



HOFMARC

HEART OF FLORIDA MODEL A RESTORERS CLUB

NOVEMBER 2025 FROM THE HEART

Minutes of the October 4, 2025 meeting of the Heart of Florida Model A Restoration Club held at The Braised Onion in Ocala.

1. Called to order by Vice President Bob Haight
2. Pledge of Allegiance and Christian prayer.
3. Minutes of the September 6 meeting were summarized and accepted as posted in the Newsletter.
4. The Treasurer reported a balance of \$2,997.88. The report was accepted.
5. Proposed changes to the bylaws will be distributed by email and voted upon at the annual meeting on November 8.
6. The following members were nominated to serve as officers and members of the Board of Directors in 2026.
 - a. President: Bob McMahon
 - b. Vice President: Peter DeBisschop
 - c. Secretary: Elaine Ring
 - d. Treasurer: Bob Haight
7. The following members have agreed to accept appointment by the Officers to serve as Directors.
 - a. Bob Patterson
 - b. Bill Brum
 - c. Elaine Myers

8. The following members have agreed to accept appointment by the Officers to serve as Coordinators for Standing Committees. Coordinators for other Standing Committees will be appointed when appropriate.
 - a. Activities: Keith Meyers
 - b. Newsletter: Peter DeBisschop
 - c. Technology: Karl Weinert
9. Upcoming activities:
 - a. Model A Days, October 31 to November 2 in Barberville, FL. Bill Brum is coordinating this event for club members.
 - b. Lunch and car games on October 29 at Okahumpha Park. Detailed information will soon follow. Bob McMahon is coordinating this event.
10. Newsletter editor Peter DeBisschop urgently needs more articles.
11. Bill Brum needs information on the club's history.
12. Don Pelley won \$50.00 from the 50-50 and Karl Weinert won the door prize.
13. Meeting adjourned.

Bob McMahon, Secretary

Bob Patterson writes about his 1929 Tudor:

My car was born in 1929 in Dearborn, Michigan. It went to a farmer in Nebraska and after he was done using it, he stored it in a barn. The owner's grandson rescued it in the early 2000's. He did a frame off restoration. I know the interior work was done in Ohio. From there it went to Denver, Colorado. At that point in time, he no longer wanted it, and he listed it on Hemmings auctions for sale. That's how I ended up with it in 2022.

This past winter 2025 I put an overdrive transmission in it. That was almost a project from hell, but it runs great now. I'm very happy with the car and it's a great driver.

Thank you, Bob, for sharing the history of your A! Note: Bob is a director on our HOFMARC board. Members: please send me a picture and write up on the history of your Model A.



Get your Model A out for Halloween!

Went for a ride last night. Had some engine trouble.



Warbirds was Fantastic: On September 27th, several members drove up to Ocala to the Jumbolair Airport. The airport featured a car show and a fly-in of vintage aircraft. Cloudy skies did not hold back nearly a hundred classic cars. The airport's hangers displayed dozens of aircraft. The flyovers were impressive.











Tech Tip: Henry anchored the steering column with a bracket riveted to the gas tank. Many drivers grip the steering when they are getting into the car. Due to the repeated stress, over time the tank may begin to leak under that bracket. The aftermarket came up with a way to avoid that possibility. In the picture below you will see a bracket that is anchored on the dash rather than the tank. You will also see half of the original bracket. You might want to consider this preventative measure. The part is available from the usual vendors.



REMINDER: OCTOBER PICNIC & CAR GAMES Wednesday, October 29th, 2025
Lake Okahumpka Park (near Brownwood) 6085 Highway 44, Fruitland Park 12:00 Noon COST
- \$5 per car (Without RSVP - \$10 per car) RSVP by Sunday, October 26th RSVP to Bob
McMahon - mcmahon@maine.edu

Bill and Kerrie Brum went to Hershey! Oh! Am I jealous or what?





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Christine has her father's 1930 Model A Ford DeLuxe Roadster which she drives and maintains herself.

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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. Our newsletter is shared with other Model A organizations and clubs. Classifieds: HOFMARC is not responsible for the content, accuracy, etc., or any part of any resulting inquiry, interaction, or transaction.

2025 Officers & Volunteers:

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Newsletter.	Peter DeBisschop	Activities:	Keith Meyers
Website.	Mauri Anne Bartley		
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