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“The Hunters in retirement, at the cabin.”

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2011 Club Events

****Next Board Mtg.: Wed., August 7 at The Flying Biscuit, 2874 Hwy 54 W, PTC. Meeting starts promptly at 7:00.**

Southside A's 2011 Calendar of Events

September 16-18	Fort Payne, Ala. Joint tour w/Gold Mine Region.
September 10	Int'l Model A Day
September 24	Club Planning Meeting for 2012
October 21-23	Sweet Home Alabama (CAMAFCA)
November 19	Business Meeting
December -TBD	Christmas Party

2011 Events of Interest

September 17	Barnesville Buggy Days
October 5-8	Hershey Show
Nov. 18, 19, 20	Moultrie Swap Meet

Editor's Notes:

Ah, the summer is winding down, or so the calendar says, even though the thermometer isn't cooperating. We're moving into Fall with many alluring activities to choose from for getting out and about in your Model A! Check out all the info throughout the newsletter while you enjoy our really wonderful tech and fashion articles, an article on tire pinstriping, rumors, jokes and more! And don't forget to share your ideas for next year at our Planning Meeting.

**The Southside A's
currently has 42 active families
on our roster.**

September Birthdays

7st Marilyn Dean
12th Laurie Grubbs
13th Shirley Davis
30th Merle Bennett



September Anniversaries

9/4/1954 Billy & Marilyn Dean
9/22/1979 Jim & Ann Hunter



Notes from Our Director

AND THE HEAT JUST KEEPS ON COMIN'!!!

This just has to be one of the hottest summers that I can remember! But amazingly the Southside A's have been busy thru this heat and our participation has been good. Thanks to all that have joined in. If you have been sitting out the fun, come on in, the drivin' is just fine!

In August we had just one "official" event, that being the Moonlight Tour on the 20th. Prior to that we had a fairly good turn out at the Georgia Region Swap Meet at Cofer Brothers in Tucker. This year was a bit strange as there were more vendors than shoppers. Perhaps our very strange economy was the culprit. Just the same, there were a lot of parts to pick over and I would encourage any A owner to attend next year as there are always good bargains to be had.

The Moonlight Tour (idea by Dick Carne) and trip plans by the Millers, was a great success with a bunch of cars in attendance -- I think about 18, and a few modern as well. We went to dinner at Buckner's of Jackson, Georgia. If anyone left this restaurant hungry -- they were just plain picky! Everyone that I talked to after eating was just stuffed with some really great country cooking. Wow, I would love to have some of that wonderful fried chicken right now -- and some cole slaw -- and some ----- well, more of all of it! This tour was really great for all of us except for Richard Sewell who's A sedan went from pock-it-a-pock-it-a to--- clank-it-a-clank-it-a! Good news is that Robert Cardin thinks he can make a fairly simple repair and get it back on the road soon. We all hope to have you back with us soon, Richard.

On the 27th The Shotwells, the Hunters and Phil Meyers went to the Vintage Day at Candler Field in Williamson, Georgia for a great morning tour and lunch. The turnout at this great event this year was really big with a bunch of beautifully restored and interesting airplanes and some really nice cars as well. If you have never tried this event - do not miss it next time. You can even get a ride in a beautifully restored Waco bi-plane for just fifty bucks at this event! If you have never done that -- it is a definite bucket list item!

The next Board meeting is Sept. 7 at The Flying Biscuit Restaurant in Peachtree City. The restaurant is located at 2874 West Highway 54 and the phone number is 770 631 7077. You can look at their menu at www.flyingbiscuit.com.

I hope that you will feel free to join us for this meeting whether you are a board member or not so that you can be a part of planning what we do as a club.

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting

August 3, 2011

The August 3, 2011 meeting of the Southside A's Model A Club was called to order at 7:00PM by Phil Meyers at I Hop in Fayetteville. The following members were present: Ray & Teri Besch, Liz & Tom Romine, Tom & Betty Miller, Jim & Ann Hunter, Eugene & Kathleen Willingham, Phil Meyers & Kathie Meyers, Jim & Jackie Johnston, & Mike & Gwyneth Shotwell. A drawing was held. The winners were Jim Johnston, Ray Besch, & Mike Shotwell. It was noted that Merle Bennett is still in rehab.

The July minutes were approved. Thanks to Jim Johnston for taking minutes in Teri's absence.

Treasurer Jim Hunter reported a balance of \$835.08. Motion was made & approved to accept the treasurer's report.

Committees:

Membership: Jackie Johnston reported that there are 42 members. No change from last month.

Corresponding secretary: Eugene continues to submit articles to the MARC national newsletter.

Fashion: Articles have been submitted through December, 2011 for the newsletter. Everyone enjoyed the article about garters.

