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Headline News! Bill Allen almost as old as a Model T Ford!



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EVMTFC (East Valley Model T Ford Club)

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Membership Dues: 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.

Newsletters: We e-mail our monthly newsletter, *Runningboard News*, which also can be viewed on our website. All articles, photos and information for the upcoming newsletter is due to the Editor 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 photo of your T on our website. Send him a photo of your T.

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.

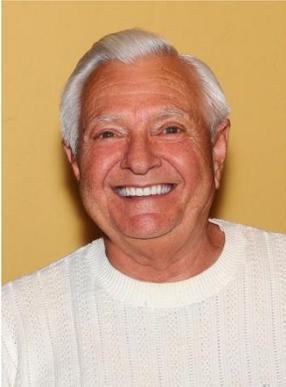
Lifetime Memberships are available. Payment may be made by check, credit card or PayPal.

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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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What a fun March! We started the month with our annual Poker-Run and lunch. We tried a new location for Ice Cream, Handel's in Mesa. It was very good and is now on our list for a return visit. Some 32 club members attended the Early Days Gas Engine and Tractor show. This is always a great time and the weather was just perfect. John Suprock surprised us with his Model T. It was nice to see the results of last month's car clinic where we were able to get his car on the road. Speaking of clinics. The club was able to get two of David Ker's Model T's up and running at our last clinic. Anyone needing a clinic, to help get their car on the road, call any Board Member, to get a clinic scheduled. We finished off the month, with a great trip to The Dwarf Car Museum. That was a nice 120+ mile drive!

We welcomed in new members Keith and Carol Gumbinger, Dale Mewhorter and Jim and Carol Hartzler. Welcome everyone, you have just joined the best Model T Club in the West! Our membership continues to grow each month.

All you new members, if you would like your cars featured on our Website, just send or email a photo to Jeff Henry, jhenry123_321@yahoo.com. Remember to check out our award-winning Website, EVMTFC.com for all events, newsletters new and old and a link to our Facebook Page.

Ken Henry

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 9th

Tractor Show

March 12th

*Clinic at David Ker's home at 22519 W
Lower Buckeye Rd. in Buckeye 85326*

March 17th

Car show at View

Point, 8700 E. University Dr. Mesa AZ

April 6th

BOX O RANCH, south of Florence

April 7th

Ice Cream Fling 2pm
Freddy's Frozen Custard
6846 E. Hampton Ave Mesa

April 24th

General Meeting a 640 N. Mesa Dr., Mesa

May 5th

Ice Cream Fling TBD

May 12th

Mothers Day

May 22nd

General Meeting a 640 N. Mesa Dr., Mesa

June - August

Summer breakfast's TBD

EVMTFC Snack List (Revised Jan. 31, 2019)

September

Peterson, John & Jan
Veres, Dave
Hoverson, Tom & Chriss Tulipana

Poppe, Mel & Lorie
Thyr, Jim & Barb

October

Conlon, Glenn & Dianne,
Elms, George & Ruthann
Nielsen, Mark & LuWanna

April

Linney, Steve & Claudia
Graton, Austin & Lynn
Nissle, Steve & Dianne

November

Fellin, Joe
Francois, Steve & Marilyn
Rash, Dick & Helen

May

Henry, Ken & Cheryl
Henry, Jeff & Jan
Ker, Dave & Terry

December

Club Dinner

June, July, August - No meetings

I would recommend that someone in each group take charge and coordinate with the others on what to bring (maybe the first person on the list could be the coordinator).

