

## OFFICIAL PUBLICATION OF THE EAST VALLEY MODEL T FORD CLUB June 2015 Volume 13, Issue 6

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## **June 2015**

- 19 Ford Credit-Kids Day at Work (Power & Southern) Mesa
- **20** Summer Breakfast T Meeting 8:00 am TBA

## **July 2015**

- 4 Canyon Country Model T Club Independence Day Parade/Potluck, Flagstaff
- 18 Summer Breakfast T Meeting 8:00 am - Broken Yolk Café, 2034 E Southern, Mesa

## August 2015

- 1-2 Prescott Antique Auto Club Watson Lake Car Show, Prescott
- 15 Summer Breakfast T Meeting 8:00 am - T. G. Eggingtons, 1660 S. Alma School, Mesa

## September 2015

17 General Meeting 7:00 pm Citadel Community Center, Mesa (SW corner Broadway & Higley) "I took the road less traveled, and that has made all the difference." - Robert Frost



Happy Touring in your Model T...







**East Valley Model T Ford Club** 

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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**By: Steve Nissle

Greetings and Happy Summer!

Arizona has had an amazing Spring! No air conditioners yet! The 100' heat is coming this weekend. It has been wonderful! Hope you're all out there driving your T's. You can read about my latest drive in the touring later in the newsletter.



We have a few T club requests, one is for the Ford Kid's Day at Work on June 19<sup>th</sup>. The location is at the Ford Credit office near Power and Southern in Mesa. Terri Gordon, the team leader has contacted me again this year for a few cars. The second is an assisted living complex in South Scottsdale for June 30<sup>th</sup>. They would also like a few cars. 10-noon with lunch included. Let me know if you are available, so I can get back to them.

I just finished David McCullough's book, "The Wright Brothers". It just came out and I couldn't put it down. Thoroughly researched and filled with incredible facts and personal in sight about Wilber and Orville's amazing trials and triumphs in building their Wright Flyer! A really great look at the period around the time Henry was starting his quest of automobile building. 1900 to 1910. I recommend it for a good Summer read.

I am excited to stay in touch through our Summer breakfasts! Check out the Calendar and we'll see you there! Thought you'd enjoy this poem I discovered.

### THE MODEL T

Poem by: Carolyn Ford Witt

My Daddy drove a Model T with paint of shiny black, On narrow wheels with spokes of wood, a spare tire on the back.

He thought he'd teach my Mama to drive this fine machine So he put her into the drivers seat, down back streets, to careen.

She popped the clutch so many times before the car would go And then forgot a simple word.... that simple word was 'Slow'.

They were coming to a corner....that word, she didn't hear. She pushed the gas..missed the brake. Into His heart...Went fear!

He grabbed the wheel with hands so strong And pulled with all his might As the Model T cornered on two wheels, His description, 'What a sight'.

We laughed while he was teaching me. Thank God for cars so new. But everyone can make mistakes, and I'm sure I made a few.

So funny, as I remember, these tales he told to me, I hope these memories help you, and their laughter, you might see.

So if you have any memories that you would like to share Just write them down for posterity, So your family, some day, can be there.





## JUST MARRIED "RIDE" ~ May 9th in Gilbert

By: Steve Nissle

My wedding transport started out fabulous and ended with a bang!

Saturday May 9th, I trailered the '23 Touring to Gilbert. Parked at the Double Tree hotel at Ray and Greenfield (that's where I will be bringing the wedding couple). I drove the Touring to the reception site, Shenandoah Mills, about 4 miles away and parked in the back. I put on my "Just Married" sign and then walked in to meet the couple. This was a referral from a long time friend, Lisa. I photographed her wedding about 25 years ago. Her boss's son was the groom.

When the bride walked out and saw the car she screamed she was so excited! I helped them in the back, a lot of photos were taken, I fired her up and off we went with a cruise through the parking lot and back in front of all the guests so they could get more photos and wave!

Out on to the road for a 4 mile trip. The car hadn't been running very well, top end speed was sluggish and the engine had some strange sounds it was making. About 1/2 mile before arriving at the hotel the engine started knocking and I thought I could make it but it just quit! Lucky me!

I told the couple to wait and I would walk to get my car and come back and pick them up. About 5 minutes passed and a car stopped next to me with the Bride and Groom in the back. A friend had driven by and picked them up! I went and brought my car and trailer back and in the meantime called a friend to help get the T up in the trailer. A policeman pulled up and happened to be the nicest policeman I have ever met and he was huge and muscular! My friend arrived and the 2 of them pushed that car on the trailer so fast it was amazing!

