

Calendar of Events March 2009

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- **14** Antique Tractor Show
- **14** Ladies Day
- 17 Viewpoint Resort St. Patrick's Day Parade & Show
- **19** General Meeting, 630 PM Berge Ford, US 60 & Mesa Dr.
- 21-22 Cloud Museum, Yuma
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 - 4 Cruise in Gold Canyon-Montesa
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Applications for membership in the EVMTFC may be obtained from any current member or from the Vice President/Membership Chairman Bert Diehl at (480) 325-6308. Dues are \$20.00 per year and include all family members.

Dues are due NLT Jan 1.

If you are writing a check, please make it payable to Dave Veres, as the club does not have a bank account. Dave's address is 2531 E. La Jolla, Tempe, AZ 85282.

The East Valley Model T Ford Club is affiliated with and is a chapter of The Model T Ford Club of America (MTFCA), a national and international organization. Membership in the MFTCA includes six issues of The Vintage Ford and a vote for the Board of Directors. Dues are \$35.00 annually. Membership is strongly encouraged. Direct correspondence to:

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As I mentioned last month, our By-Laws were amended at our February General Revised By-Laws will be Meeting. published this month.

We have had two technical clinics so far

with both being quite successful. The first one was disassembling Dave's coupe engine/transmission and checking clearances. The second was fitting the top bow/iron assembly to Steve Nissle's touring and riveting the bows to the irons. Anyone who would like to have a technical clinic to help with their project should contact a member of the Club Board of Directors.

We have events planned for every weekend in March, however we currently don't have any primary event scheduled for April or May. If you have a suggestion for a tour/event let me or one of the other Board Members know.

Remember, you don't have to have a Model T to participate in any of our events or tours. Many times others will have a spare seat for members to ride along on tours, so consider coming out anyway. We are glad to see you.

Happy Touring and Happy St. Patrick's Day- see you down the road!

Austin

Welcome to new members!

Welcome to Bill Davisson, Gary Gorslin and Gary & Jan Schicketanz. We hope you will be able to join us at many of our future events.

LOCAL CLUB EVENTS

7 March. East Meets West Tour The East Valley and Sun Country Clubs will meet in south Scottsdale for a joint tour to a lunch location at Blue Point picnic area on the Salt River. No glass containers are allowed at the picnic site!!

We will meet at Pueblo Sereno Mobile Home Park, 8350 E. McKellips Rd., a gated community located the first gate of Hayden/McClintoch east 8:30 AM. McKellips at (Trailer unloading is available within ½ mile near Waterworld on McClintoch.) through the gate and park near the clubhouse and fountain. We will have coffee and pastries here and depart on tour by 9:30 AM.

We will travel east to Blue Point on the Salt River where the East Valley Model T Ford Club chuck wagon (Lazy Lizzey's Kitchen) will be set up to cook our barbecue lunch. Lunch will be provided by The Clubs.

Even if you don't have a running T come on out for this event. Several members will probably have open seats, or just follow along and have lunch with us. We will stop before we arrive at the picnic site to purchase the day passes for the cars.

14 March. Antique Tractor and Engine Show at Apache Junction Rodeo Grounds, Lost Dutchman Blvd. between Idaho & Tomahawk Roads. This is another fun event in the FARRR east valley. They have antique engine displays, tractor parades, a silent auction, antique cars and trucks and almost continuous tractor pulls.

We need to be in position NLT 8:30 AM as the gates open at 9:00 AM. Admission if free for those bringing an antique car. This is a great forum for displaying our cars. We will have Lazy Lizzie's Kitchen there on display as well as for cooking our lunch. Hope to see a great turnout!!

14 March. Ladies Day Event. For those ladies that don't want to spend the day at the Tractor Show, just have hubby drop you off at the Graton's on the way East and spend the day with the other ladies visiting antique shops! Mary Griffin and Lynn Graton will be the hostesses. We will meet at the Graton's at 9:00 a.m. (earlier is fine if you are riding out with your hubby) for the morning The gals will then refreshments. proceed to a couple of local antique malls followed by lunch. The Graton address is 1875 N. Monterey Dr., Apache Junction. 480 288-0726. Please call if you have questions.