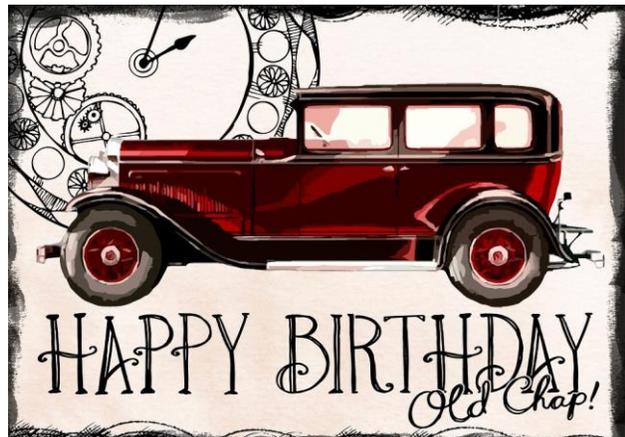
Let me know if I have missed anyone who wants to be on the snack list. I know there may be a month you will not be available, just let me know and we will make an adjustment.

Ken Henry

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

April Birthdays!

4/4 Bernice
4/4 Thomas Auterman
4/14 Colleen Davies
4/16 Reg urness
4/26 Jack Forsell
4/27 Joe Fellon



March 2019 Minutes

The second meeting at our new venue at 640 W Mesa Dr in Mesa was held on March 27th and was opened at 7:00 by Club President Ken Henry with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There was 35 members present in addition to 3 guests, who also became members at the end of our meeting. Welcome to Jim & Cheryl Hartzler from Mesa and their 1914 Model-T Touring, Model-A, Hupmobile & Cadillac. Our other new member is Dale Mewhorter from Apache Junction and his Model-T. Also present at their first EVMTFC meeting were new members Carol & Keith Gumbinger. Keith is the Treasurer and a Board Member of MTFCA and spoke about some of the current projects of the National Club, especially encouraging youth to join and giving them driving lessons.

Administrative

- *The Treasurer's Report* - Dave reported on the expenses and income from the Tractor Show which balanced each other. The other expense was to the Kidney Foundation in memory of Ruthann and other income from new members. He informed us that we had 56 families as members (the largest ever). NOTE: But now we have 58! And for those of us that are going to the Tovrea Castle in Feb. 2020, Dave said he has the tickets.

- *The Vice President's Report* - Dale had completed the 2019 Roster with all the updates and it was mailed to all the members. And our new Membership Application Form now includes a line for our birth month and day (NO year!).

- *The Sunshine Report* - Jan was not present at the meeting due to John having been in the hospital with an infection. But luckily he is home now and on the mend. Knowing Jan, she has kept up with the cards and plaques since the last meeting so we'll get a double dose at our April gathering.

- *The Newsletter Report* - Steve was looking for any pictures and write-ups from the tech clinic in Buckeye, the Dwarf Museum, the Poker Run, the

Tractor Show, and the Ice Cream Sunday and got volunteers for each. Austin also said it would be nice to see articles from new members on "Man and His T" liked we did several years ago.

NOTE: all the above events can we seen on our Facebook page. Remember you can get to Facebook right from our Website. Thank you Jeff for all the great pictures.

Events attended since our last meeting

- *March 2nd* - Poker Run & Ice Cream. Thank you Larry & Sandy Hart for organizing this event
- *March 3rd* - Ice Cream run at Handel's Homemade Ice Cream,
- *March 9th* - Small Gas Engine and Tractor Show at the Apache Junction Fair Grounds with the Chuck Wagon.
- *March 12th* - Clinic at David Ker's home at 22519 W Lower Buckeye Rd.
- *March 17th* - Car show at View Point, 8700 E. University Dr. Mesa AZ.
- *March 23rd* - Trip to Dwarf Car Museum near Casa Grande.