OK, I'm back home now, it's May 25th. Still haven't pulled the engine. I think it's time to use my rebuilt short block for the T!

### **EVMTFC (East Valley Model T Ford Club)**

**Website:** evmtfc.com Be sure to check our website often for new and updated information.



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<u>Membership Dues</u>: Dues are \$20 per year and include all family members. Please make payment by check payable to East Valley Model T Ford Club. Submit application in person at any member meeting or mail it to: David Veres, Treasurer, EVMTFC, PO Box 24502, Tempe AZ 85285.

Applications for membership in the EVMTFC may be printed from the website at **evmtfc.com**, or

obtained from any current member or from the Vice President/Membership Chairman.

<u>Newsletters</u>: Our monthly newsletter, *Runningboard News*, can be viewed on our website. All articles, photos and information for the upcoming newsletter is due to the Editors by the 26th of the month.

### **Members Cars (Our T's):**

Steve Nissle can take a photo of your T...contact Steve if you are interested.

Dave Veres can put a picture of your T on our website...send him a photo of your T with or without you in the photo.

MTFCA (Model T Ford Club of America): The EVMTFC is affiliated with, and is a chapter of, the MTFCA, a national and international organization. Membership is strongly encouraged. As a chapter of the MTFCA, at least 50% of our members must be members of the national club to keep our free liability insurance. Our club is doing very well in this regard, as almost all of our members belong to the national club.

Membership in the MTFCA includes all the privileges of the Club, including six issues of the *Vintage Ford* and one voting ballot per member-family for election of the Club's Board of Directors. Annual dues are \$40. Lifetime Memberships are available. Payment may be made by check, credit card or PayPal.

Are your MTFCA dues paid up? If your MTFCA member number is not listed on the roster, please call the President or the Treasurer with the number. The number is shown on your mailing label when you receive your *Vintage Ford* magazine.

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## **MODEL Ts at Flor de Michoacan** ~ **May 3rd in Mesa** By Dave Veres. Photos by: George Elms & Bert Diehl, Jr.

This event was well attended. About 30 turned out for it. It was a small place and a very busy place. Some of our members moved outdoors after eating so that other customers had a place to sit down.

























## MODEL Ts at Flor de Michoacan ~ May 3rd in Mesa -continued-















## PUEBLO MIDDLE SCHOOL Roaring 20's Dance ~ May 15th in Chandler

By: Dave Veres Photos by: Dale Guenther, Marcia Taillefer & Dave Veres

Dale Guenther, Marcia Taillefer, and I attended the event. I took my '24 Coupe and Dale and Marcia

had their '24 Sedan. The event was referred to as a Prom and it consisted of the 8th grade class. The kids as well as the parents who dropped off their kids appreciated seeing the cars and having

their pictures taken with the cars. We were at the school for about 2 hours.









## LOCAL CLUB EVENTS

### MANIFOLD COOKER RECIPE

### FOWLED PLUG CHICKEN on the Manifold

From Favorite Recipes for the Model T Cooker By: Frank & Carole Fenton

Place washed chicken legs, breasts, etc. with skin still on them into a clean cooker. Drive 20-40 miles to cook the chicken.

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS!

Jan Shicketanz - 1st Ed Stolinski - 5th Dale Guenther - 8th Malissa Barnett - 15th Chris Tulipana - 15th Madison Barnett - 27th

## JULY BIRTHDAYS!

Sandy Hart - 11th Steve Nissle - 15th Broklynn Barnett - 16th Dave Veres - 16th Joan Auterman - 20th Sammy Guthrie - 30th

## **AUGUST BIRTHDAYS!**

Roselynn Urness - 12th Randy Walker - 18th Kae Allen - 31st

## **SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS!**

Bert Diehl - 2nd Dolores Stolinski - 2nd Laraine Forsell - 3rd Cher Henry - 6th Marilyn Francois - 12th Ronnie Johnston - 12th Tom Hoverson - 17th Elaine Daley - 22nd Jeff Henry - 23rd



## **EVMTFC NAME BADGES**

Joe Fellin would like to train someone new to take over the making of our club name badges. He has the program and art work for the computer and brings the cards to Staples to get them laminated.

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Joe at 480-288-6463.

### **JUNE 19—MESA**

## FORD MOTOR CREDIT - Kids Day at Work

(Power & Southern)

We have a request from Ford Credit. They would like to have 5 cars at their annual Kids Day at Work event on June 19th for about 2-3 hours of time. We had 3 cars last year.

