

The Santa Maria A's Chapter (Est. 2003), Model A Ford Club of America Visit our website: www.santamariamodelaclub.com



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#### June Club Activities

1st Elks Rodeo Parade Lineup at 9am on East Mill Street

8th Swap Meet at the Hot Rod Ranch-250 San Pasqual Rd Lompoc

13th - General Club Meeting Dessert Roberta

15th Jalama Beach Tour

20th -Board Meeting at Giavanni's Pizza, 5:30 Meal, 6:00 Meeting

- 23 thru 28th MAFCA National Convention Ruidoso, New Mexico
- 27th Club Breakfast The Boy's Restaurant 8:30

- 29th Santa Margarita Time Trials, Gate open 8am racing starts 10am
- July Look ahead 4th Solvang Parade and BBQ Haugse Home,

The Santa Maria A's General meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month at the Elwin Mussell Senior Center, 510 E. Park Ave in Santa Maria, CA. Doors open at 6:00 and the meeting begins at 6:30 PM.

## **Board of Directors**

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June 2024



President

Hello Santa Maria A's

We are entering a very busy time for our membership. June and September are always months when there is so much going on. We are involved with the end of the school year activities for our children and grandchildren. Many of us have graduation ceremonies to share and enjoy. Congratulations to all of our grads. Please take time to review our activities for June and into July. Roberta has provided a detailed schedule of events for us.

For me the highlight of May was Richard Alexander's Bar-B-Que. He is a very gracious host. He put in a tremendous amount of thought and effort. It was a good mix of people, cars, and food. We all had a great time. I would like to give a special thanks to Richard for hosting his May event.

Are you planning to join us for the Santa Maria Elks Parade? It is on Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. Please contact Roberta Weber if you haven't already signed up. We want to support the parade with a good turnout.

Several of you are getting ready to leave for the MAFCA Convention in Ruidoso, New Mexico. June 23-29<sup>th</sup>. There is still time to register. It should be an exciting and rewarding trip. Keep our travelers in your thoughts and prayers.

Happy Trails my friends! Be safe but drive those Model A's.

Bill Hansen



14-Robert Franzen16 Sarah Roberts18 Mark Mueller23 Jeff McCoy29 Alexandra Allen

**June Celebrations** 



12 Joanna and Jack Sumrall 27 Ann and Bill McKindley 30 Mary and Gary Denny



Santa Maria A's **General Membership Meeting Minutes** May 9, 2024

President, Bill Hansen, opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. at Elwin Mussell Senior Center in Santa Maria. The sign-in sheet was passed around -24 attendees. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Richard Alexander.

### Secretary's Report – Karen Haugse.

Motion for approval of the April 11, 2024 General Meeting Minutes by Jay McCord. Seconded by Richard Alexander. Approved.

**Treasurer's Report** – Dave Richards. Review of Club finances and balances, receipts & checks received.

Motion for approval of Treasurer's report – John Idler. Seconded by Jay McCord. Approved. Activities – Roberta Weber. (See newsletter). May is Model A Youth Month.

May 9 – General Meeting. Marcia Idler will bring dessert.

May 16 – Board Meeting at Giovanni's Pizza restaurant, Santa Maria.

May 18 – BBQ from 10 to 3 at Richard Alexander's home. Bring a chair, jacket, and dessert. Everything else is provided.

May 23 – New Location: Club breakfast 8:30, The Boy's Restaurant, 117 N. College Drive, Santa Maria.

June 13 – General Meeting. Roberta Weber will bring dessert.

June 20 – Board Meeting at Giovanni's Pizza restaurant, Santa Maria.

**June 27** – Club breakfast 8:30, The Boy's Restaurant, 8:30, Santa Maria.

**Newsletter** – Kay McCord.

Article deadline for the Santa Maria A's Headlight Herald newsletter is the first Tuesday after the **Board Meeting.** Do you have a car or parts for sale? Note: if your item has sold, please let Kay know. Do you have a story to share? Contact Kay by May 21.

### Old Business:

- Re the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual All Ford Car Show, Curt Warner passed around a signup sheet for volunteers; job descriptions will be e-mailed to all members; 200 gift bags are on order from Haggerty; contact Kathy Pedrick for details. Jay presented a sample of the revised Car Show poster.
- Dave Richards proposed old versus new language re Budget Bylaw (Article VI, Financial) Section 1 revision. Motion for approval of the new language by Curt Warner. Seconded by Jeff McCoy. Approved.

E-mail Robert Franzen with your odometer readings to gualify for a mileage patch.