Up Comings Events

APRIL 2019

- *April 3rd* - Private tour of Terry Larsen's Jaguar collection at 2929 N. 82nd St. Mesa AZ 85207. Model T's meet at 9:30 in the LDS Church (7752 E. McDowell Rd. Mesa) parking lot, on the NW Corner of Mc Dowell and 72nd St. Lunch at Barro's Pizza, located at 6663 E. McDowell Mesa AZ.
- *April 6th* - BOX O RANCH, south of Florence. We have been invited to attend a car show and lunch with music and entertainment. A trouble trailer will follow us .
- *April 7th* - Ice Cream Run - TBD
- *April 12th -14th* - Montana's Camp Verde Campout, Potluck, Tour, Car/Fashion Show. NOTE: This event has since been CANCELLED!
- *April 24th* - General Meeting a 640 W. Mesa Dr., Mesa

MAY 2019 -

NOTE: through May 12, a May event could be desert, light and sound unite at the Desert Botanical Garden as cactus and desert become a living

canvas in this nighttime experience.

- *May 5th* - Ice Cream Run - TBD
- *May 12th* - Mother's Day.
- *May 22nd*- General Meeting

Old Business

- New member packets are ready
- Also ready is an updated snack list

New Business

- *New Purchase* - Lynn Graton suggested that the Club buy either a portable PA system or a microphone for the meetings. Ken & Jeff volunteered to price them out. The membership will vote at the next meeting on the purchase.

Update to the EVMTFC By-Laws regarding Article IX Finance:

- *Section 1:* States the Board of Directors shall have the authority for financial transactions not to exceed \$100. NOTE: Since we exceed this limit at least two times a year (Usery Park picnic and Tractor show), the board reviewed this and recommended an increase to a dollar amount of \$250.00 . There was a motion from the floor that we increase this figure from \$100 to \$250.00 without pre-approval by a majority of the members present at a duly called meeting. This motion was seconded and approved.

- *Section 2 :* States all checks shall be signed by both the President and Treasurer. NOTE: There was a motion that we revise this section so just the Treasurer can be the only signature and in his absence, a Treasurer alternate as selected by the club. This motion was seconded and approved.

Tech Clinics

- Steve Francois needs help with his generator. He'll be bringing it over to Dave Veres garage at some point to have him take a look.

Entertainment

- Refreshments - A real variety treat of 5 dozen Dunkin' Donuts provided by Susan & Bob Stone, Ed Stolinski, Bill Arnold & Alice Fadden.

- *50/50 Raffle* - \$75.00 collected and Becky Harbin was the winner of half of that.

- *Auction* - Ken had a poster of a 1929 Ford Tri-Motor Airplane. Reg Urness was the winning bidder.

- *Presentation* - Bob Stone had a video of all the beautiful (and old) Jaguars to be seen at the April 3rd museum event.

Adjournment - right around 9:00PM

Submitted by Kae Allen, Club Secretary

We have some new members!

Owen and Marilyn Akre

e-mail: Owen.marilyn@sask.com (note the dot between n and m)

480-474-8393 Note: phone # is hard to read on application but this is right.

Address: 1403 W. Broadway

Mesa, AZ 85120

Home phone: 306-857-4505

Owns a 5000 acre farm in Canada which his son is running now while he vacations in AZ.

Box 84

Strongfield, Sask (Saskatchewan, Canada)

Jill and Jason Wright (Jill is Randy Walkers daughter)

e-mail: Jillanae@gmail.com

602-410-4292

Address: 844 W. 11th Place

Mesa, AZ 85201

1924 Coupe

David and Jean Chance

137 S. Equestrian Ct.

Gilbert, AZ 85296

602-757-2998 cell

e-mail: dachance@yahoo.com

6 antique cars

Ernie Adam's Dwarf Car Museum in Maricopa

On Saturday, March 23, the East Valley Model T Club toured to Ernie Adam's Dwarf Car Museum in Maricopa, Arizona. The day was sunny and beautiful. Twelve Model T's and one Model A made the trip along with several other vehicles. A total of 30 club members and their guests were present. We toured down on highways 587, 347, and 238, arriving there at about 10AM.