Let Steve Nissle know, ASAP, if anyone would like to participate.

#### **JUNE 20**

## **EVMTFC Breakfast Club Meeting**

TBA (Watch your e-mail for more information)

Saturday morning, 8:00 a.m. Hosts: Steve & Dianne Nissle

## JULY 18—MESA EVMTFC Breakfast Club Meeting

Broken Yolk Café 2034 E Southern, Mesa (NW corner Southern & Gilbert)

Saturday morning 8:00 a.m.

Hosts:

John & Jan Peterson

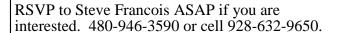


Serving home-style food since 1979, the Broken Yolk Café has built a reputation for its large menu, ample portions and freshly-made flavor. Real shredded hash browns and salsa made fresh daily. They have a huge selection of breakfast favorites including over 20 different omelets, pancakes, waffles and "nobody does better" French Toast. Also, freshly squeezed orange juice and their popular mimosas. You'll find the energy to fuel your day!

(Watch your e-mail for more information)

## JULY 4—FLAGSTAFF Independence Day Parade

On July 4th, the Flagstaff Canyon Country Model T Club has extended an invitation for any of our club who would like to participate in the Flagstaff 4th of July Parade and then lunch at Russ Furstnow's home afterwards.







View more details online at:

http://business.flagstaffchamber.com/events/details/19th-annual-greater-flagstaff-chamber-of-commerce-4th-of-july-parade-12190

## AUGUST 15—MESA EVMTFC Breakfast Club Meeting

T. G. Eggingtons 1660 South Alma School Road, Mesa (South of US 60 on Alma School Road)

Saturday morning 8:00 a.m. Hosts: George & Ruthann Elms



T.C. Eggington's Brunchery has been serving up an "eggstra" special breakfast in Mesa since 1985 featuring award-winning traditional family recipes all made from scratch using only the freshest ingredients. From their perfected omelettes to their signature English Toast with a "French" flair, you will also enjoy fresh baked English-style muffins, homespun and pan-handled griddle cakes, fluffy frittatas, and fresh fruit smoothies.

(Watch your e-mail for more information)

#### GENERAL MEETING REFRESHMENTS

We meet at the Citadel on the southwest corner of Higley and Broadway in Mesa, September through May, at 7:00 p.m.

Please let Steve Nissle/Tom Hoverson know which month you would be able to bring "light" refreshment snacks to our "General Meetings". You could also team up with another couple. :

September 17th	
October 15th -	
November 19th -	

Be sure to wear your EVMTFC name badge at all club events.

## SEPTEMBER 12-13—SAN ANTONIO 9th Annual San Antonio Texas Ford Model T Show (*RESCHEDULED*)

Hosted by: T Fords of Texas
San Antonio Model T Club
and the Texas Transportation Museum
11731 Wetmore Rd, San Antonio TX

Free admission. Free train rides. Offer rides in Model Ts. Technical demonstrations. Tons of T fun. A Fill the T-can food drive for the San Antonio Food Bank. Saturday night Model T Club Dinner. Sunday morning drive past the Alamo.

For more information check out the club's activities link on their web site at <a href="https://www.samodeltr.com">www.samodeltr.com</a>, email at <a href="mailto:samodeltr.com">samodeltr.com</a>, Facebook @FordModelT or Twitter @T\_Fords\_of\_Tx.

If you would like to set-up a demonstration or sell/advertise your Model T associated wares, then please contact us early so we can accommodate your needs. This is a free show; Texas Transportation Museum is a 501-3c non-profit and the T Fords of Texas is a bunch of friends and families that enjoy our cars and share the histories and passion with our community.

Keeping it on the road, Jerry A. King President T Fords of Texas







## 41st Annual PRESCOTT ANTIQUE AUTO CLUB

# WATSON LAKE SHOW

CAR SHOW & RAFFLE
PARTS EXCHANGE
OLD ENGINE FIRE-UP
FOR SALE CAR CORRAL

PRESCOTT, ARIZONA SATURDAY – SUNDAY AUGUST 1 - 2, 2015

## EVENT TIMES AND GENERAL ADMISSION

7am to 5pm Saturday & Sunday at Watson Lake Park. Car show from 8am to 3pm each day. Swap Meet and Parts Exchange both days with continuous raffle prizes. Wristband event. General admission only \$5 per person for both days, 15 and under free w/adult. Military in uniform free admission. FREE parking.

