



The Grapevine



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Temecula Valley Ford Model A Club

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MEMBER'S in MOTION!



Don Long's Car Collection Tour to Corona

On Saturday, March 4th the club and three other Model A clubs, including The Orange Blossom A's had a tour to Corona to see the incredible collection of cars and garage belonging to Don Long.

12 Model A's, other vintage Fords and one modern car made the trip. We drove beautiful backroads towards



Lake Matthews and Riverside with white mountains covered in snow in the background, as we have had a very wet Southern California winter.



After meeting the balance of the group, everyone drove to Corona to see the collection.

Don has a total of 8 acres of land. One of his buildings started as a horse corral. When he moved to the property, he had 20 cars, he now has more. He has an auto body shop out back, behind the display building, where he restores his cars.

He and his wife have been collecting memorabilia for many years. He started

with one spark plug machine and then wanted to find more. This led to starting to collect battery chargers and the collection started to take off.

The Petersen Museum in Los Angeles gave Don the idea to set up not just the car collection and garage, but the storefronts as well.

Once everyone from our club had seen it all, it was getting to be lunchtime. We decided to eat at Corky's Kitchen and bakery.

After lunch, we drove down the backroads back through Lake Elsinore and made a stop at Rudy and Lori's house to see the progress on Rudy's new building. Most of his many Model A's are proudly on display. He is still working on getting a few more cars in the building before he decorates it with his vast collection of Model A and oil can memorabilia.

It was a great day had by all and everyone's car ran great.



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UPCOMING TOURS & EVENTS

MAR 18	Sat	Selma Swap Meet – Selma, CA
APR 15	Sat	San Bernardino Model A Swap Meet www.pvmafc.org 909-658-5914
APR 20	Thur	General Meeting – Richie’s Diner – Murrieta, CA 6 PM
APR 20-23	Thur-Sun	CCRG – Santa Maria, CA
APR 30	Sun	Orange County Pancake Breakfast – Hart Park – Orange, CA
MAY 18	Thur	General Meeting – Richie’s Diner – Murrieta, CA 6 PM
MAY 28	Sun	Fallbrook Vintage Car Show – Bates Nut Farm www.fallbrookvintagecarclub.org

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 3/6 Bob Grieb
- 3/20 Mark Greenlee
- 3/21 Gary Hesser
- 3/23 Lori Perez
- 3/25 Dottie Schwieger
- 3/35 Greg Nusbaum

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- 3/2 Allan & Karolina Porch
- 3/6 Josh & Wendy Ferguson
- 3/18 Kim Leon & Valorie Sparks

COMMON COURTESIES & RULES WHEN TOURING WITH A GROUP

- * CARS & PASSENGERS SHOULD BE READY TO LEAVE AT THE DESIGNATED TIME (GASSED UP) *
- * FOLLOW THE LEADER AND THE DESIGNATED ROUTE, MAINTAIN THE SPEED OF THE TOUR AS SET BY THE LEADER *
- * KEEP THE CAR BEHIND YOU IN VIEW, ESPECIALLY AT CORNERS OR IN TOWN. DON'T LOSE THEM *
- * THE TAIL CAR (TAIL ENDER) IS APPOINTED TO RUN LAST WITH A CB RADIO. DON'T TRY TO GET BEHIND HIM UNLESS YOU'RE IN A MODERN CAR *
- * COMMUNICATE WITH THE LEADER OR TAIL ENDER VIA CB RADIO OR CELL PHONE IF NECESSARY *
- * KEEP ENOUGH DISTANCE BETWEEN CARS TO ALLOW OTHER TRAFFIC TO PASS SAFELY *
- * NO CAR SHOULD LEAVE THE TOUR (PULL OVER AND STOP) WITHOUT FIRST NOTIFYING THE LEADER AND (OR) TAIL ENDER *
- * YOU SHOULD NOT PASS ANOTHER MODEL A ON TOUR UNLESS THEY HAVE STOPPED BECAUSE OF TROUBLE *
- * WHEN SOMEONE BREAKS DOWN, YOU SHOULD PULL OVER AND STOP ONLY IF IT IS SAFE TO DO SO AND YOU'RE EQUIPPED TO ACTUALLY HELP *
- * INSTRUCT ANY GUESTS YOU MAY BRING ABOUT RESPECTING OTHER CARS, THEY ARE YOUR RESPONSIBILITY *
- * ABIDE BY ALL TRAFFIC LAWS *
- * ON TOURS, THE MODERN CARS SHALL ALWAYS FOLLOW THE MODEL A's *

Contributions or Photos?