We were greeted there by the proprietor himself, Ernie Adams. He graciously made himself available throughout the tour, explaining how the cars were built, how the museum was started, and so on. On display were about 10 Dwarf cars, made on a scale of 11/16. All body parts, including the body, interior, bumpers et al were hand crafted by Ernie himself. Included in the Museum, in addition to the cars, were license plates, miniature car models, displays of prominent people who had visited the Museum, including Jay Leno, Dennis Gage, and others. Also, there was a "sitting room" and a small movie theatre section which had a continuous presentation made by Ernie which described how he hand-crafted the cars. My personal favorite of all the cars was the "Hidden Valley Hillbillies" car. Up front near the bumper was a tractor seat with the words "Please be seated", along with a telephone hooked up to two Model T coils with the inscription "No Long Distance Calls".

After a thoroughly enjoyable tour of the Museum, Ernie bid us a fond farewell. We headed back to Maricopa and had a delicious lunch at the Speedway diner, then headed for home. I am very pleased to say that no one had to use the trouble trailer, for which we had to thank Tom Holverson. A big thanks also goes out to Ken Henry and everyone who helped put on this truly amazing tour.





A Man and his “T”

Keith & Carol Gumbinger



I bought my first Model T in 1964. Over the years we've owned several T's and now have 4 of them. Our kids, now adults, practically grew up in the back seat of a T and always enjoyed going on tours, etc.

We are Snowbirds and enjoy coming to AZ every winter, usually in February and March as I still work during January. I do the year – end accounting for my former employer and then we promptly get in our motor home and drive to AZ.

AZ is great but I miss having a T to work on and drive. Someday I hope to get one and keep it here.

Besides the EVMTC, we also belong to the Canyon Country T Club in Flagstaff, as well as our home club, The Dairyland Tin Lizzies in South East Wisconsin. I am a co-founder and past President of the Dairyland Tin Lizzies as well as involved in many other aspects of that club.

BTW, We are hosting a National MTFCA Tour in Wisconsin in 2021. It will be in June and based in Fond du Lac, WI. Stay tuned for more information on this.

I enjoy serving on the National MTFCA Board of Directors and also as Treasurer of the club. I'm always promoting the MTFCA and encourage everyone to belong to it as it has so much to offer.

We are looking forward to lots of T fun with the EVMTC.

Here we are at the Apache Junction annual Small Gas Engine and Tractor Show at the Apache Junction Fair Grounds March 9th! And yes! The weather was perfect!





Tech Clinic at 99th Avenue & Plowed Ground

I would reason that most of you have heard the expression "99th Avenue and plowed ground", which usually means really far out in a rural setting. Well for the clinic at the Ker's the plowed ground part is right on, as their southern property line backs up to a farmer's field. The 99th Avenue part is not nearly as far enough out, how about 225th Avenue.

When we were getting close to their place, a check of the GPS told us to go back toward Phoenix 20 miles. We were using the wrong address. A couple of desperate phone calls and we were guided in.

I think they have about 5 acres with, what seems like about 1/4th of it under roof. The shop is about 50' x 100'. One section contains 4 Model Ts, A roadster, a touring, a speedster and a depot hack. The speedster is a bright red brass beauty with a Rajo head. The depot hack also has Frontenac head. Both of these are in the process of repairs or modifications. This section also includes a Model T Ford parts warehouse. The other section has, what will one day be a personal museum with other cars and antique artifacts. Also located within that section is another area which is set up like a 1950s diner including booths with juke box controls at each table. Outside, Dave has a couple of shipping containers with extra parts as well as stacks of parts behind his shop.

Our focus for this clinic was to try to get the touring and roadster up and running. After some testing of the ignition system we decided to change the timer to see if that would cure the problem. We changed from a roller timer to a brush style timer, which was conveniently located in Dave's parts warehouse. This pretty well cured the ignition problem with the roadster. Ken road-tested it and declared it roadworthy with a few other minor adjustments recommended.