### New Business:

Kay thanked John Idler for his April tour report and Hank Haugse for his first Model A story. More members' stories are encouraged (contact Kay McCord).

Trudy Stevens won the 50-50 raffle.

**CCRG Representatives Report:** June 8 – revised CCRG policies will be voted on.

**Program:** Richard Alexander shared "the most overlooked Model A part" – <u>the horn</u>. He explained how to oil it and set the tension to insure it will last longer and sound better. Brian Weber walked around the room & pointed out the various parts of the horn Richard was speaking about. Gary Denny shared a Toe-In measuring gauge bar for tire alignment. **Website:** See <u>www.SantaMariaModelAClub.com</u>

Let Curt Warner know if you find any inaccuracies on the website.

Adjourned at 7:35 p.m. Respectfully submitted by Karen Haugse.



## Hello Ladies This IS FOR YOU, By Linda Phelps

I don't know if any of you remember the old advertisement for an airline, but it was something like this; "*Take me away, if you love me, Take me away...Take me away with you*" Well, this is the 21st Century and we can take ourselves away!

What I am trying to say is that we can drive our Model A's ourselves, We don't need our husbands or boyfriends to take us away! We'll learn how to drive these old cars ourselves.

When Ernie and I got our Model A, he drove it most of the time, but I always wanted to drive the Model A. If you know how to drive a "stick" shift, you should have no problem driving your Model A. The biggest issue I have is not driving a stick shift, but the "Woman Power" required to turn on the Dag gone car!! Oh my gosh, the hardest is when I am getting out of the garage and into the street facing the right way and not hitting a parked car, But, you do get used to that too.

The next challenge (for me) was reaching the starter button. My legs are short, and they didn't make these to fit all sizes. No, they made them as one size fits all. Huh! How did a pound challenged person get behind the wheel, or a short person reaching the pedals? Well, as I said before, we are in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. We also have a lot of friends in the "Santa Maria A's "to help us out with little nuisances. For instance, Bill Hansen, our wonderful President put a rod on the steering column to help me turn that wheel and he also installed a button on the dashboard to start the engine. The starter button belonged to Roberta Weber (who is now driving her own Model A). She didn't want to change the integrity of the old car. Wonderful things.

You may be wondering why I drive our Model A all the time. My husband, Ernie, has Macular degeneration and has no license to drive. The only driving he does now, is making me crazy(ha-ha). Needless to say, we enjoy our trips and outings with the club, and I don't mind driving the Model A. In fact, I'd say it is a lot of fun to drive it.

You ladies should really think about learning to drive your Model A. As I said before, it is not that hard and is fun once you learn how to drive it. If you need help getting started, give me a call and we'll get you going.

**OK LADIES, START YOUR ENGINES!** 

Current Model A



Richards Annual BBQ Bash

It was a cool and crisp morning as a parade of Model A's from all points both North and South rumbled into Richard Alexanders Property in Lompoc for his annual BBQ. The 30 Santa Maria A's members, joined with the Valley of the Flowers Region of AACA, Cuesta Crankers, Bent Axles, and the Central Coast Chevrolet Club to enjoy food and fellowship. Along with Richard's collection, there were 70 Cars to admire. At noon the bull horn sounded to announce that lunch was ready for the 120 attendees The eight foot dessert table was overflowing with delectable sweet treats with lots of sprinkles!

Model A's always bring a smile when an ahooga horn honks and this was no different. A lovely couple, Mike and Loraine, visiting from the UK followed some of the A's right into Richards yard. thinking they were entering a public museum. They loved the cars and the friendly people they met. We were happy to be part of their experience in California. A huge thank you to Richard and his crew for another special car celebration.



# PUT THIS ON YOUR



# September 30, 2024

CALENIDA

Through

## October 1st, 2nd, 3rd

For Our

## MONTEREY

## "2024 CCRG GRAND TOUR"

We will Begin Our Tour on September 30th in Paso Robles, CA, for a one night stay. Then we will depart Paso Robles on the morning of October 1st and will caravan on some picturesque back farming and country roads, paralleling Highway 101. After our fun drive we will arrive for lunch in the Monterey/ Pacific Grove area, in the afternoon, in time to check into our Hotel where we will begin our stay for fun-filled days and then departing on Oct. 4th. Linda Jackson, Linda and Phil Kneeland are still in the process of filling in all of the blanks for this "FUN FUN" 2024 Grand Tour"!! Please be checking your Email for more updates as Linda Jackson, Linda & Phil Kneeland research more good places to stay, eat and visit!!



