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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>: 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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Presidents Message

Fall has arrived and hopefully some cooler weather. I don't know if you are like me, but I wonder where the summer went. We were kept busy with family activities and a model T tour. Hope some of you had a tour or two and will be willing to share your adventure.

We were lucky enough to be able to attend the National Tour in Spokane in July. The weather was record high temperatures while we were there but that didn't stop us from seeing the sights, having fun and creating traffic jams in some communities. We were met with enthusiasm and everyone loved taking pictures of the cars. There were approximately 125 cars traveling the roads. We did break up in groups to help with traffic issues. The Inland Empire chapter did a great job of planning this tour. At the banquet on the last evening, there were lots of door prizes and special awards handed out. I am proud to announce that Joe Fellin was the recipient of the Ben Yumori Driving award. I have delivered the trophy to Joe, but plan to make a formal presentation at one of our club meetings.

We would love to hear from you regarding activities for the coming months. We plan to participate in the Veterans Day Parade in Mesa, have a picnic in Usury park Christmas Parade in Apache Junction to name a few.

We have been invited to help the Model A club celebrate International Model A Day. It will be held at Streetside Classics 614 E Auto Center Dr, Mesa on October 23, 2021 at 8 am – 10 am. Streetside Classics will be providing coffee and donuts and opening their doors for us. They have an extensive collection of classic cars. Hope some of you will be able to attend this event. Our club meetings will be resuming at the Mesa Utility Community room. Meetings start at 7. Dates scheduled are Oct 27, Nov 17 and Dec 15. We will probably not be meeting in December as it is planned to conduct our business at the Christmas Party.

Thank you for your patience as we have navigated the COVID issues. Looking forward to a return to business as usual in the coming months.

Sandy



JOE FELLIN receives prestigious Ben Yumori Award from MTFCA

This prestigious award was created by MTFCA director Jim Rodell jr, to recognize members who travel great distances in their model T, promote the club and are ambassadors for the hobby.

Joe felon from Apache junction, Arizona, is an MTFCA and local club member of the East Valley Model T Ford Club in Mesa, Arizona. He is about as well versed in model T culture as one can be. He has profound technical knowledge and a great wealth of information on the full history of our beloved vehicles. At 86, you might say Joe has accomplished most everything there is when it comes to the club and dear ol' Lizzie. He is a prior MTFCA president, director, and Walter Rosenthal award winner, a Bob Wildman award winner, a technical video and article creator, a model T restorer, mechanic and driver, and a friend to anyone he meets.

Joe is known for driving his T out and about. He actually prefers to drive it over his personal modern sedan. He documented the restoration of his 1923 Center door to help teach others how to restore their own T's. He truly loves teaching people the ins and outs of a model T and answering whatever questions they may have.

There was a time when a young couple walked up to Joe as he got out of his T. The gentleman asked Joe if the girl could touch his car. Some antique car owners have stickers or magnets that say, "look, but do not touch"! Joe is certainly not one of those folks. Joe replied, "by all means". It was at that instant Joe realized the young lady was blind. When her hands touched the car, her entire face lit up. Joe asked her if she cared to take a ride in the car. Her answer was one of pure excitement. As they were riding, she kept caressing the dash and the door with an ear to ear grin on her face. The story is just one of the many reasons Jennifer and Eric agreed with those who nominated Joe for the award. They felt Ben Yumori would be truly humbled and proud of Joe's selection as a winner for the 2021 Ben Yumori awa

Calendar

Oct. 3 Ice Cream

Oct 16 Maricopa Swap Meet

Oct 27 Cub meeting 7 pm

Nov 6 Usury Park picnic

Nov 7 Ice Cream TBD

Nov 11 Veterans Day Parade Mesa

Dec 4 Christmas Parade in Apache Junction

potluck before parade at Bill and Kae Allen's

Dec 5 Ice Cream

Dec 10 Christmas Party

Send us some photos and stories!

Heh!

We'd sure like to hear from you all and have you share some photos and a write up of your recent Summer adventures! We definitely need to hear the story of you and your car...with photos of course!

Give us a bit of info on how you're doing and what you've been up to! Photos, recipes, stories, jokes...all welcome!

> Thanks, Steve Nissle / newsletter stevenissle@gmail.com

To all EVMTFC members

Thank all 19 of you for attending the 1st meeting of the season. A good turnout. A special thank you to Dave and Becky for bringing sloppy joe's, John and Jan for deviled eggs and late and the least Tom Hoverson with the drinks.

We have new members, Jeremy Wells, Ray and Nancy Moore.

Present at the meeting was John Lindstrom an automotive instructor from EVIT with 2 students and one parent that are restoring a Model T as part of their educational process. Hopefully we can help them complete their project.