See next page for more information









## SHOW CARS & TRUCKS (Clark 928-899-0265)

## SATURDAY

1990 and older: \$25 per vehicle - No pre-registration. First 200 receive quality T-shirt, dash plaque, two raffle tickets and goody bag. Multiple trophy divisions <u>plus</u> cash prizes.

## SUNDAY

1990 and older: \$10 per vehicle - No pre-registration. Multiple trophy divisions <u>plus</u> cash prizes. Special trophy divisions for: *Volkswagens*, *Model T's*, *Motorcycles and Rat Rods*.









No portable shade structures in Show Car area.

## PARTS EXCHANGE & SWAP MEET SPACES (Tom 602-672-0767)

Limited to 130 spaces @ 30' x 20' each, \$50 per space for the weekend.

Available on first come, first serve basis. Pre-registration not required but available by calling above number and a spot will be held for you.

NO REFUNDS. Set up Friday, July 31 from 7am to 7pm (After 6am Sat & Sun).

Vendor camping on your space permitted overnight. Food and drinks available on site.

All vendors welcome.

## OLD ENGINE FIRE-UP AREA (Pat 928-445-5596)

Special area for showing antique and old engines, tractors, steam engines, novelty equipment & unique vehicles. Set up begins Friday morning, Aug 1. Spots available on first come, first serve basis. NO FEES.

## CARS-FOR-SALE CORRAL (Monty 928-772-0771)

Opens 7am Friday, July 31 and will accept cars all weekend at \$20 per vehicle. All vehicles must be removed from Watson Lake Park by 4:30pm Sunday.

## *MORE INFO:* **www.paacaz.com**



## ARE YOU PARTICIPATING IN A MODEL T TOUR THIS SUMMER?

Share your adventure with our club members by sending a couple photos and your story to Mel & Lorie Poppe at LMP\_2006@hotmail.com

Most tours require a Model T Safety Inspection Form. Whether you are attending a tour, or just bringing your T up to speed, see the form on the following pages.

## MODEL T SAFETY INSPECTION FORM

As a participant on the 2015 Jubilee National Model T Tour, hosted by the Foothills Model T Ford Club, a Chapter of the Model T Ford Club of America, you are required to inspect your car prior to being admitted to the tour. Please check each of the following with a "

" for yes, "N" for no, or and "NA" for not applicable. Please mail before the tour.

Steering gear connecting rod (tie rod) to steering gear ball [2 required] Spindle connecting rod to spindles [2 (1 per spindle)] Spindle bolts (king pins) [2 (1/spindle)] Spindle arms [2 (1 per spindle)] Front spring hangers (shackles) [4 (2 per side)] Front spring to frame [2 or 4 required, depending on year] Yoke ball [1 required] Safety-wire crankcase studs holding radius rod ball cap Grease in steering gear case and steering gear bracket (also check gear post and pinion gears for wear) Check for play in steering gear case to steering column (check rivets/taper pins)  NOTE: Auxiliary brakes are highly recommended for stock cars and should be installed if car has an
stock cars and should be installed if car has an auxiliary transmission
Cotter keys (or lock washers, if holes not drilled) installed on:
Control shaft assy to frame [4 required]
Brake shoe bolt [2 (1 per side)]
Brake rods [4 (1 per end)]
Commutator rod [2 (1 per end)]     Crankcase arm to frame [4 (2 per side)]
Low speed connector [2 (1 per end)]
Universal ball cap [2 (top bolts)] — bottom
two cap screws safety-wired together
Fan bolt (on earlier cars)

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Wheels		
Spokes (and felloes on earlier cars)	All wheels tight and axle/spindle	
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Front wheel bearings — no play,	Lug nuts tight on demountable rims	
good condition and greased	Checked tires for wear, weather	
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Rear Axle		
Rear wheel nuts tight and secured with	Rear spring hangers (shackles)	
cotter pins (use long wrench)	[4 (2 per side)]	
Cotter keys (or lock washers,	<ul> <li>Rear spring perches to wheel flanges (backing</li> </ul>	
if holes not drilled) installed:	plates) [2 (1 per side)]	
Rear spring to frame [4 required ]	No oil leaks at outer seals	
	Check differential gearcase oil level	
Other		
Lights functional	Rear view mirror(s)	
Brake light (may not be original equipment,	Fire extinguisher	
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stances for safe operation	(1)	
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I certify that I have insurance coverage on the entered vehicle that covers my liability and physical damage		
as required in my state of residence.		
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any personal injury or property damage sustained		
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## 1903 FORD