The problem with the touring was a fuel issue. After several attempts to start it, the carburetor was replaced with a new one Bill Allen brought with him. The touring, after some coaking, started and ran for a while. That was not the total problem. The take-off carburetor was cleaned and adjusted and the inline fuel filter was blown out with air. After several more attempts at running it, the fuel filter was removed from the line. The original carburetor was reinstalled and the fuel shutoff and strainer was replaced with another found in the parts bins. The engine would run for maybe a couple minutes and then die. Finally it was decided to remove the gas tank and replace it with another found in the parts department. Once the replacement tank was installed it had a leak. The tank was removed and the leak, which was around the drain hole, was patched with J.B. Weld and then reinstalled. The tank could not be tested due to the J.B.Weld patch, however, Dave reports that it is holding and the car now runs like a Model T Ford.

Those in attendance at the clinic included Dave Veres, Ken Henry, Austin Graton, Bob Stone, Dave McAlpin, Bill Allen, Joe Davies and Steve Francois. Bill Allen and Dave McAlpin got the most physical workout crawling under the car dozens of times working on the fuel problem. Another successful clinic, getting both cars to a runnable condition. We will be seeing these cars at future club events.

Many thanks to Coleen Davies for filling in as the caterer for the lunch that was provided in the diner while Terry Ker was at her dialysis treatment. Many thanks also for the hospitality shown by the Kers' and to the drivers, Ken Henry and Dave McAlpin for, as they say in the South, "carrying" us out to the clinic site.





Dear Friends - Bill and I can't thank you enough for your presence in celebrating his 80th birthday. It was because of all of you that made the day very special to us. Of course we were blessed with great weather, band & food but it's the great friends who were here that we'll always remember. Of course how could one forget the day because of the much appreciated video that Jeff made and honored us with. So with all this being said, thank you all again. Bill & Kae



I have as excess parts a New in the Box Colonial Grain Top and New in the Box Pads.

They are Cartouche as sold by Mac's with the part numbers:

Top 26-27 1 Window Colonial Grain TUK4CL27 listed for \$345.95

Pads 09-27 Roadster and Roadster Pickup, black listed for \$47.95

I would let them go for ½ Price.....\$200

Thanks,
Roger Bieberdorf
602 757 6196



1924 Touring. Excellent condition. Rebuilt 6v generator, upgraded LED headlights, tail & brake light. New hickory spokes, front bearing oil line installed and the speedometer also works. Radiator recently Rotted out. Rocky Mountain Brakes and Leakless water pump. Moto Meter, Car cover & curtains included. Two boxes of assorted odds and ends included. \$15,000.00

I live in the Peralta Trails Subdivision of Gold Canyon.

Bill 505-508-8240 kfbill@gmail.com



1922 Model T Ford Centerdoor for Sale

Options: Rocky Mountain Brakes, Distributor Ignition, Water Pump, Stewart Warner Speedometer, Turn Signal

Contact Dave Veres 480-415-3235 for details on condition of running gear.

Price: \$15,000

Need new wood in your Wheels?

Contact Dave Seiler, 714 501 7080, He is in Brea, California. He will replace the spokes in your wheels for \$125 each.

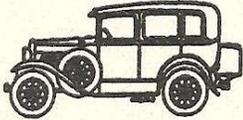
Austin Graton has a friend with a nice 1931 Model A Coupe for sale \$10,000.
Contact Austin at 480 288-0726

July 20, 2019 – 65th Annual Long Beach Model T Club Vintage and Classic Parts Exchange

Saturday July 20, 2019 from 7:00Am until it's over. One of the oldest and best old Ford and old car swap meets in the west. Open to all makes and models, automotive and hobby related items only. Long Beach City College Veterans Stadium, 5000 Lew Davis St. Long Beach, CA. \$5 Admission, Free Parking. Spaces are 20ft wide and 16ft deep. \$40 each or 3 for \$100. Call Jeff Hood 562-597-5936 www.lbmtc.com

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