Here is what we accomplished along with some camaraderie with those we have not seen in a long time.

Sunday October 3 we will have our first Sunday Ice Cream Fling at Gelato Dolce Vita. 5251 E. Brown Rd. #104, Mesa at 2 PM. We have met here at least twice before. They also have an Italian deli and store attached to it.

On Saturday October 16 there will be the Southwest Model T Fall Extravaganza at 15406 N. Maricopa Rd, Maricopa AZ. Swap meet and tour. The tour will be Sunday October 17. 1900 to 1970 cars. For more information, call 520-827-0925 or 520-414-8270.

October 27 will be our next club meeting at 640 N. Mesa Dr, Mesa at 7 PM.

I am working on putting together a picnic at Usery Mountain Park. The tentative date for this picnic is November 6.

Thursday November 11 we are signed up to be in the Mesa Veterans Day Parade. We anticipate the parade to be similar the parade in 2019 and earlier.

We should discuss the Christmas parade and Christmas party in October. All suggestions are welcome.

Sandy Hart will be back in town this weekend to help steer us in the right direction.

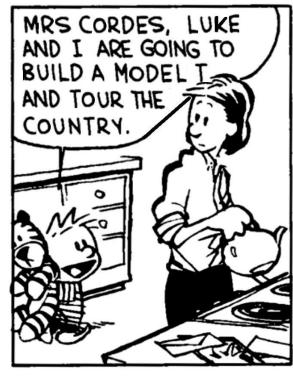
Tom Hoverson, Vice President.



Need a little hand with your T?
Contact our President Sandy and she'll get you scheduled for a "CLINIC"

It's what we do

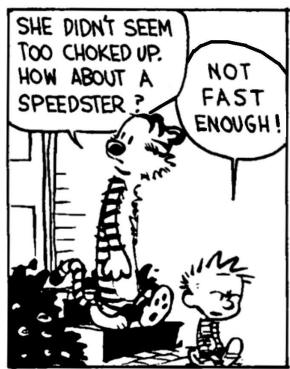
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JEFF, DON'T STAND THERE WITH THE DOOR OPEN. YOU'RE LETTING IN BUGS. EITHER STAY IN OR GO OUTSIDE.







Need new wood in your Wheels? Contact Dave Seiler, 714 501 7080, He is in Brea, California. \$125 each. He does really nice work!



Laurel and Hardy used mainly Model T Ford's in their films .

Films such as 'Perfect Day', 'Hog Wild', 'Towed in a hole 'and 'Big Business', their car usually came out ready for the scrap heap. From James Finlayson's single handed destruction of their Christmas tree carrying car in 'Big Business to their crash into a tram in 'County Hospital'.

One car that survived the onslaught is now on show at The Cars of The Stars Motor Museum in Keswick, It originally belonged to Pacific Auto Rentals in California, and was rented to the Hal Roach Studios. In part, the Model T's popularity on the big screen comes because the car and the medium emerged at approximately the same time 100 years ago – and both became very popular almost overnight.

"The Model T was the 'it' car of the 1920s. It was the best selling vehicle at the time. and everyone in Hollywood and beyond wanted one." said Alessandro Uzielli, head of Ford's Brand Entertainment division.

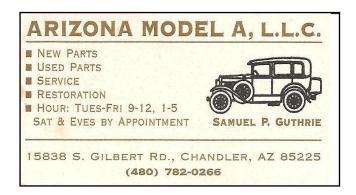
As the first moviemakers moved beyond static interior shots to the outdoors, it was only natural to capture the motion and movement created by the car. In that way, Hollywood reflected the changes brought on by the automobile and mass migration to cities.

While the Model T appears in the short films of such early Hollywood comedians as Keaton and Lloyd, it was the laugh-out-loud lunacy of Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy that made the Model T a featured player.

In one of the last and funniest silent-era films, "Big Business," (1929) Laurel and Hardy are selling Christmas trees out of the back of a Model T truck. When a cranky neighbor rejects their pitch and the tree is damaged, the pair takes it out on the man's house as he inflicts reciprocal destruction on their vehicle.

A "Perfect Day," (1929) Laurel and Hardy's third talkie, features several gags on-board a Model T. When Ollie asks Stan to "throw out the clutch," he reaches down and does just that. In the end, the car drives into a puddle that swallows the pair, their passengers and the car. In "Hog Wild," (1930) Hardy climbs a ladder mounted on Laurel's Model T to install a radio antenna and Laurel accidentally drives off with Hardy still clinging to the ladder. In the finale, the car gets crushed between two streetcars like an accordion – and ironically, seems to run better for it.

Another gimmick Model T was used in the duo's 1928 silent hit, "Two Tars." In that short film, Laurel and Hardy create havoc in a traffic jam and then escape in their Model T into a railroad tunnel. The resulting unseen collision with a train causes them to emerge in a roadster that's been squashed sideways – but still runs, of course.