Submitted by: Don Black

I just remembered a little secret about the 1903 project...Look at this photo, and notice the gas pedal...It's very typical of the era...however, as Paul Harvey used to say, "And now, the rest of the story..." What that neat, original appearing, gas pedal really is, is an upside down mounted, door stop, that when installed on a door you can take your foot and flip the holder thing upright for storage! But it gets better...The oval, metal top, is...hold on...you're going to love this for sure... a cut off small, kitchen spoon from the silverware drawer of my wife's kitchen...and it might not be wise to mention it to her, as I will... maybe...someday....but probably not!



Here is a link to all the pictures of the 1903 Ford http://ldrv.ms/1QbjRpT

HAVE A GOOD ONE AND ALWAYS REMEMBER, "THUMB UNDER CRANK HANDLE WHEN CRANKING - ALWAYS." MODEL T'S HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO BE LIKE SOME PEOPLE - A BIT TEMPERMENTAL AT TIMES! -DON









## 1903 Ford - continued

























## "MOST" MEN ARE JUST HAPPIER PEOPLE!!! Submitted by: George Elms

What do you expect from such simple creatures?

Your last name stays put. The garage is all yours. Wedding plans take care of themselves.

You know stuff about tanks. Wrinkles add character. Wedding dress \$5000. Tux rental-\$100.

Chocolate is just another snack. You can never be pregnant. Car mechanics tell you the truth.

You can wear a white T-shirt to a water park. You can wear NO shirt to a water park.

You never have to drive to another gas station restroom because this one is just too icky.

You don't have to stop and think of which way to turn a nut on a bolt. One mood all the time.

People never stare at your chest when you're talking to them.

New shoes don't cut, blister, or mangle your feet. You can open all your own jars.

Phone conversations are over in 30 seconds flat. Your underwear is \$8.95 for a three-pack.

A five-day vacation requires only one suitcase. Three pairs of shoes are more than enough.

If someone forgets to invite you, he or she can still be your friend.

Everything on your face stays its original color. The same hairstyle lasts for years, even decades.

You only have to shave your face and neck. You can play with toys all your life.

One wallet and one pair of shoes -- one color for all seasons.

You can wear shorts no matter how your legs look. You can 'do' your nails with a pocket knife.

You have freedom of choice concerning growing a mustache.

You can do Christmas shopping for 25 relatives on December 24 in 25 minutes.

<u>NICKNAMES:</u> If Laura, Kate and Sarah go out for lunch, they will call each other Laura, Kate and Sarah. If Mike, Dave and John go out, they will affectionately refer to each other as Fat Boy, Bubba and Wildman.

<u>EATING OUT</u>: When the bill arrives, Mike, Dave and John will each throw in \$20, even though it's only for \$32.50. None of them will have anything smaller and none will actually admit they want change back. When the girls get their bill, out come the pocket calculators...YEP!!!

MONEY: A man will pay \$2 for a \$1 item he needs. A woman will pay \$1 for a \$2 item that she doesn't need, but it's on sale.

<u>BATHROOMS</u>: A man has six items in his bathroom: toothbrush and toothpaste, shaving cream, razor, a bar of soap, and a towel. The average number of items in the typical woman's bathroom is 337. A man would not be able to identify more than 20 of these items.

<u>ARGUMENTS</u>: A woman has the last word in any argument. Anything a man says after that is the beginning of a new argument.

<u>FUTURE</u>: A woman worries about the future until she gets a husband. A man never worries about the future until he gets a wife.

<u>MARRIAGE</u>: A woman marries a man expecting he will change, but he doesn't. A man marries a woman expecting that she won't change, but she does.

<u>DRESSING UP</u>: A woman will dress up to go shopping, water the plants, empty the trash, answer the phone, read a book, and get the mail. A man will dress up for weddings and funerals.

<u>NATURAL</u>: Men wake up as good-looking as they went to bed. Women somehow deteriorate during the night.

<u>OFFSPRING</u>: Ah, children. A woman knows all about her children. She knows about dentist appointments and romances, best friends, favorite foods, secret fears and hopes and dreams. A man is vaguely aware of some short people living in the house.

<u>THOUGHT FOR THE DAY</u>: A married man can forget his mistakes. There's no use in two people remembering the same thing!