Newsletter: Ray & Teri Besch have resumed mailing out the hard copies to members without e-mail access. They will add two members to that list: James Bowlden & Jerry & Fran Watkins. Eugene reported that he received a newsletter from the new Florida region club. He was also having problems with the AOL e-mail addresses being rejected.

Recording secretary: no report.

Scrapbook: Ann does a great job. It is a nice archive.

Tech: Tom reported that there is not a tech meet scheduled yet.

Activities: Swap meet August 13th. Phil has a space.

August 20th: Tom & Betty Miller agreed to lead the drive to the Moonlight Dinner Tour. Anyone attending needs to meet at the corner of GA 16 & GA 85, at the Flash Gas Station/McDonalds restaurant. E-mail will be sent with time to leave. There are two additional swap meets this year: Charlotte is at the end of August. Moultrie is in November.

Sept. 10: National Model A Day: Jim Johnston is selling patches: \$2.50 each.

There was a lot of discussion about what to do for National Model A Day. It was finally decided that we will have a late lunch (3PM) at Chili's in Peachtree City & then cruise over to the cruise night in Newnan. There will not be a Friday night dinner on Sept. 9.

Vintage day at the Williamson Airport is August 27th.

Sept. 16-18 is the Goldmine Tour. Members are encouraged to attend to support joint club events.

October 21-23: Sweet Home Alabama Tour: SSA Members attending will leave the Wednesday (Oct. 19) before and spend the night in the Montgomery, AL area. Tom & Betty Miller will be the contact with the AL Group and will plan a tour on the way to Montgomery, AL.

Ice Cream Nights: Phil said that whoever shows up will decide where it will be next. That no one needs to be in charge of it. Next Wednesday, it will be at Marble Slab.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Mike Shotwell reported that while in California, he was able to meet with John Chandler, an A400 owner, and member of MAFCA. He was a member of MARC before MAFCA became two clubs.

Tom Miller reminded members that in June 11-15, 2012, MARC National Meet is in Oshkosh,

WI, followed by a MAFCA meet in Marquette, MI on June 18-22. It is time to start making plans if anyone is interested in going.

Liz Romine asked if it was possible to change the date of the November business meeting to Nov. 12th.

Director Phil announced the next meeting date is September 7, 2011 at the Flying Biscuit in Peachtree City.

Motion was made by Eugene and seconded by Ray to close meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 8:35PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Teri Besch,
Recording Secretary

Treasurer's Report

Balance as of June 30, 2011	\$835.08
Deposits	\$0.00
Expenses	\$0.00
Balance as of July 31, 2011	\$835.08

Featured Photo of the Month: (Editors note: Each month we'll feature photos that glorify the Model A in all its varied styles, and enhanced by beautiful or intriguing settings. At the end of the year we'd like the members to vote for their favorite Month, and we'll publish the results in the January, 2012 Newsletter.)



SEPTEMBER

August Moonlight Tour



Sometimes when a tour is completed, you look back and say, "Man, was that a lot of fun." The "Moonlight Tour" on Sunday, August 15 was just such a trip. The ever-present heat was no deterrent to our lovely jaunt, what with the camaraderie and the fun of lining up 15 of the Southside A's spiffy Model A's and heading off to Buckner's restaurant in Griffin.

The group rendezvoused at Flash Foods in Senoia and then set off in the familiar wolf pack through the always beautiful Georgia back roads. The familiar farms with their bucolic vistas were a particular joy to view from the passing caravan, but one section of road did pass through areas where houses had been damaged and huge trees uprooted in the recent tornados.

Richard Sewell had some unwelcome noise from his new engine, deemed to be a problem with the rods. The car was left with a local farmer and retrieved the following day. We look forward to Richard getting the car back on the road and running smoothly.

GA 16 took us to Griffin through Digby to Moreland Rd. After a few lefts and rights, and about 35 miles later, we turned left on Bucksnot Rd, (a name this writer could hardly omit) causing us to wonder what might have prompted the name those many years ago...possibly an eager hunter lost a warm trail, only to have the prized buck miraculously reappear from the brush with a hot snort.

Buckner's Restaurant, for those of you who haven't had the dining pleasure, is a buffet with large circular tables with two levels of Lazy Susan's in the center and a constant supply of green beans, fried chicken, creamed corn, pulled pork, new potatoes, corn bread, peach cobbler, and on and on.



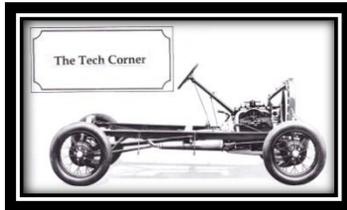
The group filled up four tables, ate to our heart's content, then migrated out to the cars for some milling about and sharing with onlookers.



As the sun began to drop over the yardarm, we saddled up and headed back in the luxurious twilight. What a fun evening we all had. Thanks to **Dick Carne** for coming up with a delightful venue, and making the arrangements, and to **Tom and Betty Miller** for planning the routes there and back, typing up the directions and leading us all safely on the road. All you folks really know how to plan a trip!