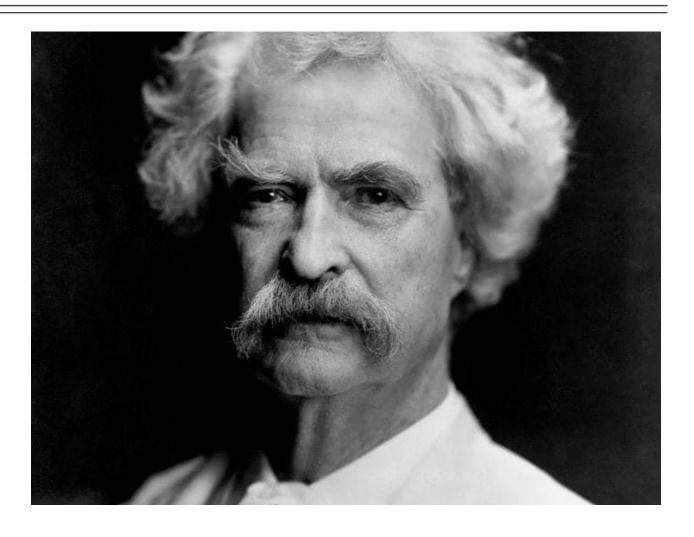


Thank you Sammy for being there for us Model T and A folks!

You are invited to participate in Canyon Winds 3rd Annual car show November 20th, 2021 10am -1pm

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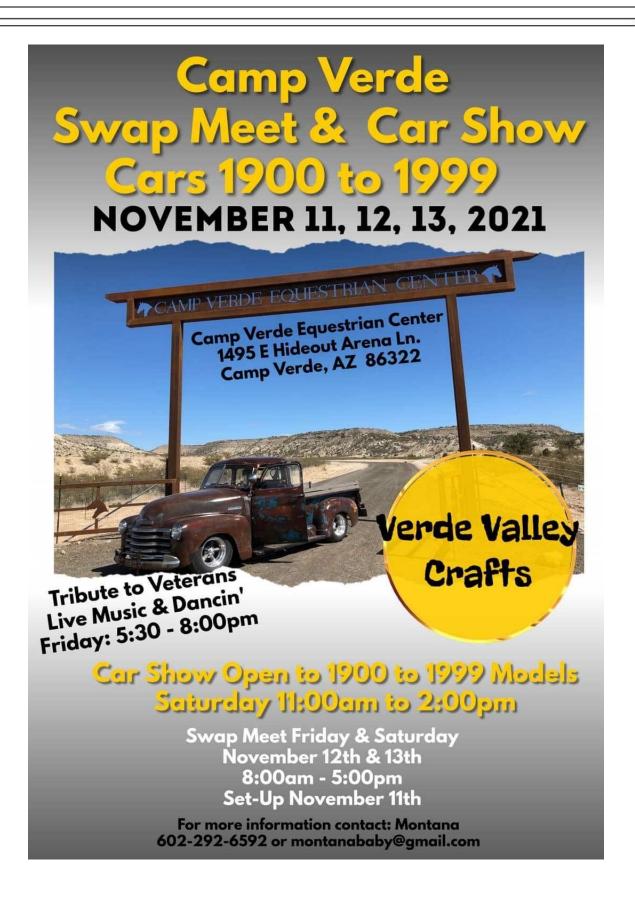


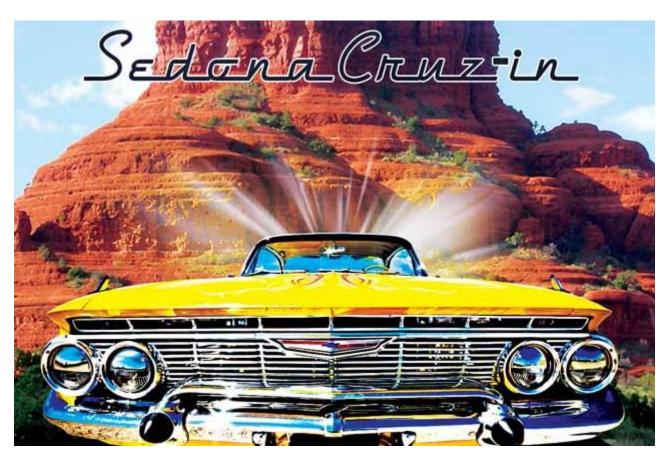


"Kindness is the language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see" Mark Twain









 $\mbox{November 6th} \label{eq:hovember 6} \mbox{At the Collective Sedona, 7000 SR 179 in the Village of Oak Creek from 7am until 1pm.}$

