



Rumble Seat Review

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Beehive A's—The Model A Club of Northern Utah



Message from the Board

NEVER A DULL MOMENT!

Our club has been very busy in the last couple of months. But we saw a lot of smiles and a lot of miles. We have done many parades and car shows this year. It's great to see smiles, not only on the older people, but on the younger kids as well. Who would have thought that a teenager would yell "cool car" as we drove the parade route? It just proves that our Model A's are just as popular to the current generation as they were when we were first captured by their spell.

And talk about parades..., we were in them: the North Ogden parade, Ogden's Pioneer Days parade, South Weber parade. And, of course, we participated in the Berry Picnic in North Ogden and Dean Murray's picnic.

Henry Dominguez wanted to me tell you that he appreciated everybody who participated in the grand opening of Young Ford—Brigham City. And he said that Spencer Young, the owner of the Young Automotive Group, was delighted that we showed up with all of our old Fords, too.

"I was told that some old Fords would be showing up today," he told Henry, "but I had no idea that it would be so many! They are all beautiful! Thanks for coming out for our celebration!"

It's not every day that we get to participate in the opening of a brand new Ford dealership, and, believe it or not, Young Ford—Brigham City, has a historical connection to our own club member, Karen Stoker.

Her uncle worked at Ritchie Motor Company, the Ford dealership in Tremonton as well as Brigham City—kind of a mini-mega dealer at the time, which was kind of the great-grandfather to Young Ford. How interesting is that!

I want to thank everyone who participated and helped in arranging all the events that we have had up to this point.

This is a great club to belong to!

Heidi Pitkin, President

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Cover photo: Here's an enterprising young lady who took her hair styling skills on the road in a 1928/1929 Model A. It's not known where this scene was, but with the parking lights on the fender and the shape of the license plate on her Model A, it appears that it was somewhere in England. (Editor's photo)

Next Meeting:

Monday, September 8, 2025 at 7:00 PM

Pleasant Valley Library

5568 South Adams Ave
Washington Terrace, Utah

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Phill Dunn
Sonia Fisher
Cody Kapinos
Kelly Johnson
Marilyn Meyerhoffer

TREATS for 2025

September	Cody Kapinos
October	Bill & Lisi Wiser

CARS & PARTS FOR SALE

Kevin Fielding has the following parts and equipment for sale:

Five (5) 19-inch Firestone whitewall tires, still have tread, some more than others. Perfect for rollers or one would be good for a spare. \$100 or offer for all 5.

KRW Combination Machine for line-boring Model T and Model A blocks. Have lots of extras, also have a KRW engine stand head; original stand missing, but is welded on a 4-wheel frame. Make me an offer.

Ford Model A shocks, complete set of four shocks completely rebuilt, (not sure by whom), four shock arms, and the tubular links. Everything brand new, shocks are a little oily but still in the shipping bags, \$1000, or best offer.

Original 21" Ford Model A wheels, \$40 each.

Two Model A Ford horns, these were rebuilt by the late Chuck Ferrell, \$150 each,

Also have several 21" Ford Model T wheels, with 2 rear hubs and one front.

Kevin Fielding 801-726-7042

Woody Bird Jr., who lives in Pleasant Grove, Utah, has many Model A parts for sale, such as motors, transmissions, intake and exhaust manifolds, front and rear springs, shifters, wheels, even and a Model T chassis. His phone is 385-419-8805.

Steve Nailer is liquidating cars. Please reach out to Dave Spinden for more information. His phone number is: 801-745-5327

Dan Johnson has the following parts for sale:

Rebuilt "Diamond B" motor.

Couple of sets of 1930/1931 taillights, both black and stainless

Engine stand with a Model A mount

19" wire wheels

21" wire wheels

Call Dan for prices: 801-941-4834

Sam Korologos has the following parts for sale:

Later front fender brace 1930/1931, drivers side

Exhaust manifold: old, no cracks; plain, not broken

Call Sam for prices: 801-5601375

Claron Headman has a 1925 Model T for sale

Call Claron to make an appointment to see it: 801-755-8216

CARS & PARTS WANTED

Dennis Thompson is looking for a matched **4:11 ring & pinion set**.
Please call him at 801-510-5837.

Marvin Thurn wants a driver's side cowl light, chrome or stainless steel. Please call Marvin if you have what he is looking for: 801-624-0701

TOUR & PARADE SCHEDULE

September 6	Peach Days Car Show Downtown Brigham City 10:00 AM-5:00 PM
September TBD	We are planning a tour in September, but have not finalized a date yet. We will notify you when we have made all of the details. Stay tuned.
October 4 or 11	Fall Tour. We are also working on a fall tour to be held in October, but we are still working on the details. We will notify you which day the tour will be, so keep both dates open and stay tuned.
December 9	Christmas Party White Rose Events Center 3677 UT-126 Farr West, UT 84404 6:00 PM-9:00 PM

CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER

Out heartfelt congratulations go to our own Dennis and Jeri Thompson for their 25 Years with the Model A Ford Club of America. That shows real conviction and we are so glad that you are a member of our club.

“HENRY & EDSSEL HURRY THROU TOWN TESTING OUT NEW CAR”

This is an article out of the *Clinton County Republican News*, a newspaper out of St. Johns, Michigan, a small town about 110 miles northeast of Detroit. Dated August 4, 1927, it is a rare insight into how Henry and his son worked together (at least some of the time) to develop the Model A.

“Fill ‘er up!” said two distinguished visitors as they drew up in front of the Rathbun & Wilkes gasoline filling station and machine shop in St. Johns Thursday afternoon. Searl Wilkes, who was on duty at the station, rubbed his eyes and looked again. Sure ‘nuff, it was Henry Ford and his son Edsel, together with several other men who appeared to be mechanics. They were traveling in three cars, one of which appeared to be one of the long-expected new Ford cars, camouflaged under an old body type.

“I could see that the new car had four-wheel brakes and was of the gear shift type,” said Mr. Wilkes. “The radiator was shaped differently and the hood long enough for a six-cylinder motor. When they started off, the engine sounded pretty smooth and I wouldn’t be surprised if it was a six. After I had filled the gas tank, I inquired about the oil and was about to lift the hood when they motioned me away and said the oil was all right. Evidently, they didn’t want me or anyone else, to get a peek at the motor”

Soon as the party stopped, Henry Ford stepped inside and was shown through the machine shop by Don Rathbun, one of the proprietors. In back of the building stood a threading machine and when Mr. Ford saw it he said, “That looks good to me. I used to run one of those things.” He appeared interested in the shop machinery and before leaving introduced himself to Mr. Rathbun and complimented him and his partner on their shop, saying that it was very well equipped, considering the size of town.

The two other cars, besides the Ford, in which the party were traveling, were of different makes, each four-cylindere and each a competitor of the Ford. It was apparent that Henry and Edsel were interested in seeing how their new product would compare with the other two cars in gasoline mileage. They arrived in St. Johns from the north about 4 p.m. and were bound for Detroit.



Downtown St. Johns, Michigan, some 15 years after Henry & Edsel drove through.

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