Mike Shotwell

The Southside tour group included: Eugene & Kathleen Willingham, Ray & Teri Besch, Larry & Jackie Peterson, Tom & Betty Miller, Rick Horne & Liz Enney, Tom & Liz Romine and guests, Phil & Kathie Meyers, Richard Sewell, Jim & Jackie Johnston, Jack and Drena Miller, Dick & Jane Carne, Jason & Tina Carne, "Mikie" and Carole Foran, Mike & Gwyneth Shotwell, and Lisa Bennett.



Red-hot Safety!

By Tom Romine, Tech Editor

It was brought to my attention, after last month's article, that Sir Isaac Newton would not be very happy since I gave credit for his law "*what's in motion tends to stay in motion*", to Einstein. I was commenting on Murphy's Law, got it wrong - just another example of Murphy's Law, right?

Have you ever been there? Everything going just right, *and then...* well.

I just heard about a situation, where 'what could go wrong' did. On an outing to the Hiawasse area, 7 or 8 years ago, there were maybe 80 or so Model 'A's' parked in and around the Pine trees; beautiful setting, right? The kind of area we would like to go to. Well, as a couple of men were working on Ray Besch's car, one saw 'SMOKE' coming from another car real close by. By the time these men got to the other car, flames were coming out around the dash. They opened the hood, started pulling wires, while another tried to get the Dash Panel loose. The flames died out and happily no MAJOR damage. Seems the Amp Meter shorted to ground, direct short, the wire heated up which caught the fabric insulation on fire. The flames were **too** close to the gas cap, which you know is vented; why it did not go BOOM they do not know, but it didn't.

One man had an Amp Meter, another 'this' and another 'that;' within 45 minutes the car was started and ran good enough for Dick Carne to drive his Phaeton home.

This brought about 2 things, maybe three. One, a friendship started, two, the idea of keeping extra parts and supplies with you! (Usually it's easier to fix our cars than to try to get them towed home.) And third, **where was the Fire Extinguisher??**

I understand some of the car clubs require you to have an Extinguisher with you, on any group outings. Soooo... do you have one in your car? Do you know how to use it? How fast can you get to it?



The National Fire Prevention Association rates Extinguishers in two ways, the first a 'Letter' rating, A, B, C, D and K, next a 'Numerical' rating. The higher the number the more fire fighting power.

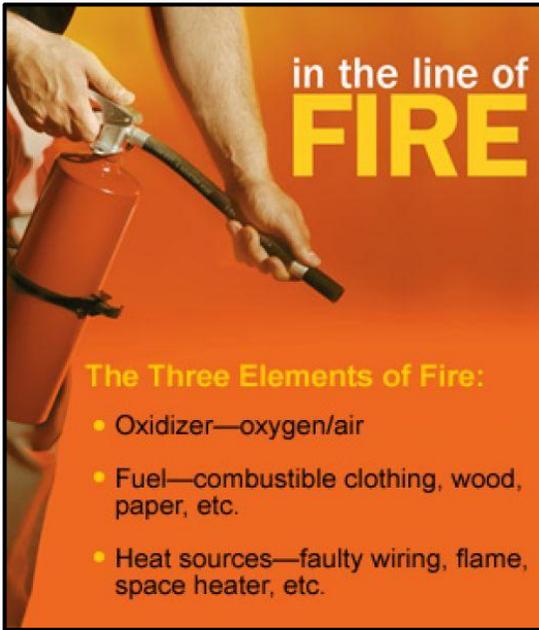
Class 'A' - Normal combustibles, paper, wood, cardboard and most plastics. Numerical rating indicates the amount of water it holds and the amount of fire it can extinguish.

Class 'B' - Liquids such as gasoline, kerosene, grease & oils. Numerical rating equals approximately number of square feet of fire it can extinguish.

Class 'C' - Electrical equipment, appliances, wiring, circuit breakers, etc., this unit is non-conductive. No Numerical rating.

Class 'D' - Combustible metals, such as Magnesium, Titanium, Potassium, and Sodium. Only for Class 'D' fires, **NOT** for Multi-purpose ratings. No Numerical rating.

Class 'K' - Kitchen fires, cooking oils or Trans-fat oil, such as deep fryers. No Numerical rating.



Some fires may involve a combination of these classifications. Our Fire Extinguishers should have an 'ABC' rating. This is a multipurpose dry chemical Extinguisher. It is filled with Monoammonium Phosphate, a yellow powder that leaves a sticky residue (better than losing our cars) OR a 'BC' rated extinguisher, a dry chemical, which is filled with sodium bicarbonate or potassium bicarbonate (corrosive residue), which must be cleaned immediately to prevent any further damage to our cars.