## Jim Cannon's Tech Tips

## **Check Your Rear Axle Nuts**

Every time I have a rear wheel off of a Model A, I use the opportunity to check the tightness of the rear axle nut for that wheel. They are supposed to be quite tight, and yet I find many with at least one axle nut that is loose. This is not good. If the hub is able to move on the axle, it will cause excess wear to the end of the axle and can damage it to the point where the axle will need to be replaced.





## Classifieds

## For Sale:

1930 Coupe Formerly Al Schirmers Car, Borg Warner Overdrive, Rumble Seat, 17.5K

1931 Pickup, Formerly Al Schirmers Truck, 17.5K

1940 Ford V8, 4 door Sedan, 20k OBO

Contact Richard Alexander 805-452-5205

1930 Briggs Town Sedan with 55k Original Miles. This is a very solid original car Clean title with Year of Manufacture plates, rebuilt engine by Aaron Machado in Santa Barbara, and much more, Purchased new in San Fernando Valley, 10.5k obo Contact Keith Struve 805-868-0131

1935 Ford Four door sedan, In beautiful condition, This is a solid Touring car for touring Asking 20K

1935 Ford 5 window Coupe. It's a beautiful black coupe, Kelsey Hayes wheels, 6 volt with electric fuel pump, Price reduced to 26K,

1926 Model T Roadster Pickup, Very Original, Older Restoration, No Rust, in very nice shape. Of course its Black. Wooden wheels. It's a beauty. Ran when parked. Asking 12k

Contact Chris Tiffany 805-588-8913



## **22nd** Annual All Ford Car Show & Swap Meet



Saturday, September 14, 2024 — 9 am-3 pm In Old Town Orcutt 201 South Broadway, Orcutt, CA 93455

Class 1: Ford/Lincoln-Open Vehicle-Original 1903-1931

Class 2: Ford/Lincoln-Open Vehicle-\*Modified 1903-1931

Class 3: Ford/Lincoln-Closed Vehicle-Original 1903-1931

Class 4: Ford/Lincoln-Closed Vehicle-\*Modified 1903-1931

Class 5: Ford/Lincoln/Mercury-Original Vehicle 1932-1947

Class 6: Ford/Lincoln/Mercury-\*Modified Vehicle 1932-1947

\*Modified—A Vehicle in which the body and/or drivetrain have been substantially modified from original. Class 7: Ford/Lincoln/Edsel/Mercury-All Except Mustang/Cougar/Truck-1948-1973

Class 8: Ford & Mercury Trucks/Rancheros-1948-1973

Class 9: Mustangs/Shelbys/Cobras 1963-1973

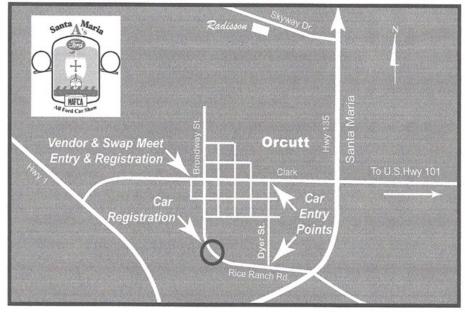
Class 10: Mustangs/Shelbys/Cobras 1974 & newer -- includes replicars, kit cars, etc.

Class 11: All Ford Vehicles- except Mustang/Shelby/Cobra/Cougar -- 1974 & newer -- includes replicars, kit cars, etc.

Class 12: Cougars 1967-1997

Best Club Participation Award

- Participants Choice Award for Best of Show
- Chuck Bailey Award for Best Original Model A Ford
- Best Feature Car Award



**DIRECTIONS:** Exit Hwy. 101 at Clark. Go West to Dyer St. in Old Town Orcutt. Turn left to Rice Ranch Road. Turn right on Rice Ranch Road, proceed to Car Show entry point. Stay at the

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**Hotel Santa Maria** 

3455 Skyway Drive, Santa Maria Ca 93455 Call (805) 928-8000 for special rates.



#### Signature Required Here

Liability Release:

In consideration of the acceptance of the right to participate, entrants and spectators, by the execution of this entry form, release and discharge the Santa Maria A's, from any and all damages, injuries, losses, judgments and/or claims from any cause whatsoever that may be suffered by any entrant, to his person or property. Further, each entrant expressly agrees to indemnify all of the forgoing entries, firms, and persons and bodies of and from any and all liability occasioned or resulting from the conduct of entrants or any participant assisting or cooperating with the entrant and under the direction or control of the entrant. I also give permission for my entry vehicle and my person to be photographed at the car show for use in any form of future communication or advertisement.

