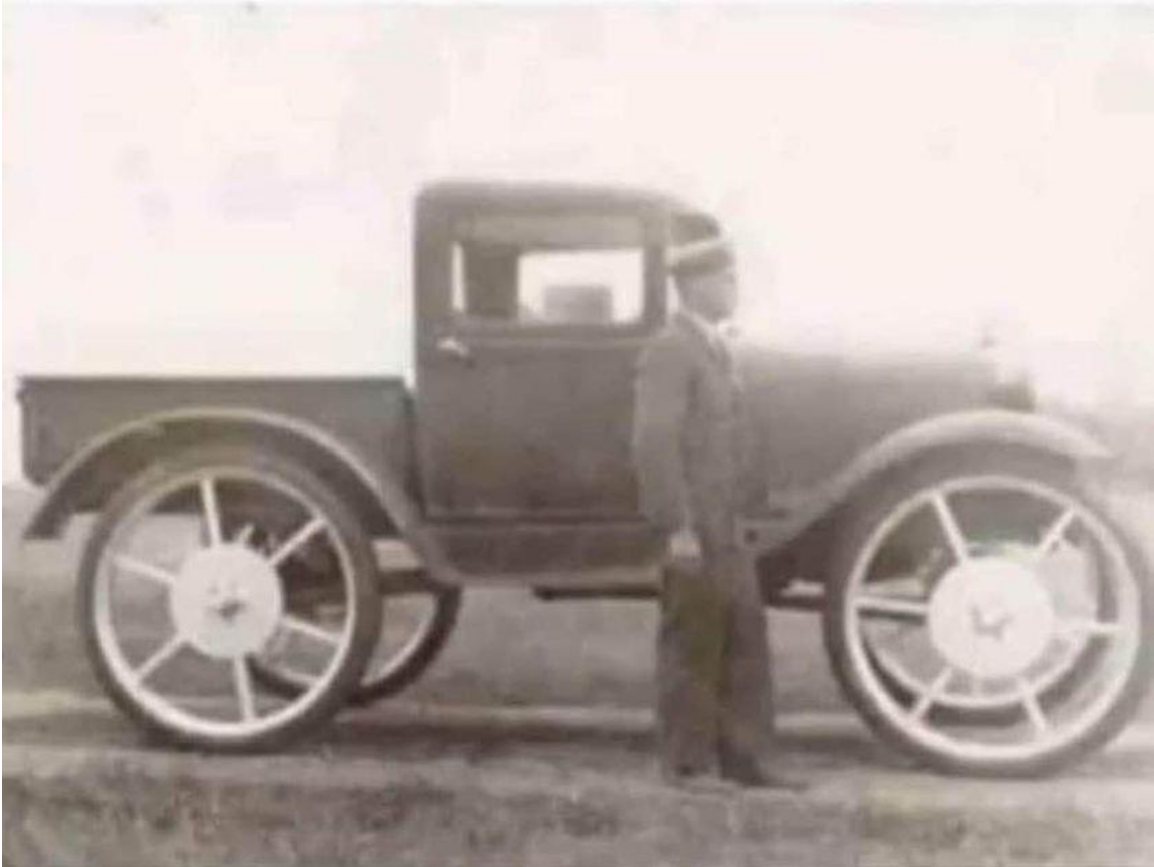
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On this day in history: In 1927, Ricky Dale Everclear becomes the first man to put oversized rims on his truck with his girlfriend's tax return.



Interesting Ford Facts

Henry Ford and Thomas Edison were lifelong friends. As requested by Ford, Thomas Edison's son captured Edison's last exhale in a test tube and sealed it with a cork. Ford kept the tube as a memorial to Edison's "life and breath."

The very first Ford sold was to Dr. Pfennig in 1903, for a grand total of \$850. The "Model A" had a 2-cylinder engine, and could reach a max speed of 30 mph

Ford's signature blue, oval logo was not introduced until 4 years after the company had already been in production.

In 1914 Ford offered its employees double the current market average, creating Henry Ford's "\$5-a-day." The new salary, accompanied by a shorter working day and company profit sharing, minimized employee turnover, and was significant in growing the middle class and fair wages movement. Henry Ford was quoted saying he wanted to help his workers to a "life" not just a "living."

In 1964, after Ford debuted the Mustang, 94,000 pedal-powered toy mustangs were bought for children the following Christmas season.

The only car that Jim Morrison, legendary Doors singer, ever owned was a 1967 Shelby GT 500.

At the end of WWII, the Model A will become the unchallenged queen of the vintage car scene. This moment in automobile history (1928-1931) will generate the largest gathering of enthusiasm around a single model that no other has ever equaled since. Two gigantic Clubs and an entire spare part industry see the light of day. The abundance and ease with which technical information and new or refurbished parts can be found have made the Model A the easiest vintage car to buy, understand and maintain. One could even be able to assemble a completely new Model A from all the new parts that can be found on the market today! However, assembling the 6,800 distinct items to do so could well run over \$50,000.