What size of Extinguisher suits your car? Weight determines the size of a Fire Extinguisher. A 2-pound Extinguisher is light enough to handle easily and small enough to fit into our cars. A Commercial Vehicle must carry a Fire Extinguisher, usually around 5 pounds.

Our cars need an Extinguisher that will handle, Gasoline, Grease, Oil, Wiring, Electrical, Upholstery and yes, Wood and Cardboard. So a Dry Powder, 'ABC' or 'BC' is what we need to

carry, in **each** of our cars. Including our Modern rides. I carry a 3- pound unit in both my 'A' and my Modern cars.

If you have an Extinguisher, when was the last time you checked it? Yours has a gauge on it right? Well, how do you know it is still good? If it has been there for some time, tap on the gauge. Is the needle still in the green scale? Now take the Extinguisher, turn it upside down, right next to your ear. Do you hear a swooshing sound? Yes? Then it is still good and can be used. If you hear a thump, the chemical has turned solid and will not work, even though you're in the green.

Don't wait until you need your Extinguisher to read how to use your Extinguisher; then it may be too late!



1937 T57 Bugatti. The owner flooded the engine while starting the car, the gas pooling on the floor. It backfired, starting the fire. The elderly man was unable to get the fire extinguisher to work.

Last but not least, you need to get to it very quickly. Where do you keep yours? Mine is right behind the driver's seat!

Happy SAFE Motoring!

The Southside Spy



(Editor's Note: this section reports rumors, sightings and other miscellaneous pertinent data. Factual information is always sought, however, misstatements, distortions and outright fabrications will also be strongly considered).

Spy News business opportunity? At last summer's Sweet Home Alabama tour, the editors were told by **Cecil Freeman** that he was so exhausted by the days touring that he was "looking for a couple of Bungee cords to throw over his shoulder to hold up his sagging bee-hind." The editors felt that, cut to the right lengths, this

concept would appeal greatly to the aging Model A community and have asked Cecil for an advanced prototype. The cords can even be produced in authentic Model A colors for judging purposes...**the Editors** have requested Brewster Green.

"I woke up one morning, and my Model A had been stolen and replaced by an exact duplicate."

--**Steven Wright** (adaptation)

Vintage Day @ the Peachstate Aerodrome

A last minute excursion to "Vintage Day" at the Peach State Aerodrome (AKA Candler Field) in Williamson was organized by **Director Phil Meyers**. Candler Field has an historic association with the early U.S. airline and automobile industries, and the annual "Vintage Day" showed off both with about 30 antique cars and the same number of aircraft. Opened in 1909 by Coca Cola founder Asa Candler, the project was first developed as a race track with notable visitations by race car drivers such as Barney Oldfield. Within a year though, the racetrack concept was abandoned, and later Candler Field became Atlanta's first airport.



Representing the SSA's at the festive gathering with a Town Sedan, a faux Blindback and a snappy roadster were **Director Phil Myers, Mike & Gwyneth Shotwell, and Jim & Ann Hunter**. The magisterial presence of **Marshall Pape** was noted, the Aerodrome being just "up the road a piece" from his sprawling estate.

Model “A” Fashions

It comes as no surprise that women sewed a lot in the Model A Era.

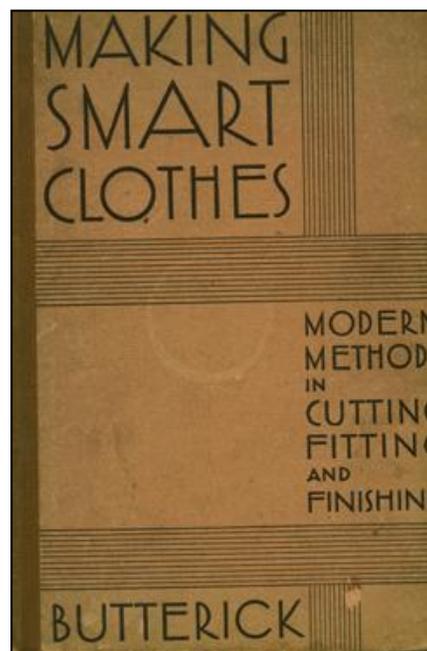


The book, Making Smart Clothes; Modern Methods in Cutting, Fitting and Finishing by Butterick. ©1930, is full of tips to be a better seamstress. The author states that, “Every intelligent woman can make a better dress for fifteen dollars that she can buy for thirty-nine fifty.” That sounds like an awful lot of money, for the hard times our country was going through!

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This book is available used on Amazon.com for only \$9.10. Here is the description of the book according to goodreads.com:

“Here in the step-by-step evolution of a smart frock Butterick has crystallized the formula for all successful dressmaking...a formula which resolves itself into these three factors...the choice of a superlatively smart style in a good pattern...smart fabric in a becoming tone and texture, correctly cut...and perfect workmanship. One reviewer commented that, ‘This is a first edition of my earliest sewing book. I do like the tips and tricks in it, because it’s so early, all the illustrations are 20s fashions. I use this book more for its tips on how to sew than its style tips.’”