17 March. St Patrick's Day Show at Viewpoint RV and Golf Resort. The address for The Resort is 8700 E. University Dr. in Mesa, however, we need to use the Hawes Rd. (84th St) entrance. We should arrive NLT 10:00 AM.

We will have our cars on display for a while and then parade through a portion of The Resort to the clubhouse where we will have lunch. They will have green beer for purchase and musical entertainment for our enjoyment.

21-22 March. Johnny Cloud Auto **Museum** in Bard, CA. We will meet in Yuma near the intersection of 18 and Rt 95 (16th St.) at 1:00 PM on Saturday for travel to the museum (approximately 20 We will dine together in the evening and travel back home on Sunday. Each member must make their own reservations on line at ARIZONAHOTELS.ORG OR BYPHONE AT 1-877-477-8006. Joe checked the Days Inn quoted a \$76 rate which was the lowest available.

28 March. Technical Clinic TBA. Let us know if you want one on your project.

OTHER LOCAL EVENTS

Cruise-in at Red Mountain sponsored by the Red Mt. Community Church Men's Ministry and held at the church at 6101 E. Virginia St, Mesa. 4th Sunday of each month from 3:30 to 6:30 PM

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Auto parts swap meet held the second Sunday of each month at The American Legion, 1018 S. Meridian Rd, Mesa. Open at 5:00 AM, \$10.00 per space. There is no charge for buyers.

21 March. Desert Chapel Chargers Cruise-In and Pancake Breakfast. No entry fee, just buy a \$3.50 breakfast and get your car registered free. Show goes from 6:30 AM to 10:00 AM with the "Peoples Choice" winner awarded a gift from an AJ merchant at 10:00 AM. The location is 426 N. Palo Verde (1 block north of Apache Trail in AJ). Contact David Tom at david.tom16@yahoo.com.

17 & 18 April. Globe Firehouse Show and Shine. Last year several of us attended this event as guests of the Globe Main Street Program to help celebrate the restoration of the old railroad station. This was a fun event, however there is a \$25.00 entry fee which includes both breakfast and lunch furnished by the Globe Firefighters Association.

Motoring Thru Time Event by Claudia Linney

A day at Heritage Square

Friday evening after listening to the weather report it was a little nerve racking. The prediction was RAIN

RAIN RAIN so everyone was a little leery about the next day's event. I'm glad we didn't listen to that weather man because it turned out to be a wonderful, sunny day in Phoenix. Some of us drove our Lizzies and others trailered but the attendance was great. Those who braved the day were Bill & Kae, Joe, Dave and his friend Dave, John, Bert, Austin & Lynn, Steve, Claudia & Wyatt and George. We also gained a new member Gary Gorslin, who was in attendance with his car.

We arrived about 8:30 AM and pulled into the parking lot to unload the car. Steve took the tie-downs off and was putting them in the truck when he saw the speedster rolling off the trailer all by itself. It was a scary moment and I have never seen Steve run so fast in the 20 years we have been married. Everything turned out fine. Luckily the wheels were straight and no one was behind us. Lesson learned to set the emergency brake when the car is on the trailer.

After walking around and looking at all of the other cars and meeting some new people we started to get a little hungry. Thanks to Austin, Lynn and Dave, the Chuck Wagon was stocked with brats, beans, onions & peppers, chips and sodas. Our official chef Austin took the helm and fired up the grill about noon. We had a very delicious lunch. We had the whole square wanting us to sell them lunch. We could have made a mint!

Overall we enjoyed each others company, soaked up the sun and entertained Wyatt. Thanks to everyone for putting up with the little man. He was asleep by the time we got to the freeway.