**Slogans As Seen on Wrecked Fords, [1920's]**Submitted by: Steve Nissle Here's some slogans or mottos that were seen on Ford wrecks being hauled off....listing from a 1920's newspaper!

"Oil by Myself", "SICK Cylinders", "Mis – Frequently", "Four Wheels --- All Tired", "Why Girls Walk Home", "Chicken—Here's Your Coup", "Little Bo Weep", "Pray As You Enter", "Not Lazy---Just Shiftless", "Baby Here's Your Rattle", "Danger- 6,000 Jolts", "Fierce Arrow With a Quiver".

## TIN LIZZY DAYS-PHOTOS OF EARLY VEHICLE COLLISIONS

Submitted by: Steve Francois

The pictures were taken in and around Boston, Massachusetts by Leslie Jones, who was staff photographer at the Boston-Herald Traveler newspaper from 1917 to 1956. When he died in 1967, his family donated a vast collection of 34,000 prints to the Boston Public Library. They included these fascinating photos of vintage car wrecks from the great motoring boom.

Motor cars became affordable to the masses for the first time in the 1920s. By the end of the decade a Model T Ford cost \$300, just a fraction of the \$1,200 it cost in 1909. By 1929, 20 percent of Americans were on the road. Ford, Chrysler and General Motors were all competing for the boom in business and by the time the depression hit in 1929, Ford was producing more than one car every minute.

Technology meant these early cars were capable of achieving speeds of up to 50 miles per hour - but safety measures were nowhere near as advanced as they are today. Add the fact drivers didn't need to pass a test before they got behind the wheel, and it's easy to see why accidents were frequent and often spectacular.



Officers examine a car that has wrapped itself around a tree, spilling its interiors onto the street in Boston in 1933.



Passersby try to figure out how this car ended up nose-down in a trench in Boston's West End. A glance at the rough, dirt-covered road provides a clue.



The scene of an accident in 1935. Information with the photo reveals a car stolen by joyriding children crashed into a lawyer's car, killing him.



Giving a rare glimpse of the day's fashion, a group of men look over a crumpled car that sits by the side of a residential Boston street.



Crowds pose for photographer Leslie Jones alongside a mangled and burnt out wreck in Boston in 1933.



A police officer poses next to a car that flipped over maneuvering around corner in Roxbury, Massachusetts in 1935.

## TIN LIZZY DAYS - PHOTOS OF EARLY VEHICLE COLLISIONS - continued 2



This truck stood no chance when it came into contact with a tree on a rural Mass. road, disintegrating on impact - leaving just the steering wheel intact.



A fireboat struggles to haul a car out of the Fore River in Quincy, Mass. in 1933. They succeeded, but couldn't save the three passengers, who drowned.



This car came out loser in a battle of wills with a trolley bus on Boston's South End in 1932.



Children peer out of the undergrowth as photographer Leslie Jones captures a nasty wreck shouldering by the side of the road in Hingham.



Crowds watch in awe as a car is winched out of the Charles River in Cambridge, Mass. in 1933. close to the Harvard University campus.



This car remarkably survived a collision with a utility pole in Cambridge, Mass. with just a mangled bumper to show for the crash.



Taken in 1934, this photo shows a truck balancing on a bridge in Dorchester by just one wheel. Workers from the Walter Baker & Co. chocolate factory rushed out of the building in the background to watch.



Another angle from the same accident shows how close the truck is from toppling into the water.



The driver of this car was unlikely to have survived this collision. The wreck is wrapped entirely around a tree, which sits in the driver's position.

### TIN LIZZY DAYS - PHOTOS OF EARLY VEHICLE COLLISIONS - continued 3



The shell of a truck is pulled from the Charles River after it careered off the Harvard Bridge.



Photographer Leslie Jones had to part crowds of onlookers to capture this accident in downtown Boston. An out of control car collided with a shop front, smashing windows and ending up on its side.



Local businessman Byron Harwood and Byron Grover were hurt when their car collided with a bus in Waltham, Mass. in 1921. They were lucky to survive this nasty looking wreck. Their car certainly didn't.



Taken in 1934, this photo shows a car that skidded out of control on ice-covered roads and wrapped around a tree in Auburndale, Mass.



A truck collided with a bus and flipped over in south Boston, stopping just before it smashed into a cafeteria storefront.



Another view of the same accident shows eager children posing with the upturned truck. It also demonstrates how close the vehicles came to nearby buildings.



A Cudahy Packing Co. truck is hauled out of Fort Point Channel, which separates South Boston and downtown Boston.



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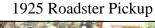
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