I found this book on line and thought it was a great idea for an article. While I was growing up, my mom made most of my school clothes. I know that she would not have spent fifteen dollars on fabric for a dress. I doubt that she spent that much money for all of my school clothes!

By: Teri Besch, Fashion Chair

Make your plans! Fort Payne Alabama Tour

September 16-17-18, 2011

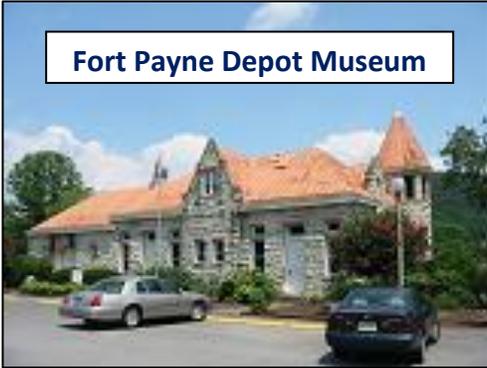
Come join the Gold Mine Region on our fall tour to Fort Payne, Alabama. If you take pleasure in driving your old cars, then you are in for a real treat. We will be touring on scenic roads in Georgia and Alabama, and are delighted that the Southside A's will be joining us on this action-packed driving tour. This is a self-guided driving tour with directions, mileage and information regarding some of the places of interest along the way. The leisurely drive will take you on some of the best touring roads in both states. Feel free to make stops at your leisure for stretching, sightseeing, or taking pictures. This will be a great opportunity to meet and make new friends. The magic word is leisurely. In our fast paced society you owe it to yourself to just get settled back, relax and watch the world go by through your windshield.

Agenda:

Friday:

Departure from Newnan area. (Eugene Willingham is making those plans)

We will meet in Rome at the Wal-Mark parking lot, departing at 11:30am for Cedar Bluff, Alabama. Lunch is at the Lighthouse Restaurant and Motel. After lunch we will caravan a short distance over to Fort Payne and check in at the **Holiday Inn Express**. **Everyone should make**



their own reservations by calling 256-997-1020. Be sure to mention that you are with the MARC Gold Mine Region Car Club. Room rates are 89.99 plus tax. After you have made your reservations please Butch Morgan, 706-265-171. He needs a head count for the tour.

Remember this is a self guided tour so use your tour guide if you want to visit the Train Depot and The Alabama Band Fan Club Museums. Dinner will be on your own.

Saturday:

Using your tour guide you may depart at your leisure for the drive to DeSoto Falls and the Little River Canyon. Lunch is on your own, later that evening we are planning on having dinner together at Ryan's.



Sunday:

You may depart individually or in groups at your leisure.

Happy Model A'ing



Pinstriping Your Tires

Have you ever debated whether to put white walls on your Model A, or stick with Henry Ford's standard blackwall tires? It can be an agonizing experience, with esthetic and financial considerations. Well, there might be an alternative to consider, a distinctive touch that might be a fun "in-between" to your white wall vs. black wall dilemma.

Before I talk about this treatment, a little background is in order. Last year's MARC convention in Indiana highlighted a plethora of great cars and great detailing. In particular, I was enthralled with the preparation for the fine point judging. In fact, I spent the better part of one day watching maestro Jim Brand not only applying last minute pinstriping to some of these competitors, but also applying a little-known tire treatment on several of the cars lined up for his services. What led me to seek out Mr. Brand was my studying of cars behind the stanchions in the hotel anteroom to the conference center where onlookers were able to have up-close experience with some unbelievable steel. There was a reproduction of the famous Buehrig Model A painted in glorious Capucine (reddish yellow), a beautiful restored Fordor, an original fire truck, and a custom extended Fordor. But the vehicle that struck me the most was Rex Cole's blue '31 Deluxe Panel Truck (featured in the SSA's Volume 4, #1 "Photo of the Month").

Not only was it a rare model, obviously beautifully restored, but I couldn't take my eyes off the tires. And I wasn't the only one to notice as I saw several others pointing to the wheels and clicking their cameras.



These tires were subtle, but classy, and distinctively different than the normal 19 or 21 inch blackwalls encountered on Model A's. Finally, during my 2nd trip to gaze on this Henry Ford beauty, it dawned on me that the groove below the distinctive diamond treads had a thin silver pinstripe that I hadn't recognized.