Technical Clinic at Nissle's by Austin Graton

Several club members met at the Nissle's on Saturday, 21 February to work on their one-man touring top. Steve had the garage opened up, the T out, juice and pastries on the table and two sets of bows and irons to be considered. After assembling the first set of bows to the irons and the windshield attaching brackets we tried the assembly on the car. It was too wide so we assembled the other set and tried it on the car, it fit quite well. Then we removed the assembly from the car again and installed the rivets that hold the bows to the irons. These irons were in primer, so Steve is going to paint them so the top material can be installed at the next clinic that we hold at his home.

Lost Dutchman Day Parade

By: Bill & Kae Allen

The 28th of February proved to be another very enjoyable event for eleven members of the East Valley Model T Club, one member from the Sun Country Model T Club, and a guest from Minnesota. All told we had 12 Model T's, a Model A, and of course Lazy Lizzie's Kitchen participating in the Lost Dutchman Days Parade. What a great day it was. The weather couldn't have been more cooperative. It seems as though each year the parade gets longer people and more are there watch...sitting on either the curb, on folding chairs, on tail gates, and as was the case this year, even sitting on a

The day started promptly at 7:30 with donuts and coffee at the Allens. Would

double mattress. What the heck...the

folks in Apache Junction sure know how

to celebrate.

you believe that the Carters were the first to arrive all the way from their home in Sun City West, having left about 6:00 AM with their Model T in tow. The two Steve's (Linney & Nissle) also trailered but everyone else drove their T's from home...Dave Veres & George Elms from Tempe, the Petersons, Smiths, Diehls, and Stolinskis from Mesa, our Minnesota guest and the Forsells from Gold Canyon (Jack drove one of our T's), and last but not least the Apache Junction locals, Gratons and Allens. Mary and Jerry Griffin did not participate in the parade but arrived later for the cookout. At 8:15 AM, it was time to caravan to the staging area to wait our turn in line. The parade was so long that some of it was over before we even got to start our engines.

The Gratons had a neat experience while parading by finding among the throngs of spectators an exuberant teenager who wanted to ride in the Model T. So in she hopped, waving every minute, and couldn't wait to tell her mother that she was participating in her first parade. All thirteen vehicles got through the parade without any mishaps or breakdowns...much to my disappointment as I'm getting a little tired of telling Kae to dust off the Hard Luck trophy! I thought about sabotaging someone's car while their backs were turned but I guess that wouldn't have been fair. I just wish that Gene Carter's flat tire had been on one of our club members T. Oh well, my day is sure to come.

The parade was over about 11:00 and we all returned to the "She Gave Inn" (a.k.a. the Allens house) for a potluck dinner and terrific BBQ on the Lazy Lizzie Kitchen with our in-house resident cook Austin Graton and later Jerry Griffin. I

didn't realize at first we had changed cooks...my first thought was that Austin had just gotten larger while sampling the great chicken, brats, and burgers cooking on the grill. Prior to lunch, a photo shoot was done by our own professional photographer, Steve Nissle.

What can I say, the food was good and company was even better. We surely are blessed with all the good friends we have in this club. Enjoyed having you all here and looking forward to another time at the "Old Kae Corral" (Whoops! I just made a typo...that was the name I wanted to give our property but "she wouldn't give in") Now I'll let Kae clean up the spelling...I never was much good at grammar.

Editor's Note: Our thanks to the Allen's for hosting this event at their very neat and spacious spread. I think Bill likes his rock lawn which he keeps well groomed. He even uses the same tractor that he used to mow his lawn in New Hampshire.

General Meeting Refreshments

Refreshments will be provided by:

March - Urness April - Stolinski May - Griffin

Future Events and Tours

To all members - make your desires known - sponsor an event - you don't have to do it alone, there are others who are willing to help. Think up something fun you want to do and let the rest of us enjoy it with you!!

NATIONAL EVENTS

Northern Colorado 2009 Regional Tour The northern Colorado Model T Club has announced a regional tour

planned for June 12 - 18, 2009. This tour will cover 526 miles over 6 days and is sure to be exciting for those individuals interested in mountain (high) travel. Starting in Loveland, Colorado, the route progresses north through Wyoming including such places as Laramie and Snow Range Pass (10847 ft.), back into Colorado through Steamboat Springs and the Rocky Mountain National Park over Trail Ridge Road (at an elevation of 12,183 feet, the road has been voted the No. 1 scenic byway in the U.S.) returning back to Loveland. For information, contact: Dave Huson, (303) 774-9246, E-mail: modelt1912@msn.com.