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ABOUT US

The Temecula Valley Model A Club was established in the year 2000 and with an emphasis on touring, has steadily grown into a remarkable group of Model A enthusiasts who never miss an opportunity to get out and drive these wonderful old cars. Whether just going for ice cream, or across the country, you're invited to join us in celebrating the fun and friendship Model A's always seem to invoke. Membership is \$15.00 annually and is open to anyone with or without a Ford Model A. We are a chapter club of MAFCA (Model A Ford Club of

Temecula Valley A's – General Meeting – February 16, 2023

Meeting called to order at 6:03pm

Pledge of Allegiance led by Keene Brewer.

President: Josh Ferguson: Josh opened the meeting by introducing new members and guests; one of the guests, Alan Hebron, mentioned that he has a 1930 Tudor, and Model A parts for sale, information on these items was passed around, if anyone was interested, please contact him. Josh thanked Joe Patrick for attending the meeting. Josh asked everyone to please note that on page one of the newsletter, that dues are due, and to please support the club by paying your dues.

Secretary: Sheila Saxman: I asked for additions or corrections for the January Meeting Minutes, there were none, so I asked for a motion to accept the minutes; Laura Iverson made the motion, and Ted Iverson made a second to accept them, no vote to accept the Minutes was called for.

Treasurer: Ted Iverson: Ted reported the balance, income, and expenses. Ted said that the checkbook can be accessed online by members.

Membership: Laura Iverson: Laura said that there are 37 members and 4 guests present. Laura mentioned that the updated membership form is available online. Also, if you want to have a picture taken for the directory, see Ted after the meeting.

Tour Recaps: Rudy Perez asked Justin Ferguson and Chuck Grabowsky to come up front, for the "Chicken Award" presentation. Rudy talked about the breakdowns and tours, first Justin's, then Chuck's, and finally Rudy's mishaps, with Rudy ending up with the award. Josh recapped the Hawk Watch Tour.

Upcoming Tours and Events: Josh invited guest, Rick Perez, to talk about an upcoming tour that the Orange Blossom A's would like to invite our club to attend. It will be March 4th, to view Don Long's Car Collection, it will cost \$10, our club members will meet and depart from the Jack in the Box in Wildomar at 8:15. Rick then mentioned that he will be leading a tour to the MAFCA National Tour in Auburn, IN., July 16-21. He said it will take 3 days to get there and 3 days home, get in touch with him if you are interested in going with him and the Orange Blossom A's. Josh announced the date for the Selma Swap Meet in Selma, CA., as March 18th. He said the Orange County Pancake Breakfast will be held March 19th at Hart Park in the city of Orange, there will be two different groups going to the breakfast, one from the south, talk to Larry Beel, and one from the Temecula area, talk to Rudy Perez. Larry Beel spoke about CCRG, which is April 20th-23rd in Santa Maria, Larry will have a sign up sheet.

Activities: Karen Beel: Karen's helper was Justin Ferguson. The raffle collected \$130; \$65 for the club, and \$65 to be divided by 3 winners. The 3 winners were: \$30 - Glenn Wior, \$20 - Alan Hebron, \$15 - Rick Perez. There were several donated items for the raffle, some of the winners were: John Misoni, Rick Perez, Rudy Perez, Richard Allen, Nancy Vaughn, Sue Sandersfeld, and Steven Currie.

Newsletter: Josh Ferguson: Josh reminded everyone that if you are a club member you can access the newsletters on our website. He said the current newsletter has an article about our last tour, as well as information on upcoming tours.

Historian: Rudy Perez: Rudy did not give a Historian report.

Sunshine: Sharon McBride (for Joyce Grieb): Sharon read the February birthdays and anniversaries.

Tech Report: Rudy asked if there were any technical questions, Tom Vaughn asked what the shock link is. Rudy discussed shocks and shock links, Larry Beel added to the discussion. Larry also suggested contacting Sammy at Arizona Model A for parts.

Open Items: Josh said he received an email from MAFCA asking if our club could host a National Tour in 2027, because it will be the 100 year anniversary of Route 66, we could be responsible for a route from Santa Monica to Amarillo, TX. Some members urged Josh to just say no. Josh asked if there was anything else, there was nothing further, so he adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:16.

Respectfully submitted by,
Secretary, Sheila Saxman



Rudy & Lori Perez

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- Parts -

Arizona Model A – 15838 S. Gilbert Rd., Chandler, AZ 85225
480.782.0266

- Wood Kits -

Brothers A Wood – 2250 N. 64th St., Mesa, AZ 85215
480.620.3263

- Polishing & Chrome -

Pacific Polishing – 860 E. 2nd St., Pomona, CA 91766
909.620.9557

- Powder Coating -

Precision Powder Coating- 27610 Commerce Center Dr., Suite 102, Temecula, CA92590
951.693.5600

- Speedometer Rebuilds -

Bill Horswood – 4058 Rountree Rd., Ayden, NC 28513
252.714.8751

- Upholstery Kits -

Classtique Upholstery – 30350 Akerson St., Lindstrom, MN 55045
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