Jim Brand enlightened me with an article by tire guru, Enrique Klein, in "The Restorer" July/Aug 1997, entitled "On Authenticity, Tires - A Summary," which includes several interesting quotes about not only the silver pinstripe on the late 1930 and '31 Goodyear tires, but also notes about the red centering pinstripe guides on the Firestone and Goodyear brands which can be seen just above the edge of the rim when the tire is mounted. The Klein article also describes the waving flag logo on the later Goodyear tires which included a "yellow upper and lower fields with blue side fields over a stippled background" (see photo) as well as photographs of original tires with the red and silver pinstripes.



The Maestro, Jim Brand, at work.

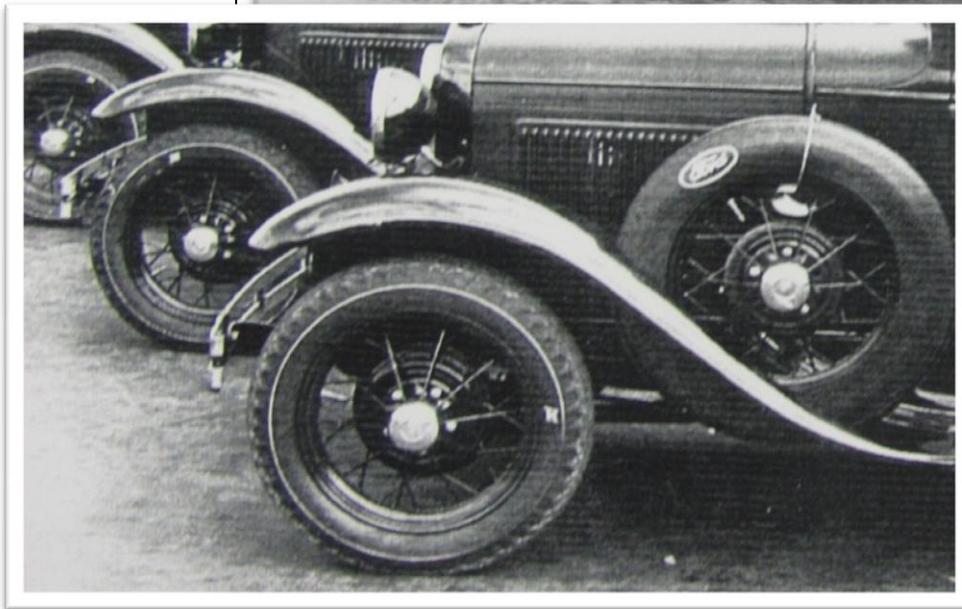


Is this unusual treatment "legal?" When you bring your freshly restored beauty to your next judging competition will you be downgraded? The Klein research should put that question to rest. Pictured is Bill Edstrom's extraordinary black A400, a recent 491-point and Henry Award winner.



Bill Edstrom's extraordinary A400.

To back up the research even further, Jim Brand produced a period photo of National Park Service pickup trucks lined up in the street outside a Washington Ford dealership, all with clearly brand new Goodyear tires with silver pinstripes and painted flags.



A fleet of Model A pickups with pinstriped tires outside a Ford

In conclusion, these tires, although a bit pricey... might offer a middle ground for anyone reluctant to go all the way to whitewalls, but seeking a subtle touch of elegance to their black tires.

--Mike Shotwell

BARNSVILLE BUGGY DAYS

Saturday September 18th

If you have not made plans for that day why not consider going with us to the 37th Annual Buggy Days. The MARC Georgia Region has been attending this event for too many years to mention. This year they have ask the Southside A's to join them for a fun filled day and a chance to show off your Model "A" and be part of their parade.

If you think you can make it or have any questions please let Ray or Teri Besch know. They can be reached at 770-487-9215 or my e-mail besch105@comcast.net.

For those attending we will send additional instructions for the departure point and time.

Barnesville Buggy Days celebrates Barnesville's heritage as the Buggy Capital of the South during the late 1800's. We have been awarded the distinction of being a Top 20 event in the Southeast for five out of eight years, often featured in major publications such as "Southern Living" magazine. Buggy Days is held on the third full weekend in September.

The Fun Begins With Arts & Crafts

More than 150 artists and crafts persons sell their handmade items on Main Street. Buggies are on display outdoors and in our Old Jail Museum. Food pleasing to every taste is available from hardworking civic clubs.

Food Court

Local civic groups provide a variety of traditional and unique food menus to satisfy any appetite.

We Love a Parade!

Our parade features buggies, floats, horses, and a host of civic groups. The parade begins at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, leading off with our Grand Marshall. Each year the Outstanding Citizen for Lamar County is conferred the honor of riding the parade route in a carriage as our Grand Marshall.

Concert and Street Dance

The Chamber of Commerce and a host of Sponsors would like to invite you to The Ritz Park Amphitheater on Friday, September 16th at 7:00 pm for the annual Street Dance to rock in the Buggy Days weekend. All bands are to be announced at a later date.