Canyonlands III National Tour hosted by the Canyon Country Model T Club. The contact is Russ Furstnow at (928) 526-1343 or lstnow@msn.com. More info available in the Vintage Ford..

Membership in the Model T Ford Club of America

As a Chapter of the Model T Ford Club of America at least 50% of our members must be members of the national club to keep our free insurance. Our club is doing very well in this regard, as almost all of our members belong to the national club. Are your dues paid up??

If your MTFCA member number is not listed on the roster, please call Austin with the number. The number is shown on your mailing label when you receive your Vintage Ford magazine.

PASS IT ON - General information that may be helpful to members.

There has been a lot of information

published lately pertaining to the importance of using oil in the Model T that has a zinc additive for additional lubrication. After some amount of discussion with several people whose judgment I trust, I have concluded to my personal satisfaction that a special oil such as diesel engine oil is probably not more beneficial than a standard multi-viscosity engine oil. Having said that, I don't believe a oil with a zinc additive will do any harm.

JUST FOR FUN

Those Old Model T's

Those old Model T's, Those Model T Fords Had no stereo but two running boards Side curtains and all, they were strictly first class

With dirt stains on windows and cracked isinglass

The gas tank was large, ten gallons it held It was cunningly placed so that you were compelled

To hop out of your car (a neat little trick)
And measure the gas with a gasoline stick

The checking of oil required, if you please Lying down on the ground (with what grace! what ease!)

And reaching beneath to discover the pair
Of valves that were hidden conveniently there

The high pressure tires, in the peak of good style With fifty-pound pressure ran four thousand miles

Size thirty by three with a clincher-rim grip A flat tire was sure on a fifty mile trip There's no radio here, giving forth with the news

No broadcaster here, expounding his views Power brakes, power steering were not to be had

And there were no gimmicks that just might go

bad

These cars, with high bodies and doors that were small

Meant easier entry for folks lean or tall But there were no doors where the drivers would ride

So they would climb up and hop over the side

Sometime if I may, just for old time's sake I would drive one more time in a car of this make

Daredevil I'd be, with a daredevil smile And I'd push her way up to near forty mile.

From "The Flivver" Poem by Dana Craig

Health and Welfare of Members No report

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Chile Relleno Casserole

1 cup buttermilk
4 eggs
1/3 cup all-purpose flour
¼ teaspoon salt
2 to 3 drops hot pepper sauce
2 cups shredded Monterey Jack cheese (8 ounces)
2 cups shredded Longhorn Cheddar cheese (8 ounces)
1 can (7 ounces) whole green chiles, drained and seeded
1 large tomato, sliced

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Grease 1½-quart casserole. Beat eggs, flour, buttermilk, salt and hot pepper sauce together; set aside. Toss shredded cheeses together, reserving ½ cup for top of casserole. Cut chiles into strips. In casserole, layer chiles and shredded cheeses, ending with

chiles. Pour egg mixture carefully over. Arrange tomato slices around edge of casserole. Sprinkle top with reserved ½ cup cheese. Bake for 35 to 40 minutes or until set and a knife inserted near center comes out clean. Serve with tomato salsa. Serves six.

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Motoring Thru Time at Heritage Square









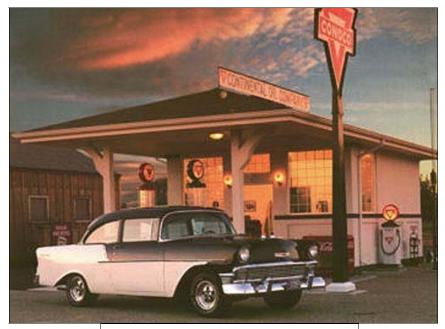
Lost Dutchman Days—Barbecue at the Allens





Lynn and John's Birthday Party





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