

HEART OF FLORIDA MODEL A RESTORERS CLUB

NEWS FROM THE HEART

SEPTEMBER 2025

HOFMARC Members: Save the Date! Attend Barberville!

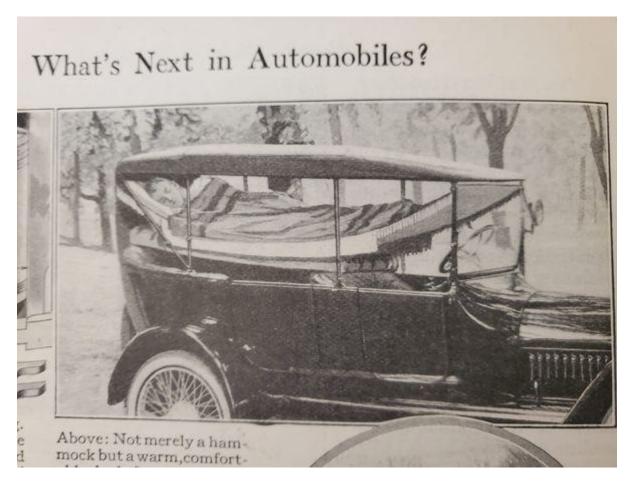


Minutes of the August 2, 2025, meeting of the Heart of Florida Model A Restoration Club held at McCracken's Pub in Leesburg.

- 1. Called to order by President Richard Unsworth at 11:30.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance and Christian prayer.
- 3. Minutes of the July 12 meeting were summarized and accepted as posted in the Newsletter.
- 4. The Treasurer reported balance of \$2,933.06. Report was accepted.
- 5. Old Business:
 - a. We still need a member to serve as club Treasurer.
 - b. Keith Meyers reported that the Donation Box is completed and awaits delivery.
 - c. Bob McMahon reports no progress on the visit to the Tavarish garage.
 - d. Our Gymkhana car games will likely take place in November. Frank Lynch reports that Grand Oaks is out as a possible site. Okahumpka Park looks more likely.

6. New Business:

- a. Our Christmas party will be held at the Mallory Hills Country Club.
- b. The Board of directors will address two bylaw issues that could be voted on at our annual meeting in November:
 - i. Term limits for officers
 - ii. Check writing restraints for the Treasurer
- 7. Activities Director Frank Lynch has been sending emails on scheduled club activities. There are questions about:
 - a. Location of our Annual Meeting in November
 - b. The payment procedure for our Christmas Dinner.
- 8. Maurie Bartley, our webmaster, is bringing her new computer online which will allow enhancement of our website
- 9. Carrie Brum won the 50/50 for \$40.00 and Gloria Ufkes won the gift card.
- 10. Meeting adjourned at 11:46



So, with the cooler weather ahead, perhaps Frank could organize a camping tour? He has been calling for suggestions for club activities. If you have one better than this, please get in touch with him.

Here is a link to a new Paul Shinn video on trouble shooting a model A that will not start. Copy and paste into your browser. https://youtu.be/FlLeKUG7XEM?si=2s_zCyStKO9erlUz

INTERESTING FIGURES.

The Ford Motor Company was organized June 16, 1903. The history of the greatest automobile production is given below, recording one of the most phenomenal industrial developments in the world's history.

There are now over 2,000,000 Ford Cars in Service.

Following are the approximate amounts of various materials entering into the manufacture of 700,000 Ford cars, based on the figures for previous years.

Four carloads of spark plugs each month. 310,464 tons of steel.

80,811,500 sq. ft. rubber cloth material in the tops.

2,800,000 each of wheels and tires.

3,500,000 lamps.

6,209,280 feet of Vanadium steel shafting and gear ax es.

2,950,000 feet of exhaust pipe.

3,450,000 sq. ft. of glass in Ford windshields. 9,800,000 pounds of steel in Ford magnetos.

24,791 miles of wiring used in magnetos.

3,041,825 pounds of solder

6,158,000 sq. ft. galvanized metal in gasoline tanks.

45,000 horse power developed in Ford power house.

22 tons of coal per hour, used for power,

29,512,000 cubic feet of gas required each day.

116 miles of conveyor tracks.

312 1/2 gallons of lubricating oil used every hour.

35,000 gallons of fuel oil used daily in heat-treating steel.

100,000 people are engaged in making and selling Ford cars in all parts of the world.



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Christine has her father's 1930 Model A Ford DeLuxe Roadster which she drives and maintains herself. Here she's changing the oil with her nephew.



HOFMARC Membership: Membership in HOFMARC is based on an interest in the 1928 through 1931 Ford Model "A" vehicles, including "AA" trucks Ownership in a Ford Model "A" vehicle is encouraged but not required. We are an affiliate of both Model "A" Restorers Club (MARC) and Model "A" Ford Club of America (MAFCA).

Membership in one of these national organizations is required in the By Laws for HOFMARC Membership. Members must be approved by the HOFMARC Board of Directors. An Application for Membership must be completed, including signature and date each year. Membership is annual, January through December. Dues are \$20.00 annually, prorated for partial year membership. Potential members may attend one meeting at the invitation of a member in good standing. Non-payment of dues will result in discontinuance of privileges after the last calendar day of February of the current year.

2025 Officers:

President. Richard Unsworth

VP. Bob Haight Treasurer. Deb Pelley

Secretary. Bob McMahon Activities. Frank Lynch

Newsletter. Peter DeBisschop Website. Mauri Anne Bartley

Tech advisors. Mike Brauch. Karl Weinert

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