Bits and Pieces

International Model A Day - September 10:

We are looking forward to enjoying the commemoration of International Model A Day by meeting at the **Chili's** Restaurant in Peachtree City at **3 PM** for a late lunch, followed by attending Cruise Night in Newnan. Jim Johnston has event patches for sale at \$10 each. Contact him at: **(678) 423-4344**.

Planning Meeting for 2012 - September 24:

The Planning meeting will take place on **September 24** at the home of Tom and Betty Miller. Please let Phil Meyers know of ANY tour ideas you have, types of outings you would enjoy participating in, and even what aspects of past tours interested you the most. This is YOUR club, and it thrives on YOUR participation. Mark your calendar and join the group as we mold another exciting year of events for the club, as well as joint activities with our sister clubs.



One-day Tour Opportunity From the Gold Mine Region:

While at the ArtFest in Jasper in April, Mr. Pete Cagle, the Mayor of Talking Rock, asked if we could bring our cars to their Heritage Days Festival on **October 15th**. Gold Mine Region provided some cars about 3 years ago and they were a hit. He was blown away by the cars at Jasper and is very excited about the possibility of having us return. Talking Rock is a small village just a few miles north of Jasper, dating back to the Indian days, and they put on a nice little festival every year, when the leaves are out on the trees and weather is cooling down.

The plans is to meet at Biguns BBG at Highway 515 and Carns Mill Rd at 11:00. (Carns Mill Rd is about 6 miles from where 53 crosses 515 in Jasper.) We will depart at 11:30, led by the Sheriff's Dept., over to Talking Rock. We will parade into town and park amongst the crafts folks on Main Street. There is a pavilion in town where we can picnic together, tool around the festival, then at 3:00, load up and drive up the mountain to my house where we can do some front porch sitting and dessert eating.

Please contact me at **706-692-7626** or email at john@gsi-executes.com so we can get an idea of how many cars we will need to provide parking space for on Main Street, and how much dessert to have on hand!

John Martin, Gold Mine Region

Sweet Home Alabama - progress report:

A possible visit to the Fort Benning Museum in Columbus is being considered as part of the tour for our one-night stopover in Montgomery, AL, on the way to Foley and the Sweet Home Alabama Tour. Further information and "shaping up" news will be sent out in email form, along with another installment in next month's newsletter. Looks to be a fun tour!



5th Annual Sweet Home Alabama Tour October 21 - 22, 2011

The Fifth Annual Sweet Home Alabama Tour will highlight the beauty of Alabama's Gulf Coast. The Tour will be conducted as a hub tour from Foley, Alabama and will feature spectacular Gulf Coast scenery, country back roads, great seafood, the Naval Aviation Museum, and Historic Fort Morgan.

We plan to have an early bird get together Thursday evening (6p.m.) at the famous Lambert Café, "The home of throwing rolls," for some tire kicking, and renewing old friendships. The scenic tour will start Friday morning October 21st with a road trip along the gulf coast to the Pensacola Naval Station and a tour of the National Naval Aviation Museum. The museum and grounds displays more than 150 restored aircraft and 4,000 artifacts representing the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard Aviation. Among the 291,000 square feet of exhibit space in the museum are an IMAX theatre and flight simulators. After the tour at the NAS and lunch we will proceed to Gulf State Park site #4 for tour pictures. At this point the agenda for the rest of the afternoon and evening will become free time. Attendees will be able, on their own or with friends, to enjoy the beach, visit shops in Gulf Shores, tour the "Hang out" and other tourist attractions. You will be able to top the evening off with a special meal at your favorite Gulf Shores restaurant. Also available will be evening shopping at the Tanger Outlet Mall in Foley (Open until 9). The activities for Saturday will begin with a tour of the Baldwin County Heritage Museum, and on to downtown Foley. The tour in Foley will feature lunch and a self guided tour through the city which has antiques shops, a railroad museum, a medical museum, Stacey's ole time soda fountain and more. In the afternoon we're off through the countryside to Fort Morgan. Fort Morgan was active during four (4) wars but is famous for its role during the battle of Mobile during the Civil War. The festivities continue Saturday evening with a "Seafood feast" at the Wolf Bay Lodge. Sunday morning we're off for home and the end of another adventure on the Model "A" highway.

The Holiday Day Inn Express, Alabama (251-971-1700) is our host Motel. A block of rooms has been reserved and will be released on September 22nd. When you make your reservations, mention you are attending the Sweet Home Alabama Tour to receive the tour special rate of \$79. Make your reservations early, we have only reserved 40 rooms and they will go fast. If you are towing your Model "A" Ford you will be able to park tow vehicles and trailers along the main entrance road and the turn around at the end.

If you have questions, give Paul Majerick a call at (334) 269-1309, or email him at paulmajerick@aol.com. Bring "Henry's Finest," your lawn chairs, beach hat, and get ready to do a lot of tire kicking, touring along the beautiful Alabama Gulf Coast and just plain having fun. No Street Rods please. Tour registration form is attached.

FIFTH ANNUAL SWEET HOME ALABAMA TOUR OCTOBER 21-22, 2011

REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: (LIST ALL ATTENDEE'S) _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY & STATE: _____

CLUB: _____

CELL NUMBER () _____ E-MAIL: _____

Year of Car:	Model of Car:	Trailerling:	Arrival:
		Yes No (Circle one)	Thurs. Fri. (Circle one)

Insurance Company:	Insurance Policy Number:

REGISTRATION FEE PER CAR (*This includes admission to Ft. Morgan, donation to the Heritage Museum, Door Prizes and Breaks*)

\$ 25.00 (Per Car)

Friday – 11:00 a.m. Naval Air Museum IMAX Film (Hubble 45 mins)
(\$8.00 Per Person) _____ people \$ _____

Saturday – 6:30 p.m. Sea Food Feast at the Wolf Bay Lodge
(\$25.00 Per Person) _____ people \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: (No refunds after Oct 11, 2011) \$ _____

Please make your reservations direct with the Holiday Inn (251) 971-1700 Make reservations by Sept. 20, 2011 to get the tour rate of \$79.00

Make Check Payable to: Central Alabama Model "A" Ford Club and forward Completed Registration form with payment no later than October 10, 2011 to:

**Sweet Home Alabama Tour
1309 Magnolia Curve
Montgomery, Alabama 36106-2010**

Items For Sale

FOR SALE: 1931 Victoria Leatherback. Older restoration. Good-to-excellent condition. Blue-ribbon quality. Low mileage; rebuilt braking system; rebuilt steering box and column; new tires; new clutch; mohair interior; wood grain; and much more.

\$25,900.00 Call Mike Shotwell: 805-890-5113 or email at mdshot@aol.com



FOR SALE: 1929 Cabriolet - Great looking car, runs very well. Changed to 12-Volt and has an F100 Modified Steering - Asking Price \$25,000.

Contact Mike's "A" Fordables - 706-652-3866



FOR SALE: Several 17 and 18 inch Ford spoke wheels, sand blasted, powder coated, cream in color, \$135.00 each. Call James Stewart: 706-846-2157 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

MODEL A's FOR SALE: Roadsters, Coupes, Sedans, Victorias, even a T model. todayis@bellsouth.net or Call Tommy Davis @ 770-634-6113 or email for photos.

FOR SALE: 1929 Fordor. Rare Model 170-A. Upholstery very good; original flower vases; Kari Keen steel trunk. \$20,250.00 Contact Richard Kiser at: 256-558-2229 or email at: kiserr@charter.net



FOR SALE: 1930 Model A Tudor. Well maintained; very dependable. Brass Works radiator; new brakes, alternator; Aries Muffler; high-speed rear end; seat belts, turn signals, and more. \$13,000.

Orville Booth - 803-261-2897

FOR SALE: 1930 Georgia License Plates (Unrestored)

Single plates: \$35.00 each. Pairs: \$100.00 pair.

Sequential single plates (example: 348-123 and 348-124, etc): \$40.00 each.



Contact: Jim Hunter at 770-487-0140 or email ytguy@aol.com.

FOR SALE: Cover Craft; cotton - poly car cover for 2- or 4- door sedan with storage bag. Sells new for \$180.00. Offered used, excellent \$ 85.00.

1928 - 29 roadster rear spreader bar; original in VG condition. \$25.00.

Air maze w. paper air filter fits Tillotson / Zenith - New \$30.00. Used price \$20.00. 2 new replacement cartridges for additional \$20.00.

Sun Pro mechanical water temp gauge, used, in good cond. -- \$10.00.

Sun Pro Mech oil pressure gauge - 0 - 100 psi. -- good cond -- \$5.00.

Model A horn voltage reducer. Use your 6-volt A horn on a 12-volt car. Good, used - \$12.00.

Two Model A bulb type sediment bowls. One "may" be cracked; one has all new parts in it. \$45.00/the pair.

Side of motor, restored water neck - excellent condition -- \$20.00.

Stock length pitman arm with new ball installed -- \$20.00.

Aluminum top water neck in good cond. -- \$10.00.

Steel top water neck with repaired crack -- \$5.00.

Call Phil Meyers for any of the above:

770-487-4220.

Club Items

Name Tags are available by contacting
Teri Besch at 770-487-9215
or besch105@comcast.net

Club Banners: We have designed a Club
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just to hang in your shop. Call Jim Johnston
@ (678) 423-4344 or john8191@bellsouth.net

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We have Vendors that supply embroidery for
hats and shirts. If you are interested contact
Eugene Willingham @ 770-253-6518 or
ewill@numail.org



Note: There is almost no limit to what
you can have embroidered. Use your
imagination, talk to Eugene and see what
you can come up with.

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